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October 23, 2019

Mr Jim Smith
Bear Creek Community CS
30 Charter School Way
Bear Creek Township, PA 18702

Dear Mr Smith,

This letter is to inform you that the Division of Federal Programs has determined that Bear Creek Community CS has maintained fiscal effort when comparing the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. Maintenance of Effort (MOE) references a federal regulation requiring grant recipients to maintain a certain level of state/local fiscal effort in order to be eligible for full participation in federal grant funding. This is important, because if an LEA fails to maintain fiscal effort (measured by aggregate expenditure or per pupil expenditure), the Pennsylvania Department of Education is required to reduce its allocations under Title I, Part A, as well as other federal programs for the appropriate year.

According to your Annual Financial Report, aggregate expenditures from state and local sources were -6.8%. For the same comparison period, per pupil spending from state and local sources were -7.3% during the most recent comparison year (2017-18). One or both of these percentages was within the allowable reduction rate of 10%. Because of this, no action is required, and your LEA is eligible for full participation in federal grant funding for school year 2019-20.

If you have any questions regarding MOE, please contact your Regional Coordinator in the Division of Federal Programs at (717) 783-2193.

Susan Mc Crone

Sincerely,

Susan McCrone Division Chief

Cc: Federal Programs Coordinator 2019-20 Project File