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October 19, 2009

Ms. Cynthia Nava Superintendent Gadsden Independent Schools P.O. Drawer 70 Anthony, NM 88021

Dear Superintendent Nava:

The review process for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Part B (IDEA-B) Local Application has been completed by the Special Education Bureau (SEB) of the New Mexico Public Education Department (NMPED). Gadsden Independent Schools' application for the 2009-2010 IDEA-B funds (Grant # H027A090078 Entitlement – 24106 and Grant # H173A090078 Preschool – 24109) has been approved. Based on available funding and the application submitted, the award(s) being made to Gadsden Independent Schools are as follows:

Sub-Grant Name	UCOA Fund Code	Award
IDEA-B, Entitlement	24106	\$3,323,005
IDEA-B, Preschool	24109	\$76,830
IDEA-B, Reallocation	24120	\$39,795

With prior written approval from the SEB, up to 15% of your combined entitlement and preschool funding may be budgeted under fund code <u>24112</u> (objective 4 & 5 of the local application) for Coordinated Early Intervening Services (CEIS), as per 34 CFR § 300.226. The required Private Schools Proportionate Share is to be budgeted under fund code <u>24115</u> (objective 7 of the local application), as per 34 CFR §§ 300.132-300.133.

Funding under this award must be used consistent with the applicable provisions of IDEA-B, as follows:

- (1) Must be used only to pay the excess costs of providing special education and related services to children with disabilities;
- (2) Must be used to supplement State, local, and other Federal funds and not to supplant such funds; and
- (3) Must not be used to reduce an LEA's maintenance of effort (MOE) for the education of children with disabilities below the preceding year's level except as allowed by 34 CFR §§ 300.204 and 205.

[20 U.S.C. 1413(a)(2)(A); 34 CFR § 300.202]

These funds are to be disbursed on a reimbursement basis and must be expended in accordance with 34 CFR sections 76.708-76.710 and must be obligated by June 30, 2010.

If this final award does not reflect the initial budget authority that may have already been authorized, please submit an electronic Budget Adjustment Request (BAR) utilizing the NMPED's Operating Budget Management System (OBMS) website. The Flow-through BAR process is located on the NMPED website at www.ped.state.nm.us. I

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also encourage Gadsden Independent Schools to be sure to work with its finance people to make sure they are aware of this process for budget submission. When submitting the district's electronic BAR to bring Gadsden Independent Schools' reported budget in alignment with the authority of this award letter, please use the appropriate fund code identified above and revenue code <u>44500</u>. Should you have any questions please feel free to contact:

Joey F. Martin Special Education Bureau, Data Fiscal Manager 120 South Federal Place, Room 205 Santa Fe, NM 87501 joey.martin@state.nm.us (505) 827-3599

Thank you for your cooperation in completing the Local Application in a timely manner. The SEB looks forward to working with the district in the coming year to improve outcomes for New Mexico students receiving special education services.

Secretary of Education

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