

## Section 31a and Title IV Stronger Connections Budget Approval

Board Approval Request: Wednesday, December 11, 2024

Board approval is being requested for the 2024-2025 31a budget and the Title IV Stronger Connections grant budget as presented.

## Section 31a At-Risk Budget Approval Request:

The Saginaw Public School District has a current estimated allocation in 31a (At Risk) funds of \$7,060,830 and a carryover amount of \$1,891,769. The budget total is \$8,952,599.

Section 31a of the State School Aid Act provides categorical funding to eligible Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) and Public School Academies (PSAs) for the intent and purposes focused on the following student outcomes: attending school regularly, reading proficiently by the end of 3rd Grade, being proficient in mathematics by the end of 8th Grade, and being career and college ready by high school graduation [Section 31a(1)]. An "At-Risk Pupil" is a K-12 pupil, for whom the LEA has documentation, that meets any of the 10 identification criteria in Section 31a(25).

Funds allocated through Section 31a At-Risk are limited to instructional services and direct non-instructional services to pupils. They are intended to be spent in the current State fiscal year and may not be used for administration or other related costs. LEAs may carry over funds for one year. (https://www.michigan.gov)

New approval requests include Laptops/Bags for dual enrollment at \$35,500, District Nurses (increase from prior year's support) at \$210,600, From the Heart Support Staff and Student Development Training at \$230,000, and Capturing Kids Hearts Training at \$49,500.

## **Title IV Stronger Connections Budget Approval Request:**

The MDE has approved Saginaw Public School District's current application for Title IV Stronger Connections Grant. The Saginaw Public School District has a current award of \$515,964.00.

Michigan Department of Education has been awarded \$26,504,262.80 through Title IV, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) to competitively award subgrants to high-need LEAs to establish safer and healthier learning environments and to prevent and respond to acts of bullying, violence, and hate that impact our school communities at individual and systemic levels, among other programs and activities. (https://www.michigan.gov)

The MDE approved application budget includes student social emotional learning training/workshops to support whole student learning through From the Heart Services in the amount of \$150,000; two truancy officers to support student attendance and interventions in the amount of \$192,922; one counselor at Success Academy to support student well-being, achievement, and academic success at \$155,836; and an equitable private school share of \$7,091; and indirect costs at \$10,115.

Please feel free to direct any questions to:

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