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March 3, 2017

Attn: FY 2016 Equipment Grant Applicants

RE: RFP #GC17-013 Time Period: 5/1/17 – 4/30/18

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of the New York State Education Department, I wish to thank you for your participation in our recent RFP listed above. It is the desire of the State Education Department to encourage as much competition as possible.

This letter is to inform you that your institution has not been selected to receive a grant award.

If you are interested in receiving a debriefing letter on the selection process regarding this RFP, you must submit a written request within fifteen (15) business days of receiving this letter to Tara Webster at <u>foodequip@nysed.gov</u> or by mail at:

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Program staff will provide you with a written summary of your proposal's strengths and weaknesses, as well as recommendations for improvement. Within fifteen (15) business days, the program staff will issue a written debriefing letter to you.

If I can be of further assistance regarding this matter, please contact me at 518-473-8781.

Sincerely, Tara Webster School Food Program Specialist 3

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