



**Appendix 000-3-9
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Date: September 20 , 2012

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Jane Belmore, Superintendent

RE: Recommendations for utilizing 4K Grant Funds

I. Introduction

A. Title or Topic: Recommendations for utilizing 4K Grant Funds

B. Presenters: Jane Belmore and Erik Kass

Background Information: In a recent update to the Board, I provided information regarding a **one- time** grant of approximately \$700,000 from DPI to support the second year of 4K programming. Attached you will find administration's recommendations for the use of this funding. You will note that the shaded items on the chart totaling \$624,186 have been recommended for the second year of the additional state aid which is **ongoing**.

C. Action Requested: Board approval of the recommendations for utilizing the one- time 4K grant from DPI totaling \$700,000 to support the second year of 4K programming.

II. Summary of Current Information

A. Synthesis of Topic: The first few years of a new program bring unexpected expenses. Attached you will find recommendations to utilize the 4K grant in ways to ensure successful and safe programs for our 4K students.

B. Recommendations: The recommendations here reflect the supports needed to ensure that our 4K program is successful.

III. Implications

A. Budget: None for this year. This is a one- time grant however. The items that reflect ongoing expenditures have been accounted for in the recommendations for the second year of utilizing additional state aid which is ongoing.

B. Achievement Gap Plan: Early learning and intervention is critical to closing the achievement gaps.

C. Implications for the Organization: Strengthened 4K programs ensuring staff and equipment needs.

IV. Supporting Documentation

A. Recommendations for Utilizing 4K Grant One-time Funds

Recommendations for Utilizing 4K Grant One-time Funds 9/24/12--Appendix 000-3-9

DPI granted MMSD one time funds of \$700,000 to support the implementation of the second year of the 4 K program.
The items below are recommended.

Amount	Item	Comment
One time funding		
\$19,000	Additional iPads	Additional 4K enrollment calls for additional iPads.
\$40,000	SINKS -5 Classrooms	Some 4K classrooms do not have easy access to water. This funding would install additional sinks in 5 classrooms.
\$12,000	Additional PIN entrance	4K students in some schools use doors that have not been fitted with PIN entrance. It is a problem to get four year olds around to the main entrance. This funding would allow for these doors to have PIN access.
\$5,000	Lockers	Some schools do not have sufficient numbers of lockers to accommodate 4K's. This funding would install additional lockers for 4K students
One time for 1012-13; Carried over to 2nd year of Additional State Aid		
\$195,000	Additional Classroom 2.6	The 4K enrollment was up by 100 students. We added two classroom teachers along with EA's to accommodate these students. This will become an ongoing expense in 2012-13 and is accounted for in the Additional State Aide recommendation.
\$19,000	EA Subs	Last year we decided to increase class size for 4K to 18 with the addition of an EA. When Eas are absent we must have a sub to ensure the safety of our children.
\$332,186	4.0 Student Services	When 4K was added, no student services were increased in the schools. This allocation will be distributed across all schools with 4K programs.
\$78,000	Title IIA Fix	DPI has applied a different level of scrutiny to all the Title funds. We have had a team working with DPI to align all of our title funds to this new level of scrutiny. These dollars are for professional development for 4K teachers. We are recommending that they be picked up in the second year of the additional state aid.
\$700,186	TOTAL	
\$624,186	Total of shaded items that are found in the second year of recommendations for additional state aid	