



August 15, 2025

Dr. Devon Q. Horton
Superintendent
DeKalb County Board of Education
1701 Mountain Industrial Blvd.
Stone Mountain, GA 30083

Subject: Grant Agreement - Restricted Grant for Middle School Flag Football Expansion
Organization: DeKalb County Board of Education
District NCES: 1301740
Grant Period: 9/1/2025 - 8/31/2028 (36 months)
File Number: #100135055
(All correspondence should include the File Number)

Dear Dr. Horton

The board of directors of the Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation ("Foundation"), at the recommendation of Atlanta Sports and Entertainment and the staff of the Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation, has approved a total grant award of \$650,000 ("Grant") to DeKalb County Board of Education ("Grantee") to provide restricted support for Middle School Flag Football Expansion for a period of 36 months.

Grantee's Status. Grantee warrants and certifies its status for tax purposes is that of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code ("Code").

Grantee will immediately notify the Foundation of any change or proposed change to its Internal Revenue Service tax status. Upon receipt of such notice, the Foundation, at its option, may terminate the Grant and shall have no further obligations to Grantee thereafter.

Grant Purpose. This grant is made only for the specific charitable purposes described in this Grant Agreement. The grant funds, which includes any interest earned on the funds, may not be used for any other purpose without prior written approval from the Foundation.

Restricted program grant over three years to increase middle school sports participation in 18 DeKalb public middle schools. Funding will increase the variety of sports by offering girls flag football and alleviate the cost to participate in the sport.

Grant Amount. \$650,000

Grant Period. The Grant Period will begin on 9/1/2025 and will end on 8/31/2028, at which time all Grant funds, including any income derived therefrom, should be fully expended, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing by the Foundation.

Payment Schedule & Report Requirements. The grant is subject to the payment schedule and report requirements outlined in this agreement and is payable upon the Foundation's receipt of this fully executed Agreement by 8/22/2025.

Each report shall minimally capture the required information requested with regard to progress made by Grantee towards achieving the purposes for which the grant was made, including highlights of specific outcomes achieved, successes, challenges, and lessons learned during the grant period. (When applicable, see Exhibit A for Expected Outcomes and Measures of Progress.) Finally, the organization is to submit a budget to actual expenditure report outlining how funds were expended at the end of each payment year and additional documents as requested.

Multi-year payments are subject to receipt of reports by the due dates listed, and fulfillment of the conditions outlined in the Report Schedule below.

The Foundation requests reports be submitted into our grants system on or before the specified due dates.

Report Schedule:

Report Type	Report Available As Of	Report Due	Period Covered
*Financial Report *Narrative Report	6/30/2026	7/31/2026	9/1/2025 – 6/30/2026
*Financial Report *Narrative Report	6/30/2027	7/31/2027	7/1/2026 – 6/30/2027
*Narrative & Budget Report	8/31/2028	9/30/2028	Entire Grant Period

Payment Schedule:

Payment Date	Payment Amount
8/31/2025	\$230,000
8/31/2026	\$262,500
8/31/2027	\$157,500

Communications. In any subsequent correspondence with the Foundation regarding this Grant, please refer to the above-referenced File Number and direct questions to:

GrantOperations@ambff.org

Publicity/Recognition. Public acknowledgment of the Foundation's name and/or logo on the Grantee's website, annual report, or honor rolls used to categorize donors according to levels of giving is permitted. Please list any such acknowledgements as "Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation".

Any external publicity such as press releases, news stories, email notifications and social media content utilizing the Foundation's name and/or logo must receive written approval by the Foundation's director of strategic communications at least one week in advance of distribution. Please contact John Deighton at John.Deighton@ambse.com for approval of external publicity.

We invite you to submit links to, or copies of, external publicity, including newspaper or magazine articles related to the project being funded. These can be submitted periodically as they occur or along with your grant report.

Terms and Conditions. Grantee agrees the grant is subject to the following conditions:

1. Use of Grant Funds. Grant funds shall be expended by Grantee solely for the Grant Purpose stated in this Agreement. Any income derived from the temporary investment of Grant funds shall be used for the purpose of fulfilling this Agreement.


