

**BEMIDJI AREA SCHOOLS
BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA**

DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2018

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

**FROM: COLLEEN CARDENUTO, DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM &
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATION – AMERICAN LEGION

COMMENTS:

Type of Grant: Corporation
Title of Grant: General Donation
Granter: American Legion
Grant Preparer: LTC John D. Naastad
Amount of Grant: \$4,000
District Responsibility: Serve as Fiscal Agent

Purpose: The Junior ROTC department was offered financial support from the American Legion in Bemidji to support our marksmanship program. The BHS JROTC has requirements to fund Kevlar blankets for shooting backstops and to purchase non-lead pellets in order to practice shooting and to compete. A requirement we have to shoot at the Bemidji National Guard Armory is to have pellet catchers and Kevlar blankets so we don't damage their facilities. Also, all JROTC competitions will require our teams to travel around Minnesota and to Camp Perry, OH, where the national competitions are held each year.

Our marksmanship program will increase active cadet engagement with our program and also with Bemidji High School as a whole. Cumulative grade requirements will be enforced in order to participate in our outdoor and co-curricular activities so we can encourage academic achievements.

The JROTC Department will need to secure funding in advance in order to actively participate in the shooting sports and to enhance our curriculum for outdoor sports and leadership training.