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		Organization Name	County-District#
		Lopez High School	007
		Campus Name	Campus Number
		74-6000418	One
		9-Digit Vendor ID#	ESC Region
		105520017110010	
		NOGA ID# (Assigned by TEA)	Amendment #

Texas Title I Priority Schools Grant

Schedule #1 - General Information

Use of the Standard Application System: This system provides a series of standard schedules to be used as formats by applicants who apply for funds administered by the Texas Education Agency. If additional clarification is needed, please call 512-463-9269.

Program Authority: P.L. 107-110, Section 1003(g), as amended by ARRA; CFDA # 84.377A & 84.388A

Project Beginning Date: ~~08/01/2010~~ 10/1/2010

Project Ending Date: 06/30/2013

Select the appropriate eligibility tier for the campus included in this application:

Tier I ☐ **Tier II** ☐ **Tier III** ☒

Part 1: Index to the Application

An X in the "New Application" column indicates those schedules that **must** be submitted as part of the application. The applicant must place an X in this column for each additional schedule submitted to complete the application. For amendments, the applicant must place an X in the Amendment Application column next to the schedule(s) being submitted as part of the amendment.

Sch No.	Schedule Name	Application	
		New	Amend
1	General Information	X	X
3	Purpose of Amendment	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	Program Requirements	X	<input type="checkbox"/>
4A	Program Abstract	X	<input type="checkbox"/>
4B	Program Description	X	<input type="checkbox"/>
4C	Performance Assessment and Evaluation	X	<input type="checkbox"/>
4D	Equitable Access and Participation	X	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	Program Budget Summary	X	X
5B	Payroll Costs 6100	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5C	Professional and Contracted Services 6200	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5D	Supplies and Materials 6300	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5E	Other Operating Costs 6400	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5G	Capital Outlay 6600/15XX (Exclusive of 6619 and 6629)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6A	General Provisions	X	NA
6B	Debarment and Suspension Certification	X	NA
6C	Lobbying Certification	X	NA
6D	Disclosure of Lobbying Activities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6E	NCLB Provisions and Assurances	X	NA
6F	Program-Specific Provisions and Assurances	X	NA

Certification and Incorporation

I hereby certify that the information contained in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, correct and that the organization named above has authorized me as its representative to obligate this organization in a legally binding contractual agreement. I further certify that any ensuing program and activity will be conducted in accordance with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations, application guidelines and instructions, the Provisions and Assurances, Debarment and Suspension, lobbying requirements, Special Provisions and Assurances, and the schedules attached as applicable. It is understood by the applicant that this application constitutes an offer and, if accepted by the Agency or renegotiated to acceptance, will form a binding agreement.

Authorized Official

Typed First Name	Initial	Last Name	Title
Brett		Springston	Superintendent of Schools
Phone	Fax	Email	Signature/Date Signed (blue ink preferred)
956-548-8011	956-548-8019	bspringston@bisd.us	

Only the legally responsible party may sign this application.

6 complete copies of the application, at least 3 with original signature(s), must be received by 5:00 p.m. **Thursday, June 3, 2010:**

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Texas Title I Priority Schools Grant Schedule #1—General Information		
Part 2: List of Required Fiscal-Related Attachments and Assurances		
For competitive applications, the application will not be reviewed and scored if any of the required attachments do not accompany the application when it is submitted. Applicants will not be permitted to submit required attachments, or any revisions to those required attachments, after the closing date of the grant. Attach all required attachments to the back of the application as an appendix.		
1 <input type="checkbox"/>	Proof of Nonprofit Status Required for all open-enrollment charter schools sponsored by a nonprofit organization: Check box to indicate that proof of nonprofit status is attached. (See Part 1: General and Fiscal Guidelines and Part 3: Schedule Instructions for acceptable proof.)	
2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Assurance of Financial Stability Required for all independent school districts, open-enrollment charter schools, and education service centers: Check box to indicate assurance that audit requirements have been met. All public school districts, open-enrollment charter schools, and education service centers must be in compliance with submitting the required annual audit for the immediate prior fiscal year to TEA in the time and manner requested by TEA, and the audit must be determined by the TEA Division of Financial Audits to be in compliance with the applicable audit standards. TEA reserves the right to ensure that all applicants are deemed by TEA to be financially stable at the initial time of preliminary selection for funding to receive a grant award. The TEA Division of Financial Audits will determine financial stability based on the required annual audit for the immediate prior fiscal year.	
3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Assurance of Submittal of Reviewer Information Form Required for all applicants: Check box to indicate assurance that reviewer information form will be submitted. All applicants are required to complete the Reviewer Information Form and to submit it online by Thursday, May 6, 2010 . (See Part 2: Program Guidelines, "Reviewer Information Form," for instructions on how to access and submit the form.)	

