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# **Texas Title I Priority Schools Grant**

# Schedule #4-Program Summary and Application Requirements

# Part 1: Grant Program Information;

# **Summary of Program: Purpose and Goals**

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School Improvement Grants, authorized under section 1003(g) of Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (Title I or ESEA) as amended by ARRA, are grants, through the Texas Education Agency, to local educational agencies (LEAs) for use in Title I schools identified for improvement, corrective action, or restructuring and other eligible campuses that demonstrate the greatest need for the funds and the strongest commitment to use the funds to provide adequate resources in order to raise substantially the achievement of their students so as to enable the schools to make adequate yearly progress and exit improvement status. Under the final requirements, as amended through the interim final requirements published in the Federal Register in January 2010 school improvement funds are to be focused on each State's "Tier I" and "Tier II" schools.

Tier I schools are a State's persistently lowest-achieving Title I schools in improvement, corrective action, or restructuring and certain Title I eligible elementary schools that are as low achieving as the State's other Tier I schools. Tier II schools are a State's persistently-lowest achieving secondary schools that are eligible for, but do not receive, Title I, Part A funds and certain additional Title I eligible secondary schools that are as low achieving as the State's other Tier II schools or that have had a graduation rate below 60 percent over a number of years. An LEA may also use school improvement funds in Title I schools in improvement, corrective action, or restructuring that are not identified as persistently lowest-achieving schools and certain additional Title I eligible schools ("Tier III schools").

In the Tier I and Tier II schools an LEA chooses to serve, the LEA must implement one of four school intervention models: turnaround model, restart model, school closure, or transformation model.

### **Allowable Activities**

### Tier I and Tier II Grantees

- Grantees must expend grant funds for the required activities delineated for the selected intervention model as defined in the final federal regulations.
- Grantees may expend grant funds for the permissible activities delineated for the selected intervention model as defined in the final federal regulations.
- Grantees may expend grant funds for other school improvement activities deemed needed to address identified needs not addressed by the intervention model selected.

### Tier III Grantees

- Tier III grantees may select one of the four intervention models in the federal regulations or the state's Tier III Transformation Model.
- If selecting one of the four models in the federal regulations, grantees must expend grant funds for the required activities delineated for the selected intervention model as defined in the final federal regulations. Grantees may expend grant funds for the permissible activities delineated for the selected intervention model as defined in the final federal regulations.
- Grantees may expend grant funds for other school improvement activities deemed needed to address identified needs not addressed by the intervention model selected.

In addition, a Tier I, Tier II, Tier III grantee campus that has implemented, in whole or in part, either the Turnaround, Restart, or Transformation models within the last two years may continue or complete the implementation of the intervention model with the TTIPS grant funds. For example, if a grantee campus has replaced its principal within the last two years, the LEA/campus will not be required to hire another new principal. An LEA/campus that receives TTIPS SIG funds in accordance with this flexibility must fully implement the selected model as required by the final federal requirements. In other words, if the school had been implementing the model only in part, it must use the funds it receives to expand its implementation so that it fully complies with the federal regulatory requirements.

The detailed required and permissible activities for each intervention model, as defined in the final federal regulations are listed on Schedule #4—Program Requirements and are incorporated by reference herein.

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21	<ol> <li>Comprehensive instructional reform strategies.         <ul> <li>(A) Use data to identify and implement an instructional program that is research-based and vertically aligned from one grade to the next as well as aligned with State academic standards; and</li> <li>(B) Promote the continuous use of student data (such as from formative, interim, and summative assessments) to inform and differentiate instruction in order to meet the academic needs of individual students.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Increasing learning time and creating community-oriented schools.         <ul> <li>(A) Establish schedules and strategies that provide increased learning</li> </ul> </li> </ol>					
	time; and (B) Provide ongoing mechanisms for family and community engagement. 4. Providing operational flexibility and sustained support.					
	<ul> <li>(A) Give the school sufficient operational flexibility (such as staffing, calendars/time, and budgeting) to implement fully a comprehensive approach to substantially improve student achievement outcomes and increase high school graduation rates; and</li> <li>(B) Ensure that the school receives ongoing, intensive technical assistance and related support from the LEA, the SEA, or a designated external lead partner organization (such as a school turnaround organization or an EMO).</li> </ul>					
22	An LEA may also implement other strategies to develop teachers' and school leaders' effectiveness, such as  (A) Provide additional compensation to attract and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in a transformation school;  (B) Institute a system for measuring changes in instructional practices resulting from professional development; or  (C) Ensure that the school is not required to accept a teacher without the mutual consent of the teacher and principal, regardless of the teacher's seniority.	Program Assurances				

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	and principals in order to implement effective strategies to support students with disabilities in the least restrictive environment and to ensure that limited English proficient students acquire language skills to	
	master academic content;	
	(D) Use and integrate technology-based supports and interventions as part	
	of the instructional program; and (E) In secondary schools	
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23	International Baccalaureate; or science, technology, engineering,	
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	contextual learning opportunities), early-college high schools,	
	dual enrollment programs, or thematic learning academies that	
	prepare students for college and careers, including by providing	
	appropriate supports designed to ensure that low-achieving	
	students can take advantage of these programs and coursework;  (2) Improve student transition from middle to high school through	
	summer transition programs or freshman academies;	
	(3) Increase graduation rates through, for example, credit-recovery	
	programs, re-engagement strategies, smaller learning	
	communities, competency-based instruction and performance-	
	based assessments, and acceleration of basic reading and mathematics skills; or	
	(4) Establish early-warning systems to identify students who may be	
	at risk of failing to achieve to high standards or graduate.	
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	create community-oriented schools, such as (A) Partner with parents and parent organizations, faith- and community-	
	based organizations, health clinics, other State or local agencies, and	
	others to create safe school environments that meet students' social,	
	emotional, and health needs;	
4	(B) Extend or restructure the school day so as to add time for such	
	strategies as advisory periods that build relationships between students,	
	faculty, and other school staff;  (C) Implement approaches to improve school climate and discipline, such as	
	implementing a system of positive behavioral supports or taking steps to	
	eliminate bullying and student harassment; or	
	(D) Expand the school program to offer full-day kindergarten or pre-	
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standards or graduate.

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above assurances.

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Part 2: Grant Program Summary. Provide a brief overview of the program you plan to implement on the campus. Be sure to address fundamental issues such as your local program goals and objectives that align with the RFA purpose and goals, rationale for program design, etc. Address the specific gaps, barriers, or weaknesses to be addressed by the intervention model to be selected. A response this to question must be completed in the original submission regardless of whether the LEA/campus has selected an intervention model at this time or not.

Responses are limited to the space provided, front side only, with a font size no smaller than 9 point (Arial or Verdana).

Goals and objectives of the Texas Title I Priority Schools Grant project for De Leon High School (DHS) are directed towards achieving student performance by implementing the TEA Transformation Model of reform for De Leon High School. The primary goal of DHS supports the focus areas of increased student literacy and numeracy achievement. Collaboration between DHS, Texas Education Agency, Education Service Center IVX (ESC 14), and Educational experts will provide teachers with high quality on-going professional development to help them learn to develop and increase the quality of their classroom instruction. It is imperative that reliable, consistent systems be implemented to provide data-driven information that enable stakeholders to make informed decisions in providing quality education. The school plans to team with community members and parents by providing better communication and collaborative opportunities to ensure they are part of the outcome. De Leon ISD's administration and school board are supportive of this grant project and are willing to provide operational flexibility as needed and to reward successful academic achievement milestones. This grant project will provide the much needed resources as the newly appointed principal (March 2010) leads the campus and facilitates the emergence of new approaches to learning described in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Initiative.

<u>Goal 1:</u> Student academic performance in grades 9-12 will improve in literacy and numeracy as aligned with formative and summative assessment data.

Objective 1.1 – By May 2013, 100% of students in grades 9-12 will show improvement in **reading comprehension skills** as demonstrated by significant growth on summative, formative, and short cycle assessments.

Objective 1.2 – By May 2013, 100% of students in grades 9-12 will show improvement in **math proficiency** as demonstrated by significant growth on summative, formative, and short cycle assessments.

<u>Goal 2:</u> Provide time, extensive training, and support to campus leaders and teachers to improve teaching strategies to ensure student learning.

Objective 2.1 - 100% of campus leaders and teachers of De Leon High School will be provided structured time in the daily schedule to research, plan, and create.

 $\underline{\text{Objective 2.2}}$  – 100% of De Leon High School teachers will be provided appropriate, high-quality professional development matching needs of each teacher and/or curricula area.

The transformational reform effort will include addressing several barriers at De Leon High School including cultural and economic diversity, learning disabilities, need for drug abuse education, lack of parental support, shortage of qualified personnel, and lack of knowledge regarding program benefits.

The goals in this project are directed towards providing systematic, timely, and directive intervention to avoid the more laborious, expensive task of remediation.

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Describe, in detail, the process the LEA and campus followed/will follow to identify the needs of the campus.

Based on dissatisfaction with 2007-08 TAKS scores, a needs assessment discussion began early in the 2009-10 school year concerning the high school campus. In March 2010, the high school principal was replaced after much conversation with the school board, superintendent, parents, and students. Since that time, the new principal has gathered information from the Superintendent, school board members, teachers, parents, and students in order to identify specific problems and concerns and allow the new principal to develop an action plan for the 2010-11 school year.

Recently, a group of lead teachers, high school counselor, and librarian have met multiple times with the Principal, and Director of Digital to identify campus needs and how the needs can be addressed with this grant opportunity. The collaborative group worked tirelessly on many aspects of the project to identify needs and develop goals and activities we believe will enable success for De Leon teachers and students. In the process, the lead teachers developed one survey for high school teachers and another for high school students in order to gain their input concerning activities that will strengthen and enrich instruction and that will assist in enhancing student achievement at De Leon High School. All survey questions pertained to the Title I grant purpose and goals and narrative type answers were solicited to allow teachers and students plenty of opportunity and space to give their suggestions. Much insight and many great ideas were gained through this process.

Several hours were spent and will be spent gathering and analyzing data from class schedules, attendance records, truancy reports, TAKS tests, ACT/SAT scores for the past 5 years, salary schedules, reports tracking De Leon high school graduates enrolled in Texas Public or Independent Higher Education Institutions, reports from Texas Public Community, and Technical College Students Meeting/Not Meeting Standards at Time of Enrollment reports. Discussion also included data from SkillsTutor assessments, C-Scope, PLAN Tests, Texas Math and Science Diagnostic System (TMSDS), TEKSING Toward TAKS, as well as graduation, completion, and dropout rates. District and Campus Improvement Plans were examined as were TEA's Best Practices listed on the TEA website. The collaborative group realizes data analysis needs to be a systematic, ongoing process and time needs to be spent to use the data to address activities that promote student achievement.

The collaborative group also made suggestions and created goals concerning school culture and climate, motivation of teachers and students, improving staff quality, involving parents and community, improving curriculum and instruction, increasing the learning time by adding a flex hour in the mornings for a tutorial session, After school tutorial time, rewarding teachers and students for reaching milestones in the improvement process, as well as additional technology integration for students and additional training for teachers.

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Capacity -- Describe the LEA's capacity to use grant funds to provide adequate resources and related services/support to the campus to implement, fully and effectively, the required activities of the school intervention model.

De Leon ISD is a relatively small district consisting of only four schools and approximately 700 students. The organizational structures are small enough that management of projects is often much easier than in a larger district. The superintendent has been employed at the district for five years. In an effort to improve education for high school students, a new principal, Liesa Nowlin, was assigned to the campus in March 2010. Mrs. Nowlin is equipped to support teachers' instructional practices effectively and is motivated to implement change in order to improve academic success of the students. The transformation model TEA is offering is welcomed by Mrs. Nowlin and will be most supportive as she directs the staff. The timing of this Texas Title I Priority Schools Grant opportunity is excellent given the current transition of leadership at this campus.

**Campus Support:** The high school counselor is dedicated to helping students and is very knowledgeable and helpful with gathering and disaggregating student data. The majority of the teaching staff is highly qualified, cares about the students, and is supportive of their new leader.

In an effort to contribute to successful student learning, the campus began a one-to-one laptop initiative in the 2009-10 school year funded by a combination of resources including American Recovery and Reinvestment Act stimulus funding. The teachers received their laptops in the summer 2009 and attended four separate workshops learning to use the hardware and software. The students received their laptops January 5, 2010 and attended a two-day technology camp let by the high school teachers. Classes have continued throughout the year instructing teachers on how to include 21st Century learning tools in their classrooms to make lessons more engaging. Students are beginning to acquire the skills needed to compete in a world where technology is a standard working tool. Issuing the technology tools into the hands of individual students has proven to be positive and motivating to students and teachers. The project goals and activities outlined in this proposal are designed to build upon the current projects already in place and extend the opportunities for students to achieve academically.

Two teachers are extremely helpful on the campus with troubleshooting technology problems that arise with the new one-to-one laptop initiative. The campus librarian has been an invaluable resource to help with technology needs as well as accommodate and support the many needs of the teaching staff. This committed attitude is long reaching promoting the necessary support for student success.

**District support:** The Superintendent and school board have been apprised about the grant goals and activities and have offered their support by voting unanimously to proceed with the application. The business office staff is ready to accept the challenge of managing the revenue and expenses for the grant project. The Director of Digital Education, Jana Cullers, employed half time last year, will be hired full time for the 2010-11 school year to assist with the many new projects being implemented. She will work as the Project Director for this project to coordinate with TEA, the district administrative office, and the high school campus as well as serve as the reporting agent for the project. Cullers has managed multiple grant projects over the past 10 years. She has worked as a district technology coordinator and business teacher and is well versed in fiscal responsibilities and data collection for evaluation. Her invaluable experiences with integrated technologies supports the mission of this project. Her collegiality, positive impact, and persistence has been her strong suit the past 10 years.

**External Support:** The Education Service Center IVX (ESC 14) in Abilene has offered their support of this project and stands ready to help implement professional development and management activities. An independent professional development group was contacted about providing lessons to teachers using best practices for technology integration. Finally, an experienced third party evaluator was contacted to assist the campus with ongoing evaluation and reporting.

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Partnership/Involvement of Others – Describe how the LEA/campus consulted with relevant stakeholders (students, staff, parents, community) regarding this application and proposed implementation of a school intervention model.

Initially, the Superintendent, High School Principal, and Director of Digital Education, reviewed the grant guidelines and discussed how this grant could assist in improving education for De Leon high school students. Two meetings at Education Service Center 14 (ESC 14) were attended to gather as much information as possible. The high school principal selected a few lead teachers to meet during their conference periods to work with the Principal and Director of Digital Instruction on the project. The high school counselor also attended several times throughout the week and helped tremendously with her suggestions and by bringing copies of student data reports.

The Superintendent, Director of Digital Education, and the High School Principal gave a presentation about the project at the school board meeting on 5-10-10. At the end of the presentation, the board voted unanimously to proceed with the application for the grant project. A representative from the local newspaper, The De Leon Free Press, ran an article that helped inform more in the community about the Title I grant opportunity. (http://www.deleonfreepress.com/pdf/kp100513.pdf).

A survey for high school teachers and another for high school students was developed and sent out via email in order to allow input from all stakeholders concerning activities that will strengthen and enrich instruction and that will assist in enhancing student achievement at De Leon High School. All survey questions pertained to the Title I grant purpose and goals and narrative type answers were solicited to allow teachers and students plenty of opportunity and space to give their suggestions. Much insight and many great ideas were gained through this process.

This grant project will greatly accelerate the project of reformation already begun at De Leon High School. Using *limited local resources*, initiatives that have been started in the past two years include implementing C-Scope - a K-12 systemic curriculum model in the four core content areas, began a 1-to-1 laptop initiative in 2009-10 academic year, a concerted effort to improve the science and math curriculum, and the high school principal was replaced in March 2010. A much-needed new high school building is currently being constructed and will be available to students in 2011. Funds available with this grant will provide the catalyst for training, learning activities, and resources needed for our small, rural community to build a successful educational program for our students.

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Management of Grant Activities – Describe how the LEA and campus will modify its practices and/or policies, as necessary, to ensure its implementation of the intervention(s) fully and effectively.

In order to fully and effectively implement the transformation model of intervention, the district is willing to allow the high school operational flexibility for staffing, the calendar, and the budget.

Some ideas presented by De Leon High School stakeholders include:

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# Calendar flexibility:

- Allow variable start time to accommodate a flex hour tutoring session,
- After school tutorials a time allotted for students to receive additional help from a certified teacher or use campus resources to complete an assignment,
- Early release in May if students receive passing scores on TAKS, end of course, or other high stakes tests.
   Releasing these students will allow teachers to spend additional time with students needing additional or individualized instruction.
- Add a study hall in schedule staffed with certified teachers of core curricula areas to allow students additional time to complete assignments and also receive additional help (EX: Monday-Wednesday Math/ELA; Tuesday and Thursday Social Studies/Science)
- Add a technology summer camp for 3-5 days

### Staffing flexibility:

- Allowing core teachers to have one planning period, and another period scheduled to spend time on vertical alignment of curriculum, grade level meetings, and content area meetings
- Allow campus to hire additional certified teachers (one math teacher, and one reading specialist) to assist with the reform effort
- Hire a social worker to work with attendance/truancy issues; home visits, parenting classes, etc.

# **Budget flexibility:**

- Allow more teachers to attend technology and content specific trainings, and conferences,
- Allow more field trips for students that are aligned to specific standars focusing on Math and Literacy
- Supplies for classrooms
- · Technology needs to assist every learner

De Leon ISD administration, school board, and staff are committed to providing academic excellence for De Leon students and are willing to modify practices and/or policies to ensure full and effective implementation of the transformation intervention.

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**Resource Management** – Describe how the LEA/campus will align other resources (federal, state, local, and community) with the school improvement intervention.

Funding from the Texas Title I Priority Schools Grant (TTIPS) will augment existing district expenditures for technology, professional development, and our overall plan to increase student achievement. Using *limited local resources*, De Leon ISD has been actively working to improve student achievement at De Leon High School. During the past two years, C-Scope, a K-12 systemic curriculum model in the four core content areas was implemented. A concerted effort has been put forth to improve the science and math curriculum, and the high school principal was replaced in March 2010. A much-needed new high school building, funded by bond funds, is currently being constructed and will be available to students in 2011. During the 2009-10 academic year, De Leon ISD (DISD) purchased laptops for all high school students with a combination of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds and local funds.

DISD will maximize TTIPS funds by coordinating resources obtained via community, state, and federal resources including ARRA funds for the laptop initiative as well as eRate funding which provides the Internet access necessary for this project. In addition to aligning the newly acquired technology with the TTIPS project, the district is committed to providing teacher training and ensuring the students in De Leon have the necessary tools to succeed.

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**Grant Project Manager Qualifications** – Describe the qualifications of the person selected to be the project manager for this grant on the campus.

Grant Project Director and reporting agent will be Jana Cullers. Cullers received a Business Computer Science degree from Abilene Christian University in May 1983. She worked in the business world for 10 years as a hospital admissions clerk, tax accountant, and then as an accountant for a John Deere dealership for five years.

Family responsibilities and location dictated the need for Cullers to return to school and receive her teaching certification. Cullers has been employed in education for the past 17 years and has been employed as a reading lab teacher for two years, Business Computer Science teacher for three years, and Technology Director for 12 years. She holds certifications in Business, Elementary Education, Special Education, and a Computer Literacy endorsement. Cullers has been responsible for large technology budgets, school data and telephone networks, eRate applications since its inception in 1998, organizing staff development, training staff on technology related issues, helping complete grant applications and has managed multiple grant projects totaling over \$5 million over the past 10 years.

She began maintaining payroll and general ledger for the small family business approximately 10 years ago on a parttime basis. Cullers is organized and dependable. Cullers' previous experiences have taught her to be well versed in fiscal responsibilities and data collection for evaluation.

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**LEA Support** – Describe how the LEA will structure and implement an individual or office with responsibility for supporting the campus' school improvement efforts.

The LEA plans for the Project Director and the high school Principal to work closely together to manage the school improvement activities. These two individuals work well together and have the same vision for the high school reform effort. The Principal has been employed at the district for 14 years. She has her master's degree in Educational Administration and received her principal's certification in December 2009. She holds an elementary teaching certificate with math and reading specialization certifications. She has twelve years teaching experience as a middle school classroom teacher, two years experience as Director of Instruction, and was employed March 12, 2010 as Principal of the high school. The Principal will manage the instructional portion of the project.

The Project Director (see Part 2, Section A - Grant Project Manager Qualifications) will coordinate communication and activities with TEA, the high school Principal, Superintendent, and the central administration office. She will take an active role in problem-solving with the principal and teacher leaders, monitor and report project progress, provide support and feedback to principal and teacher leaders when needed or requested, assist in efforts to increase community and parental involvement, attend required meetings and otherwise carry out the duties of the Transformation District Shepherd.

