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Federal Coronavirus Aid Includes Funds for Local Communities

BOSTON – Representative Todd M. Smola (R-Warren, Ranking Member, Committee on Ways & Means) is pleased to announce that the Quaboag Regional School District has been awarded \$114,840 as part of the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) Grant Program. The CCLC is supported with federal funds and is administered through the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

"I am excited to hear that the students in Warren will have the opportunity to further their education with the benefit of additional learning time," said Representative Smola. "Congratulations to Superintendent Brett Kustigian and his team at Quaboag for their outstanding work in securing this important funding." "The schools of today must continue to change to meet the needs of its students," said Senator Anne M. Gobi (D-Spencer). "The Warren Elementary School and the entire Quaboag School District recognizes that learning happens at all hours and expanded time outside of the structured school day complements and encourages learning."

The purpose of this competitive grant program is to establish or expand community learning centers. These learning centers operate outside of and in addition to the normal school day. They provide students with academic enrichment opportunities along with other activities designed to complement the students' regular academic program.

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