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Texas Title I Priority Schools Grant Schedule #1—General Information		
Part 3: Applicant Information		
Local Educational Agency (LEA) Information		
LEA Name		
Brownsville Independent School District		
Mailing Address Line – 1	Mailing Address Line – 2	City
1900 E. Price Road		Brownsville
		Tx
		78520
U.S. Congressional District Number	Primary DUNS Number	Central Contractor Registration (CCR) CAGE Code
Tx-027	030917579	4XT71
		4811680
Campus Name	County-District Campus Number	
Lopez High School	031-901-007	
Mailing Address Line – 1	Mailing Address Line – 2	City
Lopez High School	3205 South Dakota Av.	Brownsville
		Tx
		78521
Applicant Contacts		
Primary Contact		
First Name	Initial	Last Name
Dawn	E.	Hall
Telephone	Fax	Email
(956)982-7400	(956) 982-7499	dhall@bisd.us
Mailing Address Line – 1	Mailing Address Line – 2	City
Lopez High School	3205 South Dakota Av.	Brownsville
		Tx
		78521
Secondary Contact		
First Name	Initial	Last Name
Javier	J.	Garza
Telephone	Fax	E-mail
(956)982-7400	(956) 982-7499	javiergarza@bisd.us
	Mailing Address Line – 2	City
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Schedule #3—Purpose of Amendment

Part 1: Schedules Amended (Check all schedules that are being amended.)

When submitting a revision or an amendment, please indicate by checking the appropriate box what schedules are being revised/amended. Submit supporting budget schedules that are being revised or amended.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Schedule #1—General Information
<input type="checkbox"/> Schedule #3—Purpose of Amendment
<input type="checkbox"/> Schedule #4—Program Requirements
<input type="checkbox"/> Schedule #4A—Program Abstract
<input type="checkbox"/> Schedule #4B—Program Description
<input type="checkbox"/> Schedule #4C— Performance Assessment and Evaluation
<input type="checkbox"/> Schedule #4D—Equitable Access and Participation | <input type="checkbox"/> Schedule #5—Program Budget Summary
<input type="checkbox"/> Schedule #5B—Payroll Costs 6100
<input type="checkbox"/> Schedule #5C—Professional and Contracted Services 6200
<input type="checkbox"/> Schedule #5D—Supplies and Materials 6300
<input type="checkbox"/> Schedule #5E—Other Operating Costs 6400
<input type="checkbox"/> Schedule #5G—Capital Outlay 6600/15XX (Exclusive of 6619 and 6629) |
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NOTE: The last day to submit an amendment to TEA is 90 days prior to the ending date of the grant.

Part 2: Revised Budget

Complete this part if there are any budgetary changes.

Line No.	Sch. No.	Class/ Object Code	Grant Project Costs Previously Approved Budget	B Amount Deleted	C Amount Added	D New Budget
01	5B	6100	\$	\$	\$	\$
02	5C	6200	\$	\$	\$	\$
03	5D	6300	\$	\$	\$	\$
04	5E	6400	\$	\$	\$	\$
05	5G	6600/15XX	\$	\$	\$	\$
06	Total Direct Costs	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
07	Indirect Cost (%)		\$	\$	\$	\$
08	Total Costs		\$	\$	\$	\$

