ODE TITLE III MONITORING CONCLUSIONS

FINDING:

Educational Assistants are performing the duties of licensed teachers, sometimes with licensed staff in proximity and sometimes in another location.

ODE will tell us corrective action steps to take and a timeline for correction. This will come in a letter within 30 school days from the visit.

RECOMMENDATIONS: (these are for us to consider)

- 1. Change how ELD instruction is scheduled to reduce class size and fragmentation of students' days.
- 2. Provide tiered professional development to general education teachers, who are asking for more training. Suggest introductory, application and advanced levels of training with more emphasis on language-specific goals, taught within the context of core instruction.
- 3. Establish a district-wide PLC of ELD teachers to align ELD curriculum K-12.
- 4. Implement technology-based ELD instruction to supplement current instruction. This would allow ELD teachers to have smaller instructional groups, with an EA supervising groups of students working on the computer-based program and the teacher working with groups of students in direct instruction.
- 5. Standardize the ELL eligibility assessment measure—use WMLS-R for K-12, instead of a different test for HS.
- 6. Standardize translation of documents, especially for smaller language groups. Example: Language Line set up to read documents to parents.
- 7. Support administrators in analyzing ELPA data and its impact on literacy in English.

COMMENDATIONS:

- 1. Rigorous ELD instruction and clear expectations for all ELL students.
- 2. Identification process for ELL eligibility that is uniform and consistent across the district.
- 3. Referral procedures for ELL and Special Education consideration are clear, uniform and consistent.
- 4. Strong collaborative team environment across the district.
- 5. Dedicated administrators committed to closing the achievement gap.
- 6. Support for students at all levels, provided in many ways.
- 7. Dedicated, strong, talented teachers at each level.
- 8. Clear procedures for identifying TAG students, TAG Coordinators aware of data, number of ELL students in TAG.
- 9. Safe and caring environment throughout the district. Students feel supported and there are personal connections with teachers and the school.
- 10. Use of Language Line, which empowers parents.