

**124D.2211 AFTER-SCHOOL COMMUNITY LEARNING PROGRAMS.**

Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** A competitive statewide after-school community learning grant program is established to provide grants to community or nonprofit organizations, political subdivisions, for-profit or nonprofit child care centers, or school-based programs that serve youth after school or during nonschool hours. The commissioner shall develop criteria for after-school community learning programs.

Subd. 2. **Program outcomes.** The expected outcomes of the after-school community learning programs are to increase:

- (1) school connectedness of participants;
- (2) academic achievement of participating students in one or more core academic areas;
- (3) the capacity of participants to become productive adults; and
- (4) prevent truancy from school and prevent juvenile crime.

Subd. 3. **Grants.** An applicant shall submit an after-school community learning program proposal to the commissioner. The submitted plan must include:

- (1) collaboration with and leverage of existing community resources that have demonstrated effectiveness;
- (2) outreach to children and youth; and
- (3) involvement of local governments, including park and recreation boards or schools, unless no government agency is appropriate.

Proposals will be reviewed and approved by the commissioner.

**History:** 2007 c 146 art 9 s 14