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## **Local Schools Awarded Literacy Grants**

BOSTON – Representative Todd M. Smola (R-Warren, Ranking Member, Committee on Ways & Means), is pleased to announce that several local schools have been selected to receive funds as part of Massachusetts' Early Grades Literacy Program. As part of the program, Warren Elementary School will receive \$34,100; Old Mill Pond Elementary School will receive \$11,000; and Stanley M. Koziol Elementary School will receive \$9,800.

"It is terrific that three of our local schools have been named recipients of the literacy grant program," said Representative Smola. "The education of our children is always a top priority and I am proud of our local teachers and administrators for securing this competitive funding."

This state-funded grant program aims to improve early literacy achievement for students throughout the Commonwealth in grades K-3. Schools will use the award funds to attend professional development, purchase materials, and/or receive onsite coaching in early literacy instructional techniques. This year 63 Massachusetts schools were selected for this competitive program.

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