Harvard-Allston Public Realm Flexible Fund

For Allston-Brighton

Application for Funding, Spring 2016

Total Amount Requested \$ 49,357,00

Applicant Organization Name: Another Course to College, Buston Public School Organization Address: 20 Wurren Street City: Brighton Zip: 0213	0/5
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Contact Person: Michele Pellam	
Title: Headmaster	
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Is Applicant a 501(C) (3) organization? YesNo	
Federal Employer Identification Number: 22-25/4422	
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Application submission(s) must be authorized and signed by an authorized signatory of the Organization.	
Name and title of Authorized Signatory:	
M. Zellam , Headmaster and for Board chair	
Signature of Authorized Signatory:	
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- 1. Another Course to College (ACC), Boston Public Schools
- 2. Michele Pellam, Headmaster and Co-Chair of the Governing Board, 20 Warren Street, Brighton, MA 02135, (o) 617-635-8865, (c) 617-276-2263, mpellam@bostonpublicschools.org
- 3. There is no key personnel involved in the project.
- 4. There are no partner organizations involved in the project. The quote given for the fourteen (14) MimioBoards are from assigned vendors of Boston Public Schools.
- 5. ACC is a pilot school in Boston Public Schools with 501(c)(3) status which gives us autonomy over the spending of grant money for educational purposes.

Project Information

Public schools buildings are shared community space and hubs that bring communities closer together. At Another Course to College, we envision ourselves as this hub with the incorporation of SmartBoard Technology in the form of MimioBoards in each of our fourteen classrooms. HAPRFF funding can make this possible for the many students who reside in the Allston-Brighton community, as well as those who attend school in our neighborhood. With this technology, we will be able to share our space with the Allston-Brighton community, and 'virtually' welcome families and community partners into our schools. Another Course to College serves members of the Allston-Brighton community by providing multi-generational families and students with a support system and network while celebrating our vibrant culture through various activities. Thirty percent of our students are from the Allston-Brighton neighborhood. We have sustained long term successful partnerships with members of the Allston-Brighton community such as Boston College, Harvard Graduate School of Education, West End House, Boston University College Advising Corps. We actively engage our community in the civic realm by providing a space to hold elections and holding multi-cultural Open Houses. Day to day, we engage families in our community by meeting with them around opportunities in the community, such as paid internships for students through the Private Industry Council, and Parent University through an online hub.

By providing events for families at the school, we encourage cultural activities and a forum to share in each other's cultures. MimioBoards will allow us to transform into a 21st century learning setting and engage all members and generations of the Allston-Brighton community.

Having MimioBoards in our classrooms will allow students and their families to continue to be part of the community when they may not physically be able to attend an event. This will assist with families who have students and family members with disabilities as they will be able to virtually attend these events. MimioBoards will enhance the STEM and humanities education of our students and sustain our goals in providing equity for all of our students in their quest to enroll in college and access community partnerships. MimioBoards in every classroom would enrich cultural experiences by allowing a portal out of the building, as well as a portal into the classroom. We envision members of the Allston-Brighton community having access to our high performing and inclusive educational setting through the connectivity between handheld and laptop devices to the MimioBoards in our classrooms. This grant would provide us with the opportunity to enhance our goals in providing students and their families with access to a 21st Century learning community. HARPFF funding is required with a lack of funding for technology in Boston Public Schools, and with deep budget cuts in high schools this year alone.

Materials

No.	Item	Vendor	Cost	Total
	MasterVision Porcelain Magnetic Dry Erase Board 48x96 White/Silver	WB Mason	\$741.50	\$10,381.00
14	MimioTeach Interactive Whiteboard	HIQ	\$899.00	\$12,586.00
14	MimioBoard 870t Touch Board	HIQ	\$1,885.00	\$26,390.00
			TOTAL	\$49,357.00

Please find attached (1) Application for Funding with 501(c)(3) information and (2) a Letter of Support from a Governing Board Member and Parent