BOARD AGENDA ITEM

March 10, 2020

SUBJECT:

Submission of the 2020-21 Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant Application by Leavelle McCampbell Middle School – FY21

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Leavelle McCampbell Middle School would like to submit an application to the SC State Department of Education for the 2020-21 Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant in the amount of \$260,000.00 which is renewable for up to four years. This grant will assist in providing opportunities for academic enrichment, youth development and meaningful family engagement for both current and incoming students. If awarded, the grant funds will be used to support programs that will address the following:

- Students who are below level in reading and/or mathematics
- Student achievement on standardized assessments
- Students with disabilities
- Students who are transitioning from elementary school to middle school
- Attendance
- Failure rate
- Discipline
- Character education/leadership development
- Summer transition program for at-risk students
- Partnerships with community entities to provide mentorships

If awarded, grant funds will be used to fund salaries for teachers and staff for the afterschool program, Saturday school, and/or summer programs, field trips, transportation, parent nights, and instructional program equipment and materials. The various programs supported by the grant will benefit all students with a focus on students who are at risk of failure or retention and students with disabilities.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION:

The Division of Instruction has evaluated the goals and objectives and finds them to be consistent with district goals.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the submission of the 2020-21 Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant application and the receipt of funds, if awarded.

PREPARED BY: