

Synopsis of the Title II Program Plan for 2015-16

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In years past, Title II allocations and programming plans have always been part of what was known as the Consolidated Application. As of SY 15-16, Title II will release a separate allocation and application. The dates for the release and due date of this application are unknown. However, the planning allocation was released within the Title I Part A Share Point Application. I am happy to report that the Title II allocation has not been reduced.

The **Title II Part A allocation** for 2015-16 is \$963,156 which is \$5,850 more than the allocation for 2014-15. As you know, this budget provides professional development and related materials in a variety of ways for teachers and campus administrators. The Title II budget also provides the district with funding to support recruitment and retention of teachers for positions that are difficult to fill.

Without a reduction in allocation for SY 15-16, the Title II budget will continue to provide professional support for teachers through the Federal Programs Coordinator and 7 of the district's Instructional Coaches. For the coming school year the Title II Budget will continue to provide the following additional instructional support for teachers and administrators:

- Dossier Support Program;
- POINTS Mentorship Program;
- New Teacher Orientation;
- Substitute Teacher Training;
- Fall Project Based Learning workshop;
- Fall and Summer Workshops covering the Nature and Needs of Gifted Learners;
- Materials received by training recipients;
- Summer ELD Workshops
- Content based training using Dual Boards and interactive hand-held devices for student responses;
- Gifted Endorsement programs through Eastern New Mexico University;
- Continuation of training for campus level Instructional Technology Coaches;
- Technology training for Instructional Coaches;
- Travel to conferences and training for teachers and administrators;
- Other core content conferences or training proposed by campuses for teachers or administrators,
- Stipends for the recruitment and retention of designated Bilingual/TESOL teachers.

As in 2014-15 Title II programming, the district will continue to support a local private school, Calvary West Christian High School, with services during 2014-2015. The amount of support for 2014-15 was \$1,600. When the Title II application is released, the amount of support for 2015-16 will be automatically calculated. The amount is based on a total student body enrollment.

I am respectfully requesting authorization for the Superintendent or his designee to sign and submit the Title II application to the New Mexico Public Education Department upon release and completion.

Respectfully submitted,

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