

Crowdfunding Proposals

A Lynn Public School professional may submit a proposal to benefit the Lynn Public Schools (LPS) by raising funds or acquiring materials via a crowdfunding platform that has been approved by the Superintendent of the Lynn Public Schools. The individual proposal shall first be submitted to the building principal for approval. Once approved by the principal, the Superintendent or her/his designee will then review the proposal. A decision on the application will be made within three business days. A list of approved crowdfunding platforms will be maintained by the Superintendent; in addition, the Superintendent will post, on the LPS Website, the appropriate form through which a LPS professional may seek approval for a proposal.

If the proposal is denied by the Superintendent or her/his designee, s/he will communicate, on the above-referenced form, the reason for denial. Reasons for denial may include:

- The proposal requests the purchase or use of technology that is not compatible with the LPS current or future plans for the purchase and/or use of technology.
- The proposal requests the purchase and/or use of technology not supported by the LPS Network Administrator and the Assistant Director of Curriculum and Instruction for Instructional Technology.
- The proposal requests the purchase of curriculum materials and supplies that are not standards-based.
- The proposal requests materials that could be substituted by similar materials that are already supplied by the district or will be supplied by the district.
- The proposal seeks to start a program that would require the continued use of materials or funding beyond what is obtained through the proposal.
- The proposal will result in demands on staff not involved in the proposal.
- The proposal is in conflict with or takes away from adequate instructional time and/or established foci of the District Improvement Plan or the School Improvement Plans.
- The proposal requests athletic equipment or donations not consistent with or in direct conflict with the athletic programs of the Lynn Public Schools.
- The proposal is in conflict with current and/or planned curriculum and instruction initiatives, School Committee policy, one or more of the LPS Collective Bargaining Agreements, regulations of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and/or Massachusetts General Laws.

If a proposal is successfully funded, the author(s) shall immediately notify the Grants Office.

All gifts, grants, bequests and contributions must be officially accepted by the Lynn School Committee, become the property of the Lynn Public School Department and, if applicable, will remain in the school where the author(s) was (were) located at time of the grant award.

Adopted by the Lynn School Committee on March 31, 2016