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**Additional \$2.5M for Schools
City Council Votes Unanimously**

June 7, 2017, Lawrence, MA- Mayor Daniel Rivera's proposed educational support appropriation orders were unanimously passed by the Lawrence City Council last night; a measure that adds \$2.5 million dollars to the Lawrence Public Schools FY18 budget. "These additional dollars not only secure jobs to ensure no layoffs, but they allow for improved infrastructure plans district wide, which has been long overdue," said Mayor Daniel Rivera. "I want to thank the City Council for their unanimous vote—a vote that will change the lives of the youth in our community."

The additional \$2.5 million goes a long way in addressing some core needs within the Lawrence Public Schools:

- 4th year in a row meeting requires net school spending
- Increased transportation
- Increased leasing responsibility
- Increase in our commitment to repairing our school building and infrastructure
- Fills department's budget gaps—**no layoffs**
- Fully funds the Adult Learning Center, which houses the English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) program in the city

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