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RE: HB1624 - Relative to students with disabilities participating in co-curricular activities

The New Hampshire Department of Education (NHED), Bureau of Special Education Support (Bureau), is providing information on the recent bill, HB 1624, that passed during the 2021-2022 Legislative Session relative to students with disabilities participating in co-curricular activities. This bill established the Co-Curricular Program Fund that will provide school districts with grants of up to $4,000, per program, with the primary purpose to be for districts which are looking to create new co-curricular programs or to expand the offerings of such programs to students. Any remaining funds will be distributed to school districts with pre-existing co-curricular programs. it is important to note that co-curricular programs are not limited to sports—it can be any activity. Grants to school districts seeking to establish a co-curricular program can fund first-year operational expenses of equipment, to include uniforms. Similarly, grants to school districts with pre-existing co-curricular programs can be utilized to replace existing equipment, to include uniforms.

Attached to this document is the fillable application form for the Co-Curricular Program Fund. Proposals for co-curricular funds should be clear and well-written and must be signed by the appropriate departmental chairperson, program director or administration.

Funds will be distributed through the Grants Management System (GMS).

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