2. Record Keeping. Grantee will keep and maintain records of expenditures as required by the Internal Revenue Service. If a specific project grant is awarded, Grantee will keep a systematic record on a fund-accounting basis of revenues earned, and expenditures incurred, under the terms of the Grant. Grantee must be prepared to make substantiating documents available to the Foundation upon request.
3. Prohibited Uses. Grantee shall not use any of the funds from this grant in a manner inconsistent with Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, including:
 - a. To intervene in any election; to support or oppose any political party or candidate for public office; or to engage in any lobbying or voter registration;
 - b. To make any grant to any individual;
 - c. To cause any private inurement or improper private benefit to occur.
4. Management & Organizational Changes. The Grantee agrees to provide immediate written notice to the Foundation if significant changes or events occur during the term of this grant which could potentially impact the progress or outcome of the grant, including, but not limited to, changes in the Grantee's executive leadership, senior management, or if the Grantee experiences significant or material losses of funding.
5. Right to Claim. Without limitation, no third party nor any of Grantee creditors or any trustee shall have any right or claim in this Grant or the proceeds of any part thereof by any purported assignment or transfer at any time. No other party may rely upon the terms and conditions of this Grant.
6. Partnership or Joint Venture. Nothing herein shall be considered to create a partnership or joint venture relationship between Grantee and the Foundation and, Grantee shall at all times be solely responsible for all of its debts and obligations.
7. Termination of Grant. If the Foundation determines, in its reasonable discretion, that Grantee has substantially violated or failed to carry out any provision of this Agreement, the Foundation may terminate this commitment, cancel any further grant payments to Grantee under this or any other grant agreement, demand the return of all or part of the grant funds not properly spent or unused at any time any of the following occurs:
 - a. Grantee consistently fails to submit reports when due
 - b. Foundation determines the Grantee has made any misrepresentation or misappropriated grant funds
 - c. Grantee becomes insolvent or fails to meet on a current basis any of its debts or obligations
 - d. The taking of Grantee property by official levy or execution
 - e. Grantee filing for an appointment of a trustee, receiver, or liquidator
 - f. Grantee filing of a voluntary petition in bankruptcy or filing by anyone else of an involuntary petition in bankruptcy against the Grantee
 - g. Grantee is unable to complete the proposed activities and objectives as outlined in the original grant proposal
8. Additional Support. This grant is made with the understanding that the Foundation has no obligation to provide other or additional support or grants to the Grantee.

9. No Waivers. The failure of the Foundation to exercise any of its rights under this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of such rights.

This Agreement, inclusive of any exhibits, constitutes the entire agreement of the parties with respect to its subject matter and supersedes any and all prior written or oral agreements or understandings with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may not be amended or modified, except in a writing signed by both parties.

If all is in order, please sign this Grant Agreement through DocuSign and retain a copy for your files.

Sincerely,

Signed by:

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Fay Twersky
President

Acceptance of Agreement. Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation, a Delaware not for profit corporation ("Foundation") with offices located at 3223 Howell Mill Rd NW, Atlanta, GA 30327 hereby agrees to abide by the terms and conditions of the Grant, as set forth above. The authorized person below is executing the Agreement on behalf of the Foundation.

Signature  Signed by:
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Print Name Fay Twersky

Title President

Date 8/14/2025

EIN/Tax ID of Foundation 38-3983213

Acceptance of Agreement. DeKalb County Board of Education ("Grantee"), a not for profit located at 1701 Mountain Industrial Blvd., Stone Mountain, GA 30083 hereby agrees to abide by the terms and conditions of the Grant, as set forth above. The authorized person below is executing the Agreement on behalf of the DeKalb County Board of Education.

Signature _____

Print Name Dr. Devon Q. Horton

Title Superintendent

Date _____

District NCES: 1301740

Exhibit A

Expected Outcomes & Measures of Progress

As a result of this grant, the DeKalb County School District will accomplish the following:

- Increase the variety of sports by offering middle school flag football
- Alleviate the cost to participate in middle school girls flag football
- Increase the number of girls playing middle school sports by 1060 students