



BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

KELLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

3C. **Action** **Date: August 28, 2006**

SUBJECT: **APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL FUNDING**

BOARD GOAL: **ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**

FISCAL NOTE: **FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS**

Background Information:

TITLE I, PART A

- For the 2006-2007 school year, the Keller Independent School District will receive \$414,936 under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, Title I, Part A.
- These funds will be used to address the educational needs of children in schools with high concentrations of low-income families as well as intervention programs for students not meeting state standards.
- The schools receiving Title I Targeted Assistance for 2006-2007 school year are Parkview Elementary, Whitley Road Elementary, North Riverside Elementary, Keller Harvel Elementary, Heritage Elementary, Bluebonnet Elementary, Chisholm Trail Intermediate, Fossil Hill Middle, Fossil Ridge High. These campuses will receive 77% of the 2006-2007 entitlement.
- The Title I entitlement includes required funds set aside for students in Neglected/Delinquent facilities in Keller I.S.D. These students, residing at Christ's Haven Home for Children and attending school in the Keller Independent School District, will be provided tutoring services to assist in their academic success.
- The district is also required to set aside funds for homeless students who may be identified while attending KISD schools and for the professional development of teachers providing Title I services on target assisted campuses.

TITLE II, PART A

- For the grant year 2006-2007, Keller I.S.D. will receive \$269,749 to meet specific campus and district goals.
- The intent and purpose of Title II funds are to increase the academic achievement of all students by helping schools and school districts improve teacher and principal quality and ensure that all teachers are highly qualified through intensive and sustained high-quality professional development that will have a positive and lasting impact on the teacher's performance in the classroom.

- Training and professional development is to be aligned with challenging State content and Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills. Specific training will be provided in the following areas: Vernier training in the use of science probes, science journaling, science inquiry methods, TEXTEAMS methods for mathematics, and Texas Instruments training on the use of mathematics technology. Continued training in the writing and use of new curriculum will occur.
- Title II funds will provide partial funding of Student Support Specialists positions at Whitley Road Elementary, North Riverside Elementary, Independence Elementary, and Chisholm Trail Intermediate. They will target coaching teachers and providing model lessons to improve the overall instructional program at these high needs campuses.
- Title II will also provide funding for a mathematics coach at Fossil Ridge High School. This position will provide staff development for the mathematics department and mentor teachers to improve student performance in this content area.

TITLE III, PART A

- Keller ISD will receive \$91,624 in Title III funding for the 2006-2007 school year.
- The purpose of the Title III, Part A grant is to improve the education of limited English proficient children by assisting the children to learn English and meet challenging state academic content and students academic achievement standards.
- The funds will be used to carry out highly focused, innovative, locally designed activities to expand or enhance existing language instruction educational programs and academic content instruction programs for such children, including the training of teachers in English as a Second Language and Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP) methodologies. Training during the 2006-2007 school year will focus on meeting the needs of Hispanic students and expanded SIOP training at the secondary level.
- Title III resources will provide funding for bilingual aides at Whitley Road Elementary and North Riverside Elementary.
- Title III funding will also provide funding for bilingual parent liaisons at Whitley Road Elementary and Chisholm Trail Intermediate.

TITLE IV

- For the 2006-2007 school year the Keller Independent School District will receive \$46,673 for Safe and Drug Free Schools programs.
- Funds this year are designated for materials, and contracted services to provide responses to local school and district crises, bullying/sexual harassment curriculum, and Character Education materials.
- Title IV funding will support an expanded district-wide survey of the 40 Developmental Assets to determine campus needs in creating safe school environments.
- Additionally Title IV funding will provide training to school nurses in Drug Impairment.

TITLE V

- For the 2006-2007 school year, Title V funds appropriated total \$21,668.
- Title V funds, designated for the Innovative Education Strategies Program, will be utilized to provide teacher training in the area of fine arts through resident artists in the “Making the Connection” program and “Wolf Project”.
- Funding through Title V will support the training of nurses on the subjects of anorexia, bulimia and CPR. “CPR in a Box” will be purchased for all campuses so that each campus staff may be CPR trained as well.
- Title V funding will provide substitutes for librarians to create technology/library connection lessons. These will be shared via a web-based software program which provides a curriculum delivery system funded by Title V resources.

Administrative Considerations:

- In total, Keller ISD will receive \$844,650 in Federal funds to supplement the local instruction budget.
- This item was presented to the Board as a preview item on August 14, 2006.

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The administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve receipt of \$844,650 in Federal funds to supplement the local instruction budget as presented.

Respectfully submitted,

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