



TO: The Honorable Members of the Board of Regents
Acting in their Capacity as Trustees of The University of the
State of New York

FROM: Sharon Cates Williams, Fiscal Agent *Sharon Cates-Williams*

SUBJECT: Acceptance of a \$500,000 grant from Carnegie
Corporation of New York

DATE: October 7, 2021

AUTHORIZATION(S): *[Signature]*

SUMMARY

Issue for Decision (Consent)

Approval of a \$500,000 grant to The University of the State of New York Regents Research Fund from Carnegie Corporation of New York.

Reason(s) for Consideration

This grant from the Carnegie Corporation will enable NYSED to develop and implement a Performance Assessment Networks pilot program. The Department will partner with distinguished researchers to determine the conditions under which performance-based assessment approaches can be adapted and implemented in a diverse range of public middle schools, high schools, and districts, and what supports and other factors appear most important to ensure positive student outcomes in a performance-driven system of instruction. In addition to providing evidence to guide NYSED's reimagining of the pathways to high school graduation, the pilot will support the Department's efforts to promote equity of opportunity and outcomes and to better align K-12 learning with higher education and careers.

Proposed Handling

Approval

Recommendation

That the Board of Regents accept the sum of \$500,000 from Carnegie Corporation of New York to support the work of the USNY Regents Research Fund.