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Schedule #4—Program Summary and Application Requirements		
Part 1: Grant Program Information;		
Summary of Program: Purpose and Goals		
<p>School Improvement Grants, authorized under section 1003(g) of Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (Title I or ESEA) as amended by ARRA, are grants, through the Texas Education Agency, to local educational agencies (LEAs) for use in Title I schools identified for improvement, corrective action, or restructuring and other eligible campuses that demonstrate the greatest need for the funds and the strongest commitment to use the funds to provide adequate resources in order to raise substantially the achievement of their students so as to enable the schools to make adequate yearly progress and exit improvement status. Under the final requirements, as amended through the interim final requirements published in the Federal Register in January 2010 school improvement funds are to be focused on each State's "Tier I" and "Tier II" schools.</p> <p>Tier I schools are a State's persistently lowest-achieving Title I schools in improvement, corrective action, or restructuring and certain Title I eligible elementary schools that are as low achieving as the State's other Tier I schools. Tier II schools are a State's persistently-lowest achieving secondary schools that are eligible for, but do not receive, Title I, Part A funds and certain additional Title I eligible secondary schools that are as low achieving as the State's other Tier II schools or that have had a graduation rate below 60 percent over a number of years. An LEA may also use school improvement funds in Title I schools in improvement, corrective action, or restructuring that are not identified as persistently lowest-achieving schools and certain additional Title I eligible schools ("Tier III schools").</p> <p>In the Tier I and Tier II schools an LEA chooses to serve, the LEA must implement one of four school intervention models: turnaround model, restart model, school closure, or transformation model.</p>		
Allowable Activities		
<p>Tier I and Tier II Grantees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Grantees must expend grant funds for the required activities delineated for the selected intervention model as defined in the final federal regulations. ■ Grantees may expend grant funds for the permissible activities delineated for the selected intervention model as defined in the final federal regulations. ■ Grantees may expend grant funds for other school improvement activities deemed needed to address identified needs not addressed by the intervention model selected. <p>Tier III Grantees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Tier III grantees may select one of the four intervention models in the federal regulations or the state's Tier III Transformation Model. ■ If selecting one of the four models in the federal regulations, grantees must expend grant funds for the required activities delineated for the selected intervention model as defined in the final federal regulations. Grantees may expend grant funds for the permissible activities delineated for the selected intervention model as defined in the final federal regulations. ■ Grantees may expend grant funds for other school improvement activities deemed needed to address identified needs not addressed by the intervention model selected. <p>In addition, a Tier I, Tier II, Tier III grantee campus that has implemented, in whole or in part, either the Turnaround, Restart, or Transformation models within the last two years may continue or complete the implementation of the intervention model with the TTIPS grant funds. For example, if a grantee campus has replaced its principal within the last two years, the LEA/campus will not be required to hire another new principal. An LEA/campus that receives TTIPS SIG funds in accordance with this flexibility must fully implement the selected model as required by the final federal requirements. In other words, if the school had been implementing the model only in part, it must use the funds it receives to expand its implementation so that it fully complies with the federal regulatory requirements.</p> <p>The detailed required and permissible activities for each intervention model, as defined in the final federal regulations are listed on Schedule #4—Program Requirements and are incorporated by reference herein.</p>		

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Part 2: Statutory Requirements			
#	Requirement Description – Federal Statutory Requirements	Primary Component Where Described	
1	The LEA must demonstrate that the LEA has analyzed the needs of each school and selected an intervention for each school and selected an intervention for each school.	Comprehensive Needs Assessment	
2	The LEA must demonstrate that it has the capacity to use these grant funds to provide adequate resources and related support to each Tier campus identified in the LEA's application in order to implement, fully and effectively, the required activities of the school intervention model it has selected.	Project Management—Capacity Project Management—LEA Support	
3	If the LEA is not applying to serve each Tier I school (through a separate application for each campus), the LEA must explain why it lacks capacity to serve each Tier I school.	Project Management—Lack of Capacity	
4	The LEA must describe actions it has taken, or will take, to design and implement interventions consistent with the final federal requirements, including the services the campus will receive or the activities the campus will implement.	Program Abstract Intervention Model	
5	The LEA must describe actions it has taken, or will take, to recruit, screen, and select external providers, if applicable, to ensure their quality.	Project Management—External Providers	
6	The LEA must describe actions it has taken, or will take, to align other resources with the interventions.	Project Management—Resource Management Program Budget Summary	
7	The LEA must describe actions it has taken, or will take, to modify its practices or policies, if necessary, to enable its schools to implement the interventions fully and effectively.	Project Management—Management of Grant Activities	
8	The LEA must describe actions it has taken, or will take, to sustain the reforms after the funding period ends.	Project Management—Program Continuation and Sustainability	
9	The LEA must include a timeline delineating the steps it will take to implement the selected intervention in each campus.	Project Management—Activity Timeline	
10	The LEA must describe the annual goals for student achievement on the State's assessments in both reading/language arts and mathematics that it has established in order to monitor its Tier I and Tier II schools that receive school improvement funds.	Performance Assessment and Evaluation—Annual Performance Goals	
11	As appropriate, the LEA must consult with relevant stakeholders regarding the LEA's application and implementation of school improvement models on its campus	Comprehensive Needs Assessment—Groups of Participants Project Management—Partnerships/Involvement of Others	
12	Applicant provides assurance that financial assistance provided under the grant program will supplement, and not supplant, the amount of state and local funds allocated to the campus.	Program Assurances	
13	Applicant provides assurance that it will use its School Improvement Grant to implement fully and effectively an intervention in each Tier I and Tier II school that the LEA commits to serve consistent with the final federal requirements.	Program Assurances	

