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United Independent School District AGENDA ACTION ITEM

SUBMITTED DI. Tameia N. Suarcz	OF: Instruction	Department
APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO	O SCHOOL BOARD:	
DATE ASSIGNED FOR BOARD CONS	IDERATION:	October 21, 2009
Recommendation:		
Administration recommends that the Bo Education Exception Report for submis		he attached Bilingual
Rationale:		
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United Independent School District

240-903

District	/Charter School Name		County-District Number
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	ed Use of the Data: Documental ments for serving students of limited l		school compliance with state
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Provide complete and accurate responses to the following items. If more space is needed for any item, reference an attachment by item number and include all attachments with submission of this form. Include all necessary supporting documentation.

Section 1: District/Charter School Data

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Α.	17,330	Number of identified limited English proficient (LEP) students district-wide
В.	1054	Number of teachers with bilingual certification employed in the district or charter school
C.	1011	Number of teachers with bilingual certification currently teaching bilingual education
D.	0	Number of non-certified permanent substitute teachers providing bilingual education instruction
E.	4	Number of teachers currently on special permit for bilingual education granted by the State Board for Educator Certification
F.	123	Number of English as a Second Language (ESL) certified teachers employed in the district or charter school at all grade levels
G.	123	Number of ESL certified teachers currently teaching ESL at all grade levels
Н.	0	Number of non-certified permanent substitute teachers providing ESL instruction at all grade levels
I.	60	Total number of teachers instructing LEP students under bilingual education exception (Spanish and other languages) Sum of I = K+L
J.	3	Number of consecutive years since 1999-2000 for which school district or charter school has requested a bilingual education exception (if this is the first year enter 1)
K.	60	Number of teachers instructing LEP students under bilingual education exception (Spanish)
L.	0	Number of teachers instructing LEP students under bilingual education exception (languages other than Spanish)

REFER TO THESE INSTRUCTIONS TO COMPLETE THE CHARTS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE (p.3):

Complete only the rows for the grade levels in which you are requesting an exception. Do not record information for any grade level in which you have appropriately certified bilingual teachers. (e.g. bilingual-Spanish, bilingual-Vietnamese, etc.)

Columns A and B – Language(s) of Instruction: for Language Arts, Math/Science/Social Studies in each grade level, indicate the language of instruction by placing a check mark ($\sqrt{}$) in the appropriate column. The **PL** column refers to Primary Language instruction. The **ESL** column refers to English as a Second Language instruction. The district or charter school should provide as much instruction in the students' primary language (PL) as needed to develop literacy and content knowledge. ESL instruction must be provided in language arts and the content areas.

Column C – Number of Students Under Exception: record the number of students who are not receiving instruction from a bilingually certified teacher at the appropriate grade level. Add up the number of students and write the total number in the TOTALS row of this column.

Column D – Instructional Design: Create an appropriate code or phrase to describe the instructional design(s) or method(s) of instructional delivery being used to serve students under exception. You will be asked to describe these codes in detail in Section 2, question 3. Example: **SC** = Self Contained Bilingual Classroom.

Column E — Number of Classrooms Under Exception: For each grade where data has been entered, record the number of classrooms where students are receiving the alternative bilingual services. (Example: If one ESL certified teacher provides instruction to different grade levels in a pull-out model, this counts as one classroom.) Add up the number of classrooms and write the total in the TOTALS row of this column.

Duplicate the following page, as needed. Complete for each campus and for each language in which an exception is requested.



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Section 2: Rationale & Actions to be Implemented

- 1. Provide reasons the district or charter school is unable to offer the bilingual education program. United ISD Continues to offer an Early Transition Bilingual/ESL program at 22 elementary schools and Early Transition and Dual Language Programs at the remaining 5 elementary schools. The ESL components of the bilingual programs are present in PK - 5th. Formal Transition takes place during the 2nd grade for all students who are proficient in the primary language based on district criteria. Students are evaluated by the LPAC and the language of instruction (dominant language) is designated based on the assessment data for each student. Currently, UISD has an insufficient number of Bilingual/ESL certified teachers at select grade levels in 18 out of the 27 elementary campuses. This is a reduction of 6 campuses from last year's exception report. UISD continues to use Bilingual/ESL certified teachers to instruct students in their primary language and only English dominant students are placed with uncertified teachers. In addition, creative regrouping and team teaching (TT) strategies are used to enhance the delivery of instruction in English at the elementary level. By the end of October, all elementary teachers will have been trained with ELPS strategies by Trainer of Trainer Teams that attended the Navigating the ELPS training from Encompass Learning in June 2009. Staff development opportunities on how to address the affective, linguistic and academic needs of ELLs are provided for all teachers to meet the needs of this population.
- Describe the proposed alternative modified bilingual education or intensive ESL programs to meet the
 affective, linguistic, and cognitive needs of the LEP students. Include the manner in which the
 students will be given the opportunity to master the essential knowledge and skills required by State
 Board of Education rules concerning curriculum.

Only English dominant ELLs are serviced by non-certified teachers in Bilingual/ESL. All Spanish dominant ELLs are serviced by Bilingual/ESL certified teachers. All non-certified teachers continue to partner with certified teachers to plan the delivery of instruction for English dominant ELLs and all will be trained with ELPS strategies by the end of October 2009. We continue with the use of a district-wide scope and sequence (with imbedded ESL activities). Periodic assessments allow teachers to monitor the levels of mastery for all students. All elementary teachers in grades $2^{nd} - 5^{th}$ have gone through TELPAS training to assess the different proficiency levels of each student. The use of state adopted ESL materials supplements the instructional resources used by all teachers in grades $K - 5^{th}$.

