

HB 2447 -- CLASSICAL EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAM

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Subject to appropriation, this bill establishes the "Classical Education Grant Program" and corresponding fund in the state treasury for the purpose of assisting school districts with providing programs in classical education.

The bill defines a "classical education program" as a program that educates students in the liberal arts and sciences. The liberal arts consist of certain language and mathematical skills, while the sciences consist of bodies of knowledge including the human sciences, the natural sciences, and the theological sciences, as such terms are defined in the bill.

A school district that wishes to receive a grant shall submit an application to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education outlining the proposed classical educational program, establishing key success metrics, identifying resources available in the community, and specifying additional resources necessary for successful implementation of the program.

This bill is similar to SB 1290 (2024).