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**Program Continuation and Sustainability –** Describe how the LEA will sustain the campus reforms after the funding period ends.

Being afforded the opportunity to implement this grant will enable the district to provide De Leon High School teachers and students with much needed instructional reform in a well-organized manner. The district in interested in continuing this project long after the grant period has passed as long as students are experiencing successful learning. The grant project requests additional staff including a reading specialist, an additional math teacher, a network administrator (.5 FTE) and a social worker to assist with the reform effort. These positions may be the most difficult portion of the grant to sustain, however, the planning team believes the success of the students in this project will dictate the necessity of continued employment of these individuals. If the project warrants continued employment, these individuals' jobs will be sustained by attrition of other teachers and staff members at the district and transitioning the schedules. The project will be easier to maintain after the initial cost of the training and applicable supplies and equipment purchases have been completed, and an organized institution is in place.

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External Providers -- Describe how the LEA will recruit, screen, and select external providers to ensure their quality.

De Leon ISD will recruit external providers on an as needed basis to accomplish the goals and activities of the grant. The providers will be recruited through recommendations of the Education Service Centers, other school districts, prior knowledge or experience with vendor, or meeting at a conference vendor booth. The selection process will include fully understanding what the provider has to offer, an onsite demonstration of their product/services, evaluation of the product/service in meeting the school campus' needs, competitive pricing, and positive feedback from references.

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Section B: Model Selection Process - Describe in detail:

- 1. The process the LEA and campus followed/will follow to select a school intervention model that aligns to the identified needs of the campus.
- 2. The timeline delineating the steps the campus will take to implement the selected intervention.

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Initially, the Superintendent, High School Principal, and Director of Digital Education, reviewed the grant guidelines and discussed how this grant could assist in improving education for De Leon high school students. Two meetings at Education Service Center 14 (ESC 14) were attended to gather as much information as possible. The high school principal selected a few lead teachers to meet during their conference periods to work with the Principal and Director of Digital Instruction on the project. The high school counselor also attended several times throughout the week and helped tremendously with her suggestions and by bringing copies of student data reports.

The Superintendent, Director of Digital Education, and the High School Principal gave a presentation about the project at the school board meeting on 5-10-10. At the end of the presentation, the board voted unanimously to proceed with the application for the grant project. A representative from the local newspaper, The De Leon Free Press, ran an article that helped inform more in the community about the Title Ι grant opportunity. (http://www.deleonfreepress.com/pdf/kp100513.pdf).

The collaborative group worked tirelessly on many aspects of the project to identify needs and develop goals and activities we believe will enable success for De Leon teachers and students. Several hours were spent and will be spent gathering and analyzing data from class schedules, attendance records, truancy reports, TAKS tests, ACT/SAT scores for the past 5 years, salary schedules, reports tracking De Leon high school graduates enrolled in Texas Public or Independent Higher Education Institutions, reports from Texas Public Community, and Technical College Students Meeting/Not Meeting Standards at Time of Enrollment reports. Discussion also included data from SkillsTutor assessments, C-Scope, PLAN Tests, Texas Math and Science Diagnostic System (TMSDS), TEKSing Toward TAKS, as well as graduation, completion, and dropout rates. A survey for high school teachers and another for high school students was developed and sent out via email in order to allow input from all stakeholders concerning activities that will strengthen and enrich instruction and that will assist in enhancing student achievement at De Leon High School. All survey questions pertained to the Title I grant purpose and goals and narrative type answers were solicited to allow teachers and students plenty of opportunity and space to give their suggestions. Much insight and many great ideas were gained through this process.

The seven Critical Success Factors were listed on white boards in the conference room and the Principal, Director of Digital Education, and the lead teachers all collaborated to develop performance measures and progress goals for the upcoming three years. Through the positive work of the lead teachers and the Principal, the entire faculty and student body are asking many questions and contributing many ideas and the excitement about the possibility of receiving this grant is running rampant throughout the campus! The consensus of the constituents is everything this grant provides is right for education and the activities are activities we should all be doing every year! This campus is ready to work together to make a better school and a brighter future for De Leon high school students!

During this process, it became very evident the *TRANSFORMATION* model best fits the needs for the De Leon High School campus.

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De Leon High School (DHS) plans to follow the Extended Implementation Plan timeline. DHS has already started implementing change efforts within the last year. However, since so many changes are presently occurring and the fact that teachers and students will be moving to a new high school building next year, the administration and teaching staff believe DHS will be most successful following the extended implementation timeline. De Leon High School will work with the School Improvement Resource Center (SIRC) to develop a systematic plan in greater detail. The preliminary plan of activities are as follows:

### Texas Transformation Project Timeline Activities - Year 1 Timeline

# Fall I - District Snapshot

**Spring I** – Comprehensive needs assessment, Replace or retain key staff, Identify community partners, Establish LEA personnel to foster project

**Summer I** – Identify teacher leaders, Attend Summer Seminar training, Develop plan to recruit and retain quality staff, Develop job-embedded professional development plan for Year 1, Complete first 90-day action plan

# De Leon High School Specific Activities- Year 1 Timeline

Staffing - Hire with grant funds, Social Services Director, Network Administrator (.5 Full Time Equivalent)

Professional Development – Capturing Kids Hearts – Positive Behavior Support Conference for ALL staff – Summer 2011; SIRC Summer Team Training; ESC 14 Curriculum improvement; Teachers attend state conferences for curricula areas per teacher request; ASCD Conference for Principal, Superintendent, Project Director; OOPS Embedded Professional Development in Technology Integration Training

<u>Leadership</u> – Scheduling modifications (adding a vertical alignment period for teachers, add FLEX period in student schedule for tutorials, advisory class, after school tutorials, open library one night each week for students and community), establish Professional Learning Communities and schedule regular grade level and content specific meetings, Attendance committee will review truancy issues, re-establish site-based committee and schedule regular meetings, Vertical alignment of courses, begin new gifted and talented program

Resources requested by teachers for classrooms/instruction/activities:

- Server for storing user files/classroom projects
- Reliable laser printers placed strategically in building for teacher/student access
- 20 high power microscopes for use in two science labs
- 200 graphing calculators for 4 x 4 block math and science classes
- Classroom supplies maps; DVD's; math manipulatives protractors, compasses, linking cubes; Health and Anatomy props to show bones, muscles; science lab supplies-\$60/student; sheet music and instruments for band; aluminum wire welder for Ag
- Curriculum books and software
- Student field trips correlating to class content
- Aesthetically appealing furniture for new school opening in 2011
- · Reading program w/built-in short cycle assessment
- Teacher and Student incentives

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### Texas Transformation Project Timeline Activities - Year 2 Timeline

Fall II - Implement schoolwide Positive Behavior Support (PBS) interventions, Begin providing enhanced social service support, Teacher Leaders begin collecting observation data to guide professional development and student interventions, Begin online courses, Review progress toward goals in 90-day action plan

Spring II - Review behavioral data and PEIMS to analyze PBS implementation, Implement targeted professional development based on classroom observation data and student data, Write next 90-day action plan

Summer II - Attend summer training, Review and revise professional development plans, Review and revise needs assessment, Analyze progress toward goals in previous 90-day action plans, Teacher leaders select action research topics, Develop plan for classroom intervention for PBS, Write new 90-day action plan, Attend NSDC Summer Conference

### De Leon High School Specific Activities - Year 2 Timeline

Staffing - Hire with grant funds, Social Services Director, Network Administrator (.5 FTE), Reading Specialist, Math teacher

Professional Development - Capturing Kids Hearts - Positive Behavior Support Conference for NEW staff; SIRC Summer Team Training; ESC 14 Curriculum improvement; Teachers attend state conferences for curricula areas; ASCD Conference for Principal, Superintendent, Project Director; OOPS Embedded Professional Development in Technology Integration Training; eInstruction; Marzano Classroom Instruction Training; Ruby Payne - Understanding Poverty

Leadership - Continue with dual prep times for teachers; continue FLEX period for tutorials and advisory, open library two nights each week for students and community; Continue Professional Learning Communities with regularly scheduled grade level and content specific meetings, Attendance committee will review truancy issues, Site-based committee continues regular scheduled meetings, Continued vertical alignment of courses, continue to build gifted and talented program

Resources requested by teachers for classrooms/instruction/activities:

- Server for library needs; Server for instructional programs
- Science probeware
- Books, DVD's for Professional Development Library available for teacher checkout
- Reliable laser printers/supplies placed strategically in building for teacher/student access
- Classroom supplies -science lab supplies-\$60/student; sheet music and instruments for band;
- Curriculum books and software
- Student field trips correlating to class content
- Teacher and Student incentives
- On-Demand Digital Content & Streaming Video Platform for all classrooms in new high school
- Flat screen TV's in all classrooms
- eInstruction clickers, Mobi's

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# Texas Transformation Project Timeline Activities - Year 3 Timeline

Fall III - Re-administer Campus Snapshot, Implement revised and updated professional development plan, Begin action research projects, Continue online courses, Write new 90-day action plan,

Spring III - Finalize action research projects, Collect data for PBS evaluation, Continue online learning, Write new 90day action plan

Summer III - Present action research, Conduct intense data review and process evaluation (What worked? What still needs focus?), Create sustainability plan(continue practice of 90-day action plans), Develop plan to continue use of teacher leaders as an instructional resource

# De Leon High School Specific Activities - Year 3 Timeline

Staffing - Hire with grant funds, Social Services Director, Network Administrator (.5 FTE), Reading Specialist, Math teacher

Professional Development - Capturing Kids Hearts - Positive Behavior Support Conference for NEW staff; SIRC Summer Team Training; ESC 14 Curriculum improvement; Teachers attend state conferences for curricula areas; ASCD Conference for Principal, Superintendent, Project Director; OOPS Embedded Professional Development in Technology Integration Training; eInstruction;

Leadership - Continue with dual prep times for teachers; continue FLEX period for tutorials and advisory, open library two nights each week for students and community; Continue Professional Learning Communities with regularly scheduled grade level and content specific meetings, Attendance committee will review truancy issues, Site-based committee continues regular scheduled meetings, Continued vertical alignment of courses, continue to build gifted and talented program

Resources requested by teachers for classrooms/instruction/activities:

- Books, DVD's for Professional Development Library available for teacher checkout
- Printer supplies
- Classroom supplies -science lab supplies-\$60/student; sheet music and instruments for band;
- Curriculum books and software
- Student field trips correlating to class content
- Teacher and Student incentives
- 232 laptops for 1-to-1 laptop initiative for grades 9-12

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On the following pages of charts applicants should describe all other school improvement activities that will be incorporated with the model to be selected.

For each additional improvement activity entered, enter the Critical Success Factor Code(s) from this table, enter the LEA/campus' rationale for including the activity, provide the supporting research that indicates the activity will be effective, and indicate the beginning and ending date of the activity.

- 1 Improve Academic Performance, including (but not limited to) Reading/ELA and Math
  - A. Data-driven instruction
  - B. Curriculum Alignment (both horizontal and vertical)
  - C. On-going Monitoring of Instruction
- 2 Increase the Use of Quality Data to Drive Instruction
  - A. Data Disaggregation/Training
  - B. Data-driven Decisions
  - C. On-going Communication
- 3 Increase Leadership Effectiveness
  - A. On-going Job Embedded Professional Development
  - B. Operational Flexibility
  - C. Resource/Data Utilization
- 4 Increase Learning Time
  - A. Flexible Scheduling
  - B. Instructionally-focused Calendar
  - C. Staff Collaborative Planning
- 5 Increase Parent/Community Involvement
  - A. Increased Opportunities for Input
  - B. Effective Communication
  - C. Accessible Community Services
- 6 Improve School Climate
  - A. Increased Attendance
  - B. Decreased Discipline Referrals
  - C. Increased Involvement in Extra/Co-Curricular Activities
- 7 Increase Teacher Quality
  - A. Locally Developed Appraisal Instruments
  - B. On-going Job Embedded Professional Development
  - C. Recruitment/Retention Strategies

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Critical Success Factor 1: Improve Academic Performance including (but not limited to) Reading/ELA and Math

CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
1A, 1B, 1C	Improve Student Achievement in Reading/ELA	All learning is based on fundamental mastery of ELA	NCLB	10/01/10	06/30/13
1A, 1B, 1C	Improve Student Achievement in Mathematics	Global economy dictates student must be prepared to compete in world community	Data indicates deficiency by American students in being globally competitive	10/01/10	06/30/13
1A, 1B, 1C	Improve Student Achievement in Science	Jobs in the future require more expertise in the area of science and technology	Complexity of job market indicates need for higher job skills	10/01/10	06/30/13
1A, 1B, 1C	Improve Student Achievement in Social Studies	To be a citizen of a global community, students must understand the world in which they live.	Data indicates deficiency by American students in being globally competitive	10/01/10	06/30/13
1A, 1B, 1C	Improve Student Achievement in College Readiness	Provide all students with necessary skills to make determination concerning post-graduate studies	Students who are not prepped for post-graduate studies do not attend post-graduate schools.	10/01/10	06/30/13
1A, 1B, 1C	Increase rigor by offering various opportunities for advanced coursework	Students achieve at higher levels when provided opportunities to achieve at higher levels.	Effective school correlates.	10/01/10	06/30/13
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Critical Success Factor 2: Increase the use of Quality Data to Drive Instruction

CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
2A, 2B, 2C	Utilize attendance committee to address truancy issues	Early intervention to prevent long term negative consequences	Effective School Correlates NCLB	10/01/10	06/30/13
2A, 2B	Utilize content area advisory teams to analyze and disaggregate student data	Early intervention to prevent long term negative consequences	Effective School Correlates NCLB	10/01/10	06/30/13
2A, 2B	Implement effective benchmarking tool delivered at consistent intervals	Early intervention to prevent long term negative consequences	Professional Learning Communities (PLC's), Effective School Correlates NCLB Monitor and Adjust	10/01/10	06/30/13
2A, 2B, 2C	Vertically align curriculum from one grade to the next	Curriculum alignment assures no gaps in curriculum and instruction taught to students	PLC's Effective School Correlates NCLB	10/01/10	06/30/13

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Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
Appoint teacher leaders for each curricula area to improve campus leadership	Increased commitment comes through joint ownership	PLC's	10/01/10	06/30/13
Principal will attend ASCD conference or equivalent to learn additional campus leadership skills	Leader of organization must be attuned to latest instructional trends	PLC's Effective School Correlates	10/01/10	06/30/13
Identify and reward school leaders, teachers, staff who increase student achievement	Student performance increases when staff see a higher monetary reward for effort	D.A.T.E. TEEG State performance incentive programs	10/01/10	06/30/13
Remove teachers who do not improve their professional practice	Incompetent instructors should not be allowed to continue	Effective School Correlates NCLB	06/30/13	06/30/13
Implement strategies to recruit, place, and retain skilled staff	Local incentives and programs are utilized to entice and retain quality staff members	Positive Behavioral Support	10/01/10	06/30/13
	Appoint teacher leaders for each curricula area to improve campus leadership Principal will attend ASCD conference or equivalent to learn additional campus leadership skills Identify and reward school leaders, teachers, staff who increase student achievement Remove teachers who do not improve their professional practice Implement strategies to recruit, place, and retain	Appoint teacher leaders for each curricula area to improve campus leadership  Principal will attend ASCD conference or equivalent to learn additional campus leadership skills  Identify and reward school leaders, teachers, staff who increase student achievement  Remove teachers who do not improve their professional practice  Implement strategies to recruit, place, and retain skilled staff  Increased commitment comes through joint ownership  Leader of organization must be attuned to latest instructional trends  Student performance increases when staff see a higher monetary reward for effort  Incompetent instructors should not be allowed to continue	Appoint teacher leaders for each curricula area to improve campus leadership  Principal will attend ASCD conference or equivalent to learn additional campus leadership skills  Identify and reward school leaders, teachers, staff who increase student achievement Remove teachers who do not improve their professional practice  Implement strategies to recruit, place, and retain skilled staff  Increased commitment comes through joint ownership  Leader of organization must be attuned to latest instructional trends  Student performance increases when staff see a higher monetary reward for effort  Incompetent instructors should not be allowed to continue  PLC's  PLC's  PLC's  Effective School Correlates  TEEG  State performance incentive programs  Effective School Correlates  NCLB  Positive Behavioral  Support	Improvement Activity  Appoint teacher leaders for each curricula area to improve campus leadership  Principal will attend ASCD conference or equivalent to learn additional campus leadership skills  Identify and reward school leaders, teachers, staff who increase student achievement  Remove teachers who do not improve their professional practice  Implement strategies to recruit, place, and retain skilled staff  Appoint teacher leaders  Increased commitment comes tincreased commitment comes through joint ownership  PLC's  PLC's  PLC's  PLC's  10/01/10  PLC's  Effective School Correlates  Effective School Correlates  10/01/10  PEGS  10/01/10  Student performance increases when staff see a higher monetary reward for effort  Incompetent instructors should not be allowed to continue  Implement strategies to recruit, place, and retain skilled staff

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Critical Success Factor 4: Improve Learning Time

CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
4A, 4B	Improve student achievement by creating a flex hour for tutoring/advisory class	Provide additional time for students with greatest needs	PLC's NCLB	10/01/10	06/30/13
4B	Increase learning time for struggling students by dismissing students two weeks early who score proficient on state assessment or all End of Course exams	Provide additional time for students with greatest needs	Effective School Correlates	May 2011	06/30/13
<b>4</b> A	Create after school tutorials	Provide additional time for students with greatest needs	PLC's NCLB	10/01/10	06/30/13
4A	Open library one-two nights each week to provide access to print and online resources	Provide additional time for students with greatest needs	PLC's NCLB	10/01/10	06/30/13
4C	Allow teacher 2 planning periods	Provide additional time to learn, plan, and create	PLC's NCLB	10/01/10	06/30/13
4A, 4B	Advance course options - dual credit	Provide additional time for students with greatest needs	PLC's NCLB	10/01/10	06/30/13
4A, 4B, 4C	Additional period in school for Math Lab	Provide additional time for students with greatest needs	PLC's NCLB	10/01/10	06/30/13
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Critical Success Factor 5: Increase Parent/Community Involvement

CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
5B	Improve communication with parents	Student success levels directly correlate with level of parental involvement	PLC's NCLB	10/01/10	06/30/13
5A	Solicit parent opinion about school operations	Increase level of stakeholder commitment	PLC's NCLB	10/01/10	06/30/13
5C	Increase community service opportunities for students through band, athletics, etc	Greater student involvement increases sense of ownership	PLC's NCLB	10/01/10	06/30/13
5C	Strengthen school collaboration with community by helping organize special programs/events	Greater student involvement increases sense of ownership	PLC's NCLB	10/01/10	06/30/13
5A, 5B	Host "Bring a Parent to School Day" (2 hour minimum)	Student success levels directly correlate with level of parental involvement	PLC's NCLB	10/01/10	06/30/13
5A, 5B, 5C	Host "Career Day" in which parents are scheduled to give 15 minute presentations of their careers.	Student success levels directly correlate with level of parental involvement	PLC's NCLB	10/01/10	06/30/13

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Critical Success Factor 6: Improve School Climate

CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
6A, 6B	Teachers will attend "Capturing Kids Hearts" workshop to improve classroom climate	Positive learning environment produces higher levels of student achievement	Positive Behavioral Support (PBS)	June 2011	June 2013
6A, 6B	Instill sense of ownership by allowing input from all stakeholders	Increased commitment comes through joint ownership of all stakeholders	PLC's	10/01/10	06/30/13
6A, 6B, 6C	Improve school pride by maintaining inviting aesthetic atmosphere	Aesthetics must be inviting	PBS	Spring 2011	Summer 2011
6C	Implement student advisory teams to promote student confidence	Increased commitment comes through joint ownership of all stakeholders	PLC's PBS	10/01/10	06/30/13
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Critical Success Factor 7: Increase Teacher Quality

CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
7A	Create locally developed Appraisal Instruments	Locally created appraisal instruments can be customized to the campus/district.	Allow staff to be held accountable to specific needs identified by district and allow additional assistance to be provided by district for special programs	12/01/10	06/30/13
7B	Create content and grade level teams- Professional Learning Communities	Students should be afforded organized instruction.	Learning is increased when teaching is presented in a manner that assists students in organizing, storing and retrieving knowledge.	10/01/10	06/30/13
7B	Effectively integrate technology	Students learn better using technology.	Technology provides an opportunity to differentiate instruction and change their classroom into dynamic learning environments	10/01/10	06/30/13
7B	Observe highly qualified teachers using best practices	When instruction is modeled, the learner knows exactly what to do	Explicit Instruction – instruction is explained, demonstrated, and practiced with guidance to insure skills are being mastered.	Spring 2011	06/30/13
7В	Increase job embedded professional development opportunities	Teachers can teach better if given time to learn.	PD helps teachers gain new knowledge and adopt new practices (Whitehurst, 2002)	Spring 2011	06/30/13
7B	Support project-based learning	When students engage in real-world projects, nearly ever aspect of their learning experience changes.	Students learn when they are actively engaged. Teachers need time to adjust to the shift in teacher and student roles.	10/01/10	06/30/13
7C	Reward good teaching practices that result in student achievement	Rewards ignite motivation.	High success rates are correlated positively with outcomes.	10/01/10	06/30/13
7B	Scaffold instruction	Students will learn more if they can relate past knowledge to present learning.	Students can become independent, self-regulated learners through scaffolded instruction.	10/01/10	06/30/13

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CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timelin e Begin Date	Timeline End Date
4B, 5C	Open Library one night per week for students and community	Students need extra time to complete projects. Some need access to resources after regular school day ends.	Students need access to print and digital resources. Activity will promote community involvement.	10/01/10	06/30/13
4A	Summer technology camp	Students will have time during summer months and learn from project-based technology activities	Increased opportunity to learn content is correlated positively with increased student learning achievement.	Summer 2012	Summer 2013
4C	Identify community service projects and assist students in participating – unity in community	Service-learning and volunteering will promote unity in the community.	Successful models of collaboration that can boost their performance and capacity to achieve their missions and create positive systemic change.	09/01/11	06/30/13
1A, 7B	Incorporate on demand media system to enhance classroom instruction, staff development, and community collaboration	Instruction can be enhanced through on demand digital content.	Multimedia technology creates dynamic learning environments and engages many different types of learners.	Oct 2011	Dec 2011

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Part 1: Component Description. By submitting this application, the applicant agrees to comply with any reporting and evaluation requirements that TEA may establish and to submit the reports in the format TEA requests. (Response limited to one page each, font size no smaller than 9 pt, Arial or Verdana)

Section A: Ongoing Monitoring/Continuous Improvement - Describe the LEA/campus' process for providing ongoing monitoring of grant activities to ensure continuous improvement

The high school Principal and Project Director will communicate daily to monitor grant activities and provide guidance to all stakeholders as needed.

