

BEDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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TO:

School Committee

FROM:

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DATE:

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SUBJECT: Grant and G

Grant and Gift Acceptances

The following are grants and gifts for FY24 awarded or received to-date. These are presented for Bedford Public School Committee vote of acceptance.

Motion: That the School Committee accept the grants, gifts and donations as follows:

	FY23 Final Award	FY24 Preliminary
FY24 Federal through State Entitlement Grants	Amount	Award Amount
Title I (305) Academic Support and Academic Achievement		
Program	\$53,804	\$61,535
Title IIA (140) Supporting Effective Instruction	\$25,741	\$28,916
Title III (180) English Language Acquisition and Academic		
Achievement Program for English Learners and Immigrant		
Children and Youth	\$16,284	\$16,474
Title IV (309) Student Support/Academic Enrichment	\$10,000	\$10,000
Special Ed IDEA / 94-142 (240) Federal Special Education		
Entitlement Grant	\$650,735	\$671,310
Special Ed IDEA Early Childhood (262) Early Childhood		
Special Education (ECSE) Program Federal Entitlement Grant	\$21,177	\$21,423

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FY24 State Grants, Other Grants	Amount	Award Amount
METCO (317) Voluntary School Integration	\$728,489	\$730,803
Approaches to Address Student Cellphone Use (Pilot) -		
Competitive		\$25,000
Hate Crimes Prevention (794) - Competitive		\$50,000
Bedford Education Foundations – Summer 2023 Grants		\$4.400

BEDFORD EDUCATION FOUNDATION

SUMMER 2023 GRANT AWARDS

The Bedford Education Foundation is proud to announce the funding of three grants in our Summer 2023 grant cycle, totaling \$4,400. Congratulations to all of our grant recipients.

To date, the BEF has funded \$316,000 towards creative and innovative projects in the Bedford Public Schools. Thank you to our community partners and supporters for making this impact possible!

PROMOTING LITERACY AND DIGITAL MEDIA THROUGH THE ARTS

Lane School



Jennifer Ferrari was awarded \$365 to enhance the visual arts program at JGMS. She will add digital drawing tablets to the digital media center, which will help students learn proper care and usage of digital devices earlier in their visual arts careers, preparing them for more advanced devices and technology later on. The art room's library will also be expanding to include picture books related to the visual arts curriculum. These new books will increase student access to literature across content areas, as well as use multiple intelligences to engage children in the visual arts.

WAKE UP JGMS WEEKLY MORNING NEWS BROADCAST

John Glenn Middle School

Vincent McGrath and Betsy Wilson were awarded \$2,000 to purchase a 14" Macbook Pro with user-friendly video editing software for the production of Wake Up JGMS, the middle school's weekly morning news broadcast. Wake UP JGMS is helping to create shared experiences for students to improve their social interactions with each other and to instill a greater sense of community within the school. The new laptop will allow students to become more engaged in the content and creation of the broadcast.



JGMS GARDEN CLUB

John Glenn Middle School



JGMS's Nadine Coletta will be launching a Garden Club with her grant award of \$2,030. Born out of strong student interest in gardening as demonstrated in the sixth grade planting units, the club will build a small greenhouse in the lower courtyard in which they will plants seeds and bulbs that will beautify the outdoor space. The project will tie into the science curriculum at all three grade levels, as well as provide a space for middle school students to destress, engage in small groups, and relax.