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September 10, 2024

**ORDERED:**

That Superintendent's Recommendation #24-225 Grant Award, be adopted as follows: that the School Committee accept and approve the grant award below in the amount and for the period indicated:

FY24 Circuit Breaker Allocation (SC24776) (Increase) State, in the amount of \$7,129,811.00 for the period of October 13, 2023 to June 30, 2025.

Description: The purpose of this grant is to provide reimbursement for a portion of CPS costs of educating high-needs special education students. The state increased the allocation for CPS by \$20,421 for a new total of \$7,129,811.00.

- The state's Special Education Circuit Breaker program reflects the district's reimbursement for prior year expenses educating high-needs special education students in excess of the per- student threshold;
- In FY23, the per-student threshold was \$49,494;
- The allocation for FY24 is based on a reimbursement rate of 75% for instruction and tuition claims and 57% for transportation claims made in FY23;
- The district uses Circuit Breaker to fund out-of-district tuition and transportation expenses.

A true copy:

Attest:



Katherine Christo  
Interim Executive Secretary to the Cambridge School Committee

c: Superintendent