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August 31, 2017

Senator Bruce Maloch, Co-Chair
Representative David Meeks, Co-Chair
Performance Evaluation & Expenditure Review Committee
Arkansas Legislative Council
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: FY18 Cash Fund Appropriation Increase Request(s)

Dear Co-Chairs:

I am forwarding for appropriate action as required by law, the attached Cash Fund Appropriation Increase Request(s) that have received my approval as Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

Sincerely,


Larry W. Walther
Director

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Attachment(s)



Arkansas Department of Education

Transforming Arkansas to lead the nation in student-focused education

Johnny Key
Commissioner

August 4, 2017

**State Board
of Education**

Mr. Duncan Baird, Administrator
Department of Finance and Administration
Office of Budget
1509 West 7th Street
Little Rock, AR 72201

Mireya Reith
Fayetteville
Chair

Dear Mr. Baird:

Dr. Jay Barth
Little Rock
Vice Chair

The Arkansas Department of Education (ADE) requests an increase in cash fund appropriation for the Multiple Grant Award Program cash fund to accommodate a grant that was received from the Blue and You Foundation for the SPARK It Up, Arkansas! project. Grant funds are to support a physical education professional development program based specifically on the use of SPARK (Sports, Play & Active Recreation for Kids) Physical Education program curricula, training and equipment.

Joe Black
Newport

Susan Chambers
Bella Vista

Operating Expenses (885 - 02 - NED0004) \$400,000

Charisse Dean
Little Rock

Dr. Fitz Hill
Little Rock

The current state and federal education funding sources for physical education limit the opportunity for ADE and school districts to provide physical educators with content-specific professional development, curricula which aligns with state frameworks, and equipment necessary to ensure quality physical education instruction. This grant from the Blue and You Foundation helps provide continuing education opportunities and curricula for physical education teachers in Arkansas.

Ouida Newton
Poyen

R. Brett Williamson
El Dorado

Diane Zook
Melbourne

Please contact Greg Rogers at 501-682-4256 if you require additional information.

Sincerely,

Johnny Key
Commissioner of Education

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