

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Board of Directors, Massachusetts School Building Authority  
**FROM:** James A. MacDonald, First Deputy Treasurer, Chief Executive Officer  
Mary L. Pichetti, Executive Director/Deputy Chief Executive Officer  
**DATE:** December 6, 2023  
**RE:** Statement of Interest for Core Program – 2023 Recommendations for  
Invitations to Eligibility Period

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The Massachusetts School Building Authority (the “MSBA”) opened the 2023 Statement of Interest (the “SOI”) filing period on January 13, 2023. The filing deadline for the Core Program was April 14, 2023, with 63 SOIs submitted by 57 districts for consideration.<sup>1</sup> Of the 63 SOIs submitted, 40 were designated as the priority school. Beginning on April 14, 2023, the MSBA conducted its due diligence on the SOIs that were submitted for the Core Program, as outlined in **Attachment A**, “SOI Process Overview for Core Program” issued December 9, 2022 and as noted below:

- Review SOI submissions for completeness – votes, signatures and supporting documentation;
- Review SOI submissions and accompanying documents for content; and,
- Conduct Senior Study visits, if necessary.

As discussed with the Board during the 2023 SOI process and most recently at the November 15, 2023, Facilities Assessment Subcommittee meeting, the MSBA has now concluded its due diligence for the 2023 SOIs. MSBA staff are recommending that the Board vote to invite the 19 districts and schools listed below and as found in **Attachment B** into the Eligibility Period.

Upon approval by the Board, each district and school are invited into the 270-day Eligibility Period with a specified effective date for commencement, and any approval of a potential grant for the scope of work as identified herein will not be made before July 1, 2026. As part of its due diligence, MSBA staff has discussed the Eligibility Period requirements and the specific funding timelines with the 19 districts. The districts are aware of the effective dates for commencement of Eligibility Period as found below and the dates for potential grant approval.

**Attachment C** to this memorandum lists the names of the remaining 38 districts and 44 schools that submitted an SOI in 2023 but are not being considered for an invitation into the MSBA’s grant program.

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<sup>1</sup>There was no filing period for the Accelerated Repair Program (the “ARP”) in 2023. This was a result of staff’s recommendation and the Board’s approval to temporarily pause the ARP and not accept new SOIs for the ARP in 2023 at the October 26, 2022, Board of Directors meeting.

**Recommended Invitation for Commencement of Eligibility Period on March 4, 2024**

<b>District</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Age of Existing Building</b>	<b>Current Grade Configuration</b>
Manchester-Essex Regional School District	Essex Elementary School	1957	K-5
Somerville	Winter Hill Community School	1975	PK-8
South Hadley	Mosier Elementary School	1969	2-4

**Recommended Invitation for Commencement of Eligibility Period on April 1, 2024**

<b>District</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Age of Existing Building</b>	<b>Current Grade Configuration</b>
Chelmsford	Colonel Moses Parker Middle School	1965	5-8
Leicester	Leicester High School	1995	9-12
Northborough	Marguerite E. Peaslee Elementary School	1962	K-5
Springfield	German Gerena Elementary School	1975	PK-5

**Recommended Invitation for Commencement of Eligibility Period on May 1, 2024**

<b>District</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Age of Existing Building</b>	<b>Current Grade Configuration</b>
Dighton-Rehoboth Regional School District	Dighton Elementary School	1953	PK-4
Medford	Medford High School	1970	PK; 9-12
Needham	Pollard Middle School	1957	7-8

**Recommended Invitation for Commencement of Eligibility Period on June 3, 2024**

<b>District</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Age of Existing Building</b>	<b>Current Grade Configuration</b>
Framingham	Hemenway Elementary School	1961	K-5
Haverhill	John G. Whittier Middle School	1957	5-8
New Bedford	Charles S. Ashley Elementary School	1922	K-5

**Recommended Invitation for Commencement of Eligibility Period on July 1, 2024**

<b>District</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Age of Existing Building</b>	<b>Current Grade Configuration</b>
Boston	Pauline Agassiz Shaw Elementary School	1919	PK-3
Everett	Everett High School	2007	9-12
Worcester	Burncoat Senior High School	1964	9-12

**Recommended Invitation for Commencement of Eligibility Period on August 1, 2024**

<b>District</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Age of Existing Building</b>	<b>Current Grade Configuration</b>
Milford	Milford High School	1971	PK; 9-12
Peabody	Peabody Veterans Memorial High School	1970	9-12
Westford	Colonel John Robinson Elementary School	1970	PK-2

**<sup>1</sup>Exhibit A****2023 SOI Invitations to Eligibility Period**

District	School	Age of Existing Building	Existing Square Footage	Current Grade Configuration	2022-2023 DESE Enrollment	Eligibility Period Commencement Date
Boston	Pauline Agassiz Shaw Elementary School	1919	20,000	PK-3	187	July 1, 2024
Chelmsford	Colonel Moses Parker Middle School	1965	121,873	5-8	723	April 1, 2024
Dighton-Rehoboth Regional School District	Dighton Elementary School	1953	108,000	PK-4	411	May 1, 2024
Everett	Everett High School	2007	350,110	9-12	2,231	July 1, 2024
Framingham	Hemenway Elementary School	1961	66,500	K-5	543	June 3, 2024
Haverhill	John G. Whittier Middle School	1957	58,000	5-8	484	June 3, 2024
Leicester	Leicester High School	1995	97,000	9-12	414	April 1, 2024
Manchester-Essex Regional School District	Essex Elementary School	1957	52,900	K-5	231	March 4, 2024
Medford	Medford High School	1970	330,000	PK; 9-12	1,260	May 1, 2024
Milford	Milford High School	1971	342,350	PK; 9-12	1,324	August 1, 2024
Needham	Pollard Middle School	1957	175,000	7-8	818	May 1, 2024
New Bedford	Charles S. Ashley Elementary School	1922	61,840	K-5	278	June 3, 2024
Northborough	Marguerite E. Peaslee Elementary School	1962	44,000	K-5	251	April 1, 2024
Peabody	Peabody Veterans Memorial High School	1970	318,000	9-12	1,476	August 1, 2024
Somerville	Winter Hill Community School	1975	95,000	PK-8	404	March 4, 2024
South Hadley	Mosier Elementary School	1969	57,788	2-4	345	March 4, 2024
Springfield	German Gerena Elementary School	1975	275,000	PK-5	509	April 1, 2024
Westford	Colonel John Robinson Elementary School	1970	55,836	PK-2	311	August 1, 2024
Worcester	Burncoat Senior High School	1964	144,388	9-12	1,179	July 1, 2024

<sup>1</sup>Any approval of a potential grant for a scope of work as identified herein will not be made before July 1, 2026