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December 7, 2012

Office of the Superintendent

Project #5314

Bill Gronseth, Superintendent  
Duluth Public Schools, ISD #709  
215 N 1st Avenue East  
Duluth, MN 55802

Dear Mr. Gronseth:

I am pleased to inform you that the Board of Trustees of the Northland Foundation has reviewed your proposal for the **ISD #709 Youth Success Teams / AmeriCorps Support project** and voted to approve a grant for **\$30,000.00** for the period (12/1/2012 to 8/31/2013) to **Duluth Public Schools, ISD #709**.

Enclosed are two copies of the Agreement of Grantee for your review. If you agree with the conditions presented, please have one copy signed by the authorized official and return it to our office by **December 15, 2012**.

**The Northland Foundation has implemented an Electronic Funds Transfer process (electronic checks) for grant payments. Enclosed is an ACH Credit Authorization Agreement form to be completed with the grantee organization or fiscal agent organization bank account information. Please return a hard copy of the form immediately to the Northland Foundation via USPS or fax 218-723-4048 in order for our accounting department to release your payment from Republic Bank.**

The Northland Foundation will implement a semi-annual payment schedule for this grant. If all of the grant conditions are met, these payments will be distributed in sums of \$15,000 in January and April 2013.

The Northland Foundation will be making public news releases through the regional media regarding all of the grants awarded. Please utilize your community media resources to announce receipt of these funds to your project. The Northland Foundation would appreciate being acknowledged as a source of support in all news releases initiated by you. Please provide us with copies of any press coverage and photographs received by your project, as well as any media releases and program materials you produce. These will be added to your file and may be utilized by the Northland Foundation in our public information efforts.

As you will note, one of the conditions of the Agreement of Grantee is the submission of reports on the progress, outcomes, and financial activity of your project. These project reports are scheduled as indicated: **March 15, 2013 for the Progress Report, and September 30, 2013 for the Final Report**. Please provide us sufficient narrative to describe the progress and impact of your project. For your convenience, the reporting forms are available on-line at [www.northlandfdn.org/Grants/ReportingForms](http://www.northlandfdn.org/Grants/ReportingForms). The completed reports can be submitted electronically to [carole@northlandfdn.org](mailto:carole@northlandfdn.org). If you would like to request a paper copy of the report forms, contact Carole Saylor at the Foundation.

On behalf of the Northland Foundation, I would like to extend sincere congratulations to you and your organization. Please call Carole Saylor, if you have any questions. I look forward to learning about the progress and success of your project.

Sincerely,



Thomas S. Renier  
President

Enclosures

cc: Carole Saylor



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December 4, 2012

Mr. William Gronseth  
Superintendent  
Duluth Public Schools  
215 North First Ave East  
Duluth, MN 55802-2058

Dear Mr. Gronseth:

The Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota Foundation has taken action on your proposal in support of the implementation of the "Addressing the Social Determinants of Health through School/Community Partnerships" project. I am happy to report that our board has approved a one year grant of \$75,000.00 to Duluth Public Schools for this project. An additional \$75,000.00 is available in year two based upon satisfactory progress toward project goals and grant agreement expectations during year one.

Enclosed are two original Grantee Agreements for your review and signature. Please sign, date and return one of the original agreements including the attached exhibits using the enclosed postage-paid envelope. Full payment of this grant will be made following its receipt pursuant to the terms set forth in the agreement. The second original is for your records. If the Foundation does not receive a signed Grantee Agreement within 90 days of the date of this letter, the grant award is rescinded.

This agreement requires that you submit an annual progress report and project budget detailing the manner in which the Blue Cross Foundation grant is used. You will receive a link to an online reporting form in mid-year 2013. The Foundation has engaged an external evaluator to work with your project to collect and analyze data and report results. Your program officer will share specific information in the coming weeks.

We also request that you participate in Blue Cross Foundation media and public relations activities regarding this grant and that your organization acknowledges our support in your communications. If you have any questions about the terms of the agreement or the grant, please contact your Foundation program officer, Stacey Millett at 651-662-1019

On behalf of the Foundation and our board of directors, congratulations on this grant and the fine work of your organization.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carolyn Link".

Carolyn Link  
Executive Director

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