Teachers need collaboration time to plan and communicate. The teachers will be beginning a new schedule in academic year 2010-11 in which all core teachers will have two conference periods daily. This extra conference period not only will assist the teachers with additional planning and preparation time, but will allow time for curriculum and grade level meetings. These additional meetings, scheduled bi-weekly and led by the Principal, will help ensure continuous monitoring of classes and students.

The De Leon High School campus will re-establish the site-based management committee to meet bi-monthly to insure each stakeholder group is apprised of grant activities and solicit input on continuous improvement from this group.

Pre and post assessments for reading and math will be used. Currently, there are two programs at the district that can give short-cycle assessment data - C-scope and SkillsTutor. Other short-cycle tests will be investigated. Data must be consistently monitored and analyzed in order to provide appropriate and timely interventions.

Pre and post satisfaction surveys for parents, students, and teachers will be administered and the data used to measure satisfaction levels with the project.

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Priority Schools program	in accomp	lishing the goals outlined in this proposal	I. Utilizing both formative and summative
evaluation, the evaluator	will collect	and analyze data pertinent to the short-	and long-term objectives of the proposed
initiative using a mixed	design tha	t incorporates both qualitative and quan	titative methodologies. The results of the
formative evaluation will	be used to	improve the interventions and process of	utlined in the proposal narrative to achieve
the intended outcomes.	The evalu-	ator will provide quarterly reports and br	riefings to the Superintendent and project
leadership on findings o	of the form	ative evaluation. The summative evalu	uation will present conclusions about the
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that should be retained, a	altered, or e	eliminated. The final evaluation report will	document trends in student achievement.
The De Leon High Schoo	l will contr	act the external evaluation to an outside	e evaluator. The evaluator will be selected
based on their proven al	bility to pro	ovide meaningful information, relevant re	esearch, external evaluation services, and
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Section C: Qualitative and Quantitative Data Collection Methods- Describe the LEA/campus' process for data collection methods to be implemented and 1) how the data will be disaggregated; 2) used to improve instruction; and 3) obtain continuous improvement results

Evaluators will collect both qualitative and quantitative data for each objective identified in the evaluation matrix. The analysis of the data will apply a correspondingly appropriate methodology, including tests for significance, where appropriate, for the purpose of understanding the data in relationship to the project goal and each objective. All indicators of student impact, disaggregated by student sub-populations, including attendance records, trends in course enrollment, course completion, course grades, and student artifacts as they relate to academic skill development, will be investigated.

The evaluation team will conduct in-depth qualitative interviews (focus groups) to generate data from teachers, students, and administrators two times each year. Using carefully designed scripts, the interviewer will focus on participants' attitudes, feelings, beliefs, experiences, and reactions to multiple project activities. The size of each focus group will be limited to 10 participants, a size within the acceptable limits as suggested by the literature (Krueger, 1998; Morse & Field, 1995; Vaughn, Schumm, & Sinagub, 1996). Focus groups data will be analyzed and triangulated with other collected data.

The professional development component will provide teachers, instructional assistants, and the counselor the opportunity to maximize their instruction potential with students.

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Part 2: Process for Development of Performance Goals

Describe the process to be implemented to develop the campus' performance goals. Include the groups participating in the development of the goals.

Responses are limited to two pages, front side only, with a font size no smaller than 9 point (Arial or Verdana).

A collaborative group consisting of teachers, Principal, Director of Digital Education, Librarian, and Counselor worked together during conference periods during two weeks to establish the performance goals identified to date. Several hours were spent discussing processes taking place and those that need to be implemented. Time was spent and will continue to be spent gathering and analyzing data from class schedules, attendance records, truancy reports, TAKS tests, ACT/SAT scores for the past 5 years, salary schedules, reports tracking De Leon high school graduates enrolled in Texas Public or Independent Higher Education Institutions, reports from Texas Public Community, and Technical College Students Meeting/Not Meeting Standards at Time of Enrollment reports. Discussion also included data from SkillsTutor assessments, C-Scope, PLAN Tests, Texas Math and Science Diagnostic System (TMSDS), TEKSING Toward TAKS, as well as graduation, completion, and dropout rates.

In addition, surveys for high school teachers and school students were developed and sent out via email in order to allow input from all stakeholders concerning activities that will strengthen and enrich instruction and that will assist in enhancing student achievement at De Leon High School. All survey questions pertained to the Title I grant purpose and goals and narrative type answers were solicited to allow teachers and students plenty of opportunity and space to give their suggestions. Much insight and many great ideas were gained through this process.

The seven Critical Success Factors were listed on white boards in the conference room and the Principal, Director of Digital Education, and the lead teachers all collaborated to develop performance measures and progress goals for the upcoming three years. (See 4C, Part 3 of this application for details.)

Through the positive work of the lead teachers and the Principal, the entire faculty and student body are asking many questions and contributing many ideas and the excitement about the possibility of receiving this grant is running rampant throughout the campus! The consensus of the constituents is everything this grant provides is right for education and the activities are activities we should all be doing every year! This campus is ready to work together with TEA to make a better school and a brighter future for De Leon high school students!

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Improve Academic Performance – Enter the annual goals for student achievement, on both the State's assessments and other measures identified by the LEA, to which the LEA is holding the campus accountable

#	Performance Measure	Assessment Instrument/ Tool	Most Recent Year Performance	Year 1 Progress Goal	Year 2 Progress Goal	Year 3 Progress Goal
1	Improve Student Achievement in Reading/ELA	TAKS/End of Course	2009	96%	98%	100%
2	Improve Student Achievement in Mathematics	TAKS/End of Course	2009	90%	95%	100%
3	Improve Student Achievement in Science and Social Studies	TAKS/End of Course	2009	90%	95%	100%
4	Improve Student Achievement in College Readiness	ACT/SAT/# students entering college	2009	20%	60%	95%
5	Increase rigor by offering various opportunities for advanced coursework	AP, College, online attendance records & grades	2009	20%	60%	100%

Increase the Use of Quality Data to Drive Instruction – Enter the annual goals for increasing the use of quality data to drive instruction, to which the LEA is holding the campus accountable.

#	Performance Measure	Assessment Instrument/ Tool	Most Recent Year Performance	Year 1 Progress Goal	Year 2 Progress Goal	Year 3 Progress Goal
1	Utilize attendance committee to address truancy issues	Attendance records, meeting minutes	2010	100%	100%	100%
2	Utilize content area advisory teams to analyze and disaggregate student assessment data	Attendance records, meeting minutes	DNA	100%	100%	100%
3	Implement effective benchmarking tool delivered at consistent intervals	Benchmark assessment tool	DNA	100%	100%	100%
4	Vertically align curriculum from one grade to the next	Curriculum mapping	2009	100%	100%	100%
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Increase Leadership Effectiveness— Enter the annual goals for increasing the effectiveness of campus leadership, to which the LEA is holding the campus accountable.

#	Performance Measure	Assessment Instrument/ Tool	Most Recent Year Performance	Year 1 Progr ess Goal	Year 2 Progress Goal	Year 3 Progress Goal
1	Appoint teacher leaders for each curricula area to improve campus leadership	Meeting agendas	DNA	9	9	9
2	Principal will attend ASCD conference or equivalent to learn additional campus leadership skills	Conference registration	DNA	1	1	1
3	Identify and reward school leaders, teachers, staff who increase student achievement	Assessment data, graduation rate, attendance report	DNA	0	100%	100%
4	Remove teachers who do not improve their professional practice	Teacher evaluations, student assessments, surveys	2009	o	o	100%
5	Implement strategies to recruit, place, and retain skilled staff	Teacher evaluations, student assessments,	2009	20%	60%	100%

Increase Learning Time - Enter the annual goals for increasing learning time on the campus, to which the LEA is holding the campus accountable.

#	Performance Measure	Assessment Instrument/ Tool	Most Recent Year Performance	Year 1 Progress Goal	Year 2 Progress Goal	Year 3 Progress Goal
1	Improve student achievement by creating a flex hour for tutoring/advisory class	Attendance records	DNA	10%	100%	100%
2	Increase learning time for struggling students by dismissing students two weeks early who score proficient on state assessment or all End of Course exams	TAKS, STAAR, End of Course exams	DNA	100%	100%	100%
3	Create after school tutorials	Attendance records	DNA	20%	100%	100%
4	Open library one night each week to provide access to print and online resources	Attendance records	DNA	20%	100%	100%

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**Increase Parent/Stakeholder Involvement** – Enter the annual goals for increasing parent and community involvement, to which the LEA is holding the campus accountable.

#	Performance Measure	Assessment Instrument/ Tool	Most Recent Year Performa nce	Year 1 Progress Goal	Year 2 Progress Goal	Year 3 Progress Goal
1	Improve communication with parents	Bi-Monthly Newsletter; Evening parent/teacher conference	2010	2 per year	4 per year	4 per year
2	Solicit parent opinion about school operations	Surveys	DNA	1	1	1
3	Increase community service opportunities for students through band, athletics, etc	Event schedules, Attendance, Writing assignment showcasing activity	DNA	1	2	3
4	Strengthen school collaboration with community by helping organize special programs/events	Event schedules, Attendance	DNA	1	2	3
5	Host "Bring a Parent to School Day" (2 hour minimum)	Attendance	DNA	0	80%	80%

**Improve School Climate** – Enter the annual goals for improving the school climate, to which the LEA is holding the campus accountable.

#	Performance Measure	Assessment Instrument/ Tool	Most Recent Year Performance	Year 1 Progress Goal	Year 2 Progress Goal	Year 3 Progress Goal
1	Teachers will attend "Capturing Kids Hearts" workshop to improve classroom climate	Attendance, Student survey	DNA	100%	10% New Teachers	10% New Teachers
2	Teachers will be given two conference periods for more effective planning time	Schedule	DNA	100%	100%	100%
3	Instill sense of ownership by allowing input from all stakeholders	Open planning meetings, surveys	DNA	100%	100%	100%
4	Improve school pride by maintaining inviting aesthetic atmosphere	Satisfaction surveys	DNA	100%	100%	100%
5	Implement student advisory teams to promote student confidence	Meeting agendas, attendance records	DNA	100%	100%	100%

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Increase Teacher Quality - Enter the annual goals for increasing teacher quality by measures identified by the LEA, to which the LEA is holding the campus accountable.

#	Performance Measure	Assessment Instrument/ Tool	Most Recent Year Performan	Year 1 Progress Goal	Year 2 Progress Goal	Year 3 Progress Goal
1	Effectively integrate technology	Student Portfolios, Teacher library, assigned work	DNA	85%	90%	95%
2	Create content and grade level teams-Professional Learning Communities	Attendance, Agendas	DNA	100%	100%	100%
3	Develop library of professional development resources	Inventory	DNA	25%	60%	100%
4	Observe highly qualified teachers using best practices	Number of teachers visiting other districts	DNA	33%	66%	100%
5	Increase professional development opportunities	Conference registrations, Course certificates, Diplomas	2009	90%	95%	100%

Other - Enter any other annual goals for improvement to which the LEA is holding the campus accountable.

#	Performance Measure	Assessment Instrument/ Tool	Most Recent Year Performan ce	Year 1 Progres s Goal	Year 2 Progress Goal	Year 3 Progress Goal
1	Open Library one night per week for students and community	Schedule, Attendance records	DNA	10 nights	32 nights	32 nights
2	Summer technology camp	Enrollment records, pictures of projects/activities	DNA	o	3 days	3 days
3	Identify community service projects and assist students in participating – unity in community	Attendance records	DNA	1	2	3
4	Incorporate on demand media system to enhance classroom instruction, staff development, and community collaboration	Installation complete, access reports	DNA	o	100%	100%

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A02	Provide staff development on	ellminating gender bias				
A03	Ensure strategies and materia	als used with students do not promote gender				
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A05	Amendments of 1972, which	equirements in Title IX of the Education prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender				
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A99	Other (Specify)					
Barrier:	Cultural, Linguistic, or E	conomic Diversity				
#	Strategies for Cultu	ral, Linguistic, or Economic Diversity	Students	Teachers	Others	
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B02	Provide interpreter/translator	at program activities				
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Barrier:	A feet to the common of the co	conomic Diversity (cont.)			
#		ıral, Linguistic, or Economic Diversity	Students	Teachers	Others
B17	_	n for traditionally "hard to reach" parents			
B18	Coordinate with community				
B19	Seek collaboration/assistance education	e from business, industry, or institution of higher		×	⋈
B20	effects of past discrimination	in to eliminate existing discrimination and the on the basis of race, national origin, and color			
<b>B</b> 21	1964, which prohibits discrin	equirements in Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of nination on the basis of race, national origin, and			
B22		nd other program beneficiaries are informed of es with regard to participation in the program			
B23	Provide mediation training or complaints	a regular basis to assist in resolving disputes and			
B99	Other (Specify)				
Barrier	: Gang-Related Activit	ies			
#	Strategies	s for Gang-related Activities	Students	Teachers	Others
C01	Provide early intervention.				
C02	Provide Counseling.				
C03	Conduct home visits by staff				
C04	Provide flexibility in scheduling	ng activities.			
C05	Recruit volunteers to assist in	promoting gang-free communities.			
C06	Provide mentor program.				
C07	Provide before/after school reprograms/activities.	ecreational, instructional, cultural, or artistic			
C08	Provide community service p	rograms/activities.			
C09	Conduct parent/teacher conf	erences.			
C10	Strengthen school/parent co	mpacts.			
C11	Establish partnerships with la	w enforcement agencies.			
C12	Provide conflict resolution/pe	er mediation strategies/programs.			
C13	Seek collaboration/assistance education.	e from business, industry, or institution of higher			
C14	Provide training/information gang-related issues.	to teachers, school staff, & parents to deal with			
C99	Other (Specify)				
114(4-114-114)	Drug-Related Activities				1
#		s for Drug-related Activities	Students	Teachers	Others
Đ01	Provide early identification/ir	tervention.			
Ð02	Provide Counseling.				
Ð03	Conduct home visits by staff.				
D04	Recruit volunteers to assist in	promoting drug-free schools and communities.			
D05	Provide mentor program.				

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Barrier: Drug-Related Activities (cont.)   Provide before/after school recreational, instructional, cultural, or artistic									
DO7   Provide comprehensive health education programs.	Barrier:	The bottom to the state of the contract of the term of the state of th	PRODUCTION OF THE PERSON OF TH		And have here in the second				
DO7   Provide community service programs/activities   S   S   S	D06		ecreational, instructional, cultural, or artistic						
D09   Conduct parent/teacher conferences.	D07	<del>                                      </del>	rograms/activities	×	⊠	$\boxtimes$			
D10 Establish school/parent compacts.	D08	Provide comprehensive healt	h education programs.						
D11 Develop/maintain community partnerships.	D09	Conduct parent/teacher conf	erences.						
D12   Provide conflict resolution/peer mediation strategies/programs.	D10	Establish school/parent comp	pacts.						
D13   Seek collaboration/assistance from business, industry, or institution of higher education.	D11	Develop/maintain community	partnerships.	×	⊠	⋈			
D14 Provide training/information to teachers, school staff, & parents to deal with drug-related issues.  D15 Seek Collaboration/assistance from business, industry, or institution of higher deducation.  D99 Other (Specify)	D12	Provide conflict resolution/pe	er mediation strategies/programs.						
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Other (Specify)	D14	drug-related issues.							
# Strategies for Visual Impairments   Students   Teachers   Others    E01   Provide early identification and intervention.	D15		e from business, industry, or institution of higher						
# Strategies for Visual Impairments	D99	Other (Specify)							
Botal   Provide early identification and intervention.	Barrier:	Barrier: Visual Impairments							
F02   Provide Program materials/information in Braille.	#	Strategi	es for Visual Impairments	Students	Teachers	Others			
Frovide program materials/information in large type.	E01	Provide early identification as	nd intervention.						
E04   Provide program materials/information on tape.	E02	Provide Program materials/ir	formation in Braille.						
Barrier: Hearing Impairments   Students   Teachers   Others	E03	Provide program materials/ir	formation in large type.						
## Strategies for Hearing Impairments  ## Strategies for Hearing Impairments  ## Strategies for Hearing Impairments  ## Provide early identification and intervention.  F02 Provide interpreters at program activities.  F99 Other (Specify)  ## Strategies for Learning Disabilities  ## Strategies for Learning Disabilities  ## Strategies for Learning Disabilities  G01 Provide early identification and intervention.  G02 Expand tutorial/mentor programs.  G03 Provide staff development in identification practices and effective teaching strategies.  G04 Provide training for parents in early identification and intervention.  G99 Other (Specify)  Barrier: Other Physical Disabilities or Constraints  ## Strategies for Other Physical Disabilities or Constraints  ## Strategies for Other Physical Disabilities or Constraints  ## Other Physical Disabilities or Constraints	E04	Provide program materials/ir	formation on tape.						
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	Absenteelsm/Truancy	Students	Teachers	Others
#	Strategies for Absenteeism/Truancy	+		Others
K01	Provide early identification/intervention.			
K02	Develop and implement a truancy intervention plan.		Ø	Ø
K03	Conduct home visits by staff.			
K04	Recruit volunteers to assist in promoting school attendance.			
K05	Provide mentor program.			
K06	Provide before/after school recreational or educational activities.			
K07	Conduct parent/teacher conferences.			
K08	Strengthen school/parent compacts.			
К09	Develop/maintain community partnerships.			
K10	Coordinate with health and social services agencies.			
K11	Coordinate with the juvenile justice system.			
K12	Seek collaboration/assistance from business, industry, or institution of higher education.			
K99	Other (Specify)			
** ***	High Mobility Rates			
#	Strategies for High Mobility Rates	Students	Teachers	Others
L01				
	Coordinate with social services agencies  Establish partnerships with parents of highly mobile families.			
L02	I Establish partnerships with parents of nighty mobile families.			
L03	Establish/maintain timely record transferal system.			
L99	Establish/maintain timely record transferal system.  Other (Specify)			
L99 Barrier:	Establish/maintain timely record transferal system.  Other (Specify)  Lack of Support from Parents			
L99   <b>Barrier:</b>  #	Establish/maintain timely record transferal system.  Other (Specify)  Lack of Support from Parents  Strategies for Lack of Support from Parents	Students	☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐	Others
L99 Barrier: # M01	Establish/maintain timely record transferal system.  Other (Specify)  Lack of Support from Parents  Strategies for Lack of Support from Parents  Develop and implement a plan to increase support from parents.	Students		Others
L99 <b>Barrier:</b> # M01 M02	Establish/maintain timely record transferal system.  Other (Specify)  Lack of Support from Parents  Strategies for Lack of Support from Parents  Develop and implement a plan to increase support from parents.  Conduct home visits by staff.	Students	Teachers	Others
L99 <b>Barrier:</b> # M01 M02 M03	Establish/maintain timely record transferal system.  Other (Specify)  Lack of Support from Parents  Strategies for Lack of Support from Parents  Develop and implement a plan to increase support from parents.  Conduct home visits by staff.  Recruit volunteers to actively participate in school activities.	Students  □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □	Teachers	Others
L99 <b>Barrier:</b> # M01 M02	Establish/maintain timely record transferal system.  Other (Specify)  Lack of Support from Parents  Strategies for Lack of Support from Parents  Develop and implement a plan to increase support from parents.  Conduct home visits by staff.  Recruit volunteers to actively participate in school activities.  Conduct parent/teacher conferences.	Students	Teachers	Others
L99 <b>Barrier:</b> # M01 M02 M03 M04	Establish/maintain timely record transferal system.  Other (Specify)  Lack of Support from Parents  Strategies for Lack of Support from Parents  Develop and implement a plan to increase support from parents.  Conduct home visits by staff.  Recruit volunteers to actively participate in school activities.	Students  Students	Teachers	Others
L99 <b>Barrier:</b> # M01 M02 M03 M04 M05	Establish/maintain timely record transferal system.  Other (Specify)  Lack of Support from Parents  Strategies for Lack of Support from Parents  Develop and implement a plan to increase support from parents.  Conduct home visits by staff.  Recruit volunteers to actively participate in school activities.  Conduct parent/teacher conferences.  Establish school/parent compacts.	Students  Students	Teachers	Others  S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S
L99  Barrier: # M01 M02 M03 M04 M05 M06	Establish/maintain timely record transferal system.  Other (Specify)  Lack of Support from Parents  Strategies for Lack of Support from Parents  Develop and implement a plan to increase support from parents.  Conduct home visits by staff.  Recruit volunteers to actively participate in school activities.  Conduct parent/teacher conferences.  Establish school/parent compacts.  Provide parenting training.  Provide a parent/family center.  Provide program materials/information in home language.	Students  Students	Teachers	Others  S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S
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L99 <b>Barrier:</b> # M01  M02  M03  M04  M05  M06  M07  M08	Establish/maintain timely record transferal system.  Other (Specify)  Lack of Support from Parents  Strategies for Lack of Support from Parents  Develop and implement a plan to increase support from parents.  Conduct home visits by staff.  Recruit volunteers to actively participate in school activities.  Conduct parent/teacher conferences.  Establish school/parent compacts.  Provide parenting training.  Provide a parent/family center.  Provide program materials/information in home language.	Students  Students	Teachers	Others
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L99  Barrier: # M01 M02 M03 M04 M05 M06 M07 M08 M09 M10 M11 M12 M13	Establish/maintain timely record transferal system.  Other (Specify)  Lack of Support from Parents  Strategies for Lack of Support from Parents  Develop and implement a plan to increase support from parents.  Conduct home visits by staff.  Recruit volunteers to actively participate in school activities.  Conduct parent/teacher conferences.  Establish school/parent compacts.  Provide parenting training.  Provide a parent/family center.  Provide program materials/information in home language.  Involve parents from a variety of backgrounds in school decision making.  Offer "flexible" opportunities for involvement, including home learning activities and other activities that don't require coming to school.  Provide child care for parents participating in school activities.  Acknowledge and include family members' diverse skills, talents, acknowledge in school activities.  Provide adult education, including GED and/or ESL classes, or family literacy program.	Students  Students  Students  Students	Teachers	Others  SI
L99  # M01  M02  M03  M04  M05  M06  M07  M08  M09  M10  M11  M12	Establish/maintain timely record transferal system.  Other (Specify)  Lack of Support from Parents  Strategies for Lack of Support from Parents  Develop and implement a plan to increase support from parents.  Conduct home visits by staff.  Recruit volunteers to actively participate in school activities.  Conduct parent/teacher conferences.  Establish school/parent compacts.  Provide parenting training.  Provide a parent/family center.  Provide program materials/information in home language.  Involve parents from a variety of backgrounds in school decision making.  Offer "flexible" opportunities for involvement, including home learning activities and other activities that don't require coming to school.  Provide child care for parents participating in school activities.  Acknowledge and include family members' diverse skills, talents, acknowledge in school activities.  Provide adult education, including GED and/or ESL classes, or family literacy	Students  Students  Students  Students  Students	Teachers	Others

