

# Massachusetts School Building Authority

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February 15, 2017

Mr. Thomas M. Conrad, Superintendent  
Nauset Regional School District  
78 Eldredge Park Way  
Orleans, MA 02653

Re: Nauset Regional School District, Nauset Regional High School

Dear Superintendent Conrad:

I am pleased to report that the Massachusetts School Building Authority (the "MSBA") Board of Directors voted to invite the Statement of Interest (the "SOI") for the Nauset Regional High School in the Nauset Regional School District (the "District") into the MSBA's Eligibility Period. The 270-day Eligibility Period formalizes and streamlines the beginning of the MSBA's grant approval process and benefits the District by providing a definitive schedule for the completion of preliminary requirements, assisting with the determination of financial and community readiness, and identifying needs for planning and budgeting. Successful completion of all activities in the Eligibility Period will allow the District to be eligible for an MSBA invitation to Feasibility Study.

Invitation into the Eligibility Period is *not* an invitation to Feasibility Study. Moving forward in the MSBA's process requires collaboration with the MSBA, and an invitation to Feasibility Study will require a further vote of the MSBA Board of Directors. Communities that "get ahead" of the MSBA without MSBA approval will not be eligible for grant funding. To qualify for any funding from the MSBA, local communities must follow the MSBA's statute and regulations, which require MSBA partnership and approval at each step of the process.

The District's Eligibility Period will commence on June 1, 2017 and conclude on or before February 26, 2017. During this time, the District must complete the preliminary requirements in accordance with the schedule on page three of this letter. The first item that requires completion by the District is the Initial Compliance Certification, which is attached to this letter.

The ability of the District to complete the preliminary requirements within the 270 days does not guarantee an invitation into the MSBA Capital Pipeline. Further, if the District cannot complete the preliminary requirements within the 270-day Eligibility Period, the MSBA will require the District to withdraw its SOI, and the District will have to re-file an SOI during the next open SOI filing period and/or when the District has the required financial and community support.



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If the District has concerns about meeting any of the deadlines set forth on page three of this letter, please notify the MSBA in writing by June 1, 2017. If you have questions or would like additional information regarding the Eligibility Period, please refer to our website (<http://www.massschoolbuildings.org/building/prerequisites>) and/or contact Sarah Blache-Schwartz at the MSBA ([Sarah.Blache@MassSchoolBuildings.org](mailto:Sarah.Blache@MassSchoolBuildings.org)).

I look forward to continuing to work with you throughout the MSBA's grant program process. As always, feel free to contact me or my staff at (617) 720-4466 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



John K. McCarthy  
Executive Director

Cc: Legislative Delegation  
John O'Reilly, Chair, Nauset Regional School Committee  
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