

**BEMIDJI AREA SCHOOLS  
BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA**

**DATE:** SEPTEMBER 16, 2019

**TO:** BOARD OF EDUCATION

**FROM:** COLLEEN CARDENUTO, DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM & ADMIN.  
SERVICES

**SUBJECT:** REQUEST TO ACCEPT GRANT

**COMMENTS:**

Type of Grant: Foundation

Title of Grant: Bemidji Career Academies  
1<sup>st</sup> National Bank Foundation

Granter: Bemidji Career Academies

Grant Preparer: Brian Stefanich – Bemidji Career Academies Director

Amount of Grant: \$30,000 a year (renewable up to 5 years)

District Responsibility: Serve as fiscal agent

Purpose: The 1st National Bank Foundation unanimously approved a \$30,000 a year (renewable up to 5 years depending on our results) to the Bemidji Career Academies for continuing to develop the academies including an individual student career plan, strengthening our student & business/industry partners relationships & developing written roles for communicating how our partners, students, staff & champions work together. We will pilot the following academies this year: Health Careers, Construction Trades, Culinary Arts & Mechatronics for our initial funding period.

In a June we will present an IMPACT Report for them & then hopefully get renewed another \$30,000 for 2020-2021.