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<p>14</p>	<p>Applicant provides assurance that it will establish annual goals for student achievement on the State's assessments in both reading/language arts and mathematics and measure progress on the leading indicators in section III of the final federal requirements in order to monitor each Tier I and Tier II school that it serves with school improvement funds, and establish goals (approved by the TEA) to hold accountable its Tier III schools that receive grant funds.</p>	<p>Program Assurances</p>
<p>15</p>	<p>Applicant provides assurance that it will, if it implements a restart model in a Tier I or Tier II school, include in its contract or agreement terms and provisions to hold the charter operator, charter management organization (CMO), or education management organization (EMO) accountable for complying with the final federal requirements.</p>	<p>Program Assurances</p>
<p>16</p>	<p>Applicant provides assurance that it will report to the TEA the school-level data required under section III of the final federal requirements.</p>	<p>Program Assurances</p>
<p>17</p>	<p>If the LEA/campus selects to implement the turnaround model, the campus must implement the following federal requirements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Replace the principal and grant the principal sufficient operational flexibility (including in staffing, calendars/time, and budgeting) to implement fully a comprehensive approach in order to substantially improve student achievement outcomes and increase high school graduation rates; b. Use locally adopted competencies to measure the effectiveness of staff who can work within the turnaround environment to meet the needs of students; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Screen all existing staff and rehire no more than 50 percent; and 2. Select new staff. c. Implement such strategies as financial incentives, increased opportunities for promotion and career growth, and more flexible work conditions that are designed to recruit, place, and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in the turnaround school; d. Provide staff ongoing, high-quality, job-embedded professional development that is aligned with the school's comprehensive instructional program and designed with school staff to ensure that they are equipped to facilitate effective teaching and learning and have the capacity to successfully implement school reform strategies; e. Adopt a new governance structure, which may include, but is not limited to, requiring the school to report to a new "turnaround office" in the LEA or SEA, hire a "turnaround leader" who reports directly to the Superintendent or Chief Academic Officer, or enter into a multi-year contract with the LEA or SEA to obtain added flexibility in exchange for greater accountability; f. Use data to identify and implement an instructional program that is research-based and vertically aligned from one grade to the next as well as aligned with State academic standards; g. Promote the continuous use of student data (such as from formative, interim, and summative assessments) to inform and differentiate instruction in order to meet the academic needs of individual students; h. Establish schedules and implement strategies that provide increased learning time (as defined in this notice); and i. Provide appropriate social-emotional and community-oriented services and supports for students. 	<p>Program Assurances</p>

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18	If the LEA/campus selects to implement the turnaround model , the campus may implement the following federal requirements. a. Any of the required and permissible activities under the transformation model; or b. A new school model (e.g., themed, dual language academy).	Program Assurances	
19	If the LEA/campus selects to implement the school closure model , the campus must implement the following requirement. a. Enroll the students who attended that school in other schools in the LEA that are higher achieving within reasonable proximity to the closed school and may include, but are not limited to, charter schools or new schools for which achievement data are not yet available. b. A grant for school closure is a one-year grant without the possibility of continued funding.	Program Assurances	
20	If the LEA/campus selects to implement the restart model , the campus must implement the following federal requirements. a. Convert or close and reopen the school under a charter school operator, a charter management organization (CMO), or an education management organization (EMO) that has been selected through a rigorous review process. A CMO is a non-profit organization that operates or manages charter schools by centralizing or sharing certain functions and resources among schools. An EMO is a for-profit or non-profit organization that provides "whole-school operation" services to an LEA. b. Enroll, within the grades it serves, any former student who wishes to attend the school.	Program Assurances	
21	If the LEA/campus selects to implement the transformation model , the campus must implement the following federal requirements. 1. Develop and increase teacher and school leader effectiveness. (A) Replace the principal who led the school prior to commencement of the transformation model; (B) Use rigorous, transparent, and equitable evaluation systems for teachers and principals that-- (1) Take into account data on student growth as a significant factor as well as other factors such as multiple observation-based assessments of performance and ongoing collections of professional practice reflective of student achievement and increased high school graduation rates; and (2) Are designed and developed with teacher and principal involvement; (C) Identify and reward school leaders, teachers, and other staff who, in implementing this model, have increased student achievement and high school graduation rates and identify and remove those who, after ample opportunities have been provided for them to improve their professional practice, have not done so; (D) Provide staff ongoing, high-quality, job-embedded professional development (e.g., regarding subject-specific pedagogy, instruction that reflects a deeper understanding of the community served by the school, or differentiated instruction) that is aligned with the school's comprehensive instructional program and	Program Assurances	

