

Enclosure 09.01
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TO: Board of Education Members

FROM: Alice Learn
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RE: After School Program

Request that the Board of Education authorize spending up to \$12,000 to operate a supplemental after school program at the Middle School

The supplemental after school program will target students in need of Academic Intervention Services, providing additional instruction in English Language Arts that our data indicates are skill area deficits for these children. District teachers would be hired. The program would operate two days per week from 3:10 – 4:30. The program would begin February 21 thru April 3. Funds would be needed to pay district teachers for instruction during the program.

Currently there are over 300 students who would benefit from this program. Survey letters of interest have been sent to parents of targeted students.

Administration believes that the additional targeted instruction would assist students and help them to prepare for the NYS assessments in April.

Similar programs will be operating at Gardner Road and the Intermediate School, as part of their School in Need of Improvement plan. Due to Title One status of GR and IS, grant funds are available to support their supplemental after school program. The Middle School is not a Title One building, and therefore is not eligible for the grant funding.

Thank you for considering this expenditure.