



School Redesign Grant Award Announcement – Robinson Middle School

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RE: *SRG Award Announcement*

Please see attached School Redesign Grant (SRG) award letters from Governor Baker's Office and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. The Robinson Middle School has been awarded a SRG for \$312,333 per year for three years.

SRGs are federally-funded, competitive grants, awarded to assist underperforming schools to better meet students' needs through funding improvement strategies such as professional development for educators, extra time after school for staff collaboration and academic enrichment programs for students. To qualify, the Robinson School, through the development of a turnaround plan, demonstrated how high leverage components of school improvement strategies would be put in place in a three-year plan for rapid school improvement. Over the course of several months, the Robinson School's Instructional Leadership Team (ILT), Asst. Superintendent of Curriculum, Assessment and Instruction, District Coordinators, District Support Staff, and our partners from the Office of Statewide System of Support, developed a turnaround plan to guide the school's success over the next three years. The ILT met every Thursday after school and on various Saturday mornings to complete data analysis, root cause analysis, research best practices and craft elements of the plan development. The turnaround plan is to be reviewed and updated each year the school receives the SRG funding. The turnaround plan is grounded in research-based best practices for effective school turnaround efforts.