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21	designed with school staff to ensure they are equipped to facilitate effective teaching and learning and have the capacity to successfully implement school reform strategies; and (E) Implement such strategies as financial incentives, increased opportunities for promotion and career growth, and more flexible work conditions that are designed to recruit, place, and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in a transformation school. 2. Comprehensive instructional reform strategies. (A) Use data to identify and implement an instructional program that is research-based and vertically aligned from one grade to the next as well as aligned with State academic standards; and (B) Promote the continuous use of student data (such as from formative, interim, and summative assessments) to inform and differentiate instruction in order to meet the academic needs of individual students. 3. Increasing learning time and creating community-oriented schools. (A) Establish schedules and strategies that provide increased learning time; and (B) Provide ongoing mechanisms for family and community engagement. 4. Providing operational flexibility and sustained support. (A) Give the school sufficient operational flexibility (such as staffing, calendars/time, and budgeting) to implement fully a comprehensive approach to substantially improve student achievement outcomes and increase high school graduation rates; and (B) Ensure that the school receives ongoing, intensive technical assistance and related support from the LEA, the SEA, or a designated external lead partner organization (such as a school turnaround organization or an EMO).	Program Assurances
22	An LEA may also implement other strategies to develop teachers' and school leaders' effectiveness, such as-- (A) Provide additional compensation to attract and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in a transformation school; (B) Institute a system for measuring changes in instructional practices resulting from professional development; or (C) Ensure that the school is not required to accept a teacher without the mutual consent of the teacher and principal, regardless of the teacher's seniority.	Program Assurances

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23	<p>An LEA may also implement comprehensive instructional reform strategies, such as--</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) Conduct periodic reviews to ensure that the curriculum is being implemented with fidelity, is having the intended impact on student achievement, and is modified if ineffective; (B) Implement a school wide "response-to-intervention" model; (C) Provide additional supports and professional development to teachers and principals in order to implement effective strategies to support students with disabilities in the least restrictive environment and to ensure that limited English proficient students acquire language skills to master academic content; (D) Use and integrate technology-based supports and interventions as part of the instructional program; and (E) In secondary schools-- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Increase rigor by offering opportunities for students to enroll in advanced coursework (such as Advanced Placement; International Baccalaureate; or science, technology, engineering, and mathematics courses, especially those that incorporate rigorous and relevant project-, inquiry-, or design-based contextual learning opportunities), early-college high schools, dual enrollment programs, or thematic learning academies that prepare students for college and careers, including by providing appropriate supports designed to ensure that low-achieving students can take advantage of these programs and coursework; (2) Improve student transition from middle to high school through summer transition programs or freshman academies; (3) Increase graduation rates through, for example, credit-recovery programs, re-engagement strategies, smaller learning communities, competency-based instruction and performance-based assessments, and acceleration of basic reading and mathematics skills; or (4) Establish early-warning systems to identify students who may be at risk of failing to achieve to high standards or graduate. 	Program Assurances
24	<p>An LEA may also implement other strategies that extend learning time and create community-oriented schools, such as--</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) Partner with parents and parent organizations, faith- and community-based organizations, health clinics, other State or local agencies, and others to create safe school environments that meet students' social, emotional, and health needs; (B) Extend or restructure the school day so as to add time for such strategies as advisory periods that build relationships between students, faculty, and other school staff; (C) Implement approaches to improve school climate and discipline, such as implementing a system of positive behavioral supports or taking steps to eliminate bullying and student harassment; or (D) Expand the school program to offer full-day kindergarten or pre-kindergarten. 	Program Assurances

