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CITY AWARDS TEN LOCAL SCHOOLS \$45,000 IN EDUCATION GRANTS

COLLEGE PARK, MD, March 1, 2018 - At the February 13 and February 27 Mayor and Council Meetings, the City of College Park awarded ten public schools serving College Park neighborhoods \$45,000 in Education Grants. The awarded grants will be used by the local schools to fund educational programs like field trips, a language class, robotics team and technological resources in the classroom. "The City of College Park has strong commitment to the education of its children. We believe that supporting our public schools not only strengthens students, it strengthens our community and our future" said Mayor Patrick Wojahn during the February 13 presentation ceremony.

This year, Hollywood Elementary, Paint Branch Elementary, Parkdale High and Greenbelt Middle were each awarded a \$7,500 grant. The grants will go towards a robotics team, increased technology for students in the classroom, and extended learning opportunities for students. Principals from Paint Branch Elementary, Hollywood Elementary and Parkdale High were in attendance on February 13, and Greenbelt Middle on February 27 to accept their school's award at the presentation ceremonies.

Berwyn Heights Elementary, Cherokee Lane Elementary, University Park Elementary, Buck Lodge Middle, Hyattsville Middle and High Point High all received \$2,500 each in grants as well. The schools will use the City's Education Grants to support educational programs like museum and science camp field trips, an Italian language class, a trip to Colonial Williamsburg, and SAT prep workshops.

Since 2008, neighborhood public schools have submitted applications to the City for funding of a school project or program that fulfills an educational need and supports the academic achievement of its students. The City's Education Advisory Committee reviews the applications and makes a recommendation to City Council, who then awards the grants. Schools with the largest number of City students are eligible for a \$7,500 grant.

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About the City of College Park: Situated just minutes from the nation's capital, the City of College Park is home to the University of Maryland, the world's oldest continuously operating airport and a wide variety of shops, restaurants, attractions and recreational opportunities. The City is comprised of over 32,000 residents that reside in diverse settings from historic neighborhoods to luxury student housing complexes.

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