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## State Senator Jeff Klein Announces \$18,000 in Project Boost Funds for P.s. 14

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### *New Funding Boosts Local School's Enrichment Opportunities for Students K-5*

**BRONX, NY - State Senator Jeff Klein (D-Bronx/Westchester)**, joined by more than 150 local parents, school administrators and students, announced \$18,000 in Project BOOST (Building Options and Opportunities for Students) funding for P.S. 14 in the Bronx. The announcement came at P.S. 14's annual parent teacher conference night on Wednesday evening.

“Whether it’s making sure our students are ready for high school or simply helping them ace that test, Project BOOST provides today’s students with the tools they need to be successful tomorrow. I’m proud to have secured \$18,000 in BOOST funding for P.S. 14, and more than \$700,000 for schools across the Bronx. Project BOOST offers our students innovative cultural and academic enrichment opportunities that will greatly influence their educational paths as they move forward. I want to thank the parents and administrators for their ongoing support and commitment to this program,” **said Senator Klein.**

“Today, making sure our students have a first-rate education means providing them with innovative learning and enrichment activities that help improve their performance both in and out of the classroom,” **said Ira Schulman, Principal of P.S. 14.** “This funding has given us the opportunity to offer new music and arts programs that boost student engagement and further encourage hands-on learning. We are very grateful to Senator Klein for his work with Project BOOST and his efforts on behalf of all students across the Bronx and New York State.”

This year, P.S. 14 has used BOOST funds to benefit students in a variety of ways, including music and arts enrichment programs like ballroom dancing, after-school clarinet, saxophone, and flute lessons, percussion classes and the Learning through Expanded Arts Program (LeAp) for the school’s youngest students.

Project BOOST is an enrichment program targeted at elementary and middle school students who have demonstrated a commitment to academic success but come from disadvantaged neighborhoods. Currently, Project BOOST operates in 60 elementary and middle schools, serving more than 700 students in grades four through eight across New York City.