

Transforming lives through excellent education

Grant Management Update David Schommer, M.Ed. Grant Manager September 3, 2024

JPS/isionand Mission

Our Vision:

We prepare scholars to achieve globally, to contribute locally, and to be fulfilled individually.

Our Mission:

We develop scholars through world class learning experiences to attain an exceptional knowledge base, critical & relevant skill sets, and the necessary dispositions for great success.



The Grant Management Office Supports the Following Strategic Commitments and Core Values

Commitment 1: Innovative Teaching and Learning Commitment 3: JPS Joy Commitment 4: Organizational Effectiveness.

Core Values: Equity, excellence, growth mindset, relationships, relevance, and a positive and respectful culture.



JPS Grant Management Office

Purpose

Reestablished in January 2022, the JPS Grant Management Office provides guidance and assistance to district teachers, staff members, departments, and schools in seeking funding opportunities to support identified strategic initiatives of the district. The office is currently managing 20 academic and operational foundation, state and federal grants valued at over \$24,000,000.



Community School Strategy

Project Implementation: Patrick McGriggs

Grant	Amount	Performance Period	Description
NEA Community School Grant	\$66,000	2024-2025	Community Schools Strategy: Funding for personnel, planning meetings, equipment, supplies, family engagement activities, and more. 2024-2025 is the 5th Year to receive a grant from NEA. Total NEA investment in JPS: \$318,500
Phil Hardin Foundation Grant	\$375,000	2023-2026	To support expansion of the community schools strategy in JPS.
Communities in Schools (CIS)	\$1,000,000	2023-2026	To support expansion of the community schools strategy in JPS.



Total Investment: \$1,693,500

Mental Health Related Grants

Project Implementation: Dr. Rachea Williams

Grant	Amount	Performance Period	Description
School-Based Mental Health Grant	\$2,712,820	2023-2027	Funding will allow JPS to increase the number of credentialed school-based mental health services providers within the district.
Mental Health Services Professional Grant	\$2,063,107	2023-2027	The Mental Health Service Professional Grant will create a pipeline of mental health service providers with Jackson State University.





Literacy Project Director: Althea Johnson Project Assistant: Jeanette Whisenton				
Grant	Amount	Performance Period	Description	
Reading Inspires Student Excellence (RISE) Literacy Grant.	\$3,750,000	2021-2026	Federal Literacy Grant that supports the District's literacy efforts. 2023-2024 was Year 3 of a 5 Year grant.	

Total Investment: \$3,750,000



College and Career Readiness

Project Implementation: Jana Williams

Grant	Amount	Performance Period	Description
Accelerate MS Career Coach (Service Grant)	\$983,300	2022-2025	Total funding awarded to date <i>(updated annually, paid through the Central MS Planning and Development District)</i> for up to 6 JPS Career Coaches.

The Arts Project Implementation: Dr. Michael Cormack and Torris Bell			
Grant	Amount	Performance Period	Description
Save the Music (Equipment/ Programming)	\$418,000	2022-2025	Total value of contribution. Musical instruments, resources, and training impacting 19 elementary schools. No funds received. Donated equipment and services.

A Strong Start: Early Learning Initiative

Project Implementation: Dr. Micheal Cormack and Dr. Felicia Thomas

Grant	Amount	Performance Period	Description
JPS-Hinds Early Learning Collaborative	\$9,195,000	2022-2024 (Ended June 2024)	The JPS Hinds Early Learning Collaborative across the district has 62 classrooms. The maximum enrollment is 20 students per class. Participants include 19 JPS elementaries, as well as Little Saints, Lottie Thornton and the Hinds County Human Resource Agency.
JPS-Hinds Early Learning Collaborative	\$16,625,000	2024-2029	Modified agreement to provide a continuation award to support the JPS-Hinds Early Learning Collaborative.

Total Investment: \$25,820,000



Facilities

Project Implementation: Facilities and Operations Department

Grant	Amount	Performance Period	Description
MDE Infrastructure Loan	\$800,000	2024-2034	10 Year Loan for Emergency Repairs (Elevators) and Debt Reduction. Paid in lump sum, August 2024. Final payment due May 2034.
MAC Building Fund for the Arts (BFA) Grant	\$30,000	2023-2025	Funds will be applied to conducting a Conditions Assessment of the Jim Hill Auditorium in preparation for future renovation, as well as immediate minor repairs.

Total Investment: \$830,000



Safety and Security

Project Implementation: Chief Charles McInnis

Grant	Amount	Performance Period	Description	
COPS Hiring Grant	\$515,776	2023-2028	Hiring additional sworn police officers to increase policing capacity and crime prevention efforts.	
Health and Wellness Implementation: Dr. William Merritt				
Bipartisan Safer Communities Act Stronger Connections Grant Program (BCSA)	\$795 <i>,</i> 662	2024-2026	To establish safer and healthier learning environments and to prevent and respond to acts of bullying, violence, and hate that impact our school communities at individual and systemic levels, among other programs and activities.	



Bus Grants

Project Implementation: Stephanie Harris-Martin

Grant	Amount	Performance Period	Description
MDEQ Bus Rebate Grants	\$84,150.11	Annually: 2022, 2023 & 2024	This program assists JPS in replacing older buses with newer, lower emission buses. The rebates helped defray the cost of four buses. Three Grants since 2022.
EPA Clean Bus Rebate Program	\$9,875,000	2022-2024	JPS was awarded \$9,375,000 for 25 new electric buses, and \$500,000 for eligible charging infrastructure.





Workforce Development			
Grant	Amount	Performance Period	Description
Delta Regional Authority (DRA) Grant	\$136,925	2024-2026	Jackson Public Schools Optimizing for Equity Repurposing Initiative. Feasibility study: To repurpose a closed school as a workforce development center, which includes entrepreneurship programs, and establishing business incubators.
Health and Wellness			
MDE Nurses Grant	\$425,000	2024-2029	School Nurse Intervention Program. UMMC applied on behalf of the Jackson Public Schools



Academic and Operational Grants

Advancement of Education

Grant	Amount	Performance Period	Description
William and Flora Hewlett Recovery Grant	\$268,750	2022-2023	Fostering student agency and engagement, executive leadership support, financial sustainability, and teacher capacity. Before this, JPS received \$1,500,000 from 8/2020- 6/2022.
Hewlett #2 (Supplemental Grant)	\$10,000	2022-2023	Educational travel opportunities for students in Jackson Public Schools.
William and Flora Hewlett Foundation Grant	\$768,625	2023-2024	To support student engagement, leadership development, the global citizenship project, and more.



Total Hewlett Investment 2020-2024: \$2,547,375

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Grant	Amount	Performance Period	Description
Kellogg Foundation Transformation (Final Year)	\$921,000	2022-2023	Strategic consulting, planning, new teacher coaching and support, SEL planning and implementation, staff recognition, convocation, personnel, leadership development, comprehensive land study, and fostering student agency and engagement. 2022-2023 was the final year of a 3 year grant totaling \$4,880,000.
Kellogg Recipe	\$755,000	2023-2024	Strategic Plan Development, Talent Support, Scholar Voice/Empowerment Support, Operations/Capacity Support

Total Kellogg Investment 2020-2024: \$5,635,000



In Summary...

In recent years, JPS has received **Academic Grants** Over \$39,000,000 **Operational Grants** Over \$12,000,000 **Academic / Operational Grants** (Kellogg and Hewlett) Over \$8,000,000 supporting implementation of the strategic plan.



In Conclusion

The JPS Grant Management Office will continue to seek funding opportunities and provide guidance and assistance to district personnel, in support the strategic plan.





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