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### Schedule #5—Program Budget Summary

Program Authority: P.L. 107-110, Section 1003(g), as amended by ARRA, P.L. 111-5 CFDA # 84.388A & 84.377A **Fund Code** 

ARRA (CFDA# 84.388A): 286

Regular (CFDA# 84.377A): 276

Project Period: August 1, 2010 through June 30, 2013

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Class/Object Code an	d Des	criptio	n	(	Campus Grant Costs	LEA Admin Grant Costs	Pı	e-Award Cost		Total Grant Funds Idgeted
Payroll Costs		5B	6100	\$	647,879	\$	\$	23,500	\$	647,879
Professional and Contracted Serv	ices	5C	6200		368,600					368,600
Supplies and Materials		5D	6300		824,373					824,373
Other Operating Costs		5E	6400		364,750					364,750
Capital Outlay (Exclusive of 6619 6629) (15XX for charter schools of		5G	6600/ 15XX		130,700					130,700
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Administrative Cost Calcula	ation									
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Budget Request by Grant Year: Enter the amount of grant funds requested for each year of the three year grant period.

Year 1: SY 2010-2011 \$648,630

Year 2: SY 2011-2012 \$908,687 \*

Year 3: SY 2012-2013 \$895,800 \*

\* Any Budget Request entered for funds in Year 2 and/or Year 3 constitutes the LEA/campus requesting approval of the waiver for extending the period of availability of these grant funds, whether indicated on Schedule #4B—Program Description: Waiver Requests or not.

### Provide any necessary explanation or clarification of budgeted costs

Funding from the TTIPS project is designed to augment existing district expenditures being used to provide adequate resources in order to substantially raise the achievement of our students and enable De Leon High School (DHS) to make adequate yearly progress (AYP).

To address the needs of the campus, program activities for DHS include a concise plan to recruit additional staff in the key areas of Reading/ELA and Math. In addition, a social worker will be employed to enhance the overall academic mission by providing services that strengthen home, school, and community partnerships and alleviate barriers to learning. A half-time network administrator will be hired to assist with campus technology needs by installing and maintaining software programs, servers, laptops, and wireless access.

Through TTIPS professional development, DISD teachers will have access to high quality embedded professional development with ongoing support facilitated by District technology experts and Region 14 Educational Service Center. Teachers will also be encouraged to attend a state conference focused on curricular specialty supporting improved practices for integrated technologies. As a one-to-one laptop campus, focusing on connecting the use of technology and 21<sup>st</sup> century skills with research proven instructional strategies, teachers will become familiar with the technology components embedded in the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS). Teachers will also learn how to design and assess problem/project-based units and manage their implementation.

TTIPS will supply these identified tools for classrooms including books, microscopes, probeware, graphing calculators, musical instruments, and a wire welder for Agriculture students. The project also proposes acquisition of a campus wide on-demand learning platform that provides multimedia management and delivers and allows sharing the state-of-the art applications and services, promoting a collaborative environment that fosters critical thinking about information retrieval and use. Project activities have addressed adequacy standards and have also considered new legislative requirements to ensure that all high school students have access to online formative assessments, advanced placement or honors courses, dual-credit courses, and distance learning courses.

This TTIPS project is designed to equip the principal, teachers, and students at De Leon High School with appropriate training and tools in order to be champion of the project goals. Together all stakeholders will be afforded the opportunity to receive digitally enriched curriculum facilitated by well-trained instructors and surrounded by a positive school climate conducive to learning. This transformation effort gives great universality for students to transcend traditional boundaries. The project will accelerate the timeline for DHS students achieving the student performance goals outlined by the Campus Improvement Team. Lastly, we strongly believe that this project will build a community of active participants and in the process futuristic career based learning.

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Ins	truction		<del></del>		<del> </del>	\$ 12,000 11,500 \$ 23,500	
1	Teacher		Reading Specialist and Math Teacher to assist with grant initiatives in years 2 & 3	2		\$	\$ 180,000
2	Educatio	nal Aide					
3	Tutor						
Pro	gram Man	agement and Administration				***************************************	
4	Project D	Pirector	Extra duty pay beyond regular school hours – 3 years		1		15,000
5		Coordinator	Extra duty pay beyond regular school hours – 3 years		1		15,000
6		Facilitator		ļ			
7		Supervisor					
8		y/Administrative Assistant					
9	Data Ent						
10		countant/Bookkeeper					
11	iliary	r/Evaluation Specialist	I	1			,
<u>Aux</u> 12	Counselo		T	· ·		·	T
13	Social W		Teach parenting skills, work with parental involvement, truancy issues	1		12,000	107,460
14	Child Car	e Provider					
15	Commun	ity Liaison/Parent Coordinator					
16	Bus Drive						
17	Cafeteria	Staff					
18	Librarian				-		
19	School N	urse					
Oth	er Employ	ee Positions				2 - 22 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2	alternative to the second
22	Title:	Network administrator (.5 FT needs on HS campus s <b>o</b> ftwai wireless needs	E) Maintence and program re programs, servers, laptops,		1	11,500	105,000
26			Subto	otal Employ	ee Costs	\$ 23,500	422,460
Sub	stitute, Ex	ctra-Duty, Benefits	1	*** *** * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *			1 4 7
27	6112	Substitute Pay				\$	15,000
28	6119	Professional Staff Extra-Duty					75,000
29	6121	Support Staff Extra-Duty Pay	•				30,000
30	6140	Employee Benefits					105,419
31		1	Subtotal Substitute, Extra-D	Outy, Benef	its Costs	\$	\$225,419
32			Grand Total Payroll Budge	. /line 26 1	Hun 24)	\$ 23,500	\$647,879

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S	chedule #5C- Itemized 620	Professional and Contr	acted Services Co	sts Requirir	g Specific Ap	proval
	E	kpense Item Description		•	Pre-Award	Total Amount Budgeted
6212	Audit Costs (other than audits re	quired under OMB Circular A-1	133)		Pre-Award  \$  Pre-Award  \$  Oo \$	\$
	Specify purpose					
6269	Rental or Lease of Buildings, Spa Specify purpose and provide calc					
<u> </u>	Contracted Publication and Printing		uired only for nonne	fit charter		
6299	schools)	ig costs (specific approval rec	fulled only for nonpro	iii ciiaitei		
0233	Specify purpose:				1	
6299	Scholarships and Fellowships (no	t allowed for nonprofit charter	schools)			
0299	Specify purpose:					
Subto	ital					
	6200 - Profession	nal and Contracted Services	s Cost Requiring Spe	ecific Approva	I manufacture and a second	11 11/20 11
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#	Topic/Purpose/Service	(0435) 4535 (06) 47		Total Contracted Amount	Pre-Award	Total Amount Budgeted
1.	Ruby Payne - Understanding	Poverty (Staff Developmen	t)	\$ 5,000	Pre-Award  Pre-Award  Pre-Award  Pre-Award  Pre-Award	\$ 5,000
2.	eInstruction - Clicker training			4,800		4,800
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	ssional and Consulting Services	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10			
1. Des	scription of Professional or Con	sulting Service (Topic/Purp	oose/Service):			
Contra	actor's Cost Breakdown of Serv		# Positions	Total Contracted Amount	Pre-Award	Total Amount Budgeted
	Contractor's Payroll Co		10	90,000	\$	90,000
		r Team Planning ts, Subcontracted Services		-		
	Supplies and Materials					
	Other Operating Costs					
	Capital Outlay (Subgra					
	Indirect Cost (	_%)				
			Total Payment:	\$ 90,000	\$	\$ 90,000

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50,000

16,000

\$ 66,000

\$ 50,000

16,000

**Total Payment: | \$ 66,000** 

Title: NetEDge, LLC

Supplies and Materials

Other Operating Costs

Indirect Cost

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Professional and Consulting Services (6219) Greater than or Equal to \$10,000 (cont.)

8. Description of Professional or Consulting Service (Topic/Purpose/Service):

	gy Integration – Direct embedded instructional based Profess Cost Breakdown of Service to be Provided	# Positions	Total Contracted Amount	Pre- Award	Total Amount Budgeted
	Contractor's Payroll Costs	2	90,000	<b>\$</b> 1,800	90,000
	Title: OOPS Planning Systems		-,	4 -/	
	Subgrants, Subcontracts, Subcontracted Services				
	Supplies and Materials				
	Other Operating Costs				
	Capital Outlay (Subgrants Only)				
	Indirect Cost (%)				
	]	Total Payment:	\$ 90,000	\$	\$ 90,000
Subtotal: Prof	essional and Consulting Services Greater Than or Equa	l to \$10,000:	<b>\$</b> 9,800	\$	\$ 9,800
Subto	tal of Professional and Contracted Services Costs Requiring S	Specific Approval:	338,800		338,800
Subt	total of Professional and Consulting Services or Subgrants Le	ss than \$10,000:	9,800		9,800
Subto	otal of Professional and Consulting Services Greater than or E	qual to \$10,000:			
	0- Professional and Contracted Services that do not require s	specific approval:	20,000		20,000
Remaining 620	o- Professional and Contracted Services that do not require:	specific approvair			•

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1 Servers Library media, User storage, programs, print server, backup  2 On Demand Digital Content & Steaming Video System  3 Laser printers Teacher and student printing needs 4 Laptops Authentic learning needs; 199 student, 32 teacher and support staff 5 Reading Program Assess reading levels and provide online reading instruction  6399 Technology Software- Not Capitalized  Library media, User storage, programs, print 3  S Packup Program Enhanced educational resources for students  1 Servers  Assessing Program Financed educational resources for students  1 Servers  Authentic learning needs  Authentic learning needs; 199 student, 32 teacher and support staff  Assess reading levels and provide online reading instruction  60,000	-	Te	echnology Hardware- Not Capita	alized			
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6399		1	Servers	,	3		
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4 Laptops and support staff 5 Reading Program Assess reading levels and provide online reading instruction 6399 Technology Software- Not Capitalized 60,000		3	Laser printers	Teacher and student printing needs	15		
6399 Technology Software- Not Capitalized 60,000		4	Laptops		231		
		5	Reading Program	,			
6399 Supplies and Materials Associated with Advisory Council or Committee	6399 Technology Software- Not Capitalized						60,000
The state of the s	6399	Sŧ	upplies and Materials Associated	with Advisory Council or Committee			

Remaining 6300- Supplies and Materials that do not require specific approval:

Total Supplies and Materials Requiring Specific Approval:

Grand Total \$

537,373 287,000

\$ 824,373

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1900	Schedule #5E - Itemized 6400 Other Operating Costs Requ		Annroval	<u> </u>
	Concadio #OL * Itoning de Otto Otto Opcidente Costs Made	in ing specific	Approvai	<u> </u>
	Expense Item Description		Pre-Award	Total Budgeted
6411	Out of State Travel for Employees (includes registration fees)		\$	\$15,000
V-111	Specify purpose: National Technology and Leadership conferences	<b>-</b>	\$15,000	
6412	Travel for Students (includes registration fees; does not include field trips) (speci required only for nonprofit charter schools)			120,000
	Specify purpose: Out of state student travel to Washington DC \$600 per stude	nt		
6413	Stipends for Non-Employees (specific approval required only for nonprofit charter	schools)		
0415	Specify purpose:			
	Travel for Non-Employees (includes registration fees; does not include field trips)			
6419	approval required only for nonprofit charter schools)			
	Specify purpose:			
6411/	Travel Costs for Executive Director (6411), Superintendents (6411), or Board Me	mbers (6419)		
6419	(includes registration fees)		7,500	
6 400	Specify purpose: National Technology and Leadership conferences			
6429	Actual losses which could have been covered by permissible insurance			
6490	Indemnification Compensation for Loss or Damage			
6490	Advisory Council/Committee Travel or Other Expenses (explain purpose of Comm Schedule #4B-Program Description: Project Management)	ittee on		
	Membership Dues in Civic or Community Organizations (Not allowable for Univers	ity applicants)		
	Specify name and purpose of organization:			
6499	Publication and Printing Costs- if reimbursed (specific approval required only for r schools)	onprofit charter		
	Specify purpose:	-		
	Total 64XX- Operating Costs Requiring sp	ecific approval:		142,500
	Remaining 6400 – Other Operating Costs that do not require sp			222,250
	<u> </u>	Grand Total	\$	\$ 364,750

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	Schedule #5G - Itemized (15XX is for use	6600/15XX Capital Outlay- ( by Charter Schools sponsor	Capitalized Ass	sets Regard ofit organiz	less of Unit C ation)	ost	
	Description	n/Purpose	Unit Cost	Quantity	Pre-Award	Total Budgeted	
	9/15XX- Library Books and Medi	a (capitalized and controlled by	library)				
1 66¥	 XX/15XX- Technology Hardware -	Canitalized					
2	100 million gy maraware	Capitanzeu					
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66X	X/15XX- Technology Software- C	Capitalized					
12							
13 14							
15			***************************************				
16							
17 18							
	X/15XX- Equipment and Furnitur	<b>'e</b>			<del></del>		
19	Aluminum Wire Weld for Agricu learning	ltural classes –project based	5,700	1		5,700	
20	Furniture – modern, comfortabl appealing modern, techno furni available in Fall 2011; couches,	ture for new high school cubes, tables w/bar stool	Varies	250		75,000	
21	height chairs, etc. (Improving S	chool Climate)					
22	-						
23					_		
24 25							
26							
27							
28 <b>Cap</b>	ital expenditures for improvemen	its to land, buildings, or equipm	ent which mate	rially increas	e their value o	r useful	
<b>ife.</b> 29						50,000	
500000	nd Total					23,000	
		Total 6600	/15XX- Capital	Outlay Costs:		130,700	
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Statement of provisions and assurances for the program(s) in this application:

- A. Terms defined: As used in these Provisions and Assurances,
  - Contract means the entire document, and all of TEA's attachments, appendices, schedules (including but not limited to the General Provisions and the Special Provisions), amendments and extensions of or to the Standard Contract;
  - Agency or TEA means the Texas Education Agency;
  - Contractor means the party or parties to this contract other than Agency; including its or their officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives, consultants and subcontractors, and subcontractors' officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives and consultants;
  - Project Administrator means the person representing Agency or Contractor, as indicated by the contract, for the purposes of administering the contract project;
  - Contract Project means the purpose intended to be achieved through the contract of which these Provisions and Assurances are a part;
  - Applicant means the same as Contractor;
  - SAS means the Standard Application System of which the application document is a part;
  - "Application" means the entire package submitted by the Applicant including the schedules contained in the application and so indicated on the General Information page of the application package;
  - Amendment means an application that is revised in budget categories and/or in program activities. It includes both the original application and any subsequent amendments: or extensions thereto:
  - Works means all tangible or intangible material, products, ideas, documents or works of authorship prepared or created by Contractor for or on behalf of TEA at any time after the beginning date of the Contract (Works includes but is not limited to computer software, data, information, images, illustrations, designs, graphics, drawings, educational materials, assessment forms, testing materials, logos, trademarks, patentable materials, etc.); and,
  - Intellectual Property Rights means the worldwide intangible legal rights or interests evidenced by or embodied in: (a) any idea, design, concept, method, process, technique, apparatus, invention, discovery, or improvement, including any patents, trade secrets, and know-how; (b) any work of authorship, including any copyrights, moral rights or neighboring rights; (c) any trademark, service mark, trade dress, trade name, or other indicia of source or origin; (d) domain name registrations; and (e) any other similar rights. The Intellectual Property Rights of a party include all worldwide intangible legal rights or interests that the party may have acquired by assignment or license with the right to grant sublicenses.
  - Grant means the same as Contract;
  - Grantee means the same as Contractor;
  - Grantor means the same as Agency; and
  - DCC means the Document Control Center of Agency.
- **B.** Contingency: This contract is executed by Agency subject to the availability of funds appropriated by legislative act for the purposes stated. All amendments and/or extensions or subsequent contracts entered into for the same or continued purposes are executed contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. Notwithstanding any other provision in this contract or any other document, this contract is void upon appropriated funds becoming unavailable. In addition, this contract may be terminated by Agency at any time for any reason upon notice to Contractor. Expenditures and/or activities for which Contractor may claim reimbursement shall not be accrued or claimed subsequent to receipt of such notice from Agency. This contract may be extended or otherwise amended only by formal written amendment properly executed by both Agency and Contractor. No other agreement, written or oral, purporting to alter or amend this contract shall be valid.
- C. Contractor's Application: Furnished to Agency in response to a request for application, is incorporated in this contract by reference for all necessary purposes. It is specifically provided, however, that the provisions of this contract shall prevail in all cases of conflict arising from the terms of Contractor's application whether such application is a written part of this contract or is attached as a separate document.
- **D.** Requirements, Terms, Conditions, and Assurances: Which are stated in the Request for Application, in response to which Applicant is submitting this application, are incorporated herein by reference for all purposes although the current General Provisions shall prevail in the event of conflict. The instructions to the Standard Application System, as well as the General and Fiscal Guidelines and Program Guidelines, are incorporated herein by reference.

