

CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

135 BERKSHIRE STREET, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02141



February 6, 2024

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

GRANT AWARD: **Chronic Absenteeism Grant (SC24778)**

RECOMMENDATION: That the School Committee accept and approve the grant award below in the amount and for the period indicated.

**Grant Amount:** \$10,000.00

**Period:** 12/14/2023-9/30/2024

**Source:** Federal through State

**Administrator:** Dr. Lendozia Edwards

**DESCRIPTION:** The DESE Chronic Absenteeism Recovery Initiative provides resources to support schools and districts to scale and strengthen efforts to address chronic absenteeism. Grant funds are intended to support:

- Student tracking and monitoring systems;
- Family engagement and communication;
- Attendance recovery academies.

**District Plan Alignment:** Strategic Initiative 3: Establish robust multi-tiered systems of support (MTSS) to support students’ academic, social, emotional, and behavioral needs. Strategic Initiative 10: Improve families’ access to resources within and beyond CPS.

Expense Category	FY24 Budget	FY24 FTE
Permanent Salaries & Benefits	-	-
Temporary Salaries	-	-
Other Expenses	10,000.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>	- -

SUPPORTING DATA - RULES OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Chapter III, Section 19, Acceptance of Grants for Expenditure. 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,

 Victoria L. Greer, Ph.D.  
Superintendent of Schools