

To: Ed Crawford, Asst. Superintendent

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Re: PCAE Partnership Grant '13-'15

Perpich Center for Arts Education (PCAE) Partnership Project with Duluth Public Schools (DPS)

A two-year grant proposal is being submitted this week to Jeff Pridie, Director of Professional Development and Research at PCAE. The grant proposal is \$62,500 for each year, FY 14 and FY 15.

DPS would continue to serve as a Regional Center for PCAE for Northeastern Minnesota. The money would be used for staff development and the training of Arts teachers (Music, Media Arts, Visual Arts, Dance and Theater) in Duluth as well as the Arrowhead region. The budget includes a .2 FTE cost for a grant coordinator position(s), stipends, workshops and supplies. The project is to be defined by the Duluth Arts educators and Project Coordinator(s) in collaboration with the Learning Services Department. It will include research, writing of Arts Curriculum and Assessment, collaborative work with PCAE staff and training for other school districts to meet MN State Arts standards. It is based on the model of Teacher to Teacher Initiative and peer mentoring.

Cc: Bill Gronseth, Superintendent

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