Lottery for Education Afterschool Programs Grant
Notice of Intent to Apply

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In accordance with the instructions set for by the Tennessee Department of Education Office of Extended Learning, this letter is to serve as formal notice that Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools intends to enter into the 2020 grant competition for Lottery of Education Afterschool Programs (LEAPs). The overarching goal of the LEAPs program is to provide Tennessee students—particularly students who attend schools in need of improvement—with academic enrichment opportunities that reinforce and complement the regular academic program.

Metro Nashville Public Schools will offer a broad array of before school, after school, and summer activities designed with intentionality to support student’s academic achievement, foster positive social and emotional development, develop habits for healthy living, and engage student’s interests. Student participants will experience project based, hands on learning opportunities focused on STEAM and literacy. Furthermore, parents and students will be invited to participate in family engagement opportunities aligned with literacy, STEAM, and social and emotional learning. The office of Extended Learning Programs will support schools by offering ongoing data chats and discussions as a tool to improve program quality and support the initiatives set forth by the school improvement plan. Partnerships are critical to the program design model. For this reason, partnerships have been developed between YMCA Fun Co., Turnip Green Creative Reuse, NAZA and more. In an effort to support student’s basic needs, snacks and/or supper will be served at each site location through funding provided by the Child and Adult Care Food Program.

Metro Nashville Public Schools will enter the 2020 LEAPs grant competition with intent to provide services to Glenview Elementary, Whitsitt Elementary, Neely’s Bend Elementary, Paragon Mills Elementary, Glencliff Elementary, Cumberland Elementary, Jones Paideia, and Hattie Cotton Elementary.

Your feedback is valuable and welcomed. Please send suggestions to Jennifer.Bell@mnps.org.

Sincerely,

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