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25	The LEA may also implement other strategies for providing operational flexibility and intensive support, such as-- (A) Allow the school to be run under a new governance arrangement, such as a turnaround division within the LEA or SEA; or (B) Implement a per-pupil school-based budget formula that is weighted based on student needs.	Program Assurances
26	An LEA that has nine or more Tier I and Tier II schools is prohibited from implementing the transformation model in more than 50% of those schools.	Program Assurances
By submitting the application and signing Schedule #1, the applicant is certifying that all requirements are met in these program narrative component descriptions and activities.		
Part 3: Statutory Assurances		
#	Statutory Assurance Description	
1	Applicant provides assurance that financial assistance provided under the grant program will supplement, and not supplant, the amount of state and local funds allocated to the campus.	
2	Applicant provides assurance that it will use its TTIPS Grant to implement fully and effectively an intervention in each Tier I and Tier II school that the LEA commits to serve consistent with the final federal requirements.	
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5	Applicant provides assurance that it will report to the TEA the school-level data required under section III of the final federal requirements.	
6	Applicant provides assurance that it will participate in any evaluation of the grant conducted by the U.S. Department of Education, including its contractors, or the Texas Education Agency, including its contractors.	
Part 4: TEA Program Assurances		
#	TEA Assurance Description	
1	Before full implementation funds are made available, the grantee must demonstrate that all early implementation activities have been completed. Successful completion of the early implementation will be measured in the Quarterly Implementation Reports (QIR), the Model Selection and Description Report, and through participation in TEA technical assistance. a. The Model Selection and Description Report must be submitted to TEA no later than February 1, 2011 . This report may be submitted at any time prior to the deadline. Grantees must demonstrate successful completion of the following activities: i. Comprehensive Needs Assessment process. ii. Establish the grant budget by the required categories. iii. Identification and Selection of the intervention model. iv. Development of activities to implement selected intervention model. v. Development of Timeline of Grant Activities.	

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2	The applicant provides assurance that the LEA will designate an individual or office with primary responsibilities for supporting the LEA/campus' school improvement efforts. This individual/office will have primary responsibility and authority for ensuring the effective implementation of the grant option approved by TEA; serve as the district liaison to TEA and those providing technical assistance and/or contracted service to the LEA/campus as part of the approved grant.	
3	The applicant provides assurance that a team from the grantee LEA/campus will attend and participate in grant orientation meetings, technical assistance meetings, other periodic meetings of grantees, the Texas School Improvement Conference, and sharing of best practices.	
4	For the LEAs selecting the TEA Designed Models the applicant provide assurances that it will participate in and make use of technical assistance and coaching support provided by TEA, SIRC, and/or its subcontractors.	
5	The applicant will establish or provide evidence of a system of formative assessment aligned to the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills which provides robust, targeted data to evaluate the effectiveness of the LEA's curriculum and its alignment with instruction occurring on the campus; assesses progress on student groups' academic achievement at the campus level; and guide instructional decisions by teachers for individual students.	
6	The applicant will participate in a formative assessment of the LEA's capacity and commitment to carry out the grant intervention models.	
7	The applicant will provide access for onsite visits to the LEA and campus by TEA, SIRC and its contractors.	
8	The applicant, if selecting the Restart Model, agrees to contract only with CMO or EMO providers on the State's approved list of CMO and EMO providers.	
9	The applicant, if selecting the Turnaround Model or Transformation Model (Tiers I and Tiers II only) agrees to the participation of the campus principal or principal candidates in a formative assessment of their turnaround leadership capacity.	
10	<p>If the LEA/Tier III campus selects to implement the transformation model, the campus assures That it will it implement the following federal requirements.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop and increase teacher and school leader effectiveness. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Evaluate the effectiveness of the current principal and use the results of the evaluation to determine whether the principal should be replaced, be retained on the campus, or be provided leadership coaching or training. B. Identify and reward school leaders, teachers, and other staff who, in implementing this model, have increased student achievement and high school graduation rates and identify and remove those who, after ample opportunities have been provided for them to improve their professional practice, have not done so; C. Provide staff ongoing, high-quality, job-embedded professional development (e.g., regarding subject-specific pedagogy, instruction that reflects a deeper understanding of the community served by the school, or differentiated instruction) that is aligned with the school's comprehensive instructional program and designed with school staff to ensure they are equipped to facilitate effective teaching and learning and have the capacity to successfully implement school reform strategies; and D. Implement such strategies as financial incentives, increased opportunities for promotion and career growth, and more flexible work conditions that are designed to recruit, place, and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in a transformation school based on rigorous, transparent, and equitable evaluation systems for teachers and principals: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Takes into account data on student growth as a a factor as well as other factors such as multiple observation-based assessments of student performance and ongoing collections of professional practice reflective of student achievement and increased high school graduation rates; and 2. Are designed and developed and with teacher and principal involvement 	