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- E. Signature Authority; Final Expression; Superseding Document: Applicant certifies that the person signing this application has been properly delegated this authority. The Contract represents the final and complete expression of the terms of agreement between the parties. The Contract supersedes any previous understandings or negotiations between the parties. Any representations, oral statements, promises or warranties that differ from the Contract shall have no force or effect. The Contract may be modified, amended or extended only by formal written amendment properly executed by both TEA and Contractor.
- **F.** State of Texas Laws: In the conduct of the contract project, Contractor shall be subject to Texas State Board of Education and Commissioner rules pertaining to this contract and the contract project and to the laws of the State of Texas governing this contract and the contract project. This contract constitutes the entire agreement between Agency and Contractor for the accomplishment of the contract project. This contract shall be interpreted according to the laws of the State of Texas except as may be otherwise provided for in this contract.
- **G. Monitoring**: Desk reviews or on-site monitoring reviews may be conducted by Agency to determine compliance with the approved application and the applicable statute(s), law(s), regulations, and guidelines.
- H. Sanctions for Failure to Perform or for Noncompliance: If Contractor, in Agency's sole determination, fails or refuses for any reason to comply with or perform any of its obligations under this contract, Agency may impose such sanctions as it may deem appropriate. This includes but is not limited to the withholding of payments to Contractor until Contractor complies; the cancellation, termination, or suspension of this contract in whole or in part; and the seeking of other remedies as may be provided by this contract or by law. Any cancellation, termination, or suspension of this contract, if imposed, shall become effective at the close of business on the day of Contractor's receipt of written notice thereof from Agency.
- I. Contract Cancellation, etc.: If this contract is canceled, terminated, or suspended by Agency prior to its expiration date, the reasonable monetary value of services properly performed by Contractor pursuant to this contract prior to such cancellation, termination or suspension shall be determined by Agency and paid to Contractor as soon as reasonably possible.
- J. Indemnification:
  - For local educational agencies (LEAs), regional education service centers (ESCs), and institutions of higher education (IHEs) and state agencies: Contractor, to the extent permitted by law, shall hold Agency harmless from and shall indemnify Agency against any and all claims, demands, and causes of action of whatever kind or nature asserted by any third party and occurring or in any way incident to, arising from, or in connection with, any acts of Contractor, its agents, employees, and subcontractors, done in the conduct of the contract project.
  - For all other grantees, subgrantees, contractors, and subcontractors, including nonprofit organizations and forprofit businesses: Contractor shall hold Agency harmless from and shall indemnify Agency against any and all claims, demands, and causes of action of whatever kind or nature asserted by any third party and occurring or in any way incident to, arising from, or in connection with, any acts of Contractor, its agents, employees, and subcontractors, done in the conduct of the contract project.
- K. Encumbrances/Obligations: All encumbrances/obligations shall occur on or between the beginning and ending dates of the contract. All goods must be received and all services rendered and subsequently liquidated (recorded as an expenditure or accounts payable) within the contract dates. In no manner shall encumbrances be considered or reflected as accounts payable or as expenditures, and an encumbrance cannot be considered an expenditure or accounts payable until the goods have been received and the services have been rendered. Obligations that are liquidated and recognized as expenditures must meet the allowable cost principles in OMB Circular A-87, A-21, or A-122 (as applicable) and program rules, regulations, and guidelines contained elsewhere. This applies to all grant programs, including state and federal, discretionary and formula.

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- L. Financial Management and Accounting: Grantee assures it will maintain a financial management system that complies with federal standards established in 34 CFR 80.20 and 74.21 and that provides for accurate, current, and complete disclosure of the financial results of each grant project. The financial management system records will identify adequately the source and application of funds and will contain information pertaining to grant awards, authorizations, obligations, unobligated balances, assets, outlays (i.e., expenditures), income, and interest. Fiscal control and accounting procedures will permit the tracing of funds to a level of expenditure adequate to establish that funds have been used in accordance with the approved grant application. The applicant agrees to maintain effective control over and accountability for all funds, property, and other assets. Public school districts, open enrollment charter schools, and regional education service centers in Texas must comply with the accounting requirements in the Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) module of the Financial Accountability System Resource Guide, Texas Education Agency (34 CFR 74.21; 34 CFR 80.20; TEA Financial Accountability System Resource Guide).
- M. Expenditure Reports: Contractor shall submit expenditure reports in the time and manner requested by Agency as specified in the instructions to the Standard Application System (SAS) which are incorporated by reference. Unless otherwise specified, interim reports are due to TEA within 15 days after the end of each reporting period. Unless otherwise specified, the final expenditure report is due within 30 days after the ending date of the grant. Revised expenditure reports, where the grantee is claiming additional expenditures beyond that originally requested, must be submitted within 60 days after the ending date of the grant, or as specified in the applicable Program Guidelines.
- N. Refunds Due to TEA: If Agency determines that Agency is due a refund of money paid to Contractor pursuant to this contract, Contractor shall pay the money due to Agency within 30 days of Contractor's receipt of written notice that such money is due to Agency. If Contractor fails to make timely payment, Agency may obtain such money from Contractor by any means permitted by law, including but not limited to offset, counterclaim, cancellation, termination, suspension, total withholding, and/or disapproval of all or any subsequent applications for said funds.
- O. Records Retention: Contractor shall maintain its records and accounts in a manner which shall assure a full accounting for all funds received and expended by Contractor in connection with the contract project. These records and accounts shall be retained by Contractor and made available for programmatic or financial audit by Agency and by others authorized by law or regulation to make such an audit for a period of not less than five years from the date of completion of the contract project or the date of the receipt by Agency of Contractor's final claim for payment or final expenditure report in connection with this contract, whichever is later. If an audit has been announced, the records shall be retained until such audit has been completed.
  - Contractor understands that acceptance of funds under this contract acts as acceptance of the authority of the State Auditor's office, or any successor agency, to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds. Contractor further agrees to cooperate fully with the State Auditor's Office or its successor in the conduct of the audit or investigation, including providing all records requested. Contractor will ensure that this clause concerning the authority to audit funds received indirectly by subcontractors through Contractor and the requirements to cooperate is included in any subcontract it awards.
- P. Time and Effort Recordkeeping: For those personnel whose salaries are prorated between or among different funding sources, time and effort records will be maintained by Applicant that will confirm the services provided within each funding source. Applicant must adjust payroll records and expenditures based on this documentation. This requirement applies to all projects, regardless of funding source, unless otherwise specified. For federally funded projects, time and effort records must be in accordance with the requirements in the applicable OMB cost principles.
- Q. Forms, Assurances, and Reports: Contractor shall timely make and file with the proper authorities all forms, assurances and reports required by federal laws and regulations. Agency shall be responsible for reporting to the proper authorities any failure by Contractor to comply with the foregoing laws and regulations coming to Agency's attention, and may deny payment or recover payments made by Agency to Contractor in the event of Contractor's failure so to comply.
- R. Intellectual Property Ownership: Contractor agrees that all Works are, upon creation, works made for hire and the sole property of TEA. If the Works are, under applicable law, not considered works made for hire, Contractor hereby assigns to TEA all worldwide ownership of all rights, including the Intellectual Property Rights, in the Works, without the necessity of any further consideration, and TEA can obtain and hold in its own name all such rights to the Works. Contractor agrees to maintain written agreements with all officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives and subcontractors engaged by Contractor for the Contract Project, granting Contractor rights sufficient to support the performance and grant of rights to TEA by Contractor. Copies of such agreements shall be provided to TEA promptly upon request.

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Contractor warrants that (i) it has the authority to grant the rights herein granted, (ii) it has not assigned or transferred any right, title, or interest to the Works or Intellectual Property Rights that would conflict with its obligations under the Contract, and Contractor will not enter into any such agreements, and (iii) the Works will be original and will not infringe any intellectual property rights of any other person or entity. These warranties will survive the termination of the Contract. If any preexisting rights are embodied in the Works, Contractor grants to TEA the irrevocable, perpetual, non-exclusive, worldwide, royalty-free right and license to (i) use, execute, reproduce, display, perform, distribute copies of, and prepare derivative works based upon such preexisting rights and any derivative works thereof and (ii) authorize others to do any or all of the foregoing. Contractor agrees to notify TEA on delivery of the Works if they include any such preexisting rights. On request, Contractor will provide TEA with documentation indicating a third party's written approval for Contractor to use any preexisting rights that may be embodied or reflected in the Works.

For School Districts and Nonprofit Organizations: The foregoing Intellectual Property Ownership provisions apply to any school districts, nonprofit organizations, and their employees, agents, representatives, consultants and subcontractors. If a school district or nonprofit organization or any of its subcontractor(s) wish to obtain a license agreement to use, advertise, offer for sale, sell, distribute, publicly display, publicly perform or reproduce the Works, or make derivative works from the Works, then express written permission must first be obtained from the TEA Copyright Office.

For Education Service Centers (ESCs): The foregoing Intellectual Property Ownership provisions apply to an Education Service Center (ESC) and its employees, agents, representatives, consultants, and subcontractors. If an ESC or any of its subcontractor(s) wish to obtain a license agreement to use, advertise, offer for sale, sell, distribute, publicly display, publicly perform or reproduce the Works, or make derivative works from the Works, then express written permission must first be obtained from the TEA Copyright Office.

For Colleges and Universities: The foregoing Intellectual Property Ownership provisions apply to any colleges and universities and their employees, agents, representatives, consultants, and subcontractors; provided, that for all Works and derivative works created or conceived by colleges or universities under the Contract, they are granted a non-exclusive, non-transferable, royalty-free license to use the Works for their own academic and educational purposes only. The license for academic and educational purposes specifically excludes advertising, offering for sale, selling, distributing, publicly displaying, publicly performing, or reproducing the Works, or making derivative works from the Works that are created or conceived under this Contract and colleges and universities and their employees, agents, representatives, consultants, and subcontractors are prohibited from engaging in these uses and activities with regard to the Works unless the prior express written permission of the TEA Copyright Office is obtained.

- S. Unfair Business Practices: Unfair Business Practices: By signing this Contract, Contractor, if other than a state agency, certifies that Contractor, within the preceding 12 months, has not been found guilty, in a judicial or state agency administrative proceeding, of unfair business practices. Contractor, if other than a state agency, also certifies that no officer of its company has, within the preceding 12 months, served as an officer in another company which has been found, in a judicial or state agency administrative proceeding, to be guilty of unfair business practices.
  - Contractor, whether a state agency or not a state agency, certifies that no funds provided under this Contract shall be used to purchase supplies, equipment, or services from any companies found to be guilty of unfair business practices within 12 months from the determination of guilt.
- T. **Subcontracting:** Contractor shall not assign or subcontract any of its rights or responsibilities under this contract, except as may be otherwise provided for in this application, without prior formal written amendment to this contract properly executed by both Agency and Contractor.
- Use of Consultants: Notwithstanding any other provision of this application, Applicant shall not use or pay any consultant in the conduct of this application if the services to be rendered by any such consultant can be provided by Applicant's employees.
- V. Capital Outlay: If Contractor purchases capital outlay (furniture and/or equipment) to accomplish the objective(s) of the project, title will remain with Contractor for the period of the contract. Agency reserves the right to transfer capital outlay items for contract noncompliance during the contract period or as needed after the ending date of the contract. This provision applies to any and all furniture and/or equipment regardless of unit price and how the item is classified in Contractor's accounting record.

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- W. Agency Property (terms): In the event of loss, damage or destruction of any property owned by or loaned by Agency while in the custody or control of Contractor, its employees, agents, consultants or subcontractors, Contractor shall indemnify Agency and pay to Agency the full value of or the full cost of repair or replacement of such property, whichever is the greater, within 30 days of Contractor's receipt of written notice of Agency's determination of the amount due. This applies whether the property is developed or purchased by Contractor pursuant to this contract or is provided by Agency to Contractor for use in the contract project. If Contractor fails to make timely payment, Agency may obtain such money from Contractor by any means permitted by law, including but not limited to offset or counterclaim against any money otherwise due to Contractor by Agency.
- X. Travel Costs: Amounts authorized for maximum recovery for travel and per dlem costs against any state or federal funding source are restricted to those amounts which are approved in the State of Texas Appropriations Bill in effect for the particular funding period. Any amount over this limit must come from local funding sources. Applicant must recover funds at a lesser rate if local policy amounts are less than the maximum allowed by the state. Out-of-state travel may not exceed the federal government rate for the locale. Travel allowances are not allowable costs.
- Y. Funds for Religious Worship, Instruction: No funds will be used to pay for religious worship, instruction, or proselytization, or for any equipment or supplies for such, or for any construction, remodeling, repair, operation, or maintenance of any facility or part of a facility to be used for religious worship, instruction, or proselytization (34 CFR 76.532 and P. L. 107-110, section 9505).
- **Z. Disclosure of Gifts and Campaign Contributions:** The grantee shall file disclosures of gifts and campaign contributions as required by State Board of Education Operating Rule 4.3, which is incorporated as if set out in full. The grantee has a continuing obligation to make disclosures through the term of the contract. Failure to comply with State Board of Education Operating Rule 4.3 is grounds for canceling the grant.
- AA. Submission of Audit Reports to TEA: Grantees which are public school districts and open enrollment charter schools agree to submit the required annual audit report, including the reporting package required under OMB Circular A-133, if an audit is required to be conducted in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, to the TEA Division of School Financial Audits in the time and manner requested by the Agency.

Grantees which are **nonprofit organizations** (other than charter schools) and universities/colleges that expend \$500,000 or more total in federal awards in any fiscal year and are thus required to conduct a Single Audit or program-specific audit in accordance with the requirements in OMB Circular A-133, agree to submit a copy of such audit to TEA when the schedule of findings and questioned costs disclosed audit findings relating to any federal awards provided by TEA. A copy of such audit shall also be submitted to TEA if the summary schedule of prior audit findings reported the status of any audit findings relating to any federal awards provided by TEA.

A nonprofit organization or university/college grantee shall provide written notification to TEA that an audit was conducted in accordance with OMB Circular A-133 when the schedule of findings and questioned costs disclosed no audit findings related to any federal awards provided by TEA or when the summary schedule of prior audit findings did not report on the status of any prior audit findings related to any federal awards provided by TEA. Nonprofit organizations (other than charter schools) and universities/colleges shall submit the audit report to the TEA Division of Discretionary Grants. Audit reports must be submitted to TEA within 30 days of receipt of the report from the auditor. Failure to submit a copy of the audit to TEA could result in a reduction of funds paid to the grantee, a refund to TEA, termination of the grant, and/or ineligibility to receive additional grant awards from TEA.

- **BB. Federal Rules, Laws, and Regulations That Apply to all Federal Programs:** Contractor shall be subject to and shall abide by all federal laws, rules and regulations pertaining to the contract project, including but not limited to:
  - 1. Americans With Disabilities Act, P. L. 101-336, 42 U.S.C. sec. 12101, and the regulations effectuating its provisions contained in 28 CFR Parts 35 and 36, 29 CFR Part 1630, and 47 CFR Parts 0 and 64;
  - Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (prohibition of discrimination by race, color, or national origin), and the regulations effectuating its provisions contained in 34 CFR Part 100;
  - 3. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (prohibition of sex discrimination in educational institutions) and the regulations effectuating its provisions contained in 34 CFR Part 106, if Contractor is an educational institution:
  - Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (nondiscrimination on the basis of handicapping condition), and the regulations effectuating its provisions contained in 34 CFR Part 104 and 105;

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- 5. the **Age Discrimination Act of 1975**, as amended (prohibition of discrimination on basis of age), and any regulations issued thereunder, including the provisions contained in 34 CFR Part 110;
- the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1975, as amended (ensures access to educational records for students and parents while protecting the privacy of such records), and any regulations issued thereunder, including Privacy Rights of Parents and Students (34 CFR Part 99), if Contractor is an educational institution (20 USC 1232g);
- 7. Section 509 of H.R. 5233 as incorporated by reference in P. L. 99-500 and P. L. 99-591 (prohibition against the use of federal grant funds to influence legislation pending before Congress);
- 8. **Pro-Children Act of 2001**, which states that no person shall permit smoking within any indoor facility owned or leased or contracted and utilized for the provision of routine or regular kindergarten, elementary, or secondary education or library services to children [P. L. 107-110, Section 4303(a)]. In addition, no person shall permit smoking within any indoor facility (or portion of such a facility) owned or leased or contracted and utilized for the provision of regular or routine health care or day care or early childhood development (Head Start) services [P. L. 107-110, Section 4303(b)(1)]. Any failure to comply with a prohibition in this Act shall be considered to be a violation of this Act and any person subject to such prohibition who commits such violation may be liable to the United States for a civil penalty, as determined by the Secretary of Education (P. L. 107-110, Section 4303(e)(1)].
- 9. Fair Labor Standards Act (29 USC 207), Davis Bacon Act (40 USC 276(a), and Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 USC 327 et seq.), as applicable, and their implementing regulations in 29 CFR 500-899, 29 CFR Parts 1,3,5, and 7, and 29 CFR Parts 5 and 1926, respectively.
- 10. **Buy America Act**: Contractor certifies that it is in compliance with the Buy America Act in that each end product purchased under any federally funded supply contract exceeding \$2,500 is considered to have been substantially produced or manufactured in the United States. End products exempt from this requirement are those for which the cost would be unreasonable, products manufactured in the U. S. that are not of satisfactory quality, or products for which the agency head determines that domestic preference would be inconsistent with the public interest. Contractor also certifies that documentation will be maintained that documents compliance with this requirement (FAR 25.1-.2).
- 11. P.L. 103-227, Title X, Miscellaneous Provisions of the GOALS 2000: Educate America Act; P.L. 103-382, Title XIV, General Provisions of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended; and General Education Provisions Act, as amended.

## CC. Federal Regulations Applicable to All Federal Programs:

- 1. For Local Educational Agencies (LEAs): 28 CFR 35 Subparts A-E, 28 CFR 36 Subparts C & D, Appendix A, 29 CFR 1630, 34 CFR 75 or 76 as applicable, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, 97, 98, 99, 104, 47 CFR 0 and 64, and OMB Circulars A-87 (Cost Principles), A-133 (Audits), and A-102 (Uniform Administrative Requirements);
- 2. For Education Service Centers (ESCs): 28 CFR 35 Subparts A-E, 28 CFR 36 Subparts C & D, Appendix A, 29 CFR 1630, 34 CFR 75 or 76 as applicable, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, 97, 98, 99, 104, 47 CFR 0 and 64, and OMB Circulars A-87 (Cost Principles), A-133 (Audits), and A-102 (Uniform Administrative Requirements);
- 3. For Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs): 28 CFR 35 Subparts A-E, 28 CFR 36 Subparts C & D, Appendix A, 29 CFR 1630, 34 CFR 74, 77, 79, 81, 82, 85, 86, 97, 98, 99, 104, 47 CFR 0 and 64, and OMB Circulars A-21 (Cost Principles), A-133 (Audits), and A-110 (Uniform Administrative Requirements);
- For Nonprofit Organizations: 28 CFR 35 Subparts A-E, 28 CFR 36 Subparts C & D, Appendix A, 29 CFR 1630, 34 CFR 74, 77, 79, 81, 82, 85, 97, 98, 99, 104, 47 CFR 0 and 64, and OMB Circulars A-122 (Cost Principles), A-133 (Audits), and A-110 (Uniform Administrative Requirements);
- 5. For State Agencies: 28 CFR 35 Subparts A-E, 28 CFR 36 Subparts C & D, Appendix A, 29 CFR 1630, 34 CFR 76, 80, 81, 82, 85, 97, 98, 99, 104, 47 CFR 0 and 64, OMB Circulars A-87 (Cost Principles), A-133 (Audits), and A-102 (Uniform Administrative Requirements); and
- 6. For Commercial (for-profit) Organizations: 29 CFR 1630 and 48 CFR Part 31.

# DD. General Education Provisions Act (GEPA), as Amended, <u>Applicable to All Federal Programs Funded or Administered Through or By the U. S. Department of Education</u>:

1. **Participation in Planning:** Applicant will provide reasonable opportunities for the participation by teachers, parents, and other interested parties, organizations, and individuals in the planning for and operation of each program described in this application (20 USC 1232(e)).

