

## **Part III**

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## **ASSURANCES**

To assure the SSD's eligibility for funds included in this Plan, the Superintendent must provide an original signature below attesting to compliance with all of the following statements.

### **GENERAL ASSURANCES**

1. Each such program will be administered in accordance with all applicable statutes, regulations, program plans, and applications.
2. The SSD will comply with all applicable supplement not supplant and maintenance of effort requirements.
3. (a) The control of funds provided under each program and title to property acquired with program funds will be in a public agency, a non-profit private agency, institution, organization, or Indian tribe, if the law authorizing the program provides for assistance to those entities; (b) the public agency, non-profit private agency, institution or organization, or Indian tribe will administer the funds and property to the extent required by the authorizing law.
4. The SSD will adopt and use proper methods of administering each such program, including – (a) the enforcement of any obligations imposed by law on agencies, institutions, organizations, and other recipients responsible for carrying out each program; and (b) the correction of deficiencies in program operations that are identified through audits, monitoring, or evaluation.
5. The SSD will cooperate in carrying out any evaluation of each such program conducted by, or for, the State educational agency, the Secretary, or other Federal officials.
6. The SSD will use such fiscal control and fund accounting procedures as will ensure proper disbursement of, and accounting for, Federal funds paid to the applicant under each such program.
7. The SSD will – (a) submit such reports to the State educational agency (which shall make the reports available to the Governor) and the Secretary as the State educational agency and Secretary may require to enable the State educational agency and Secretary to perform their duties under each such program; and (b) maintain such records, provide such information, and afford such access to the records as the State educational agency (after consultation with the Governor) or the Secretary may reasonably require to carry out the State educational agency's or the Secretary's duties.
8. The SSD has consulted with teachers, school administrators, parents, and others in the development of the local consolidated application/SSD Plan to the extent required under Federal law governing each program included in the consolidated application/SSD Plan.

9. Before the application was submitted, the SSD afforded a reasonable opportunity for public comment on the application and considered such comment.
- 9a. The SSD will provide the certification on constitutionally protected prayer that is required by Section 9524.
10. The SSD will comply with the armed forces recruiter access provisions required by Section 9528.

## **TITLE I, PART A**

The SSD, hereby, assures that it will:

11. Participate, if selected, in the State National Assessment of Educational Progress in 4<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade reading and mathematics carried out under Section 411(b)(2) of the National Education Statistics Act of 1994.
12. If the SSD receives more than \$500,000 in Title I funds, it will allow one percent to carry out NCLB Section 1118, Parent Involvement, including promoting family literacy and parenting skills; 95 percent of the allocation will be distributed to schools.
13. Inform the school community and parents of schoolwide program authority and the ability to consolidate funds from Federal, State, and local sources.
14. Provide technical assistance and support to schoolwide programs.
15. Develop the school plan pursuant to California *Education Code* Section 64001 and Section 1114 and undertake activities pursuant to Section 1115 so adequate yearly progress toward meeting the State student academic achievement standards is made.
16. Fulfill school improvement responsibilities under section 1116, including taking actions under paragraphs (7) and (8) of Section 1116(b).
17. Provide services to eligible children attending private elementary schools and secondary schools in accordance with Section 1120, and timely and meaningful consultation with private school officials regarding such services.
18. Take into account the experience of model programs for the educationally disadvantaged, and the findings of relevant scientifically based research indicating that services may be most effective if focused on students in the earliest grades at schools that receive funds under this part.
19. In the case of an SSD that chooses to use funds under this part to provide early childhood development services to low-income children below the age of compulsory school attendance, ensure that such services comply with the performance standards established under Section 641A(a) of the Head Start Act.
20. Develop and implement plans or activities under sections 1118 and 1119 and California *Education Code* Section 64001.

