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Dear After School Education and Safety After School Summer grantees:

State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Tony Thurmond, has a top priority to improve reading levels throughout the state and by doing so, will reinforce the importance of reading at all age levels. Thanks to Superintendent Thurmond's support, the Expanded Learning Division is pleased to announce the establishment of a 2019 Summer Reading Incentive to reduce the loss of learning during the summer months and to keep students growing. The funding for the Summer Reading Incentive is one-time only and intended to provide one of the following:

1. **Get books in the hands of children.** The books purchased with these funds will be given to students for ownership.
2. **Improved family literacy engagement** and to foster a love of families reading together.
3. **Evidence based Literacy intervention programs** that will keep kids growing academically over the summer and be better prepared for the upcoming school year.

The 94 After School Education and Safety (ASES) grantees with existing After School Summer/Supplemental grants that will run a program during the Summer of 2019 (June 1–September 1, 2019) may be eligible to receive a portion of the \$469,000 available for one-time only funding. The determined amount of funding per grantee will be dependent on the amount of requests for funding received. We anticipate funding amounts may range from \$1,000–\$10,000 per grant. All funding awarded for this program is awarded on a one-time only basis and must be expended by September 1, 2019.

Interested ASES grantees with existing After School Summer/Supplemental grants must submit an email to the [Expanded Learning Mailbox](#) no later than May 31, 2019 and include the following:

1. Subject line indicating: **Summer Reading Incentive**
2. Name of the grantee
3. Grant Identification number

All submissions must be made through the [Expanded Learning Mailbox](#) and any request received after the May 31, 2019 deadline will not be considered.

Any questions on this subject, please contact Joshua Brady, Education Administrator I at 916-319-0206 or by email at [jbrady@cde.ca.gov](mailto:jbrady@cde.ca.gov).

Thank you.