

BEMIDJI AREA SCHOOLS  
BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA

**DATE:** MARCH 18, 2019  
**TO:** BOARD OF EDUCATION  
**FROM:** COLLEEN CARDENUTO, DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM &  
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES  
**SUBJECT:** REQUEST TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATION

**COMMENTS:**

Type of Grant: New America PAYA – Partnership to Advance Youth  
Apprenticeship  
Title of Grant: Youth Apprenticeship  
Grant Preparer: Brian Stefanich – Bemidji Career Academy Director  
Amount of Grant: \$100,000  
District Responsibility: Serve as fiscal agent  
Purpose: I will write a grant to the New America PAYA – Partnership to Advance Youth for our Bemidji Career Academy apprenticeship program strategic planning purposes and collaboration with our Bemidji Business & Industry partners to develop and register for apprenticeship program with the Minnesota Department of Labor. Our long term goals are to create a pipeline of qualified workers for our growing community workforce needs for our high skill, high wage positions.