21. Comply with requirements regarding the qualifications of teachers and paraprofessionals and professional development.
22. Inform the school community of the SSD's authority to obtain waivers on the school's behalf under Title IX.
23. Coordinate and collaborate, to the extent feasible and necessary with the State educational agency and other agencies providing services to children, youth, and families with respect to a school in school improvement, corrective action, or restructuring under section 1116 concerning factors that have significantly affected student achievement at the school.
24. Ensure, through the provision of professional development, recruitment programs, or other effective strategies, that low-income students and minority students are not taught at higher rates than other students by unqualified, out-of-field, or inexperienced teachers.
25. Use the results of the student academic assessments required under section 1111(b)(3), and other measures or indicators available to the agency, to review annually the progress the school to determine whether it is making the progress necessary to ensure that all students will meet the State's proficient level of achievement on the State academic assessments described in Section 1111(b)(3) within 12 years from the baseline year described in Section 1111(b)(2)(E)(ii).
26. Ensure that the results from the academic assessments required under section 1111(b)(3) will be provided to parents and teachers as soon as is practicably possible after the test is taken, in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, provided in a language or other mode of communication that the parents can understand.
27. Develop or identify examples of high-quality, effective curricula consistent with section 1111(b)(8)(D) and California *Education Code* Section 64001.
28. For schools in school improvement status, ensure that not less than ten percent of their Title I funds are spent to provide professional development (in the area[s] of identification to teachers and principals) for each fiscal year.
29. Prepare and disseminate an annual SSD report card in accordance with Section 1111(h)(2).

#### **TITLE I, PART D – SUBPART 2**

30. Where feasible, ensure that educational programs in the correctional facility are coordinated with the student's home school, particularly with respect to a student with an individualized education program under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.
31. Work to ensure that the correctional facility is staffed with teachers and other qualified staffs that are trained to work with children and youth with disabilities taking into consideration the unique needs of such children and youth.

32. Ensure that the educational programs in the correctional facility are related to assisting students to meet high academic achievement standards.

#### **TITLE II, PART A**

34. The SSD, hereby, assures that:

- The SSD will comply with Section 9501 (regarding participation by private school children and teachers).
- The SSD has performed the required assessment of local needs for professional development and hiring, taking into account the activities that need to be conducted in order to give teachers the means, including subject matter knowledge and pedagogy skills, and to give principals the instructional leadership skills to help teachers, to provide students with the opportunity to meet California's academic content standards. This needs assessment was conducted with the involvement of teachers, including teachers participating in programs under Part A of Title I.
- The SSD will assure compliance with the requirements of professional development as defined in Section 9101 (34).

#### **TITLE II, PART D**

35. The SSD has an updated, local, long-range, strategic, educational technology plan in place that includes the following:

- Strategies for using technology to improve academic achievement and teacher effectiveness.
- Goals aligned with challenging state standards for using advanced technology to improve student academic achievement.
- Steps the applicant will take to ensure that all students and teachers have increased access to technology and to help ensure that teachers are prepared to integrate technology effectively into curricula and instruction.
- Promotion of curricula and teaching strategies that integrate technology, are based on a review of relevant research, and lead to improvements in student academic achievement.
- Ongoing, sustained professional development for teachers, principals, administrators, and school library media personnel to further the effective use of technology in the classroom or library media center.
- A description of the type and costs of technology to be acquired with Ed Tech funds, including provisions for interoperability of components.
- A description of how the applicant will coordinate activities funded through the Ed Tech program with technology-related activities supported with funds from other sources.

- A description of how the applicant will integrate technology into curricula and instruction, and a timeline for this integration.
  - Innovative delivery strategies – a description of how the applicant will encourage the development and use of innovative strategies for the delivery of specialized or rigorous courses and curricula through the use of technology, including distance learning technologies, particularly in areas that would not otherwise have access to such courses or curricula due to geographical distances or insufficient resources.
  - A description of how the applicant will use technology effectively to promote parental involvement and increase communication with parents.
  - Collaboration with adult literacy service providers.
  - Accountability measures – a description of the process and accountability measures that the applicant will use to evaluate the extent to which activities funded under the program are effective in integrating technology into curricula and instruction, increasing the ability of teachers to teach, and enabling student to reach challenging state academic standards.
  - Supporting resources – a description of the supporting resources, such as services, software, other electronically delivered learning materials, and print resources that will be acquired to ensure successful and effective uses of technology.
36. The SSD must use a minimum of 25 percent of their funds to provide ongoing, sustained, and intensive high quality professional development in the integration of advanced technology into curricula and instruction and in using those technologies to create new learning environments.
37. **Any SSD that does not receive services at discount rates under section 254(h)(5) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 254(h)(5) ) hereby assures the SEA** that the SSD will not use any Title II, Part D funds to purchase computers used to access the Internet, or to pay for direct costs associated with accessing the Internet, for such school unless the school, school board, local educational agency, or other authority with responsibility for administration of such school:
- has in place a policy of Internet safety for minors that includes the operation of a technology protection measure with respect to any of its computers with Internet access that protects against access through such computers to visual depictions that are obscene, child pornography, or harmful to minors; and
  - is enforcing the operation of such technology protection measure during any use of such computers by minors; and
  - has in place a policy of Internet safety that includes the operation of a technology protection measure with respect to any of its computers with Internet access that protects against access through such computers to visual depictions that are obscene or child pornography, and is enforcing the operation of such technology protection measure during any use of such computers.
  - Any SSD that does receive such discount rates hereby assures the SEA that it will have in place a policy of Internet safety for minors required by Federal or State law.

