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Rep. Edming Congratulates Gilman on School Safety Grant Award

The Gilman School District Awarded a \$41,453 Grant by the Department of Justice

MADISON – Representative James Edming (R-Glen Flora) congratulates the Gilman School District on being awarded a [\\$41,453](#) School Safety Grant yesterday. Gilman is the twentieth school or school district serving the 87th Assembly District to receive a School Safety Grant in the first round of grants.

“It is wonderful to see another school district in the 87th Assembly District receiving a School Safety Grant,” said Rep. Edming. “With twenty schools and school districts serving the 87th District receiving funding through this program, it is clear that it is having a positive impact on many of the communities I am honored to represent.”

The \$100 million School Safety Grant Program was created by [2017 Act 143](#) and is administered by the [Office of School Safety](#) (OSS) at the Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ). According to the DOJ, over \$44 million in funding has already been awarded through this grant program with additional awards still expected in the first round of grants. A full list of all 735 schools and school districts that have submitted School Safety Grant applications can be found on the [DOJ website](#).

Also, Attorney General Schimel recently announced the next phase of School Safety Grants which will focus on initiatives to improve student mental health. Approximately \$45 million is expected to be available for the second round of grants which are expected to start being awarded in October. Schools interested in applying for the second round of grant funding must submit a mandatory “intent to apply” to the OSS by August 13, 2018.

“The funding from this second round of grants will give schools added resources to improve mental health in their schools,” said Rep. Edming. “I hope to see a number of schools serving the 87th District apply for the second round of grants.”

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The 87th Assembly District includes portions of Clark, Marathon, Rusk, Sawyer and Taylor Counties.