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To: PPS School Board

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B. The Board of Directors for Portland Public Schools serves as the Governing  
for PPS Head Start.

**1. COLA and Quality Improvement: Board Signature of Approval Needed**

Federal funds have been made available by Congress through the Office of Head Start (OHS). The funds are for cost of living salary increases (\$107,381) and for improving the quality of our learning environments using a trauma-informed lens (\$79,002). The Head Start Parent Policy Council approved PPS Head Start applying for these funds on April 14, 2020. Application is due May 15, 2020.

**2. Head Start Supplemental Summer Program & COVID19 Relief Funds: Board Signature of Approval Needed**

Federal funds have been made available by Congress (CARES Act, 2020) through the Office of Head Start (OHS). The PPS Head Start Parent Policy Council approved applying for the funds to provide a Supplemental Summer Program for current Head Start students transitioning to Kindergarten and any current Head Start student who receives early childhood special education services through an Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP). Approximately 489 3- and 4-year old children in PPS Head Start would be eligible for this Summer Program according to current enrollment data. Funding amounts are undetermined at this time. The PPS Head Start Parent Policy Council approved applying for these funds on April 14, 2020. Application is due May 15, 2020.

**3. Inflationary Increase from Oregon Department of Education (ODE): Board Signature of Approval Needed** The amended amount for inflation to the State Oregon PreKindergarten (OPK) grant was \$159,735. The PPS Head Start Parent Policy Council Board Chairperson signed and approved to accept these funds.



All of the above items support the district's and School Board's vision and priorities.