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- 2. **Availability of Information:** Any application, evaluation, periodic program plan, or report relating to each program described in this application will be made readily available to parents and other members of the general public (20 USC 1232(e)).
- 3. **Sharing of Information:** Contractor certifies that it has adopted effective procedures for acquiring and disseminating to teachers and administrators participating in each program described in this application significant information from educational research, demonstrations, and similar projects, and for adopting, where appropriate, promising educational practices developed through such projects (20 USC 1232(e)).
- 4. **Prohibition of Funds for Busing**: The applicant certifies that no federal funds (except for funds appropriated specifically for this purpose) will be used for the transportation of students or teachers (or for the purchase of equipment for such transportation) in order to overcome racial imbalance in any school or school system, or for the transportation of students or teachers (or for the purchase of equipment for such transportation) in order to carry out a plan of racial desegregation of any school or school system (20 USC 1228).
- 5. **Direct Financial Benefit**: Contractor certifies that funds expended under any federal program will not be used to acquire equipment (including computer software) in any instance in which such acquisition results in a direct financial benefit to any organization representing the interests of the purchasing entity or its employees or any affiliate of such an organization [20 USC 1232(b)(8)].
- **EE.** Payment for Services: Payment for service(s) described in this Contract is contingent upon satisfactory completion of the service(s). Satisfaction will be determined by TEA's Project Administrator, in his sole discretion but in accordance with reasonable standards and upon advice of his superiors in TEA, if necessary.
- FF. Family Code Applicability: By signing this Contract, Contractor, if other than a state agency, certifies that under Section 231.006, Family Code, that Contractor is not ineligible to receive payment under this Contract and acknowledges that this Contract may be terminated and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate. TEA reserves the right to terminate this Contract if Contractor is found to be ineligible to receive payment. If Contractor is found to be ineligible to receive payment and the Contract is terminated, Contractor is liable to TEA for attorney's fees, the costs necessary to complete the Contract, including the cost of advertising and awarding a second contract, and any other damages or relief provided by law or equity.
- **GG. Interpretation**: In the case of conflicts arising in the interpretation of wording and/or meaning of various sections, parts, Appendices, General Provisions, Special Provisions, Exhibits, and Attachments or other documents, the TEA Contract and its General Provisions, Appendices and Special Provisions shall take precedence over all other documents which are a part of this contract.
- **HH. Registered Lobbyists**: No state or federal funds transferred to a contractor/grantee may be used to hire a registered lobbyist.
- II. Test Administration and Security: This contract is executed by Agency subject to assurance by Contractor that it has at all times been and shall remain in full compliance with Title 19, Texas Administrative Code Chapter 101, and all requirements and procedures for maintaining test security specified in any test administration materials in the possession or control of Contractor, or any school, campus, or program operated by Contractor. Notwithstanding any other provision in this contract or any other document, this contract is void upon notice by Agency, in its sole discretion, that Contractor or any school, campus, or program operated by Contractor has at any time committed a material violation of Title 19, Texas Administrative Code Chapter 101, or any requirement or procedure for maintaining test security specified in any test administration materials in the possession or control of Contractor, or any school, campus, or program operated by Contractor. Expenditures and/or activities for which Contractor may claim reimbursement shall not be accrued or claimed subsequent to receipt of such notice from Agency.
- **JJ. Social Security Numbers:** Social Security numbers will not be provided by TEA as a part of this agreement. TEA is not requiring or requesting school districts or other grantees to provide Social Security numbers as a part of this agreement.
- **KK. Student-identifying Information**: Contractor agrees that in executing tasks on behalf of TEA, Contractor will not use any student-identifying information in any way that violates the provisions of FERPA and will destroy or return all student-identifying information to TEA within thirty (30) days of project completion.

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LL. High-Risk Status, Special Conditions, and Enforcement Actions: Pursuant to the provisions in 34 CFR 80.12 and 74.14, a grantee may be identified by TEA as high-risk if the grantee has a history of unsatisfactory performance; is not financially stable; has a financial management system that does not meet federal financial management standards or the requirements in TEA's Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) module; has not conformed to terms and conditions of previous awards; or is otherwise not responsible. TEA may impose one or more special conditions or restrictions on a high-risk grantee, including payment on a reimbursement basis; withholding authority to proceed to the next phase until receipt of evidence of acceptable performance within a given funding period; requiring additional, more detailed financial reports; additional project monitoring; requiring the grantee to obtain technical or management assistance; establishing additional prior approvals; or other conditions that may be legally available. A grantee identified as high-risk will be notified in writing by TEA of the special conditions imposed and the process for removing the high-risk status and special conditions.

Pursuant to the provisions in 34 CFR 80.43 and 74.62, if a grantee materially fails to comply with any term of an award, whether stated in a federal statute or regulation, an assurance, in a grant application, or elsewhere, TEA may take one or more of the following enforcement actions as appropriate in the circumstances: temporarily withhold cash payments pending correction of the deficiency or more severe enforcement action; disallow all or part of the cost of an activity or action not in compliance; wholly or partly suspend or terminate the current award; withhold further awards for the program; or take other remedies that may be legally available. If an enforcement action is imposed, the grantee will be notified in writing by TEA of the actions imposed and the process for remedying the noncompliance or removing the enforcement actions.

TEA reserves the right to not award a discretionary grant to a high-risk grantee or to a grantee that is materially non-compliant with the terms and conditions of another award.

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The signing of Schedule #1 - General Information by applicant indicates acceptance of and compliance with all requirements described on this schedule.

#### **SCHEDULE #6 B**

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier Covered Transactions

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This certification is required by the Department of Education regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 34 CFR Part 85, for all lower tier transactions meeting the threshold and tier requirements stated at Section 85.11.

#### Terms defined: As used in these Provisions and Assurances

- "Covered Transaction"— A transaction under Federal non-procurement programs, which can be either a primary covered transaction or a lower tier covered transaction.
- "Lower Tier Covered Transaction"— (1) Any transaction between a participant and a person other than a procurement contract for goods or services, regardless of type, under a primary covered transaction; (2) Any procurement contract for goods or services between a participant and a person, regardless of type, expected to equal or exceed the Federal procurement small purchase threshold of \$25,000; (3) Any procurement contract for goods or services between a participant and a person under a covered transaction, regardless of amount.
- "Participant" Any person who submits a proposal for, enters into, or reasonably may be expected to enter into a covered transaction, including an agent or representative of another participant.
- "Principal"— An officer, director, owner, partner, principal investigator, or other person within a participant with management or supervisory responsibilities related to a covered transaction; or a consultant or other person, whether or not employed by the participant or paid with Federal funds, who (1) is in a position to handle Federal funds; (2) is in a position to influence or control the use of those funds; or (3) occupies a technical or professional position capable of substantially influencing the development or outcome of an activity required to perform the covered transaction.
- "Excluded Parties List System (EPLS)"— The list maintained and disseminated by the General Services Administration (GSA) containing names and other information about persons who are ineligible.
- "Debarment"— Action taken by a debarring official (Federal agency) to exclude a person (recipient) from participating in covered transactions.
- "Suspension"— An action taken that immediately prohibits a person from participating in covered transactions for a temporary period, pending completion of an agency investigation and any judicial or administrative proceedings that may ensue.
- "Ineligible" generally refers to a person who is either excluded or disqualified.
- "Person"— Any individual, corporation, partnership, association, unit of government or legal entity, however organized, except: foreign governments or foreign governmental entities, public international organizations, foreign government owned (in whole or in part) or controlled entities, and entities consisting wholly or partially of foreign governments or foreign governmental entities.
- "Proposal"—A solicited or unsolicited bid, application, request, invitation to consider or similar communication by or on behalf of a person seeking to participate or to receive a benefit, directly or indirectly, in or under a covered transaction.
- "Voluntarily Excluded"—A status of nonparticipation or limited participation in covered transactions assumed by a person pursuant to the terms of a settlement.
- 1. By signing SAS Schedule #1 and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- 2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
- 3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to whom this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 4. The terms "covered transaction", "debarred", "suspended", "ineligible", "lower tier covered transaction", "participant", "person", "primary covered transaction", "principal", "proposal", and "voluntarily excluded", as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.

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- 6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- 7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may but is not required to, check the Non-procurement List.
- 8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

# Certification

- (1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by signature on SAS Schedule #1 and by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- (2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

ED 80-0014, 9/90 (Replaces GCS-009 (REV.12/88), which is obsolete)

68 FR 66544, 66611, 66612, 66613, 66614, November 26, 2003

As amended by the Texas Education Agency (04/02)

The signing of Schedule #1--General Information by applicant indicates acceptance of all requirements described on this schedule.

#### SCHEDULE #6C.

Lobbying Certification

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Submission of this certification covers all federal programs in this application, is required by the U. S. Department of Education and Section 1352, Title 31, of the United States Code, and is a prerequisite for making or entering into a subgrant or subcontract over \$100,000 with any organization. (Read instructions for this schedule for further information.)

The applicant certifies by signature on Schedule #1 - General Information, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any federal grant, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal grant or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions. (See Schedule #6D Disclosure of Lobbying Activities.)
- (3) The applicant shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subgrants, contracts under grants and cooperative agreements, and subcontracts) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact on which the U. S. Department of Education and the Texas Education Agency relied when they made or entered into this grant or contract. Any organization that fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

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The following special provisions apply to all programs funded under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended by P. L. 107-110, No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001. By signing Schedule #1 of this SAS, the applicant is assuring it is in compliance with the following provisions:

- A. Each such program will be administered in accordance with all applicable statutes, regulations, program plans, and applications.
- B. The control of funds provided under each such program and title to property acquired with program funds will be in a public agency or in a nonprofit private agency, institution, organization, or Indian tribe, if the law authorizing the program provides for assistance to such entities.
- C. The public agency, nonprofit private agency, institution, or organization, or Indian tribe will administer such funds and property to the extent required by the authorizing statutes.
- D. The applicant will adopt and use proper methods of administering each such program, including the enforcement of any obligations imposed by law on agencies, institutions, organizations, and other recipients responsible for carrying out each program and the correction of deficiencies in program operations that are identified through audits, monitoring, or evaluation.
- **E.** The applicant will cooperate in carrying out any evaluation of each such program conducted by or for the Texas Education Agency, the Secretary of Education or other federal officials.
- F. The applicant will use such fiscal control and fund accounting procedures as will ensure proper disbursement of, and accounting for, federal funds paid to such applicant under each such program.
- G. The applicant will submit such reports to the Texas Education Agency (which shall make the reports available to the Governor) and the Secretary of Education, as the Texas Education Agency and the Secretary of Education may require to enable the Texas Education Agency and the Secretary of Education to perform their duties under each such program.
- H. The applicant will maintain such records, provide such information, and afford access to the records as the Agency (after consultation with the Governor) or the Secretary may find necessary to carry out the Agency's or the Secretary's duties.
- I. Before the application was submitted, the applicant afforded a reasonable opportunity for public comment on the application and has considered such comment.
- J. Gun-Free Schools Act: The local education agency assures that it is in compliance with Section 37.007(e) of the Texas Education Code, which requires expulsion of a student who brings to school or possesses at school a firearm as defined by 18 U.S.C. Section 2891 [pursuant to the requirements in P. L. 107-110, Section 4141(d)(1)]. In addition, the local educational agency certifies that it has a policy requiring referral to the criminal justice or juvenile delinquency system of any student who brings a firearm or weapon to school [P. L. 107-110, Section 4141(h)(1)].
- K. Student Records Transfer: The local educational agency shall ensure that a student's records and, if applicable, a student's individualized education program as defined in section 602(11) of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, are transferred to a charter school upon the transfer of the student to the charter school, and to another public school upon the transfer of the student from a charter school to another public school, in accordance with applicable state law (P. L. 107-110, section 5208).
- L. Consolidation of Administrative Funds: A local educational agency, with the approval of TEA, may consolidate and use for the administration of one or more programs under the No Child Left Behind Act not more than the percentage, established in each program, of the total available for the local educational agency under those programs. A local educational agency that consolidates administrative funds shall not use any other funds under the programs included in the consolidation for administration for that fiscal year. Consolidated administrative funds shall be used for the administration of the programs covered and may be used for coordination of these programs with other federal and non-federal programs and for dissemination of information regarding model programs and practices.
- M. Privacy of Assessment Results: Any results from an individual assessment referred to in the No Child Left Behind Act of a student that become part of the education records of the student shall have the protections provided in section 444 of the General Education Provisions Act [P. L. 107-110, section 9523 and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1975, as amended].

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- N. School Prayer: The local educational agency certifies that it is in compliance with Section 25.901 of the Texas Education Code. In addition, as a condition of receiving funds under the No Child Left Behind Act, the local educational agency certifies that no policy of the local educational agency prevents, or otherwise denies participation in, constitutionally protected prayer in public elementary schools and secondary schools, as detailed in the guidance provided by the U. S. Secretary of Education pertaining to such. The state educational agency shall report to the Secretary of Education each year a list of those local educational agencies that have not filed this assurance or against which complaints have been made to the State educational agency that the local educational agencies are not in compliance with this requirement (P. L. 107-110, section 9524(b).
- O. Equal Access to Public Schools Facilities Boy Scouts of America Equal Access Act: No public elementary school, public secondary school or local educational agency that has a designated open forum or a limited public forum and that receives funds made available from the U.S. Department of Education shall deny equal access or a fair opportunity to meet, or to discriminate against, any group officially affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America, or any other youth group listed in Title 36 of the United States Code (as a patriotic society), that wishes to conduct a meeting within that designated open forum or limited public forum, including denying such access or opportunity or discriminating for reasons based on the membership or leadership criteria or oath of allegiance to God and country of the Boy Scouts of America or of the youth group listed in Title 36 of the United States Code (as a patriotic society). For the purposes of this section, an elementary school or secondary school has a limited public forum whenever the school involved grants an offering to, or opportunity for, one or more outside youth or community groups to meet on school premises or in school facilities before or after the hours during which attendance at the school is compulsory. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require any school, agency, or a school served by an agency to sponsor any group officially affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America, or any other youth group listed in Title 36 of the United States Code (as a patriotic society). Compliance with this provision will be enforced through rules and orders issued by the Office for Civil Rights. If the public school or agency does not comply with the rules or orders, no funds made available through the Department of Education shall be provided by a school that fails to comply with such rules or orders or to any agency or school served by an agency that fails to comply with such rules or orders (P. L. 107-110, section 9525).
- P. **General Prohibitions**: None of the funds authorized under the No Child Left Behind Act shall be used to develop or distribute materials, or operate programs or courses of instruction directed at youth, that are designed to promote or encourage sexual activity, whether homosexual or heterosexual; to distribute or to aid in the distribution by any organization of legally obscene materials to minors on school grounds; to provide sex education or HIV-prevention education in schools that instruction is age appropriate and includes the health benefits of abstinence; or to operate a program of contraceptive distribution in schools (P. L. 107-110, section 9526).
- Q. Armed Forces Recruiter Access to Students and Student Recruiting Information: In accordance with guidance issued by the U. S. Department of Education, each local educational agency receiving assistance under the No Child Left Behind Act shall provide, on a request made by military recruiters or an institution of higher education, access to secondary school students names, address, and telephone listings, upon prior written consent of a student or the parent of a student. A secondary school student or the parent of the student may request that the student's name, address, and telephone listing not be released without prior written parental consent, and the local educational or private nonprofit school shall notify parents of the option to make a request and shall comply with any request. Each local educational agency receiving assistance under the No Child Left Behind Act shall provide military recruiters the same access to secondary school students as is provided generally to post secondary educational institutions or to prospective employers of those students (P. L. 107-110, section 9528).
- R. Unsafe School Choice Option: The local educational agency certifies that it shall establish and implement a policy requiring that a student attending a persistently dangerous public elementary school or secondary school, as determined by the Texas Education Agency, or who becomes a victim of a violent criminal offense, while in or on the grounds of a public elementary or secondary school that the student attends, be allowed to attend a safe public elementary or secondary school within the local educational agency, including a public charter school (P. L. 107-110, section 9532).
- S. Civil Rights: Nothing in the No Child Left Behind Act shall be construed to permit discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (except as otherwise permitted under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972), national origin, or disability in any program funded under the No Child Left Behind Act (P. L. 107-110, section 9534).

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- T. Student Privacy, Parental Access to Information, and Administration of Certain Physical Examinations to Minors: The local educational agency assures that it is in compliance with Chapter 26 of the Texas Education Code concerning parental rights and responsibilities. In addition, the local educational agency receiving funds under the No Child Left Behind Act certifies that it shall develop and adopt policies, in consultation with parents, regarding certain rights of a parent to access and inspect information; student privacy; the administration of physical examinations or screenings (except for examinations or screenings required by state law); and the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for the purpose of marketing or selling that information. The local educational agency also assures that it is in compliance with the requirements for annually notifying parents of such policies and specific events (P. L. 107-110, Title X, Part F, section 1061).
- U. Assurances related to the education of homeless children and youths:
  - (1) The LEA assures that each child of a homeless individual and each homeless youth shall have equal access to the same free, appropriate public education, including a public preschool education, as provided to other children and youth.
  - (2) The LEA assures that homeless children and youth are afforded the same free, appropriate public education as provided to other children and youth.
  - (3) The LEA assures that it will review and undertake steps to revise any laws, regulations, practices, or policies that may act as a barrier to the enrollment, attendance, or success in school of homeless children and youth.
  - (4) The LEA assures that it will not separate students from the mainstream school environment on the basis of homelessness alone.
  - (5) The LEA assures that homeless children and youth have access to the education and other services that they need to in order to meet the same challenging State student academic achievement standards to which all students are held.
- V. **Definitions**: The following terms shall be defined as follows for programs authorized and carried out under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001:
  - 1. Charter School: An open enrollment charter school receiving federal funds of any type must meet the federal definition of a charter school as provided in P. L. 107-110, Section 5210(1). The term "charter school" means a school that:
    - (A) is created by a developer as a public school, or is adapted by a developer from an existing public school, and is operated under public supervision and control;
    - (B) operates in pursuit of a specific set of educational objectives determined by the school's developer and agreed to by the authorized public chartering agency [i.e., the State Board of Education (SBOE)];
    - (C) provides a program of elementary or secondary education, or both;
    - (D) is nonsectarian in its programs, admissions policies, employment practices, and all other operations, and is not affiliated with a sectarian school or religious instruction;
    - (E) does not charge tuition;
    - (F) complies with the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act;
    - (G) is a school to which parents choose to send their children, and that admits students on the basis of a lottery, if more students apply for admission than can be accommodated;
    - (H) agrees to comply with the same Federal and State audit requirements as do other elementary schools and secondary schools in the State, unless such requirements are specifically waived for the purpose of this program;
    - (I) meets all applicable Federal, State, and local health and safety requirements;
    - (J) operates in accordance with State law; and
    - (K) has a written performance contract with the authorized public chartering agency in the State (i.e., SBOE) that includes a description of how student performance will be measured pursuant to State assessments that are required of other schools and pursuant to any other assessments mutually agreeable to the SBOE.
  - Community-Based Organization: A public or private nonprofit organization of demonstrated effectiveness that is
    representative of a community or significant segment of a community and that provides educational or related services
    to individuals in the community.
  - 3. Core Academic Subjects: English, reading or language arts, mathematics, science, foreign languages, civics and government, economics, art, history, and geography.

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## Highly Qualified:

- (A) when used with respect to any public elementary school or secondary school teacher teaching in a State, means that-
  - (i) the teacher has obtained full State certification as a teacher (including certification obtained through alternative routes to certification) or passed the State teacher licensing examination, and holds a license to teach in such State, except that when used with respect to any teacher teaching in a public charter school, the term means that the teacher meets the requirements set forth in the State's public charter school law; and
  - (ii) the teacher has not had certification or licensure requirements waived on an emergency, temporary, or provisional basis;
- (B) when used with respect to-
  - (i) an elementary school teacher who is new to the profession, means that the teacher-
    - (I) holds at least a bachelor's degree; and
    - (II) has demonstrated, by passing a rigorous State test, subject knowledge and teaching skills in reading, writing, mathematics, and other areas of the basic elementary school curriculum (which may consist of passing a State-required certification or licensing test or tests in reading, writing, mathematics, and other areas of the basic elementary school curriculum); or
  - (ii) a middle or secondary school teacher who is new to the profession, means that the teacher holds at least a bachelor's degree and has demonstrated a high level of competency in each of the academic subjects in which the teacher teaches by-
    - passing a rigorous State academic subject test in each of the academic subjects in which the teacher teaches (which may consist of a passing level of performance on a State-required certification or licensing test or tests in each of the academic subjects in which the teacher teaches); or
    - (II) successful completion, in each of the academic subjects in which the teacher teaches, of an academic major, a graduate degree, coursework equivalent to an undergraduate academic major, or advanced certification or credentialing; and
- (C) when used with respect to an elementary, middle, or secondary school teacher who is not new to the profession, means that the teacher holds at least a bachelor's degree and—
  - (i) has met the applicable standard in clause (i) or (ii) of subparagraph (B), which includes an option for a test; or
  - (ii) demonstrates competence in all the academic subjects in which the teacher teaches based on a high objective uniform State standard of evaluation that—
    - (I) is set by the State for both grade appropriate academic subject matter knowledge and teaching skills;
    - (II) is aligned with challenging State academic content and student academic achievement standards and developed in consultation with core content specialists, teachers, principals, and school administrators;
    - (III) provides objective, coherent information about the teacher's attainment of core content knowledge in the academic subjects in which a teacher teaches;
    - (IV) is applied uniformly to all teachers in the same academic subject and the same grade level throughout the State;
    - takes into consideration, but not be based primarily on, the time the teacher has been teaching in the academic subject;
    - (VI) is made available to the public upon request; and
    - (VII) may involve multiple, objective measures of teacher competency.
- 5. **Parental Involvement:** The participation of parents in regular, two-way and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:
  - (A) that parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;
  - (B) that parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;
  - (C) that parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child; and
  - (D) the carrying out of other activities, such as those described in section 1118 of P. L. 107-110.