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10	2. Comprehensive instructional reform strategies. A. Use data to identify and implement an instructional program that is research-based and vertically aligned from one grade to the next as well as aligned with State academic standards; and B. Promote the continuous use of student data (such as from formative, interim, and summative assessments) to inform and differentiate instruction in order to meet the academic needs of individual students. 3. Increasing learning time and creating community-oriented schools. A. Establish schedules and strategies that provide increased learning time; and B. Provide ongoing mechanisms for family and community engagement. 4. Providing operational flexibility and sustained support. A. Give the school sufficient operational flexibility (such as staffing, calendars/time, and budgeting) to implement fully a comprehensive approach to substantially improve student achievement outcomes and increase high school graduation rates; and B. Ensure that the school receives ongoing, intensive technical assistance and related support from the LEA, the SEA, or a designated external lead partner organization (such as a school turnaround organization or an EMO).	
11	An LEA may also implement other strategies to develop teachers' and school leaders' effectiveness, such as-- (A) Provide additional compensation to attract and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in a transformation school; (B) Institute a system for measuring changes in instructional practices resulting from professional development; or (C) Ensure that the school is not required to accept a teacher without the mutual consent of the teacher and principal, regardless of the teacher's seniority.	
12	An LEA may also implement comprehensive instructional reform strategies, such as-- (A) Conduct periodic reviews to ensure that the curriculum is being implemented with fidelity, is having the intended impact on student achievement, and is modified if ineffective; (B) Implement a school wide "response-to-intervention" model; (C) Provide additional supports and professional development to teachers and principals in order to implement effective strategies to support students with disabilities in the least restrictive environment and to ensure that limited English proficient students acquire language skills to master academic content; (D) Use and integrate technology-based supports and interventions as part of the instructional program; and (E) In secondary schools-- (1) Increase rigor by offering opportunities for students to enroll in advanced coursework (such as advanced Placement; International Baccalaureate; or science, technology, engineering, and mathematics courses, especially those that incorporate rigorous and relevant project-, inquiry-, or design-based contextual learning opportunities), early-college high schools, dual enrollment programs, or thematic learning academies that prepare students for college and careers, including by providing appropriate supports designed to ensure that low-achieving students can take advantage of these programs and coursework; (2) Improve student transition from middle to high school through summer transition programs or freshman academies; (3) Increase graduation rates through, for example, credit-recovery programs, re-engagement strategies, smaller learning communities, competency-based instruction and performance-based assessments, and acceleration of basic reading and mathematics skills; or (4) Establish early-warning systems to identify students who may be at risk of failing to achieve to high standards or graduate.	

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13	An LEA may also implement other strategies that extend learning time and create community-oriented schools, such as-- A. Partner with parents and parent organizations, faith- and community-based organizations, health clinics, other State or local agencies, and others to create safe school environments that meet students' social, emotional, and health needs; B. Extend or restructure the school day so as to add time for such strategies as advisory periods that build relationships between students, faculty, and other school staff; C. Implement approaches to improve school climate and discipline, such as implementing a system of positive behavioral supports or taking steps to eliminate bullying and student harassment; or D. Expand the school program to offer full-day kindergarten or pre-kindergarten.	
14	The LEA may also implement other strategies for providing operational flexibility and intensive support, such as-- A. Allow the school to be run under a new governance arrangement, such as a turnaround division within the LEA or SEA; or B. Implement a per-pupil school-based budget formula that is weighted based on student needs.	
15	The LEA/campus assures TEA that data to meet the following federal requirements will be available and reported as requested. a. Number of minutes within the school year. b. Average scale scores on State assessments in reading/language arts and in mathematics, by grade, for the "all students" group, for each achievement quartile, and for each subgroup. c. Number and percentage of students completing advanced coursework (e.g., AP/IB), early-college high schools, or dual enrollment classes. (High Schools Only) d. College enrollment rates. (High Schools Only) e. Teacher Attendance Rate f. Student Completion Rate g. Student Drop-Out Rate h. Locally developed competencies created to identify teacher strengths/weaknesses i. Types of support offered to teachers j. Types of on-going, job-embedded professional development for teachers k. Types of on-going, job-embedded professional development for administrators l. Strategies to increase parent/community involvement m. Strategies which increase student learning time	
By submitting the application and signing Schedule #1, the applicant is certifying it will comply with the above assurances.		

