June 2020 Charter Schools Stimulus Fund Grant Project Summaries

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<td><strong>8 Total Awards</strong></td>
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The Institute received a total of 16 eligible grant applications with total requests for $2,771,569 in funding. Each application was assigned three reviewers and scorers. The average score determined placement on the grant award distribution list. The Institute recommends distributing the $1,357,024 available as follows:

**Buffalo Collegiate Charter School**
- District: Buffalo City School District
- Authorizer: SUNY
- Average Score: 82
- The school seeks grant funds for strategic renovation buildout costs required to increase instructional space and improve security in preparation for the 2020-21 academic year and beyond. The project includes designated soundproofing of a classroom/studio for performing arts, which will improve the ability to infuse arts enrichment programming. The facility expenditures will enable the school to grow grades and expand academic programming in a safe and engaging learning environment for students in historically underserved communities of Buffalo. The school opened in fall 2018, and serves 180 students in grades 4-6 during the 2019-20 school year.

**Elmwood Village Charter School Hertel**
- District: Buffalo City School District
- Authorizer: SUNY
- Average Score: 82
- The school seeks grant funds to assist with a planned renovation of an empty two-story building on its campus to become an arts building, which will house the music and dance instructional spaces and add spaces to accommodate additional student support services. The school opened in fall 2017, and serves 250 students in K-4 during the 2019-20 school year.
Evergreen Charter School  $200,000.00
District: Hempstead UFSD
Authorizer: Board of Regents
Average Score: 84

The school seeks grant funds to help cover the costs of site develop for a parcel of land owned by the school to support a grade and enrollment expansion and to upgrade the safety, security, infrastructure, and emergency communication equipment at its elementary school. The school opened in fall 2009, and serves 600 students in K-8 during the 2019-20 school year.

Merrick Academy – Queens Public Charter School  $165,000.00
District: NYC CSD 29
Authorizer: SUNY
Average Score: 85

The school seeks grant funds to rehabilitate the multipurpose gymnasium to install flooring, a stage, bleachers, an audio visual projection system, sound absorption panels, a drop down automated screen, built in storage for physical education equipment, and performance equipment. The space is the centerpiece and common space for the school and for community activities and the planned improvements will provide the opportunity for arts programming and showcase student artwork and performances. The school opened in fall 2000, and serves 475 students in K-5 during the 2019-20 school year. Although the school is located within NYC, it doesn’t receive co-located New York City Department of Education space or rental assistance, and, therefore, qualified for facility grant funding. The award is the full amount requested in the application.

Niagara Charter School  $200,000.00
District: Niagara-Wheatfield School District
Authorizer: Board of Regents
Average Score: 87

The school seeks grant funds to assist with the cost of installing an efficient supplemental cooling system. The improved HVAC system will enhance the physical learning environment and provide productive programming and opportunity for student art presentations. The school opened in fall 2006, and serves 350 students in K-6 during the 2019-20 school year.
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The school seeks grant funds to assist with the purchase of a facility that will be renovated to become the permanent site for the school starting with the 2021-22 school year. The facility project includes collaboration with the Buffalo Urban League to provide community programming space, which will further provide the charter school the ability to support its scholars and families. The school opened in fall 2018, and serves 162 students in K-2 during the 2019-20 school year.

The school seeks grant funds to support projects to the core facility including structural changes, electrical improvements, enhancements to the gymnasium, and security system to accommodate co-curriculum programming. The school opened in fall 2009, and serves 1,639 students in K-12 during the 2019-20 school year. The grant award represents the final portion of available grant funds and is less than the total request in the application.

The school seeks grant funds to support three projects to improve and enhance the capabilities, resources, and security of the small rural elementary school. The projects include expanding the academic space, installation of a disabled accessible bathroom, improving energy efficiency, and upgrading flooring in what would become the art-music classroom; establishing a small amphitheater area; and creating a comprehensive secure learning environment. Improvements to the performing arts capabilities will provide a wide variety of learning during STEAM time as well as learning and art showcases. The school opened in fall 2019, and serves 44 students in K-2 during the 2019-20 school year. The grant award represents the full amount requested in the application.