



Agenda Item Details

MEETING DATE:

10/20/2026

TOPIC:

Approve Amendment to the FY27 Grants Fund Budget to \$7,300,848

POLICY ALIGNMENT:

[BBA, School Board Powers and Duties](#)

[DB, Annual Budget](#)

BACKGROUND:

Williamsburg-James City County Public Schools (WJCC) has been awarded a variety of additional grants and community contributions totaling \$100,848 in support of students and staff:

- The SPARK Community Empowerment Grant (\$6,700) provides essential supports for students in need, including laundromat gift cards, bus tickets, and new clothing items;
- The Mentor Teacher grant (\$5,052) supports mentoring and professional development for new teachers through the division's mentor teacher program;
- The Open Outdoors for Kids Grant (\$29,640) will provide watershed and environmental education field experiences for approximately 900 seventh-grade students in partnership with the James River Association and National Park Service;
- State Security Equipment Grant (\$21,498) for security equipment at Berkeley Middle School and Matthew Whaley Elementary;
- CTE State Grants (\$37,958) will be used to purchase equipment and testing materials.

Grant Description	Award Amount
Spark Community Empowerment	\$6,700
Mentor Teacher	\$5,052
Open Outdoors for Kids Grant	\$29,640
State Security Equipment Grant	\$21,498
CTE State Grants	\$37,958
Total New Grants	\$100,848

RATIONALE:

The Grants Fund budget must be amended to reflect additional grant awards received by the division and authorize expenditure of the funds for their intended purpose.

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCE(S):

N/A

COST BUDGETED:

Revised Grants Fund Budget: \$7,300,848

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the superintendent's recommendation.
2. Do not approve the superintendent's recommendation.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

The superintendent recommends the board approve the amendment to the FY27 Grants Fund Budget to \$7,300,848.

DATA SOURCE:

Daniel Keever, Ph.D.

Rene Ewing, Chief Financial Officer

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Move to approve the amendment to the FY27 Grants Fund Budget to \$7,300,848.