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### **NET Charter High Receives \$250,000 Grant**

New Orleans, La. – The NET Charter High School was recently awarded as only the second alternative school in the nation to receive a \$250,000 grant from The Walton Foundation. The grant application process lasted over seven months, and many NET leaders had little hope they would receive it.

The grant will help fund the addition of an academic support coordinator, the opening of a new school and the purchase of a van to increase home visits and excursions. “This additional hire would do tutoring, work with small groups and work one-on-one,” said Principal Elizabeth Ostberg. Technology to help track a student’s path toward graduation will also be in the works.

The NET’s high school program serves struggling students aged 16-21 with the skills, confidence and experiences necessary to succeed in the education and career paths of their choice. Because the program does not have a grading system in place, securing funds proves difficult. Both school leadership and the community is looking forward to the benefits the grant money will provide.

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