

Direct questions regarding this form to 3-1806.

GRANT AWARD APPROVAL FORM

1. OFFICIAL NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:	Date of SBE Approval of Grant Criteria 2-10-04
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2005--2006 Freedom to Learn (FTL)
(years) (years) (title)

Type: Initial Amendment Continuation

Legislation Authorizing This Grant Program: Section 98b of PA 158 of 2003 and Title II, Part D of NCLB

Federal Grant: CFDA Number 84.318X State Grant Other (Private, Foundation)

2. Purpose of Grant Program: The purpose of this program is to build on the wireless technology pilot project to expand wireless learning opportunities to public and private school sixth graders in the state and to provide multiple opportunities and resources for professional development.

Type of Grant Program: (check one)

- Competitive
- Formula
- Other: (specify below)

3. SBE Priorities and Policies That This Grant Program Supports: (check all that apply)

Priorities

- Integrating Communities and Schools
- Elevating Educational Leadership
- Embracing the Information Age
- Ensuring Early Childhood Literacy
- Ensuring Excellent Educators

Policies

- Bullying
- Character Education
- Creating Effective Learning Environments
- Family Involvement
- Safe Schools

Other: (specify below)

4. Grant Categories (if not described in Item 2): NOT APPLICABLE

Carryover funds to be spent on professional development

5. Target Population to be Served by Grant:

Districts serving the highest numbers or percentages of children from families with incomes below the poverty line and serving one or more schools not meeting Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) are targeted. Districts designated as demonstration sites in the 2002-03 pilot program are eligible for continuation funding.

6. Total Funds Awarded:

Previous Award - \$1,924,500 Amended Amount - \$625,000 Total Award - \$2,698,304

7. Eligible Applicants:

Districts serving the highest numbers or percentages of children from families with incomes below the poverty line and serving one or more schools not meeting Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) are targeted.

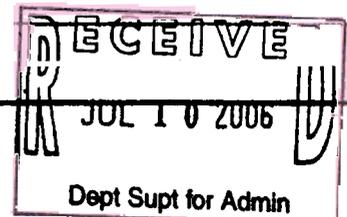
8. Description of Priorities Given to Any Specific Population or Location: NOT APPLICABLE

9. Grant Administration:

Office	Unit	Contact	Phone
Ferris State University	Freedom to Learn	Jamie McCormick	52065

Prepared by: Kate Kennedy

Phone Number: 50449



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10. OFFICE

Office Director Approval Signature: Mary A. Chantel Date: 7/7/06
 Phone: _____ Comments: _____

11. GRANTS OFFICE

Grants Office Approval Signature: Mary A. Chantel Date: 7/7/06
 Comments: _____

Exhibit A Not Required

Exhibit B Not Required

Exhibit C Not Required

12. DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT

Deputy Superintendent Approval Signature: Cassie W. Leakey Date: 7-11-06
 Comments: _____

13. SUPERINTENDENT

Superintendent Approval Signature: [Signature] Date: 7-17-06
 Comments: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

- A. Complete items 1-10 on this form. The Grants Administration and Coordination Unit will facilitate completion of items 11-14.
- B. Attach three (3) sets of Exhibits A, B, and C.
 - Exhibit A---List of applicants (alphabetical order) recommended for funding, the amount requested, the amount recommended, and a three to five sentence abstract of the proposal.
 - Exhibit B---List of applicants (alphabetical order) not recommended for funding and the amount each requested.
 - Exhibit C---Map of Michigan indicating the location of recommended applicants. Link to: <http://www.mdeintranet/inside/off/grants/grants.htm> for sample maps.
- C. Attach the grant award letters for the Superintendent's signature and the non-award letters for the Service Area Director's signature. The letters should be submitted in the same order given in Exhibit A and/or B. For each final Grant Award Notification letter, a Grant Award Notification form (yellow sheet) also needs to be submitted for the Superintendent's signature.
- D. Transmit Grant Award Approval Form (pink), attachments, and letters to the Grants Administration and Coordination Unit.

**Freedom to Learn
Applicants Recommended for Funding**

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Amount Approved</u>
Berrien ISD	\$625,000	\$625,000
	<u>\$625,000</u>	<u>\$625,000</u>