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Rep. Williams: \$2,500 State Grant Approved for Watertown Public School Education Foundation



Grant will Help Fund 'Virtual High School' Program at Watertown High School

A \$2,500 state grant that will help fund a Watertown Public School Education Foundation project to create a 'Virtual High School' program at Watertown High School has been approved by the state Office of Policy and Management, state Representative Sean Williams announced today.

The Virtual High School program will enable up to 50 students to take web based elective courses that are not offered as part of the high school curriculum, said Watertown Public School Education Foundation President Susan Atkins and Representative Williams, R-Watertown, who helped secure the grant.

"The Watertown Public School Education Foundation has always worked to ensure our students continue to receive an education that is second to none," said Representative Williams. "I was pleased to help the foundation secure this grant, which will enable Watertown High School to significantly broaden its range of course offerings. It underscores Governor Rell's and the state legislature's continued commitment to public education in Connecticut."

"The Watertown Public School Education Foundation is pleased to accept this grant from the State of Connecticut. The Virtual High School program will allow up to 50 students to take web-based elective courses that are not offered as part of the high school curriculum. The goal of the foundation is to offer programming that is beyond the means of the conventional curriculum and school budget. With this support and the great support of our community, we are happy to bring our goal to fruition and to further the educational opportunities of our children," Mrs. Atkins said.