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## 6. Professional Development includes activities that:

- (A) improve and increase teachers' knowledge of the academic subjects the teachers teach, and enable teachers to become highly qualified;
- (B) are an integral part of broad schoolwide and districtwide educational improvement plans;
- (C) give teachers, principals, and administrators the knowledge and skills to provide the students with the opportunity to meet challenging State academic content standards and student academic achievement standards;
- (D) improve classroom management skills;
- (E) are high quality, sustained, intensive, and classroom-focused in order to have a positive and lasting impact on classroom instruction and the teacher's performance in the classroom and are not one-day or short-term workshops or conferences;
- (F) support the recruiting, hiring, and training of highly qualified teachers, including teachers who became highly qualified through State and local alternative routes to certification;
- (G) advance teacher understanding of effective instructional strategies that are:
- (H) based on scientifically based research (except for programs under Title II, Part D, Enhancing Education Through Technology of this Act); and
- strategies for improving student academic achievement or substantially increasing the knowledge and teaching skills of teachers; and
- (J) are aligned with and directly related to State academic content standards, student academic achievement standards, and assessments and the curricula and programs tied to the standards;
- (K) are developed with extensive participation of teachers, principals, parents, and administrators of schools to be served under this Act;
- (L) are designed to give teachers of limited English proficient children, and other teachers and instructional staff, the knowledge and skills to provide instruction and appropriate language and academic support services to those children, including the appropriate use of curricula an assessments;
- (M) to the extent appropriate, provide training for teachers and principals in the use of technology so that technology and technology applications are effectively used in the classroom to improve teaching and learning in the curricula and core academic subjects in which the teachers teach;
- (N) as a whole, are regularly evaluated for their impact on increased teacher effectiveness and improved student academic achievement with the findings of the evaluations used to improve the quality of professional development;
- (O) provide instruction in methods of teaching children with special needs;
- (P) include instruction in the use of data and assessments to inform and instruct classroom practice;
- (Q) include instruction in ways that teachers, principals, pupil services personnel, and school administrators may work more effectively with parents; and
- (R) may include activities that:
  - (i) involve the forming of partnerships with institutions of higher education to establish school-based teacher training programs that provide prospective teachers and beginning teachers with an opportunity to work under the guidance of experienced teachers and college faculty;
  - (ii) create programs to enable paraprofessionals (assisting teachers employed by an LEA receiving assistance under Title I Part A) to obtain the education necessary for those paraprofessionals to become certified and licensed teachers; and
  - (iii) provide follow-up training to teachers who have participated in activities described previously in this definition that are designed to ensure that the knowledge and skills learned by the teachers are implemented in the classroom.

## 7. Scientifically Based Research:

- (A) means research that involves the application of rigorous, systematic, and objective procedures to obtain reliable and valid knowledge relevant to education activities and programs; and
- (B) includes research that:
  - (i) employs systematic, empirical methods that draw on observation or experiment;
  - (ii) involves rigorous data analyses that are adequate to test the stated hypotheses and justify the general conclusions drawn;
  - (iii) relies on measurements or observational methods that provide reliable and valid data across evaluators and observers, across multiple measurements and observations, and across studies by the same or different investigators;

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- (iv) relies on measurements or observational methods that provide reliable and valid data across evaluators and observers, across multiple measurements and observations, and across studies by the same or different investigators;
- (v) is evaluated using experimental or quasi-experimental designs in which individuals, entities, programs, or activities are assigned to different conditions and with appropriate controls to evaluate the effects of the condition of interest, with a preference for random-assignment experiments, or other designs to the extent that those designs contain within-condition or across-condition controls;
- (vi) ensures that experimental studies are presented in sufficient detail and clarity to allow for replication or, at a minimum, offer the opportunity to build systematically on their findings; and
- (vii)has been accepted by a peer-reviewed journal or approved by a panel of independent experts through a comparably rigorous, objective, and scientific review.
- 8. Teacher Mentoring: Activities that-
  - (A) consist of structured guidance and regular and ongoing support for teachers, especially beginning teachers, that-
    - (i) are designed to help the teachers continue to improve their practice of teaching and to develop their instructional skills; and part of an ongoing developmental induction process that—
      - involves the assistance of an exemplary teacher and other appropriate individuals from a school, local educational agency, or institution of higher education; and
      - (II) may include coaching, classroom observation, team teaching, and reduced teaching loads; and
      - (III) may include the establishment of a partnership by a local educational agency with an institution of higher education.
- 9. Technology: State-of-the-art technology products and services.
- W. ESEA Performance Goals, Indicators, and Performance Reporting: The LEA assures it has adopted the five performance goals and the related performance indicators established by the U. S. Department of Education and as submitted in the Texas Consolidated State Application for Funds Under the No Child Left Behind Act. The LEA also assures that it will develop and implement procedures for collecting data related to the performance indicators where such data is not already collected through the Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) or PEIMS and that it will report such data to the Agency in the time and manner requested.
- X. Transfer of School Disciplinary Records: The LEA assures it has a procedure in place to transfer disciplinary records, with respect to a suspension or expulsion, to any private or public elementary school or secondary school for any student who is enrolled or seeks, intends, or is instructed to enroll, on a full- or part-time basis, in the school. This requirement shall not apply to any disciplinary records with respect to a suspension or expulsion that are transferred from a private, parochial or other nonpublic school, person, institution, or other entity, that provides education below the college level (P. L. 107-110, section 4155).

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The signing of Schedule #1 - General Information by applicant indicates acceptance of and compliance with all requirements described on this schedule.

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#### **Federal Statutory Requirements**

- 1) The LEA must demonstrate that the LEA has analyzed the needs of each school and selected an intervention for each school.
- 2) The LEA must demonstrate that it has the capacity to use these grant funds to provide adequate resources and related support to each Tier campus identified in the LEA's application in order to implement, fully and effectively, the required activities of the school intervention model it has selected.
- 3) If the LEA is not applying to serve each Tier I school (through a separate application for each campus), the LEA must explain why it lacks capacity to serve each Tier I school.
- 4) The LEA must describe actions it has taken, or will take, to design and implement interventions consistent with the final federal requirements, including the services the campus will receive or the activities the campus will implement.
- 5) The LEA must describe actions it has taken, or will take, to recruit, screen, and select external providers, if applicable, to ensure their quality.
- 6) The LEA must describe actions it has taken, or will take, to align other resources with the interventions.
- 7) The LEA must describe actions it has taken, or will take, to modify its practices or policies, if necessary, to enable its schools to implement the interventions fully and effectively.
- 8) The LEA must describe actions it has taken, or will take, to sustain the reforms after the funding period ends.
- The LEA must include a timeline delineating the steps it will take to implement the selected intervention in each campus.
- 10) The LEA must describe the annual goals for student achievement on the State's assessments in both reading/language arts and mathematics that it has established in order to monitor its Tier I and Tier II schools that receive school improvement funds.
- 11) As appropriate, the LEA must consult with relevant stakeholders regarding the LEA's application and implementation of school improvement models on its campus.
- 12) Applicant provides assurance that financial assistance provided under the grant program will supplement, and not supplant, the amount of state and local funds allocated to the campus.
- 13) Applicant provides assurance that it will use its School Improvement Grant to implement fully and effectively an intervention in each Tier I and Tier II school that the LEA commits to serve consistent with the final federal requirements.
- 14) Applicant provides assurance that it will establish annual goals for student achievement on the State's assessments in both reading/language arts and mathematics and measure progress on the leading indicators in section III of the final federal requirements in order to monitor each Tier I and Tier II school that it serves with school improvement funds, and establish goals (approved by the TEA) to hold accountable its Tier III schools that receive grant funds.
- 15) Applicant provides assurance that it will, if it implements a restart model in a Tier I or Tier II school, include in its contract or agreement terms and provisions to hold the charter operator, charter management organization (CMO), or education management organization (EMO) accountable for complying with the final federal requirements.
- 16) Applicant provides assurance that it will report to the TEA the school-level data required under section III of the final federal requirements.
- 17) If the LEA/campus selects to implement the <u>turnaround model</u>, the campus **must** implement the following federal requirements.
  - a. Replace the principal and grant the principal sufficient operational flexibility (including in staffing, calendars/time, and budgeting) to implement fully a comprehensive approach in order to substantially improve student achievement outcomes and increase high school graduation rates;
  - Using locally adopted competencies to measure the effectiveness of staff who can work within the turnaround environment to meet the needs of students;
    - 1. Screen all existing staff and rehire no more than 50 percent; and
    - 2. Select new staff.
  - Implement such strategies as financial incentives, increased opportunities for promotion and career growth, and more flexible work conditions that are designed to recruit, place, and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in the turnaround school;
  - d. Provide staff ongoing, high-quality, job-embedded professional development that is aligned with the school's comprehensive instructional program and designed with school staff to ensure that they are equipped to facilitate effective teaching and learning and have the capacity to successfully implement school reform strategies;
  - e. Adopt a new governance structure, which may include, but is not limited to, requiring the school to report to a

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new "turnaround office" in the LEA or SEA, hire a "turnaround leader" who reports directly to the Superintendent or Chief Academic Officer, or enter into a multi-year contract with the LEA or SEA to obtain added flexibility in exchange for greater accountability;

- Use data to identify and implement an instructional program that is research-based and vertically aligned from one grade to the next as well as aligned with State academic standards;
- g. Promote the continuous use of student data (such as from formative, interim, and summative assessments) to inform and differentiate instruction in order to meet the academic needs of individual students;
- h. Establish schedules and implement strategies that provide increased learning time (as defined in this notice); and
   i. Provide appropriate social-emotional and community-oriented services and supports for students.
- 18) If the LEA/campus selects to implement the <u>turnaround model</u>, the campus may implement the following federal requirements.
  - 1. Any of the required and permissible activities under the transformation model; or
  - 2. A new school model (e.g., themed, dual language academy).
- 19) If the LEA/campus selects to implement the school <u>closure model</u>, the campus must implement the following requirement.
  - a. Enroll the students who attended that school in other schools in the LEA that are higher achieving within reasonable proximity to the closed school and may include, but are not limited to, charter schools or new schools for which achievement data are not yet available.
  - A grant for school closure is a one-year grant without the possibility of continued funding.
- 20) If the LEA/campus selects to implement the <u>restart model</u>, the campus **must** implement the following federal requirements.
  - a. Convert or close and reopen the school under a charter school operator, a charter management organization (CMO), or an education management organization (EMO) that has been selected through a rigorous review process. A CMO is a non-profit organization that operates or manages charter schools by centralizing or sharing certain functions and resources among schools. An EMO is a for-profit or non-profit organization that provides "whole-school operation" services to an LEA.
  - Enroll, within the grades it serves, any former student who wishes to attend the school.
- 21) If the LEA/campus selects to implement the <u>transformation model</u>, the campus **must** implement the following federal requirements.
  - Develop and increase teacher and school leader effectiveness.
    - A) Replace the principal who led the school prior to commencement of the transformation model;
    - (B) Use rigorous, transparent, and equitable evaluation systems for teachers and principals that--
      - (1) Take into account data on student growth as a significant factor as well as other factors such as multiple observation-based assessments of performance and ongoing collections of professional practice reflective of student achievement and increased high school graduation rates; and
      - (2) Are designed and developed with teacher and principal involvement;
    - (C) Identify and reward school leaders, teachers, and other staff who, in implementing this model, have increased student achievement and high school graduation rates and identify and remove those who, after ample opportunities have been provided for them to improve their professional practice, have not done so;
    - (D) Provide staff ongoing, high-quality, job-embedded professional development (e.g., regarding subject-specific pedagogy, instruction that reflects a deeper understanding of the community served by the school, or differentiated instruction) that is aligned with the school's comprehensive instructional program and designed with school staff to ensure they are equipped to facilitate effective teaching and learning and have the capacity to successfully implement school reform strategies; and
    - (E) Implement such strategies as financial incentives, increased opportunities for promotion and career growth, and more flexible work conditions that are designed to recruit, place, and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in a transformation school.
  - 2. Comprehensive instructional reform strategies.
    - (A) Use data to identify and implement an instructional program that is research-based and vertically aligned from one grade to the next as well as aligned with State academic standards; and
    - (B) Promote the continuous use of student data (such as from formative, interim, and summative assessments) to inform and differentiate instruction in order to meet the academic needs of

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individual students.

- Increasing learning time and creating community-oriented schools.
  - (A) Establish schedules and strategies that provide increased learning time; and
  - B) Provide ongoing mechanisms for family and community engagement.
- 4. Providing operational flexibility and sustained support.
  - (A) Give the school sufficient operational flexibility (such as staffing, calendars/time, and budgeting) to implement fully a comprehensive approach to substantially improve student achievement outcomes and increase high school graduation rates; and
  - (B) Ensure that the school receives ongoing, intensive technical assistance and related support from the LEA, the SEA, or a designated external lead partner organization (such as a school turnaround organization or an EMO).
- 22) An LEA may also implement other strategies to develop teachers' and school leaders' effectiveness, such as-
  - Provide additional compensation to attract and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in a transformation school;
  - (B) Institute a system for measuring changes in instructional practices resulting from professional development; or
  - (C) Ensure that the school is not required to accept a teacher without the mutual consent of the teacher and principal, regardless of the teacher's seniority.
- 23) An LEA may also implement comprehensive instructional reform strategies, such as-
  - (A) Conduct periodic reviews to ensure that the curriculum is being implemented with fidelity, is having the intended impact on student achievement, and is modified if ineffective;
  - (B) Implement a schoolwide "response-to-intervention" model;
  - (C) Provide additional supports and professional development to teachers and principals in order to implement effective strategies to support students with disabilities in the least restrictive environment and to ensure that limited English proficient students acquire language skills to master academic content;
  - (D) Use and integrate technology-based supports and interventions as part of the instructional program; and
  - (E) In secondary schools--
    - (1) Increase rigor by offering opportunities for students to enroll in advanced coursework (such as Advanced Placement; International Baccalaureate; or science, technology, engineering, and mathematics courses, especially those that incorporate rigorous and relevant project-, inquiry-, or design-based contextual learning opportunities), earlycollege high schools, dual enrollment programs, or thematic learning academies that prepare students for college and careers, including by providing appropriate supports designed to ensure that low-achieving students can take advantage of these programs and coursework;
    - (2) Improve student transition from middle to high school through summer transition programs or freshman academies;
    - (3) Increase graduation rates through, for example, credit-recovery programs, reengagement strategies, smaller learning communities, competency-based instruction and performance-based assessments, and acceleration of basic reading and mathematics skills; or
    - (4) Establish early-warning systems to identify students who may be at risk of failing to achieve to high standards or graduate.
- 24) An LEA may also implement other strategies that extend learning time and create community-oriented schools, such as--

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- (A) Partner with parents and parent organizations, faith- and community-based organizations, health clinics, other State or local agencies, and others to create safe school environments that meet students' social, emotional, and health needs;
- (B) Extend or restructure the school day so as to add time for such strategies as advisory periods that build relationships between students, faculty, and other school staff;
- (C) Implement approaches to improve school climate and discipline, such as implementing a system of positive behavioral supports or taking steps to eliminate bullying and student harassment; or
- (D) Expand the school program to offer full-day kindergarten or pre-kindergarten.
- 25) The LEA may also implement other strategies for providing operational flexibility and intensive support, such as-
  - Allow the school to be run under a new governance arrangement, such as a turnaround division within the LEA or SEA; or
  - (B) Implement a per-pupil school-based budget formula that is weighted based on student needs.

#### Statutory Program Assurances

- 1) Applicant provides assurance that financial assistance provided under the grant program will supplement, and not supplant, the amount of state and local funds allocated to the campus.
- Applicant provides assurance that it will use its School Improvement Grant to implement fully and effectively an
  intervention in each Tier I and Tier II school that the LEA commits to serve consistent with the final federal
  requirements.
- 3) Applicant provides assurance that it will establish annual goals for student achievement on the State's assessments in both reading/language arts and mathematics and measure progress on the leading indicators in section III of the final federal requirements in order to monitor each Tier I and Tier II school that it serves with school improvement funds, and establish goals (approved by the TEA) to hold accountable its Tier III schools that receive school improvement funds.
- 4) Applicant provides assurance that it will, if it implements a restart model in a Tier I or Tier II school, include in its contract or agreement terms and provisions to hold the charter operator, charter management organization, or education management organization accountable for complying with the final federal requirements.
- 5) Applicant provides assurance that it will report to the TEA the school-level data required under section III of the final federal requirements.
- 6) Applicant provides assurance that it will participate in any evaluation of the grant conducted by the U.S. Department of Education, including its contractors, or the Texas Education Agency, including its contractors.

#### **TEA Program Assurances**

- Before full implementation funds are made available, the grantee must demonstrate that all early implementation activities have been completed. Successful completion of the early implementation will be measured in the <u>Ouarterly Implementation Reports</u>, the <u>Model Selection and Description Report</u>, and through participation in TEA technical assistance. Copies of the above named reports can be found on the TTIPS website at the following link: <a href="http://www.tea.state.tx.us/index4.aspx?id=7354&menu">http://www.tea.state.tx.us/index4.aspx?id=7354&menu</a> id=798
  - a. The Model Selection and Description Report must be submitted to TEA no later than <u>February 1, 2011</u>. This report may be submitted at any time prior to the deadline. Grantees must demonstrate successful completion of the following activities:
    - i. Comprehensive Needs Assessment process.
    - ii. Establish the grant budget by the required categories.
    - iii. Identification and Selection of the intervention model.
    - iv. Development of activities to implement selected intervention model.
    - v. Development of Timeline of Grant Activities.
- 2) The applicant provides assurance that the LEA will designate an individual or office with primary responsibilities for supporting the LEA/campus' school improvement efforts. This individual/office will have primary responsibility and authority for ensuring the effective implementation of the grant option approved by TEA; serve as the district liaison to TEA and those providing technical assistance and/or contracted service to the LEA/campus as part of the approved grant.
- 3) The applicant provides assurance that a team from the grantee LEA/campus will attend and participate in grant orientation meetings, technical assistance meetings, other periodic meetings of grantees, the Texas School Improvement Conference, and sharing of best practices.

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- 4) For LEAs selecting the TEA Designed Model, the applicant must participate in and make use of technical assistance and coaching support provided by TEA, SIRC, and/or its subcontractors.
- 5) The applicant will establish or provide evidence of a system of formative assessment aligned to the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills which provides robust, targeted data to evaluate the effectiveness of the LEA's curriculum and its alignment with instruction occurring on the campus; assesses progress on student groups' academic achievement at the campus level; and guide instructional decisions by teachers for individual students.
- 6) The applicant will participate in a formative assessment of the LEA's capacity and commitment to carry out the grant intervention models.
- 7) The applicant will provide access for onsite visits to the LEA and campus by TEA, SIRC and its contractors.
- 8) The applicant, if selecting the Restart Model, agrees to contract only with CMO or EMO providers on the State's approved list of CMO and EMO providers.
- 9) The applicant, if selecting the Turnaround Model or Transformation Model (Tiers I and Tiers II only) agrees to the participation of the campus principal or principal candidates in a formative assessment of their turnaround leadership capacity.
- 10) If the LEA/Tier III campus selects to implement the <u>transformation model</u>, the campus assures that it will it implement the following federal requirements.
  - 1. Develop and increase teacher and school leader effectiveness.
    - A. Evaluate the effectiveness of the current principal and use the results of the evaluation to determine whether the principal should be replaced, be retained on the campus, or be provided leadership coaching or training.
    - B.Identify and reward school leaders, teachers, and other staff who, in implementing this model, have increased student achievement and high school graduation rates and identify and remove those who, after ample opportunities have been provided for them to improve their professional practice, have not done so;
    - C.Provide staff ongoing, high-quality, job-embedded professional development (e.g., regarding subject-specific pedagogy, instruction that reflects a deeper understanding of the community served by the school, or differentiated instruction) that is aligned with the school's comprehensive instructional program and designed with school staff to ensure they are equipped to facilitate effective teaching and learning and have the capacity to successfully implement school reform strategies; and
    - D.Implement such strategies as financial incentives, increased opportunities for promotion and career growth, and more flexible work conditions that are designed to recruit, place, and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in a transformation school based on rigorous, transparent, and equitable evaluation systems for teachers and principals:
      - Takes into account data on student growth as a a factor as well as other factors such as multiple observation-based assessments of student performance and ongoing collections of professional practice reflective of student achievement and increased high school graduation rates; and
      - 2. Are designed and developed and with teacher and principal involvement
  - 2. Comprehensive instructional reform strategies.
    - A. Use data to identify and implement an instructional program that is research-based and vertically aligned from one grade to the next as well as aligned with State academic standards; and
    - B. Promote the continuous use of student data (such as from formative, interim, and summative assessments) to inform and differentiate instruction in order to meet the academic needs of individual students.
  - 3. Increasing learning time and creating community-oriented schools.
    - A. Establish schedules and strategies that provide increased learning time; and
    - B. Provide ongoing mechanisms for family and community engagement.
  - 4. Providing operational flexibility and sustained support.
    - A. Give the school sufficient operational flexibility (such as staffing, calendars/time, and budgeting) to implement fully a comprehensive approach to substantially improve student achievement outcomes and increase high school graduation rates; and
    - B. Ensure that the school receives ongoing, intensive technical assistance and related support from the LEA, the SEA, or a designated external lead partner organization (such as a school turnaround organization or an EMO).
  - 11) An LEA may also implement other strategies to develop teachers' and school leaders' effectiveness, such as-
    - A. Provide additional compensation to attract and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in a transformation school;
    - B. Institute a system for measuring changes in instructional practices resulting from professional development; or
    - C. Ensure that the school is not required to accept a teacher without the mutual consent of the teacher and principal, regardless of the teacher's seniority.