### **TITLE III**

38. The SSD assures that it consulted with teachers, researchers, school administrators, parents, and, if appropriate, with education-related community groups, nonprofit organizations, and institutions of higher education in developing the SSD Plan.
39. The SSD will be accountable for increasing English language proficiency and for LEP subgroups making adequate yearly progress.
40. The SSD is complying with Section 3302 prior to, and throughout, each school year.
41. The SSD annually will assess the English proficiency of all students with limited English proficiency participating in programs funded under this part.
42. The SSD has based its proposed plan on scientifically based research on teaching limited-English-proficient students.
43. The SSD ensures that the programs will enable English Learners to speak, read, write, and comprehend the English language and meet challenging State academic content and student academic achievement standards.
44. The SSD is not in violation of any State law, including State constitutional law, regarding the education of limited-English-proficient students, consistent with Sections 3126 and 3127.

### **TITLE IV, PART A**

45. The SSD assures that it has developed its application through timely and meaningful consultation with State and local government representatives, representatives of private schools to be served, teachers and other staff, parents, students, community-based organizations, and others with relevant and demonstrated expertise in drug and violence prevention activities (such as medical, mental health, and law enforcement professionals).
46. The activities or programs to be funded comply with the principles of effectiveness described in section 4115(a) and foster a safe and drug-free learning environment that supports academic achievement.
47. The SSD assures that funds under this subpart will be used to increase the level of State, local, and other non-Federal funds that would, in the absence of funds under this subpart, be made available for programs and activities authorized under this subpart, and in no case supplant such State, local, and other non-Federal funds.
48. Drug and violence prevention programs supported under this subpart convey a clear and consistent message that acts of violence and the illegal use of drugs are wrong and harmful.
49. The SSD has a plan for keeping the school safe and drug-free that includes:

- Appropriate and effective school discipline policies that prohibit disorderly conduct, the illegal possession of weapons, and the illegal use, possession, distribution, and sale of tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs by students.
- Security procedures at school and while students are on the way to and from school.
- Prevention activities that are designed to create and maintain safe, disciplined, and drug-free environments.
- A crisis management plan for responding to violent or traumatic incidents on school grounds.
- A code of conduct policy for all students that clearly states the responsibilities of students, teachers, and administrators in maintaining a classroom environment that:
  - Allows a teacher to communicate effectively with all students in the class.
  - Allows all students in the class to learn.
  - Has consequences that are fair, and developmentally appropriate.
  - Considers the student and the circumstances of the situation.
  - Is enforced accordingly.

50. The application and any waiver request under Section 4115(a)(3) (to allow innovative activities or programs that demonstrate substantial likelihood of success) will be available for public review after submission of the application.

#### **TITLE IV, PART A, SUBPART 3**

51. The SSD assures that it has, in effect, a written policy providing for the suspension from school for a period of not less than one year of any student who is determined to have brought a firearm to school or who possesses a firearm at school and the referral of a student who has brought a weapon or firearm to the criminal or juvenile justice system. Such a policy may allow the Superintendent to modify such suspension requirement for a student on a case-by-case basis.

#### **TITLE V, PART A**

52. The SSD has provided, in the allocation of funds for the assistance authorized by this part and in the planning, design, and implementation of such innovative assistance programs, for systematic consultation with parents, teachers and administrative personnel, and with such other groups involved in the implementation of this part (such as librarians, school counselors, and other pupil services personnel) as may be considered appropriate by the SSD.

