Mendocino Unified School District

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Instruction

Title I Programs

Targeted Assistance Programs

Any school that receives Title I funds but does not operate a schoolwide program shall use Title I funds to provide services to: (20 USC 6315)

- 1. Students in any of the grades 3-12 identified by the school as failing, or most at risk of failing, to meet the state's academic achievement standards on the basis of criteria established by the district and supplemented by the school
- 2. Students in preschool through grade 2 selected solely on the basis of such criteria as teacher judgment, interviews with parents/guardians, and developmentally appropriate measures

A targeted assistance program shall: (20 USC 6315)

- 1. Use program resources to help participating students meet state academic achievement standards expected for all students
- 2. Ensure that program planning is incorporated into existing school planning
- 3. Use effective methods and instructional strategies, based on scientifically based research, that strengthen the core academic program, give primary consideration to providing extended learning time, help provide an accelerated, high-quality curriculum, and minimize removing students from the regular classroom during regular school hours for instruction provided by Title I
- 4. Coordinate with and support the regular education program, which may include services to assist preschool students in the transition to elementary school programs
- 5. Provide instruction by highly qualified teachers
- 6. Provide opportunities for professional development for teachers, principals, paraprofessionals, and, if appropriate, student services personnel, other staff, and parents/guardians who work with participating students
- 7. Provide strategies to increase parent involvement
- 8. Coordinate and integrate federal, state, and local services and programs

Participation of Private School Students

The Superintendent or designee shall provide or contract to provide special educational services or other Title I benefits to eligible private school students residing in a participating school attendance area. Such services and benefits shall be provided on an equitable basis with participating public school students. (20 USC 6320, 7881)

Teachers, other educational personnel, and families of participating private school students shall have an opportunity to participate, on an equitable basis, in parent involvement activities and professional development pursuant to 20 USC <u>6318</u> and <u>6319</u>. (20 USC <u>6320</u>, <u>7881</u>)

Each year the Superintendent or designee shall contact officials of private schools with students who reside within district boundaries, regardless of whether the private school they attend is located within the district or whether or not those officials have previously indicated any interest in program participation.

The Superintendent or designee shall consult, in a meaningful and timely manner, with appropriate private school officials during the design and development of the district's Title I programs. Such consultation shall occur before the district makes any decision that affects the opportunities of eligible private school students to participate in Title I programs and shall include a discussion of: (20 USC 6320, 7881; 34 CFR 200.63)

- 1. How the needs of private school students will be identified
- 2. What services will be offered
- 3. How, where, and by whom the services will be provided

- 4. How the services will be academically assessed and how assessment results will be used to improve those services
- 5. The size and scope of the equitable services to be provided to private school students and the proportion of funds that is allocated for such services
- 6. The method or sources of data that are used to determine the number of students from low-income families in participating school attendance areas who attend private schools
- 7. How and when the district will make decisions about the delivery of service to such students, including a thorough consideration and analysis of the views of private school officials on the provision of services through a third-party provider
- 8. How, if the district disagrees with the views of private school officials on the provision of services through a third-party provider, the district will provide to private school officials a written analysis of the reasons that the district has chosen not to use a contractor

Meetings between district and private school officials shall continue throughout implementation and assessment of services. (20 USC 6320)

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain, and shall provide to the California Department of Education upon request, a written affirmation signed by officials of each participating private school that consultation has occurred. (20 USC 6320)

If the private school officials do not provide such affirmation within a reasonable period of time, the Superintendent or designee shall maintain records of the consultation or the offer of consultation.

The Superintendent or designee also shall maintain records documenting that:

- 1. The needs of private school teachers and/or private school students were identified.
- 2. The funds made available were equitable to those allocated for public school students and teachers.
- 3. The district's program met the needs of the private school teachers and/or private school students.
- 4. The district made efforts to resolve any complaints made by private school representatives.