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## **Smola Announces Literacy Partnerships Grant Awarded to Local Schools**

BOSTON – **State Representative Todd M. Smola (R-Warren)** today announced that the Palmer Public Schools will be receiving \$12,557 in the form of a Literacy Partnerships grant. The purpose of the state-funded Literacy Partnerships grant program is to support the use of Pre-K to grade 6 model curriculum units in literacy and humanities, as well as to align curriculum, instruction, assessment, and professional development with the 2011 Massachusetts Curriculum Framework for English Language Arts and Literacy.

“It is wonderful to hear that the Palmer Public Schools have been named recipients of a Literacy Partnerships grant,” said Representative Smola. “The education of our children is always a top priority and I am proud of the Palmer Public Schools for securing this competitive funding.”

The Literacy Partnerships grant program is administered by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

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