

New Mexico Public Education Department

Budget Adjustment Request (BAR) Program Justification Sheet

This form to be submitted with each increase, decrease or transfer BAR, and for initial BAR for the following programs: CSRD, Title II Part A, Reading First, 21st Century, and Evenstart (new applications only).

NOTE: Your program may require a similar, but more specific version of this form. If so, please use that form for any justification.

District:	Gadsden Independent School District
Program:	K-3 Plus
Fund Code:	27166
BAR #:	

Justification Narrative (attach additional pages as necessary)

The purpose of K-3 Plus is to demonstrate that increased time in kindergarten and the early grades narrows the achievement gap between disadvantaged students and other students, increases cognitive skills and leads to higher test scores for all participants. The program extends the school year for K-3 by 25 instructional days beginning before school starts. The program will be implemented in the following schools June and July, 2013: Chaparral, Desert Trail, Desert View, Gadsden Elementary, Mesquite, Santa Teresa Elementary, Sunland Park Elementary, Vado Elementary.

Explain why the transfer or increase is needed:

What will the funds be used for?

The funds will be the budget for the K-3 Plus program for June and 2013-July 2013. The program will increase the time in kindergarten – 3rd grade to increase student success and raise test scores for all participants. The program extends the school year for all participants by 25 instructional days and one teacher prep day.

At which school sites will the funds be used?

Chaparral Elementary
Desert Trail Elementary
Desert View Elementary
Gadsden Elementary
Mesquite Elementary
Santa Teresa Elementary
Sunland Park Elementary
Vado Elementary