3. Enumerate and elaborate on the different instructional designs being used to serve the students under exception. Enter an appropriate code or phrase for each design in Column D of the chart(s) in Section 1 of this form.

The continued use of team teaching (TT) and planning between certified and non-certified teachers allows for instructional planning and delivery. Regrouping strategies are used for primary language instruction, based on students' identified dominant language. Primary language instruction is provided by the Bilingual/ESL certified teachers while the non-certified teachers (in Bilingual/ESL) provide English instruction with sheltered instructional strategies. The design is used across the district to meet the needs of all ELLs participating in the Bilingual/ESL program. UISD continues its implementation of the Language Acquisition Profiles (LAPs) to better track the levels of language acquisition using state approved assessments to analyze student progress. Each ELL in PK, kinder and first grade have a LAP form on file with the classroom teacher.

- 4. Describe the training program the district or charter school will provide to improve the skills of staff assigned to implement the proposed alternative program. *Provide specific information regarding the staff development plan to include the intensity and duration of activities.*
 - 1. The August, 2009 staff development sessions for new teachers focused on the Bilingual Program, giving the teachers new to UISD an overview of the Early Transition program, analyzing data from ELL assessments and designating language of instruction. All new K -12 teachers were trained on TELPAS using the state's online modules and the teachers were allowed time to complete the online training and qualifying course.
 - 2. Staff development sessions during the summer focused on using PLDs to guide everyday instruction and provided participants with second language acquisition strategies.
 - 3. All Kinder, first and second grade teachers have now participated in the academies designed to address the language needs of ELLs. Data analysis, instructional groupings and instructional strategies were the main focus of the academies in order to provide teachers with the information they need to service each students' individual language needs. The second grade academy focused on the transition process and analyzing student data to determine readiness for formal transition.
 - 4. At the end of 08-09, the bilingual department visited campuses to monitor the use and completion of the LAP forms. The bilingual department will commence campus visits for the 09-10 school year in November 2009 to monitor the use of LAP forms and placement of students in appropriate language settings.
 - 5. UISD continues training the LPAC teams in the implementation and use of LAP forms at the PK, K and first grade levels to ensure proper language designation and instructional placement.
 - 6. Instructional coordinators continue to provide focused staff development sessions to all campuses on an on-going basis emphasizing the ELL population at all grade-levels. The focus for staff development sessions in 09-10 will be implementation of the ELPS.
 - 7. UISD continues its partnership with Texas A&M International University to provide quality professional development for all educators. The 09-10 conference entitled "Promoting Academic Excellence for Diverse Learners from PK 12, was held 08-14-09 and 08-15-09 with presenters like Dr. Elena Izquierdo. Over 200 educators from UISD participated in this year's conference.
 - 8. A review session for Bilingual/ESL certification will be held in the fall semester of 2009 free of charge to all district teachers wishing to obtain certification in the areas of Bilingual/ESL. Additional sessions are planned throughout the 08-09 school year.
 - 9. UISD continues to reimburse teachers' tuition, certification assessment fees and state certification fees upon successful completion of the certification requirements.
 - 10. UISD continues to provide Bilingual/ESL teachers stipends for servicing ELLs.



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5a. Using the following chart describe the actions the district or charter school will take to ensure that the required bilingual education program will be provided and continued beginning with the 2009-2010 school year, including district or charter school plans for recruiting and training an adequate number of teachers to eliminate the need for subsequent exceptions.

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5b. (Continue) Using the following chart describe the actions the district or charter school will take to ensure that the required bilingual education program will be provided and continued beginning with the 2009-2010 school year, including district or charter school plans for recruiting and training an adequate number of teachers to eliminate the need for subsequent exceptions.

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- 6. If your district or charter school applied for an exception in the 2008-2009 school year, please provide evidence of completion of actions taken by the district or charter school in 2008-2009-including documentation of recruitment efforts. Districts on an Action Plan must submit an updated copy of the plan to include progress made toward reducing the number and percentage of teachers under exception
 - 1. Although we have reduced the number of non-certified Bil/ESL teachers servicing ELLs to 60 from 75 in 08-09, we will continue to strive for all teachers servicing our ELL population to obtain the appropriate certification.
 - 2. UISD has also reduced the number of ELL students serviced by non-certified Bil/ESL teachers to 530 from 771 in 08-09. We will also continue to provide quality professional development to campuses in need of additional support.
 - 3. UISD continues to strive for excellence in the implementation of our Early Transition and Dual Language programs by providing quality professional development throughout the school year to all our teachers servicing our ELL population.
 - 4. UISD is committed to provide the best instructional setting for all our students and we will continue to increase the number of teachers certified in the areas of Bilingual/ESL



Please return by email this signature page and include superintendent's electronic signature by November 1, 2009 to:

BilingualExceptions ESLWaivers@tea.state.tx.us

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District ABC; Bilingual Ed. Exception; (date when form is actually sent) e.g.
October 28, 2009; signature page must be scanned if submitted electronically

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District/Charter School Name	County-District Number
Section 3:	
I assure that:	

- Certified personnel available in the district or charter school will be assigned to grade levels beginning at prekindergarten followed successively by subsequent grade levels to ensure that the linguistic and academic needs of the limited English proficient students with beginning levels of English proficiency are served on a priority basis.
- At least 10% of the bilingual education allotment shall be used to carry out this training program.
- The proposed actions described in this request form will be implemented.
- Documentation of completion of the proposed actions in this form will be submitted to the Texas Education Agency by November 1, 2010.

Signature of Superintendent Date signed

Roberto J. Santos
Typed Name of Superintendent

956-473-6219 Superintendent Phone Number

Emma Leza
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