# **Coppell Education Development Corporation Grant Application**

**Project Title:** Coppell High School Spanish Program

Principal Applicant Mrs. Michelle King

Title of Principal Applicant Director of Mathematics/ Languages Other than English

**ISD Representative in Application** Coppell

**Project Period** (Start & Finish of Entire Project) August 2006 – May 2007

**Total Amount Requested** \$ 644,375

## Printed Names & Title of Grant Approvers; Signatures; & Dates:

Michelle King Director of Mathematics / Languages Other than English		
Principal Applicant	Signature	Date
Title	-	
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Team Member	Signature	Date
Title	_	
(Optional)		
 Team Member	Signature	Date
Title	C	
(Optional)		
Principal of School Involved	Signature	Date
Title	C	
(Optional)		
District Superintendent	Signature	Date
Title		
(Required)		
Kathie Gautille		
President, Board of Trustees		
** School Board President	Signature	Date
President	<b>5</b>	
(Required)		

<sup>\*\*</sup>Signifies approval by the School Board of Trustees

#### **Section I: Abstract of Project/Activity**

The Coppell Independent School is applying for \$ 644,375 under the foreign language provision of the Coppell Education Development Corporation to furnish salaries for eleven Spanish teachers at Coppell High School during the 2006-2007 academic year. These teachers provide daily instruction to students in grades nine to twelve who have elected to study the Spanish language and culture in order to satisfy a state graduation requirement. Students enrolled in Spanish language classes are realizing the mission of the district to become a global leader in educational excellence (see Appendix A) as well as fulfilling an indicator of the Portrait of the Coppell ISD Graduate (see Appendix B).

#### Section II: Description of Proposal & Nature of Request

All U.S. students need to be proficient and literate in English. In addition, students will need competence in at least one additional language and skills in cross-cultural interaction. The need for such competence, both in our current economy and in the one in which today's students will live and work, has been well documented. Research shows that multilingual societies have a competitive advantage over monolingual societies in international trade (Halliwell, 1999).

The state of Texas requires that students complete two years of the same foreign language in order to receive a diploma under the Recommended Plan. In addition, students desiring to graduate under the Distinguished Achievement Program (DAP) must complete a sequence of three years of the same language (see Appendix C). Objective three of the Coppell ISD Strategic Plan states that "No fewer than 55% of our students will achieve distinguished academic status upon graduation."

A <u>Texas Framework for Languages Other Than English</u> is tied to the Texas state student content and performance standards, the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Languages Other Than English. The goals for the Spanish program reflect these standards:

- Goal 1: The students communicate in Spanish using the skills of listening,
   speaking, reading and writing.
- Goal 2: The student gains knowledge and understanding of other cultures.
- Goal 3: The student uses the language to make connections with other subject areas and acquire information.
- Goal 4: The student develops insight into the nature of language and culture by comparing the student's own language and culture to another.
- Goal 5: The student participates in communities at home and around the world by using languages other than English.

To effectively meet the goals of the program the Spanish teachers will:

- Utilize the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Language Other Than
   English in lesson planning.
- Provide experiences that will enhance the understanding of other cultures
- Provide multiple opportunities for students to interact with native speakers
- Annually assess student progress using appropriate measurements

Without these funds CISD would be unable to fund other programs that contribute towards student success. In order to best serve our student population we respectfully apply for this grant.

#### **Section III: Budget**

\$ 644,375 Salaries and benefits for twelve (12) certified high school Spanish teachers

#### **Section IV: Project Measurements and Evaluation:**

The effectiveness of this project can be qualitatively measured by student work samples and projects along with anecdotal records from students, teachers and parents.

#### **Project Statistics**

Number of students served by this project

Ninth grade: 1062 Tenth grade: 1054 Eleventh grade: 677 Twelfth grade: 235 Total 3028

(See Appendix D for a detailed breakdown of enrollment)

Dollars per student proposed: \$186.59

Evaluation of Project's Success:

PROGRAM GOAL	STANDARD	2005-06	2005-06	EVALUATION INSTRUMENT
Increase the percent of students enrolled in PreAP/AP Spanish Language Courses	50%	26%	45%	Pentamation Report

One reason for the marked increase can be attributed to the addition of PreAP Spanish I.

## Appendix A

#### Mission Statement

The mission of the Coppell Independent School District, as a global leader in educational excellence, is to ensure our students achieve personal success, develop strong moral character, and become dynamic citizens through a customized, innovative learning experience led by a visionary staff and community.

