

CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

159 THORNDIKE STREET, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02141

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TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

GRANT AWARDS:	<u>Project/Grant</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1.	SC15103	EC Sp.Ed. Prog. Improvement	\$8,550.00
2.	SC15110	Akamai Foundation	\$5,000.00
3.	SC15894	Mass. Cultural Council	\$3,600.00

RECOMMENDATION: That the School Committee accept and approve the attached grant awards in the amounts and for the periods indicated.

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,

Jeffrey M. Young, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Grant Descriptions

1. Early Childhood Special Education Program Improvement (SC15103)

Award: \$8,550.00
 Period: 12/15/2014 – 6/30/2015
 Source: State, Allocation
 Administrator: Marc Wright

Expense Category	FY14 Budget	FY14 FTE	FY15 Budget	FY15 FTE
Permanent Salaries and Benefits	-	-	-	-
Temporary Salaries	\$8,700		-	
Instructional supplies (technology)	-		\$8,550	
Other Expenses	\$1,478		-	
Total	\$10,178	-	\$8,550	-

Description:

With these funds we will purchase 14 iPads (1/classroom), Kaymbu software, and additional apps to be determined, for a total budget of \$8,550.

With these products teachers will capture photos of students' activities during the day, and these images will be shared with the children's families via email or text. This will strengthen the relationships between home and school and help families understand their children's development. These photos will also be used by staff to support data collection with regard to the activities used to meet goals and objectives for each child.

2. Akamai Foundation – Robotics (SC15110)

Award: \$5,000.00
 Period: 1/1/2015 – 6/30/2015
 Source: Private, Foundation
 Administrator: Mike Ananis

Expense Category	FY14 Budget	FY14 FTE	FY15 Budget	FY15 FTE
Permanent Salaries and Benefits	-	-	-	-
Temporary Salaries	-		-	
Subscription	\$5,000		-	
Instructional supplies	-		\$5,000	
Total	\$5,000	-	\$5,000	-

Description:

This grant will support the participation of the CRLS Robotics Team in the F.I.R.S.T. Robotics competition. Grant funds will be used to purchase supplies needed in order to build a robot from scratch for the competition.

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3. Massachusetts Cultural Council-STARRS (SC15894)

Award: \$3,600

Period: 12/15/2014 – 6/30/2015

Source: State, Competitive

Administrator: Katie Charner-Laird

Expense Category	FY14 Budget	FY14 FTE	FY15 Budget	FY15 FTE
Permanent Salaries and Benefits	-	-	-	-
Temporary Salaries	-	-	-	-
Prof. Services (Artist in Residence)	\$3,400		\$3,600	
Total	\$3,400	-	\$3,600	-

Description:

This grant will support a residency in theatre at the Cambridgeport School by the Underground Railroad Theater Company who will work with 3rd grade students, infusing the dramatic arts into elements of the literacy and social studies curricula.