

## OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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Superintendent Putnam County SD 535 400 East Silverspoon Avenue Granville, IL 61326-9697

Dear Superintendent:

I am pleased to inform you that your district has been awarded an FY2015 School District Library Program Grant in the amount of \$750.00, which was based on an FY2014 district housing count of 843 students who receive library services from grant-eligible attendance centers. Nearly 1.4 million is being awarded this year to 669 public school districts. These districts serve nearly 1.7 million students. The per-pupil rate this year is \$0.75 per student.

These grant funds must be encumbered by June 30, 2016, and must be spent by August 15, 2016. These dates represent an extension for the encumbrance and expenditure of this grant award due to the state's anticipated delay in issuing the grant payments.

The School District Library Grant Program provides supplementary support for your school district's library media program, and, in doing so, enhances student learning and academics. Appropriate uses of these grant funds may include the acquisition of library materials to support reading for academics and enjoyment, library subscriptions to electronic resources, or improved technology to support student research.

As Secretary of State and State Librarian, and as someone who has worked with young people for more than 40 years, I commend you for taking advantage of this grant opportunity to improve library resources and services to benefit your students.

Sincerely,

Jesse White, Secretary of State

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cc: Annette Davis

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