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- 12) An LEA may also implement comprehensive instructional reform strategies, such as-
  - A. Conduct periodic reviews to ensure that the curriculum is being implemented with fidelity, is having the intended impact on student achievement, and is modified if ineffective;
  - B. Implement a school wide "response-to-intervention" model;
  - C. Provide additional supports and professional development to teachers and principals in order to implement effective strategies to support students with disabilities in the least restrictive environment and to ensure that limited English proficient students acquire language skilfs to master academic content;
  - D. Use and integrate technology-based supports and interventions as part of the instructional program; and
  - E. In secondary schools--
    - 1) Increase rigor by offering opportunities for students to enroll in advanced coursework (such as advanced Placement; International Baccalaureate; or science, technology, engineering, and mathematics courses, especially those that incorporate rigorous and relevant project-, inquiry-, or design-based contextual learning opportunities), early-college high schools, dual enrollment programs, or thematic learning academies that prepare students for college and careers, including by providing appropriate supports designed to ensure that low-achieving students can take advantage of these programs and coursework;
    - 2) Improve student transition from middle to high school through summer transition programs or freshman academies;
    - Increase graduation rates through, for example, credit-recovery programs, re-engagement strategies, smaller learning communities, competency-based instruction and performance-based assessments, and acceleration of basic reading and mathematics skills; or
    - 4) Establish early-warning systems to identify students who may be at risk of failing to achieve to high standards or graduate.
- 13) An LEA may also implement other strategies that extend learning time and create community-oriented schools, such as--
  - Partner with parents and parent organizations, faith- and community-based organizations, health clinics, other State or local agencies, and others to create safe school environments that meet students' social, emotional, and health needs;
  - B. Extend or restructure the school day so as to add time for such strategies as advisory periods that build relationships between students, faculty, and other school staff;
  - C. Implement approaches to improve school climate and discipline, such as implementing a system of positive behavioral supports or taking steps to eliminate bullying and student harassment; or
  - D. Expand the school program to offer full-day kindergarten or pre-kindergarten.
- 14) The LEA may also implement other strategies for providing operational flexibility and intensive support, such as—
  - A. Allow the school to be run under a new governance arrangement, such as a turnaround division within the LEA or SEA; or
  - B. Implement a per-pupil school-based budget formula that is weighted based on student needs.
- 15) The LEA/campus assures TEA that data to meet the following federal requirements will be available and reported as requested.
  - a. Number of minutes within the school year.
  - b. Average scale scores on State assessments in reading/language arts and in mathematics, by grade, for the "all students" group, for each achievement quartile, and for each subgroup.
  - Number and percentage of students completing advanced coursework (e.g., AP/IB), early-college high schools, or dual enrollment classes. (High Schools Only)
  - d. College enrollment rates. (High Schools Only)
  - e. Teacher Attendance Rate
  - f. Student Completion Rate
  - g. Student Drop-Out Rate
  - h. Locally developed competencies created to identify teacher strengths/weaknesses
  - i. Types of support offered to teachers
  - i. Types of on-going, job-embedded professional development for teachers
  - k. Types of on-going, job-embedded professional development for administrators
  - 1. Strategies to increase parent/community involvement
  - m. Strategies which increase student learning time

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By submitting the application for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds (P.L. 111-5), the applicant agrees to comply with the following provisions and assurances for all programs authorized in Division A of the ARRA, Title I School Improvement Grant (SIG). The applicant understands that failure to comply with one or more of these provisions and assurances may result in the Texas Education Agency (TEA) taking one or more enforcement actions authorized in Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §§ 74.62 and 80.43.

In addition to the standard terms of award, all funding provided under the Recovery Act will be subject to the provisions, assurances and conditions for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA or Recovery Act).

#### Terms defined:

RECIPIENT – The term "recipient" means a State and includes the Texas Education Agency (TEA). It also includes any entity that applies for and receives a grant directly from the federal government.

RECOVERY FUNDS —The term "recovery funds" means any funds that are made available from appropriations made under the Recovery Act.

RECOVERY ACT - the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 (P.L. 111-5)

STIMULUS FUNDS – The term "stimulus funds" means any funds that are made available from appropriations under the Recovery Act; the term may be used interchangeably with "recovery funds."

GRANTEE - the subrecipient of TEA and applicant of funds.

- **A. One-Time Funding**: Unless otherwise specified, ARRA funding is considered one-time funding that is expected to be temporary. Grantees should expend funds in ways that do not result in unsustainable continuing commitments after the funding expires. Grantees must move rapidly, while using prudent grant management practices, to develop plans for using funds, consistent with the ARRA's reporting and accountability requirements, and promptly begin spending funds to help drive the nation's economic recovery. All ARRA funds must be separately accounted for and tracked in their obligation, expenditure, and reporting.
- **B. Period of Availability and Encumbrances/Obligations:** Unless otherwise specified in the Notice of Grant Award (NOGA), all funds are effective from the beginning date specified on the Notice of Grant Award (NOGA) through June 30, 2013. Carryover of funds will not be available beyond that date. Unobligated/unexpended funds will be returned to the Department of Treasury. The paragraph in the General Provisions pertaining to Encumbrances and Obligations applies as follows:

All encumbrances shall occur on or between the beginning and ending dates of the contract. All goods must be received and services rendered and subsequently liquidated (recorded as an expenditure or accounts payable) within the contract dates. In no manner shall encumbrances be considered or reflected as accounts payable or as expenditures. Obligations that are liquidated and recognized as expenditures must meet the allowable cost principles in OMB Circular A-87, A-21, or A-122 (as applicable) and program rules, regulations, and guidelines contained elsewhere. When an obligation is made is defined in 34 CFR 76.707.

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- C. Compliance with Other Provisions and Assurances: All provisions and assurances stated in the General Provisions, Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension, Lobbying Certification and Disclosure of Lobbying, No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) Special Provisions and Assurances, and all other program-specific provisions and assurances apply unless they conflict or are superseded by the following terms and conditions implementing the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) requirements below. This includes compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975; and all other nondiscrimination provisions. It also includes Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (prohibiting race, color, national origin, religion, and sex discrimination in employment; the Americans with Disabilities Act (prohibiting disability discrimination in employment and in services provided by entities receiving federal funds); as well as any other applicable civil rights laws. By submitting this application, the applicant agrees to comply with all such provisions and assurances.
- **D. Compliance with Other Program Statutes:** The applicant agrees to comply with the authorizing program statutes, regulations, non-regulatory guidelines, and other guidance in the implementation of the programs receiving funding under ARRA. This includes compliance with comparability; supplement, not supplant; maintenance of effort (MOE); equitable participation for private nonprofit school students and teachers; and all other program-specific provisions and requirements. All such are hereby incorporated by reference.
- **E. DUNS Number:** All entities receiving any federal funds, including ARRA funds, are required to have a DUNS (Dunn & Bradstreet) number. The DUNS number serves as the grantee organization's unique identifier for reporting federal funds received and expended. TEA must use this same DUNS number to report grant awards and expenditures for subrecipients under ARRA to the website specifically provided for in ARRA <a href="http://www.FederalReporting.gov/">http://www.FederalReporting.gov/</a>. The assignment of a DUNS number is a condition of award of ARRA funds and must be validated by TEA prior to issuing a NOGA for ARRA funds. (Section 1512[c][4] of ARRA and the federal Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to comply with the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act [FFATA], P.L. 109-282. OMB adopted the DUNS number as the "unique identifier" required for reporting under FFATA).
- **F. Central Contractor Registration (CCR):** All grantees receiving ARRA funds, as well as any other federal funds, are required to register and maintain current registration with the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database at <a href="http://www.ccr.gov">http://www.ccr.gov</a>. Registration in CCR is a condition of award of ARRA funds and must be validated by TEA prior to issuing a NOGA for ARRA funds.
- **G. ARRA Reporting Requirements:** The federal Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has issued guidance related to reporting the use of ARRA funds to the various websites. The definition of terms and data elements, as well as any specific instructions for reporting, including required formats, are provided in separate guidance issued by the TEA.

The Texas Education Agency as a direct recipient of funds is required to report certain information at certain intervals throughout the grant period as required in Section 1512 of ARRA. In order to meet the reporting requirements, grantees will be required to provide certain information to TEA. By submitting this application, the grantee agrees to provide information in the form, time, and manner requested so that TEA can meet its reporting requirements and deadlines.

1. **Separate Tracking and Monitoring of ARRA Funds**: ARRA funds must be separately tracked and monitored independently of any non-Recovery Act funding. Grantees must submit certain information to TEA in order for TEA to comply with quarterly reporting requirements established in Section 1512 of the Recovery Act. Recovery Act-related reporting requirements are incorporated as a special condition of this award.

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- 3. Quarterly Reporting for ARRA: Not later than 10 calendar days after the end of each calendar quarter, TEA and any other direct recipient of ARRA funds must report to the U.S. Department of Education with regard to recovery funds received in accordance with number 4 below (Section 1512[c]). (A "direct recipient" is a state agency or any entity that applies for and receives funds directly from a federal government agency.) TEA must obtain certain information from grantees in order to comply with this reporting requirement. By submitting this application, the grantee agrees to submit information to TEA in the time, form, and manner requested.
- 4. Data Elements for Quarterly Reporting for ARRA: In accordance with Section 1512(c) of ARRA and the <u>Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (Public Law 109-282)</u>, TEA is required to provide quarterly reports to the U.S. Department of Education or through a central government-wide portal (<a href="http://www.FederalReporting.gov">http://www.FederalReporting.gov</a>). The information adopted by OMB contains the following data elements: submitting this application, the grantee agrees to submit the information to TEA in the time, form, and manner requested. The information may change pending final adoption by OMB.

# For each grant that equals or exceeds \$25,000 in total grant award amount:

- a. The grantee organization's DUNS number (TEA will need to collect this information from grantees)
- b. The grant award number (i.e., NOGA ID number) assigned by TEA (TEA will have this information on file)
- c. The legal name of the grantee organization (as registered in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR), if registered) (TEA will have this information on file provided it is the same legal name on file with TEA)
- d. The physical location (street address) (as listed in the CCR, if registered) (TEA will have this information on file provided it is the same street address on file with TEA)
- e. The (federal) Congressional district number
- f. The grantee organization type (i.e., independent school district, nonprofit organization, etc) (TEA will have this information on file)
- g. The total amount of the grant award (TEA will have this information on file)
- h. The total amount paid to the grantee as of date of report (TEA will have this information on file)
- i. The physical location (street address) of the primary place of performance of the grant (TEA will have this information on file provided it is the same address on file with TEA.)
- j. An evaluation (i.e., status report) of the completion status of the project or activity (for example, Not Started; Less than 50% Completed; Completed 50% or More; Fully Completed) (It is not clear at this time whether this information will need to be collected from the grantees. TEA will notify the grantee in the event status information needs to be collected.)
- k. An estimate of the number of jobs created and the number of jobs retained by the project or activity and a brief description of the types of those jobs (i.e., job titles) (TEA will need to collect this information from grantees.)
- I. The names and total compensation of the five most highly compensated officers of the grantee organization if the organization in its preceding year received 80% or more of its annual gross revenues in Federal awards and \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal awards and the public does not have access to information about the compensation of senior executives. (It is not known at this time whether this data element will be required once the data elements are finalized by OMB. If it is required in the final data elements, TEA will need to collect this information from the grantees.)

For grants that equal less than \$25,000 in total grant award amount or for grantees that in the previous tax year had gross income under \$300,000, amounts will be reported in the aggregate according to the following:

- a. The total number of grants awarded less than \$25,000 (TEA will have this information file)
- The total award (aggregate) amount for all grants less than \$25,000 (TEA will have this information on file)
- c. The total (aggregate) amount paid to grantees for all grants less than \$25,000 as of date of report (TEA will have this information on file)

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5. **Posting the Information on Public Website**: Not later than 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter, each federal agency, including the U.S. Department of Education, shall make the information in those reports publicly available by posting the information on the designated public website (Section 1512[d]). Grantees will not be required to post information on the public website unless they apply for and receive other ARRA grants directly from a federal government agency.

Once OMB adopts the final data reporting elements and TEA receives specific instructions for reporting, TEA will provide subsequent guidance to grantees related to required reporting information.

- **H. Electronic Drawdown of ARRA Funds from TEA and Use of FAR Fund Codes**: Recipients will draw down ARRA funds on an award-specific basis. **Pooling of ARRA award funds with other funds for drawdown or other purposes is not permitted.** Recipients must account for each ARRA award separately by referencing the assigned FAR (Financial Accounting and Resource) fund code for each award.
- **I. Availability of Records:** The applicant agrees to make all financial and programmatic records available in detail for inspection by TEA auditors, local independent auditors, and the offices described below.
- 1. **Examination of Records:** The Comptroller General of the United States and any of its employees, contractors, agents, representatives, or designees, may examine any records related to obligations and use by any state or local government of funds made available under ARRA. (Section 901[b]).
- 2. Access of Government Accountability Office (GAO): Each contract and each subcontract awarded using funds made available under ARRA shall provide that the Comptroller General of the United States and his representatives are authorized to examine any records of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or any State or local agency administering such contract, that directly pertain to, and involve transactions relating to, the contract or subcontract and to interview any officer or employee of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or of any State or local government agency administering the contract, regarding such transactions (Section 902).
- 3. Reviews by Inspector General: The inspector general of the U.S. Department of Education shall review, as appropriate, any concerns raised by the public about specific investments using funds made available in this Act. Any findings of such reviews shall be relayed immediately to the Secretary of Education. In addition, the findings of such reviews, along with any audits conducted by any inspector general of ARRA funds, shall be posted on the inspector general's website and linked to the recovery.gov website, except that portions of reports may be redacted to the extent the portions would disclose information that is protected from public disclosure under sections 552 and 552a of Title 5, United States Code (Section 1514).
- 4. Access of Offices of Inspector General to Certain Records and Employees: With respect to each contract or grant awarded using ARRA funds, any representative of an Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Education or other appropriate federal agency is authorized to examine any records of the contractor or grantee, any of its subcontractors or subgrantees, or any State or local agency administering such contract, that pertain to, and involve transactions relating to, the contract, subcontract, grant, or subgrant, and to interview any officer or employee of the contractor, grantee, subgrantee, or agency regarding such transactions (Section 1515).
- 5. Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board: Section 1521 of the ARRA establishes the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board to coordinate and conduct oversight of ARRA funds to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse. The Board shall submit "flash reports" on potential management and funding problems that require immediate attention; quarterly reports; and annual reports to the President and Congress, including the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and House of Representatives, summarizing the findings on the use of ARRA funds. The Board may conduct its own independent audits and reviews of ARRA funds. All reports shall be made publicly available on the <a href="https://www.recovery.gov">www.recovery.gov</a> website established by the Board. See paragraphs J and K below with regard to reports of suspected fraud or abuse (Sections 1523 and 1524).

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- 6. **Recovery Independent Advisory Panel**: Section 1541 of the ARRA establishes the Recovery Independent Advisory Panel to make recommendations to the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board on action the Board could take to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse relating to ARRA funds.
- **J. Disclosure of Fraud or Misconduct:** Each grantee awarded funds made available under the ARRA shall promptly refer to the USDE Office of Inspector General any credible evidence that a principal, employee, agent, contractor, subrecipient, subcontractor, or other person has submitted a false claim under the False Claims Act or has committed a criminal or civil violation of laws pertaining to fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, gratuity, or similar misconduct involving those funds.
- **K. Protection for Whistleblowers**: Section 1553 of the ARRA provides protection for State and local government and contractor whistleblowers. Any employee of any employer receiving ARRA funds may not be discharged, demoted, or otherwise discriminated against as a reprisal for disclosing, including a disclosure made in the ordinary course of an employee's duties, to the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board, an inspector general, the U. S. Comptroller General, a member of Congress, a State or federal regulatory or law enforcement agency, a person with supervisory authority over the employee (or such other person working for the employer who has the authority to investigate, discover, or terminate misconduct), a court or grand jury, the head of a federal agency, or their representatives, information that the employee reasonably believes is evidence of (1) gross mismanagement of an agency contract or grant relating to ARRA funds; (2) a gross waste of ARRA funds; (3) a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety related to the implementation or use of ARRA funds; (4) an abuse of authority related to the implementation or use of ARRA funds; or (5) a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to an agency contract (including the competition for or negotiation of a contract), or grant, awarded or issued relating to ARRA funds. A person who believes that he or she has been subjected to a reprisal may submit a complaint regarding the reprisal to the inspector general for the appropriate federal agency (in most cases, the U.S. Department of Education).
- **L. Use of Funds:** The grantee agrees to comply with the applicable federal cost principles in the obligation and expenditure of ARRA funds as identified in the General Provisions and Assurances as well as other limitations or restrictions and expenditures identified therein. The grantee also agrees to the following:
- Consolidation of ARRA Administrative Funds: Due to the significant reporting requirements under ARRA, it is
  not known at this time whether grantees may consolidate ARRA administrative funds with other NCLB
  consolidated administrative funds. TEA will issue further guidance with regard to this provision once guidance is
  provided by the U.S. Department of Education. If ARRA funds are permitted to be consolidated with other NCLB
  consolidated administrative funds, grantees must still be able to report the types and number of jobs that were
  created or saved with ARRA funds.
- Combining ARRA funds on a Schoolwide Program. ARRA funds are permitted to be used on a Title I Part A
  schoolwide Campus/Program, funds may be combined with other funding sources, but grantees still must be able to
  identify precisely the items of obligation and expenditure for ARRA reporting. You must also be able to report the
  types and number of jobs that were created or saved with ARRA funds.
- 3. **Special Contracting Provisions**: To the maximum extent possible, contracts funded under the ARRA shall be awarded as fixed-price contracts through the use of competitive procedures. A summary of any new contract awarded with ARRA funds that is not fixed-price and not awarded using competitive procedures shall be posted in a special section of the <a href="https://www.recovery.gov">www.recovery.gov</a> website established by the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board (Section 1554).

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#### Standard Application System

School Year 2010-2013

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County-District No.

**Texas Title I Priority Schools Grant** 

- 4. **Use of Funds for Certain Expenditures Prohibited:** ARRA funds shall not be used for any casino or other gambling establishment, aquarium, zoo, golf course, or swimming pool (Section 1604).
- 5. **Use of Funds for Construction Prohibited:** Unless specifically authorized in the applicable program statute, regulations, guidelines, Request for Application (RFA), TEA Standard Application System (SAS), the approved grant application, or other written authorization, none of the ARRA additional formula funds shall be used for construction, remodeling, or renovation.
- 6. **Buy American Use of American Iron, Steel, and Manufactured Goods:** If construction is allowed and approved pursuant to the previous paragraph pertaining to "Use of Funds for Construction Prohibited", none of the funds may be used for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public building or public work unless all of the iron, steel, and manufactured goods used in the project are produced in the United States unless waived by the Secretary of Education (Section 1605).
- 7. Wage Rate Requirements for Contracted Laborers and Mechanics Compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act: Subject to further clarification issued by the Office of Management and Budget, and notwithstanding any other provision of law and in a manner consistent with other provisions of ARRA, all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and subcontractors on projects funded directly by or assisted in whole or in part by and through the Federal Government pursuant to this award shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on projects of a character similar in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code. With respect to the labor standards specified in this section, the Secretary of Labor shall have the authority and functions set forth in Reorganization Plan Numbered 14 of 1950 (64 Stat. 1267; 5 U.S.C. App.) and section 3145 of title 40, United States Code (Section 1606).
- M. Compliance with OMB Circular A-133 Audits and Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards: Grantees agree to separately identify the expenditures for each grant award funded under ARRA as required by Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations" and to comply with all other provisions of the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133.

The signing of Schedule #1 - General Information by applicant indicates acceptance of and compliance with all requirements described on this schedule