WOODFORD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
AGENDA ITEM

ITEM #:　　　**DATE:** April 28, 2022

TOPIC/TITLE: Grant Request

PRESENTER: Ryan Asher

ORIGIN:

☐ TOPIC PRESENTED FOR INFORMATION ONLY (No board action required.)
☒ ACTION REQUESTED AT THIS MEETING
☐ ITEM IS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR APPROVAL
☐ ACTION REQUESTED AT FUTURE MEETING:　　　(DATE)
☒ BOARD REVIEW REQUIRED BY

　　　☒ STATE OR FEDERAL LAW OR REGULATION
　　　☐ BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY
　　　☐ OTHER:

PREVIOUS REVIEW, DISCUSSION OR ACTION:

☒ NO PREVIOUS BOARD REVIEW, DISCUSSION OR ACTION
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　　　☐ DATE:
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BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

As per Board policy all requests to submit and receive grants must be pre-approved by Board of Education.

SUMMARY OF MAJOR ELEMENTS:

We are requesting Board approval for the following individuals to apply for grants, and accept them if awarded, as summarized below and per attached requests.

Safe Harbor Academy-Logan Culbertson/Matthew Haughton - As part of the Katherine Wasserman Davis Collaborative in Conflict Tranformation, the Bread Loaf Teacher Network (BLTN) is providing Change Action Grants to active BLTN educators who undertake school or community projects focused on "conflict transformation": the development of creative solutions to conflict-based systems and situations.

IMPACT ON RESOURCES:

TIMETABLE FOR FURTHER REVIEW OR ACTION:

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: ☑ Recommended　　　☐ Not Recommended

Middlebury Bread Loaf School *of* English

Bread Loaf Teacher Network Change Action Grants

As part of the <u>Katherine Wasserman Davis Collaborative in Conflict Transformation</u>, the Bread Loaf Teacher Network (BLTN) is pleased to announce the availability of Change Action Grants to active BLTN educators who undertake school or community projects focused on "conflict transformation": the development of creative solutions to conflict-based systems and situations.

The grant funding will cover projects designed and completed by December 31, 2022. Change Grants can support new or ongoing BLTN collaborations in areas such as school violence, racial or gender bias, educational equity, community health and wellness. **Proposals are due by May 1, 2022**, and should be submitted via the <u>online application</u>. Awards will be announced by May 15, 2022.

Projects should:

- target locally identified issues calling for social activism, cultural change, working across difference, and / or navigating conflict;
- bolster existing or planned collaborations with BLTN or NextGen partners;
- involve students / youth as collaborators and informers.

All proposals should include a plan for public sharing of the project's process and outcomes.

All active educators in the BLTN Network may apply. Preference will be given to 2022-23 Change Fellows. We encourage proposals co-authored with youth and those that form or strengthen local partnerships.

How much will be awarded?
Awards will range $500-$5000. We may fund part or all of a proposal.

What kinds of projects and work can be funded?
These grants can cover expenses for work that contributes to the understanding, navigation, and transformation of conflict-based systems or situations. Possible projects: BLTN collaborations linking incarcerated youth with distant peers, reaching across cultural traditions, engaging diverse audiences at open mic or other community-building events, creating documentary films or other media/text on

especially pertinent social issues, advocating for change in areas of health care and public health.

Funds may provide youth stipends, travel support, publishing expenses, technology, and support for local partnerships or outside speakers. See the budget template for expense categories.

What will be required for reporting?
You will be asked to track all receipts from grant-related activities and to provide a final report with a budget. For sharing your learning, we encourage you to work with BLTN staff to publish in the Spring 2023 issue of the *BLTN Journal*, but you may certainly seek other venues.

Grants require a one-page report detailing the impact of the grant after the project has been completed. This report must provide a specific sharing plan or links to published media. Please submit this report no later than one month after completion of projects.

How do I apply?
Please submit your application, including your budget, via the online application by May 1, 2022. Please address questions to bmoss@middlebury.edu and tpmckenn@middlebury.edu. We have scheduled an optional Q & A session for April 20th, 4:30-5:30 pm Eastern Time. Register in advance for a Zoom link.