

ESSEXVILLE-HAMPTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear parents,

As part of our ongoing effort to support our students and families, we wanted to take a moment to explain the 23g Grant Program in Michigan, which could provide valuable assistance to your child's education.

The 23g Grant Program, also known as Section 23g of the State School Aid Act, is a financial aid initiative designed to enhance educational opportunities for students across Michigan. This grant is specifically aimed at supporting non-public school students who attend eligible non-public schools within the state. Essexville-Hampton Public Schools has been determined eligible for the 23g Grant Program.

Here are some key points about the 23g Grant Program:

Purpose: The primary purpose of the 23g Grant Program is to provide financial assistance to non-public schools, which in turn benefits the students attending those schools. The funding can be used for various educational purposes, such as improving academic programs, enhancing technology resources, or supporting special initiatives.

Eligibility: To qualify for the 23g Grant, students must attend a non-public school that meets certain eligibility criteria set forth by the Michigan Department of Education. These criteria typically include accreditation standards and compliance with state regulations.

Allocation: The allocation of 23g Grants is determined by the Michigan Legislature as part of the annual state budget process. Funding levels may vary from year to year based on budgetary considerations and legislative priorities.

Use of Funds: Non-public schools receiving 23g Grants have flexibility in how they use the funds, as long as the expenditures are aligned with the educational objectives outlined in the grant program guidelines. Common uses of funds include staffing, high-quality training, curriculum needs (Tier 2 or 3), student transportation needs, technology needs, materials, etc. Essexville-Hampton Public Schools has chosen to use our funds for Math Instruction/Interventions to help students get to grade level expectations and helping high school students prepare for post-secondary education.

Impact: The 23g Grant Program plays a crucial role in supporting educational diversity and choice in Michigan by providing resources to non-public schools and their students. By enhancing the quality of education in these institutions, the program contributes to the overall strength and vitality of the state's educational landscape.

Essexville-Hampton Public Schools Mission:

Essexville-Hampton District Mission is to create a collaborative environment that encourages every learner to reach his or her unique potential.

As parents, it's important to stay informed about opportunities like the 23g Grant Program that can benefit our children's education. We encourage you to learn more about the 23g Grant at the Department of Education website, <u>www.michigan.gov</u> (23g Frequently Asked Questions).

If you have any questions or concerns about the 23g Grant Program or any other aspect of your child's education, please don't hesitate to reach out. Our goal is to ensure that every student has access to the resources and support they need to thrive academically and personally.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter, and thank you for your continued partnership in your child's education.

Sincerely,

Essexville-Hampton Public Schools

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