

Committee(s)	Dated:
Education Board	18/07/2019
Subject: City Premium Grant 2019/20 Allocations to Academies	Public
Report of: Director of Community and Children's Services	For Decision
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Summary

At the Education Board meeting on 23 May 2019, Members approved the release of £1,294,472 as City Premium Grant funding to City Corporation sponsored and co-sponsored academies. At the meeting, Members noted that additional applications would be submitted to the 18 July 2019 Education Board meeting for approval. Due to extenuating reasons, several academies required extra time to submit applications. This report asks Members to approve the release of £371,638 from the Central Risk element of the Education Board's budget at the proposed schedule listed in the Recommendations section of this report. This funding is to support projects delivered over the 2019/20 academic year. A summary of the applications to be funded from this allocation is included in **Appendix 1**.

Recommendations

Members are asked to:

- Approve the release of City Premium Grant funding to City academies for academic year 2019/20 as per **Schedule 1** below.
- Approve the proposal that City of London Academy Southwark (CoLAS) repurpose an underspend on their 2018/19 City Premium Grant, approve an extension of the delivery period to end in December 2019, and agree to receive the 2018/19 City Premium Grant evaluation from CoLAS in January 2020.

Schedule 1 – Proposed City Premium Grant funding to City academies.

Academy	Maximum eligible amount 2019/20	Amount awarded at May 2019 Education Board	Proposal for approval at July 2019 Education Board
Galleywall Primary School	£60,000	£23,362	£36,638
City of London Academy Shoreditch Park	£140,000	£42,050	£75,000
The City Academy Hackney	£250,000	£240,000	£10,000
City of London Academy Southwark	£250,000	£0	£250,000
		Total	£371,638

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Background

1. At the Education Board meeting on 23 May 2019, Members approved the release of £1,294,472 of City Premium Grant funding. Members noted that further applications would be received from Galleywall Primary School and City of London Academy Shoreditch Park. Members also noted that City of London Academy Southwark would submit their application to the July 2019 Education

Board meeting to allow extra time for the newly appointed Principal to identify the priorities for the school.

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2. The Strategic Education and Skills Director and the Lead Policy Officer (in consultation with the CEO of CoLAT) have reviewed the applications summarised in **Appendix 1** and consider that they meet the criteria of the grant and will support the delivery of exceptional education, cultural and creative learning and skills development by the academies. An additional application from The City Academy Hackney is included in **Schedule 1** and **Appendix 1** and does not exceed the maximum eligible amount for the academy.
3. A summary of the total value of 2019/20 City Premium Grant proposals is included in **Appendix 2**.

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4. CoLAS experienced significant changes to the senior leadership team at the end of the Spring Term and further changes are expected from the new academic year. Related to this, CoLAS are predicting an underspend on the use of the 2018/19 City Premium Grant funding to deliver on the projects approved by the Education Board in May 2018.
5. The new principal has identified priorities for which the underspend can be repurposed. An application form for repurposing the fund is included in **Appendix 3**. CoLAS would require an extension of the 2018/29 City Premium Grant fund delivery period of one extra school term to deliver on the repurposed grant. Members are asked to approve the repurposing of the 2018/29 City Premium Grant, approve an extension of the delivery period to the end of December 2019, and agree to receive the 2018/19 City Premium Grant evaluation from CoLAS in January 2020.

Conclusion

6. The Education Board has provision within the 2019/20 Budget to award City Premium Grant funding to City academies at the maximum value approved by the committee in January 2019. The Strategic Education and Skills Director considers that the applications received by City academies and summarised in **Appendix 1** meet the grant criteria and will support the delivery of exceptional education in the academies. Members are therefore asked to approve the release of funding to City academies as per **Schedule 1** to the total value of £371,638.

Appendices

- **Appendix 1** – Summary of City Premium Grant applications submitted for approval to the July 2019 Education Board meeting (Non-Public)
- **Appendix 2** – Summary of the total value of 2019/20 City Premium Grant proposals.
- **Appendix 3** – City of London Academy Southwark, repurposed underspend of 2018/19 City Premium Grant (Non-Public)

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