

CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

135 BERKSHIRE STREET, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02141

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August 4, 2026

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

GRANT AWARD: **FY27 Civics Teaching and Learning (SC27207)**

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

Grant Amount: \$59,640.00

Period: 7/1/2026-6/30/2027

Source: Trust

Administrator: Adrienne Stang

DESCRIPTION: The purpose of this competitive grant program is to support teaching and learning related to civics and including the development and/or selection of curriculum materials, implementing professional development, and designing other enriching learning experiences intended to further students' civic knowledge, skills and dispositions. The FY27 grant will be used to:

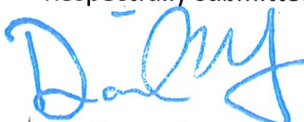
- Invest in experiential civics learning through upper school (grade 6-8) mock trial programming;
- Strengthen the high school United States History curriculum so that it is infused with civics education, including transitioning the high school civics project requirement to the 10th grade Critical Issues in U.S. History course as a culminating project and showcase event;
- Improve inclusion and accessibility for our Special Education students and Multilingual Learners in all civics instruction and enrichment activities.

District Plan Alignment: Strategic Initiative 2: Align instructional practices and resources to instructional framework across content areas and grade bands.

Expense Category	FY27 Budget	FY27 FTE
Permanent Salaries & Benefits	-	-
Temporary Salaries	-	-
Other Expenses	59,640.00	-
Total	\$59,640.00	-

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,


David Murphy
Superintendent of Schools