CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

135 BERKSHIRE STREET, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02141



October 17, 2023

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

GRANT AWARD:

FY24 Early College Support Grant - (SC24831)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the School Committee accept and approve the grant award below in the

amount and for the period indicated.

Grant Amount: \$75,000.00

Period: 9/29/2023-6/30/2024

Source: State

Administrator: Dr. Nicole Gittens

DESCRIPTION: The purpose of this grant is to provide resources to districts to build or sustain capacity in their Designated Early College programs. FY24 grant funds will support:

- Transportation for Early College students between CRLS and Lesley University and Benjamin Franklin Cummings Institute of Technology;
- Early College on-ramping curriculum implementation for 9th grade and development of on-ramping curriculum for younger grades;
- Stipends for CRLS staff in the Special Education Department to develop student support strategies, stipends for RSTA and guidance staff to develop career exploration, and stipends to media arts staff to create a new Early College informational and promotional video;
- Public relations materials, promotional items, and other supplies to build awareness, community, and culture around Early College;
- MacBook laptops which will support advanced Adobe software for use by Lesley University art and design Early College students.

DISTRICT PLAN ALIGNMENT: The Early College Support grant will support the following Strategic Initiatives: 2.6 - Embed college and career exploration and experiences across the JK-12 continuum.

Expense Category	FY24 Budget	FY24 FTE
Permanent Salaries & Benefits	-	-
Temporary Salaries	2,375.00	-
Other Expenses	72,625.00	-
Total	\$75,000.00	-

SUPPORTING DATA - RULES OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Chapter III, Section 19, <u>Acceptance of Grants for Expenditure</u>. Pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L.c.44 & 53A, the Superintendent or his/her designee may submit applications for grants or gifts from federal, state, charitable foundation, private corporation or individual. Grant or gift awards for educational purposes must be submitted to the School Committee for acceptance and approval prior to expenditure.

Respectfully submitted,

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Superintendent of Schools

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