

Worcester Public Schools
Office of Grants Management

Grant Acceptance Form

Name of Grant: MCC SerHacer

Type of Funder: Massachusetts Cultural Council

Awarded Amount: \$16,000.00

Grant Funding Period: September 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019

Project title: SerHacer-El Sistema

Program coordinator: Lisa Leach, Liaison

Purpose: To focus primarily on students with the fewest resources and greatest need through the ideals of El Sistema, a set of inspiring ideals which inform an intensive youth music program that seeks to effect social change.

Description of the program: Student Instructors will participate in four sessions on effective instructional practices and planning including site visits to *El Sistema* schools. Each session will include semi-private lesson-time, collaborative practice time, homework time, sectionals time and ensemble interpretation time. In addition, special sessions will focus on interpretation, jazz styles, vocal and ear training.

Program location: Burncoat Quadrant

Outcomes and Measures: Through rigorous and challenging musical and behavioral expectations, access to quality instruction and repertoire, and an environment of responsibility and collaboration, students develop a new awareness and their own potential.