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Grants and Federal Programs Policy

The Grants and Federal Programs Department will seek federal, state and local grants available, which are consistent with the advancement of the educational programs of the District and policies of the Board. The Department will also seek to maximize the utilization of grant funds aligned to APS’s strategic objectives and minimize financial risks associated with non-compliance of grant requirements. In addition, the Department shall provide technical assistance and leadership to the appropriate Division in relation to programs and plans funded and/or mandated by governmental agencies in order to accelerate student achievement and ensure compliance with grant requirements and APS policies, regulations and standard operating business procedures. The Department will also seek to coordinate internal efforts and resources to assess the impact of grant-funded and federally-funded programs. The grants are to supplement the educational services provided by the District. Programs found to be impactful are candidates for sustainability.

Grants shall not be considered if they:
- Require a promise, favor or reward by Board Members or employees of APS
- Imply endorsement of any business or product
- Conflict with any provisions of policy, school code or public law
- Are considered a premium in return for school business purchases or other special consideration
- Place restrictions upon a school program or have purpose inconsistent with a school
- Are inappropriate or harmful to the best education of students
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Grants Management

All grant applications must go through the Federal Programs and Grants Department. District commitments, such as match requirement must be identified and set aside prior to applying for funding. Once awarded, all grant funds need to be managed by a Grant Coordinator.

Grant Coordinators will also manage donated funds that have reporting requirements, and the Federal Programs and Grants Department will review any donated funds exceeding $5,000 without reporting requirements to determine how and where these donated funds will be managed.

Unless the Superintendent or the Board of Education designates otherwise, the superintendent is always the Authorized district representative.