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Board of Education Report
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Family Resource Center Grant

The district is applying to the Bureau of Health and Nutrition Services and Child/ Family/School Partnerships, State of Connecticut, for the Family Resource Center (FRC) grant. The Family Resource Center(FRC) at Farm Hill Elementary School is the recipient of the grant. In 2025-26 North End families will also benefit from the grant by virtue of a partnership with the YMCA for use of its community space located at 44 Hamlin Street, Middletown, CT as a family welcome center and engagement space. The 2024-25 school year is the first of a two year of the grant cycle.

Family Resource Centers (FRC) embody the underlying concept that healthy development and good education begin with access to quality childcare and support services from birth. This concept proposes the development of a system for childcare and family support that takes advantage of the physical accessibility of the school. Each FRC is required therefore, to be associated with an elementary school, and Family Resource Centers established after July 1, 2000, are required to be located in an elementary school. The model however does not require that family support and childcare be incorporated into the educational system but rather to enable the provision of such services under the auspices of the school.

Prepared in collaboration with Dawn Dubay, Supervisor of School Readiness, Early Learning and Family and Community Engagement, and Sarah Mack, FRC Site Coordinator, Farm Hill Elementary School.

Amount Requested: \$111,363.

Respectfully Submitted: Natalie Forbes, Executive Director of Finance