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Keely Spinelli Education Grant Guidelines

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Keely Spinelli Grant is to assist Binks Forest Elementary, Elbridge Gale Elementary, Emerald Cove Middle, Equestrian Trail Elementary, New Horizons Elementary, Palm Beach Central High School, Panther Run Elementary, Polo Park Middle, Wellington Elementary, Wellington Landings Middle and Wellington High with funding for programs, tutors, incentives, instructional materials and/or equipment for students in reading and math.

FUNDING

The total proposed budget for the grant program is approved annually by the Village Council as part of its annual budget. Each of the eleven public schools serving Wellington will be eligible for funding. The Education Committee will review and approve all requests for funding prior to each school receiving grant funds. Allocated funds will be kept in a segregated account within each school. Schools with unencumbered funds must identify the proposed use of those funds prior to receiving current year funding.

ALLOWABLE EXPENDITURES

Eligible schools will be required to submit a proposed, prioritized budget with the application for final approval. Schools will be eligible to utilize funds for consumable curriculum materials (study guides and/or academic workbooks, etc.), incentives including transportation, to encourage students to attend after school academic programs, tutoring, any direct educational purpose and for equipment such as computers or tablets, etc. Schools can also use funds for personnel (tutors) for salaries not already budgeted by the school district.

DATA SUMMARY REPORT

Each school is required to complete and submit a detailed Data Summary Report by August of each funding year showing how the students performed throughout the school year. The Data Summary will include academic growth, instructional objectives, strategies, and outcomes. Failure to submit a report to the Village will cause the school to be ineligible to receive funding for the following year.