53. The SSD will comply with this Part, including the provisions of Section 5142 concerning the participation of children enrolled in private nonprofit schools.

54. The SSD will keep such records, and provide such information to the SEA, as may be reasonably required for fiscal audit and program evaluation.

55. The SSD will annually evaluate the programs carried out under this Part, and that evaluation:

- will be used to make decisions about appropriate changes in programs for the subsequent year;
- will describe how assistance under this part affected student academic achievement and will include, at a minimum, information and data on the use of funds, the types of services furnished, and the students served under this part; and
- will be submitted to the SEA at the time and in the manner requested by the SEA.

### **New LEAP Assurances**

56. Uniform Management Information and Reporting System: the SSD assures that it will provide to the California Department of Education (CDE) information for the uniform management information and reporting system required by No Child Left Behind, Title IV in the format prescribed by CDE. That information will include:

(i) truancy rates;

(ii) the frequency, seriousness, and incidence of violence and drug-related offenses resulting in suspensions and expulsions in elementary schools and secondary schools in the State;

(iii) the types of curricula, programs, and services provided by the chief executive officer, the State educational agency, local educational agencies, and other recipients of funds under this subpart; and

(iv) the incidence and prevalence, age of onset, perception of health risk, and perception of social disapproval of drug use and violence by youth in schools and communities. (Section 4112, General Provisions, Title IV, Part A, PL 107-110)

57. Unsafe School Choice Policy: the SSD assures that it will establish and implement a policy requiring that a student attending a persistently dangerous public elementary school or secondary school, as determined by the State, or who becomes a victim of a violent criminal offense, as determined by State law, while in or on the grounds of a public elementary school or secondary school that the student attends, be allowed to attend a safe public elementary or secondary school within the local educational agency, including a public charter school. The SSD will submit on a format to be designated by CDE the information the state requires to complete annual federal reporting requirements on the number of schools that have been designated “persistently dangerous” in accordance with California State Board of Education policy. (Section 9532, General Provisions, Title IX, PL 107-110.)

**Other**

58. The SSD assures that a minimum of 95 percent of all students and a minimum number of students in each subgroup (at both the school and district levels) will participate in the state's assessments program.

Carrie Wagner  
Print Name of Superintendent

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Signature of Superintendent

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Date

## School Site Council Recommendations and Assurances

The school site council recommends this school plan and proposed expenditures to the district governing board for approval and assures the board of the following:

1. The school site council is correctly constituted and was formed in accordance with district governing board policy and state law.
2. The school site council reviewed its responsibilities under state law and district governing board policies, including those board policies relating to material changes in the school plan requiring board approval.
3. The school site council sought and considered all recommendations from the following groups or committees before adopting this plan (**Check those that apply**):

\_\_\_ School Advisory Committee for State Compensatory Education Programs

\_\_\_ English Learner Advisory Committee

\_\_\_ Community Advisory Committee for Special Education Programs

\_\_\_ Gifted and Talented Education Program Advisory Committee

\_\_\_ Other (**list**)

4. The school site council reviewed the content requirements for school plans of programs included in this *Single Plan for Student Achievement* and believes all such content requirements have been met, including those found in district governing board policies and in the LEA Plan.
5. This school plan is based on a thorough analysis of student academic performance. The actions proposed herein form a sound, comprehensive, coordinated plan to reach stated school goals to improve student academic performance.
6. This school plan was adopted by the school site council at a public meeting on:  
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Attested:

Vanessa Garza  
Typed name of school principal

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Signature of school principal      Date

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Typed name of SSC chairperson

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Signature of SSC chairperson      Date

## APPENDIX A

On May 30, 2002, the California State Board of Education (SBE) adopted the five goals and 12 performance indicators for No Child Left Behind, as set forth in the Federal Register Notice of May 22, 2002. The SBE's adoption of the specified goals and performance indicators represents California's commitment to the development of an accountability system to achieve the goals of NCLB.

Collectively, NCLB's goals, performance indicators, and performance targets constitute California's framework for ESEA *accountability*. The framework provides the basis for the state's improvement efforts, informing policy decisions by the SBE and implementation efforts by the California Department of Education (CDE) to fully realize the system envisioned by NCLB; it also provides a basis for coordination with the State Legislature and the Governor's Office.

