Title I Programs

In order to improve the academic achievement of economically disadvantaged families, the district shall use federal Title I funds to provide eligible students with supplementary services to reinforce the core curriculum and assist students in attaining proficiency on state academic standards and assessments.

(cf. 5149 - At-Risk Students)

(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)

(cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment)

(cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)

A school may operate a Title I school-wide program in order to upgrade the entire educational program of the school when at least 40 percent of the students in the school attendance area, or at least 40 percent of the students enrolled in the school, are from low-income families. The Superintendent or designee shall inform any such eligible school and the school's parents/guardians of the school's eligibility and its ability to consolidate funds from federal, state and local sources for program purposes. (20 USC 6312, 6314)

In any school receiving Title I funds that does not operate a school-wide program, the district shall use Title I funds only for targeted assistance programs for eligible students. (20 USC 6315)

The Superintendent or designee shall provide technical assistance and support to any school participating in the Title I program, including consultation in the development and implementation of school plans and activities. The district and each school receiving Title I funds shall develop a written parent involvement policy in accordance with 20 USC 6318.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure the coordination of Title I activities with other programs as appropriate.

District Plan

The Superintendent or designee shall consult with teachers, principals, administrators, other appropriate school personnel, and parents/guardians of participating students in the development, periodic review, and, as necessary, the revision of a Local Educational Agency (LEA) Plan. The Plan and any revisions shall be submitted to the Governing Board for approval. (20 USC 6312)

Title I Programs (continued)

The district shall submit the plan to the California Department of Education for approval by the State Board of Education. The plan will contain the components specified in 20 USC 6312, which describe the assessment, strategies, and services the district will use to help low-achieving students meet challenging academic standards. (20 USC 6312)

(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)

The district shall periodically review and, as necessary, revise the district plan. (20 USC 6312)

Parent Involvement

Title I programs, activities and procedures shall be developed and agreed upon with parents/guardians of participating students. (20 USC 6318)

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees) (cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

The Superintendent or designee shall: (20 USC 6318)

- 1. Coordinate and integrate Title I parent involvement strategies with parent involvement strategies under other programs specified in 20 USC 6318
- 2. Conduct, with parent/guardian involvement, an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the parent involvement policy in improving the academic quality of the schools served by Title I, including:
 - a. Using evaluation findings to design strategies for more effective parent involvement
 - b. If necessary, revising the district and school parent involvement policies
- 3. Involve parents/guardians in the activities of schools served by Title I

This policy shall be distributed to parents/guardians of participating students and incorporated into the district's Title I plan. (20 USC 6318)

Comparability of Services

State and local funds used in schools receiving Title I funds shall provide services that, taken as a whole, are at least comparable to services in schools that are not receiving Title I funds. Comparability may be determined on a school-by-school basis or by grade span.

Title I Programs (continued)

(20 USC 6321)

The Board of Trustees shall adopt a district-wide salary schedule and the Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures which ensure that all district schools are provided with the same level of base funding, per student, for staff services, curriculum materials and instructional supplies. At the beginning of each school year, the ratio of students to teachers and other staff shall vary as little as possible from school to school. The Superintendent or designee shall maintain records of the quantity and quality of books and equipment at each school.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures for ensuring comparability of services and shall biennially update records documenting the district's compliance. (20 USC 6321) In determining comparability, the district may exclude unpredictable changes in student enrollment or personnel assignments that occur after the beginning of the school year, state and local funds expended for language instruction educational programs, state and local funds expended for excess costs or providing services to disabled students, and supplemental state or local funds expended in any school attendance area or school for programs that specifically meet the intent and purposes of Title I. (20 USC 6321)

At the beginning of each school year, the Superintendent or designee shall measure comparability in accordance with the above criteria and maintain records documenting the district's compliance. If any instances of non-comparability are identified, the Superintendent or designee shall promptly implement adjustments as needed to ensure comparability.

Program Evaluation

The Board shall use state assessment results and other available measures or indicators to annually review the progress of each participating school and determine whether the school is making adequate yearly progress toward ensuring that all students meet the state's proficient level of achievement on state assessments. (20 USC 6312)

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(cf. 0520.2 - Title I Program Improvement Schools)
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(cf. 6190 - Evaluation of the Instructional Program)

(cf. 9000 - Role of the Board)

Title I Programs (continued)

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6316 School improvement

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