

2018-19 MTSS Enhancing Secondary Outcomes Program - WAHS

Grant Overview: Ninth-Grade Academies (NGA) refer to a comprehensive approach to support the transition to ninth grade and includes four components: (1) a designated separate space for ninth graders; (2) a ninth-grade administrator who oversees the academy; (3) faculty exclusively dedicated to ninth graders; and (4) an interdisciplinary faculty structure that fosters collaboration between subjects and between middle and high schools (Alliance for Excellent Education, 2017).

During this series cross-disciplinary 9th grade teams with representative academic, behavioral and social-emotional expertise will work collaboratively toward the sound implementation of an integrated, seamless system of service delivery beginning with the establishment of 9th grade academies to increase graduation rates and reduce risk for dropout.

A stipend of \$10,000.00 will be provided to each participating school team and may be used to cover expenditures related to participation in this series (e.g., travel, lodging, substitutes, materials, etc.). Participating teams that must travel 100 miles or more to the PaTTAN Harrisburg training facility will qualify for an additional \$2,000.00 in support of participation costs.

Amount of Award: Up to \$12,000

Due Date/Notification of Award: Due April 30, 2019.

Alternatives if not Awarded: None.

WCSD Resources Required: None.

Administrative Recommendation: That the Board of School Directors approves the application of Warren Area High School to the MTSS Enhancing Secondary Outcomes Program and, if selected for participation, the expenditure of up to \$12,000 in district funds in support of MTSS activities at Warren Area High School, to be reimbursed in full by the PA Training and Technical Assistance Network (PaTTAN) upon completion of MTSS programming and submission of invoices as presented.