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159 THORNDIKE STREET, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02141

August 11, 2015

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

GRANT AWARD: **FY16 Special Education IDEA Allocation (SC16605)**

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

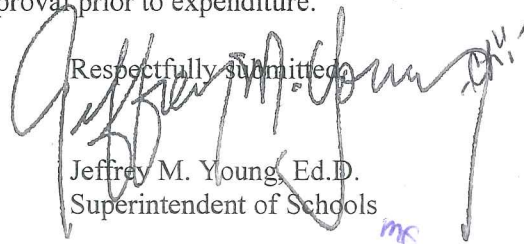
Amount: \$2,574,869 Period: 9/1/2015 – 8/31/2016
Source: Federal thru State, Entitlement Administrator: Marc Wright

Expense Category	FY15 Budget	FY15 FTE	FY16 Budget	FY16 FTE
Permanent Salaries & Benefits	-	-	-	-
Tuition to Other Schools	\$2,525,285.00		\$2,564,869.00	
Other Expenses	\$43,000.00		\$10,000.00	
Total	\$2,568,285.00	-	\$2,574,869.00	-

Description:

The purpose of this Federal Entitlement Grant Program is to provide funds to ensure that eligible students with disabilities receive a free and appropriate public education that includes special education and related services designed to meet their individual needs. Of this funding, 99.6% will be used for out-of-district tuition for students and .4% for professional development. (Note: amount requested is less than allocation as the membership fee of \$3,000.00 to Mass Urban Project is paid directly by DESE.)

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