



**BASD Grant Update**  
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# Why do we apply for grants?

- To provide additional supports, programs, and services for BASD students without impacting our budget





# Five Components of High Performing Schools

1. Establish clear academic targets from kindergarten through grade twelve.
2. Select and develop leaders and teachers to ensure that the academic targets are a reality for every learner in the system.
3. Use evidenced-based tools and resources to ensure we reach high standards with every child.



# Five Components of High Performing Schools

4. Regularly monitor student achievement and use the results to make informed decisions about students and curriculum.
5. Develop systematic interventions that provide immediate and intense intervention for students who need the support.

# How do grants support our district goals?

- Curriculum
- Intervention Programs
- Personnel
- Student Services





# What needs to be considered before applying for a grant?

- Does the grant match our goals?
- Do we have staff in place who can complete the requirements of the grant?
- Will the funds support an existing initiative or a new project?
- Is the district required to match funds or commit to continuing the grant if funding is no longer available?

# What needs to be considered before applying for a grant?

- What is the grant application process?
- Have other school districts, similar to BASD, used this grant effectively?
- How will this grant benefit students at BASD?
- What happens to this program when grant funds stop?



# 2010 - 2011 Grants







## Pottstown Area Health & Wellness Foundation

\$55,000 to provide the following:

- Curriculum development for health & physical education for grades K-12
- Lead teacher in health & physical education
- Additional staff development opportunities for K-12 staff
- STEALTH club which provides education and practice on nutritional meals and healthy exercise options for BASH students
- Additional equipment for K-12 health and physical education classes

Administrator: Robert Scoboria



## Highmark Healthy High 5 School Challenge

### **\$10,000 to provide the following: (JHW)**

- The new equipment will be used to implement our revised curriculum during students' physical education classes. The use of this equipment will support the curriculum by increasing the ability to teach: conditioning units, circuit training units, and muscular fitness units.

### **\$9,978 to provide the following: (BASH)**

- Get Outdoors-Outdoor Education is the name of the new course that is being added to our 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade physical education curriculum. Students who select this course will learn about physical activities that are done within the natural outdoor environment. The program will expose students to life-long skills such as hiking, backpacking, orienteering, fishing, disc golf and other outdoor lifetime activities. The course will be taught with an environmental focus and sensitivity.

Administrator: Robert Scoboria



## Community Prevention Partnership of Berks County – Communities Empowering Youth

- \$2,000 to support BASD No Place For Hate activities

## BCIU Youth Day Fund Grant

- \$1,000 to maintain Career Cruising site license

Administrator: Robert Scoboria



## PA-PACT (formerly Acct. Block Grant)

- \$626,729 provides Grade One Literacy First teachers; Elementary Literacy coaches and elementary science kits

## Title I

- \$473,060 which provides reading support in grades K-3 for BASD students

Administrator: Dr. Karen Beerer



## Title II

- \$180,083 which supports class size reduction initiatives (bubble classes)

## Dual Enrollment Grant

- \$6,596 to provide high school students with high school and college credit

Administrator: Dr. Karen Beerer



# Pending Applications

## Berks County Community Foundation

- \$18,000 to provide services for students in need from community agencies with expertise in areas of counseling, drug/alcohol addiction, and mental health as identified through our Student Assistance Program (SAP).

Administrator: Robert Scoboria



## Next Steps...

- Review current grants and continue to seek funding for existing or new initiatives that support district goals
- Review new grant opportunities that support district goals and match district needs
  - ***School Improvement Grant***



# Staff Development

- Pottstown Area Health & Wellness Grant Seekers Library
- Conferences and Workshops
- Consult with other school districts
- Community Agency Leadership