### California's NCLB Performance Goals and Performance Indicators

**Performance Goal 1: *All students will reach high standards, at a minimum attaining proficiency or better in reading and mathematics, by 2013-2014.***

- 1.1 **Performance indicator:** The percentage of students, in the aggregate and for each subgroup, who are above the proficient level in reading on the State's assessment. (These subgroups are those for which the ESEA requires State reporting, as identified in Section 1111(h)(1)(C)(i). )
- 1.2 **Performance indicator:** The percentage of students, in the aggregate and in each subgroup, who are at or above the proficient level in mathematics on the State's assessment. (These subgroups are those for which the ESEA requires State reporting, as identified in Section 1111(h)(C)(i). )
- 1.3 **Performance indicator:** The percentage of Title I schools that make adequate yearly progress.

**Performance Goal 2: *All limited-English-proficient students will become proficient in English and reach high academic standards, at a minimum attaining proficiency or better in reading/language arts and mathematics.***

- 2.1. **Performance indicator:** The percentage of limited-English-proficient students, determined by cohort, who have attained English proficiency by the end of the school year.
- 2.2 **Performance indicator:** The percentage of limited-English-proficient students who are at or above the proficient level in reading/language arts on the State's assessment, as reported for performance indicator 1.1.

- 2.3 **Performance indicator:** The percentage of limited-English-proficient students who are at or above the proficient level in mathematics on the State’s assessment, as reported for performance indicator 1.2.

**Performance Goal 3: *By 2005-2006, all students will be taught by highly qualified teachers.***

- 3.1 **Performance indicator:** The percentage of classes being taught by “highly qualified” teachers (as the term is defined in Section 9101(23) of the ESEA), in the aggregate and in “high-poverty” schools (as the term is defined in Section 1111(h)(1)(C)(viii) of the ESEA).
- 3.2 **Performance indicator:** The percentage of teachers receiving high-quality professional development. (See definition of “professional development” in Section 9101(34). )
- 3.3 **Performance indicator:** The percentage of paraprofessionals (excluding those with sole duties as translators and parent involvement assistants) who are qualified. (See criteria in Section 1119(c) and (d). )

**Performance Goal 4: *All students will be educated in learning environments that are safe, drug free, and conducive to learning.***

- 4.1 **Performance indicator:** The percentage of persistently dangerous schools, as defined by the State.

**Performance Goal 5: *All students will graduate from high school.***

- 5.1 **Performance indicator:** The percentage of students who graduate from high school, with a regular diploma:
- disaggregated by race, ethnicity, gender, disability status, migrant status, English proficiency, and status as economically disadvantaged; and,
  - calculated in the same manner as used in National Center for Education Statistics reports on Common Core of Data.
- 5.2 **Performance indicator:** The percentage of students who drop out of school:
- disaggregated by race, ethnicity, gender, disability status, migrant status, English proficiency, and status as economically disadvantaged; and
  - calculated in the same manner as used in National Center for Education Statistics reports on Common Core of Data.

## APPENDIX B

### *Links to Data Web sites*

Below is a listing of Web site links for accessing district-level data and information to be used by the SSD in developing this Plan:

- Academic Performance Index (API)  
<http://www.cde.ca.gov/psaa/api/index.htm>
- California Basic Educational Data System (CBEDS)  
<http://www.cde.ca.gov/demographics/coord/>
- California English Language Development Test (CELDT)  
<http://www.cde.ca.gov/statetests/celdt/celdt.html>
- California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE)  
<http://www.cde.ca.gov/statetests/cahsee/eval/eval.html>
- California Standardized Test (CST)  
<http://www.cde.ca.gov/statetests/index.html>
- DataQuest  
<http://data1.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/>
- School Accountability Report Card (SARC)  
<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ope/sarc/>
- Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program  
<http://www.cde.ca.gov/statetests/star/index.html>
- Guide and Template for the Single Plan for Student Achievement  
<http://www.cde.ca.gov/nclb/sr/le/singleplan.asp>
- Guide and Template for the Local Educational Agency Plan  
<http://www.cde.ca.gov/nclb/sr/le/>