Grant Applications March 2024

For your information, the Assistant Superintendent and/or the CFO, Executive Director of Business Services have approved the following grant applications during the above month:

Organization	Author/Contact	Project Title	Amount Requested	Terms
Lincoln Park PBIS Team	Rachel Thapa/Nikki Jensen	Northern Regional Implementation Project (NRIP) and the Minnesota Department of Education	\$500.00	Estimated PBIS Mini Grant Budget: 100 shirts @ \$5/ shirt = \$500 Our budget will be used to purchase shirts for our school community. We intend to purchase a total of 100 shirts for the 2024-2025 school-year through this funding source. Funds will go toward the cost of shirts for our new 6th grade students and new students or staff. Any remaining funds not needed for shirts would be used for supplies and incentives for our PBIS celebrations, acknowledgements, and activities. This PBIS mini grant will help ensure sustainability for our PBIS work.
Washington ECFE Parent Educator	Diane Mozol	ECFE/Junior League of Duluth	\$1,353.00	The funds will be used to support infant home visit families with limited resources. The home visit teacher will provide diapers, parent reflection, and a literacy experience with a focus on social/emotional development. Our ISD 709 ECFE home visit teachers frequently meet with families who find it difficult to access and afford diapers for their children. Providing a package of diapers is

				appreciated and a stress reliever for families making choices to be able to meet basic needs. Moms will receive a copy of the book, Present Not Perfect for Moms by Aimee Chase. The book will be used for writing and reflecting with the home visit teacher. When parents use reflective thinking, they are empowered to recognize that behaviors are linked to underlying mental states. The parent is provided with an opportunity to pause and focus on the parent and child relationship. The family will receive a copy of the book, Baby's Feelings-A First Book of Emotions by Layla McGrath. The mom and home visit teacher will use the infant book to discuss literacy skills and social/emotional development. The parent will gain information about how reading to babies promotes brain development. While the parent reads the book about feelings to their child, the teacher will focus on how bonding, trust, emotional security and self-awareness are enhanced.
Duluth Community Education isd709	Annemarie Schilling/Jeremy Rupp	Community Education, Duluth Public Schools	\$260,610.00	The Safe Routes to School Coordinator position will be housed under Independent School District 709's Community Education Department. Jeremy Rupp, the District Community Education Coordinator, will supervise the role.

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		The SRTS Coordinator position
		falls under the DWIAA contract
		at class IIB,
		step 5. This 50-week, year-
		round salary is \$60,550. The
		grant proposal
		includes \$15,000 for benefits
		and \$1,700 for professional
		development.
		Extensive education and
		outreach are central to the plan.
		\$4,320 is
		proposed for seasonal
		instructors to lead out-of-school
		time education and
		encouragement programs.
		\$3,300 is budgeted for
		educational program
		supplies, for both youth and
		adults. Marketing costs of
		\$2,000 are also
		included.
		Additionally, \$2,560 of in-kind
		staff time and marketing
		donations are
		accounted for in the proposal.
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