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Isaiah Pettway, School Leader  
Kamal Cheeks, School Board President  
Detroit Public Safety Academy  
1250 Rosa Parks Blvd.  
Detroit, MI 48216

Dear School Leader Pettway and Board President Cheeks:

Thank you for the submission of your academy's Deficit Elimination Plan (DEP), which has been approved by the local board of education. The Michigan Department of Education has approved this plan based on contingencies, which are listed below. Attached is a one page summary of the DEP from your electronic submission.

This plan is completely dependent on membership growth. If the projected membership does not materialize in October 2017, the academy is expected to reduce expenditures to meet the 2017-18 target fund balance in the plan.

The academy is required to meet the fund balance targets in this DEP. Failure to meet these deficit reduction targets will invalidate the plan, and may lead to a transfer of oversight to the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Department approval is granted based on the following contingencies:

- If the academy does not reach the projected membership in October 2017, it will institute expenditure reductions to meet the fund balance targets in the plan.
- The academy is required to post a link to this approved DEP on its website within 30 days of this approval letter. The link should be posted on the budget transparency page, in the form and manner found in the transparency guidance.
- The academy is required to submit any revisions made to the current year budget along with the corresponding board resolution adopting the revised budget. If the budget revision impacts the DEP, the DEP should be revised and submitted as well. Revisions must be submitted no later than one week after they are adopted by the board.
- The academy is required to submit Monthly Budgetary Control Reports to the Department.

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- If a deficit continues to exist at the end of fiscal year 2017-18, the academy will be required to submit an updated DEP by July 31, 2018, or 30 days after the state school aid budget is passed, whichever comes later.
- The academy is required to submit its pupil count information no later than one week after the October 2017 fall count.

The academy has been in deficit since opening in 2013. And while some progress has been made in reducing the deficit, the majority of deficit elimination happens in year five of this plan. Schools that do not eliminate their deficit within five years are subject to oversight by the Department of Treasury.

Please notify us if significant changes occur which would invalidate this plan as approved.

Please contact Chad Urchike at 517-335-1261 or [urchikec1@michigan.gov](mailto:urchikec1@michigan.gov), if you have any questions.

I look forward to your submissions and continued cooperation.

Sincerely,



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Detroit Public Safety Academy

	Estimated 2016-17 (\$714,854)	Yearly Increase (Decrease)	% Increase (Decrease)	Estimated 2017-18 (\$672,972)	Yearly Increase (Decrease)	% Increase (Decrease)	Estimated 2018-19 (\$535,239)	Yearly Increase (Decrease)	% Increase (Decrease)
Beginning Fund Equity									
Add: Revenues									
Local Sources	\$11,600	(\$8,324)	-41.78%	\$30,044	\$18,444	159.00%	\$30,044	\$0	0.00%
Local Rec'd Thru Another Public Sch.	\$6,392	\$6,392	100.00%	\$22,000	\$15,608	244.18%	\$22,000	\$0	0.00%
Other Political Sub.	\$850	\$850	100.00%	\$0	(\$850)	-100.00%	\$0	\$0	0.00%
State Sources	\$2,842,881	\$777,153	41.65%	\$3,006,412	\$363,531	13.76%	\$3,550,501	\$544,089	18.10%
Federal Sources	\$251,348	\$22,819	9.99%	\$277,305	\$25,957	10.33%	\$277,305	\$0	0.00%
Incoming Transfers & Other	\$2,282	\$2,282	100.00%	\$0	(\$2,282)	-100.00%	\$0	\$0	0.00%
TOTAL REVENUES, ETC.	\$2,915,353	\$801,173	37.90%	\$3,335,761	\$420,408	14.42%	\$3,879,850	\$544,089	16.31%
TOTAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE	\$2,200,498	\$849,509	62.88%	\$2,662,789	\$462,290	21.01%	\$3,344,611	\$681,822	25.61%
Less: Expenditures									
Classroom Inst.	\$910,358	\$284,154	45.38%	\$1,068,449	\$158,091	17.37%	\$1,072,649	\$4,200	0.39%
Support Services:									
Pupil	\$148,010	\$25,840	21.15%	\$199,852	\$51,842	35.03%	\$199,852	\$0	0.00%
Inst. Staff	\$239,484	\$53,433	28.72%	\$233,010	(\$6,474)	-2.70%	\$234,609	\$1,599	0.69%
Gen. Adm.	\$228,378	\$62,014	37.28%	\$259,512	\$31,134	13.63%	\$303,489	\$43,977	16.95%
Sch. Adm.	\$264,134	\$47,289	21.81%	\$373,229	\$109,095	41.30%	\$379,229	\$6,000	1.61%
Business	\$87,983	\$33,426	61.27%	\$100,587	\$12,604	14.33%	\$115,227	\$14,640	14.55%
Operation & Maintenance	\$688,958	\$197,734	40.25%	\$705,540	\$16,582	2.41%	\$764,540	\$59,000	8.36%
Transportation	\$195,683	\$65,744	50.60%	\$161,438	(\$34,245)	-17.50%	\$161,438	\$0	0.00%
Central	\$90,493	\$30,702	51.35%	\$83,411	(\$7,082)	-7.83%	\$89,267	\$5,856	7.02%
Other	\$9,200	\$2,731	42.22%	\$11,000	\$1,800	19.57%	\$11,000	\$0	0.00%
Community Services	\$2,000	\$1,465	273.83%	\$2,000	\$0	0.00%	\$2,500	\$500	25.00%
Outgoing Transfers	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Facilities Acq	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Debt Service	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Fund Modifications	\$8,790	\$3,097	54.39%	\$0	(\$8,790)	-100.00%	\$0	\$0	0.00%
TOTAL EXP. & OUTGOING TRANSFERS	\$2,873,471	\$807,627	39.09%	\$3,198,028	\$324,557	11.29%	\$3,333,800	\$135,772	4.25%
ENDING FUND BALANCE	(\$672,972)	\$41,882	-5.86%	(\$535,239)	\$137,733	-20.47%	\$10,811	\$546,050	-102.02%