#### Appendix B

## Who is the Coppell ISD Graduate?

## A scholar of high reputation...

- ...prioritizes to achieve personal academic goals.
- ...transfers and applies knowledge and skills in meaningful ways that lead to further learning opportunities.
- ...understands and appreciates the arts and their impact on the other disciplines and life.
- ...discriminates in the use of consumer information.
- ...utilizes critical reading and thinking skills.
- ...practices non-traditional and original problem-solving skills.
- ...seeks knowledge independently, responsibly, and purposefully.
- ...practices self-advocacy and self-determination.

## An articulate communicator...

- ...possesses multilingual skills.
- ...effectively conveys information in written, oral and visual forms.
- ...learns through listening.
- ...improves through self-reflection.
- ...expresses ideas in ways that inspire progress toward the shared resolution of a problem.

## A person of strong, moral character...

- ...values humanity, oneself, and one's environment.
- ...models healthy life choices.
- ...abstains from inappropriate social behavior.
- ...balances personal and professional pursuits.

## A dynamic citizen...

- ...practices informed patriotism.
- ...participates and contributes actively in the local and global community.
- ...possesses an understanding of international relations and the impact of global dynamics.
- ... collaborates proficiently.
- ...contributes to a sense of unity within a community.
- ...strives toward specific goals that lead to personal success.

## A flexible, resilient pacesetter...

- ...maximizes rapidly-changing technologies.
- ...adapts to shifting paradigms.
- ...leads in a bold and daring manner.
- ...shows courage while using good judgment in decision-making.

# The Coppell ISD Graduate is marketable to global interests.

## **Appendix C**

## Texas State Graduation Requirements (For students entering grade 9 in the 2001-02 school year and thereafter)

Discipline	Minimum Graduation Plan (22 credits)	Recommended High School Program (24 credits)	Distinguished Achievement Program (24 credits plus advanced measures)
Social Studies*	Two and one-half credits:  World History Studies (one credit) or World Geography Studies (one credit),  U.S. History Studies Since Reconstruction (one credit), and U.S. Government (one-half credit).	Three and one-half credits:  · World History Studies (one credit),  · World Geography Studies (one credit),  · U.S. History Studies Since Reconstruction  · (one credit), and  · U.S. Government (one-half credit).	Three and one-half credits:      World History Studies (one credit),     World Geography Studies (one credit),     U.S. History Studies Since Reconstruction     (one credit), and     U.S. Government (one-half credit).
Economics, with emphasis on the free enterprise system and its benefits	One-half credit	One-half credit	One-half credit
Academic Elective	One credit selected from:  World History Studies,  World Geography Studies, or  any science course approved by SBOE.  (If substituting Chemistry or Physics for IPC, must use one of these as the academic elective credit.)	See Elective Courses.	See Elective Courses.
Physical Education	One and one-half credits to include Foundations of Personal Fitness (one-half credit). (Limit two credits.)  Can substitute:	One and one-half credits to include Foundations of Personal Fitness (one-half credit). (Limit two credits.) Can substitute:	One and one-half credits to include Foundations of Personal Fitness (one-half credit). (Limit two credits.) Can substitute:
Languages Other Than English	None	Two credits: Level I and Level II in the same language.	Three credits: Level I, Level II, and Level III in the same language.
Health Education	One-half credit or Health Science Technology (one credit).	One-half credit or Health Science Technology (one credit).	One-half credit or Health Science Technology (one credit).

College Board Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate courses may be substituted for requirements in appropriate areas.

## Appendix D

## Coppell High School 2006 – 2007 Spanish Enrollments

## 1<sup>st</sup> Semester

	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>
Spanish 1 A	224	77	15	1
Spanish 1 Pre-AP A	36	15	0	0
Spanish 2 A	95	107	52	21
Spanish 2 Pre AP A	222	51	15	2
Spanish 3 A	2	118	66	37
Spanish 3 Pre AP A	0	163	37	29
Spanish 4 Pre-AP A	0	0	10	10
Spanish Language AP A	0	0	69	35
Spanish Literature AP A	0	0	0	15
Total 1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	579	531	264	149

#### **2nd Semester**

	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>
Spanish 1 B	229	92	21	4
Spanish 1 Pre-AP B	36	15	0	0
Spanish 2 B	95	120	53	19
Spanish 2 Pre P B	222	51	15	2
Spanish 3 B	1	118	69	40
Spanish 3 Pre-AP B	0	163	38	29
Spanish 4 Pre-AP B	0	0	10	10
Spanish Language AP B	0	0	69	35
Spanish Literature AP B	0	0	0	0
Total 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	583	559	275	139

Average Total Enrollment 1540
PreAP Enrollment 770 = 45%

2005 – 2006 Spanish Enrollment

Average Total Enrollment 1509
PreAP Enrollment 388 = 26%

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