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Part 1: Grant Eligibility		
<input type="checkbox"/> Tier I Eligible Campus <input type="checkbox"/> Tier II Eligible Campus <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tier III Eligible Campus		
Identify which timeline the LEA/Campus the applicant will implement.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Option 1: LEA/campus currently engaged in aggressive reform <input type="checkbox"/> Option 2: LEA/campus in need of foundational technical assistance		
Part 2: Grant Program Summary. Provide a brief overview of the program you plan to implement on the campus. Be sure to address fundamental issues such as your local program goals and objectives that align with the RFA purpose and goals, rationale for program design, etc. Address the specific gaps, barriers, or weaknesses to be addressed by the intervention model to be selected. A response to this question must be completed in the original submission regardless of whether the LEA/campus has selected an intervention model at this time or not. Responses are limited to the space provided, front side only, with a font size no smaller than 9 point (Arial or Verdana).		
<p>The Brownsville ISD, located on the most southern tip of Texas along the Rio Grande River is among the poorest districts in Texas . 67% of Brownsville & Cameron county's population live below the poverty level. Lopez High School draws its 2200 students from the poorest neighborhood within the city. Surveys indicate that the majority of our students will be the first to graduate from high school in their families. Lopez students will not go to college without scholarships or exorbitant student loan debt. For this reason, our students must score "commended" or "on grade level" on TAKS in order to set the stage for college success and scholarship dollars.</p> <p>Lopez HS is Tier 3 eligible and will implement the TEA transformation model with the exception of replacing our leadership. Our goals for TAKS mastery indicate that 90% of all students over three years and each student group tested will demonstrate mastery of TAKS in ELA, math, science, and social studies. Furthermore, 75% will graduate in 4 years, and 95% will complete high school. Our goals state that all children will be taught, will learn, and will perform at/above their academic levels in all core subject areas and that Lopez High School will eliminate student achievement gaps in the areas of gender, socio-economic levels, ethnicity, and program specific populations (LEP and special education). These mirror the TTIPS goals for restructuring of schools, meeting adequate yearly progress (AYP), reducing dropout rates, and increasing graduation, college, and work-force ready rates. TTIPS CSF targets improving school climate. Lopez's Campus Improvement Plan (CIP) also addresses school climate, attendance (95%), discipline referral reduction (10%), and over three years increasing extra-curricular participation (90%). Our climate goals revolve around providing a safe, clean, and orderly learning environment for every ninth grade student as a means of optimizing the teaching and learning process. Two TTIPS CSFs revolve around increasing teacher quality and leadership effectiveness. Lopez's CIP strategies and activities all include professional development activities for teachers, staff, and leadership. Our goals also mirror significant components of restructuring in the following manner: "The District will recruit, hire, value, and retain highly qualified and experienced personnel who will ensure that all students' educational needs are met and that all children achieve on grade level." Finally, Lopez High School's goal of "implementing parent, business, and community involvement partnerships essential to enhancing the overall quality of our students' education and every child's academic success" is also reflective of TTIPS CSF 6: increasing parent/community involvement opportunities for input, and effective and accessible communication and community services. Our CIP articulates the same goal with the following over a three year period: "a 30% increase in the area of parental and community involvement." Lopez HS hosts 650 ninth grade students, 98% are Hispanic, 97% are low SES, 14% are LEP, 22% are Special Ed and 48% are At-Risk. Our campus was rated "Acceptable" in the 2008-2009 State Accountability System (AEIS). Also, only 16% of the students tested earned "commended reading" and only 17% of them earned "commended math" scores (2009). Recognizing that Lopez has failed in our attempts to meet our own goals, BISD goals, and state and federal goals, the campus hereby commits to implementing the following reform strategies that will result in substantially improved student achievement. 1) Campus leadership training with on-going job embedded professional development. 2) Quality, research-based teacher training/retraining not only in the areas of academics but also in the areas of a) sensitivity, b) hands-on strategies for special needs students, c) engaging the reluctant learner, d) data-driven decision-making and e) technology tools to enhance student understanding and success. 3) Student learning and staff collaborative planning time increases. 4) Research-based resources in the areas of technology, hands-on, benchmark tools, software programs. 5) 9th Grade Small Learning Communities. 6) Extended day opportunities. 7) Technical assistance (SIRC, Region I). 8) Discipline management/school climate restructuring & research-based programs. 9) Increases in community and parental support and collaborative planning/decision-making and partnerships.</p>		

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Texas Title I Priority Schools Grant Schedule #4B—Program Description															
Part 1: Comprehensive Needs Assessment															
Section A: Campus Grade Levels															
Type of School	Number of Students Enrolled in Grade Levels on the Campus to be Served with Grant														
	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Public School								0	0	0	731	418	591	460	2200
Open-Enrollment Charter School	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	RW 11-1
Total Students:								0	0	0	731	418	591	460	2200
Total Instructional Staff														171	
Total Support Staff														18	
Section B: Data Sources Reviewed or to be Reviewed in the Comprehensive Needs Assessment Process															
1	Texas Education Agency Comprehensive Needs Assessment Model.														
2	<u>Demographics:</u> All broken down: ethnicity, gender, SES, LEP, at-risk, special education, migrant, & LEP categories (B/I/A). Enrollment & trends. Mobility rates, Special programs enrollments (GT, UIL, chess, art, music). Over/under representation in programs according to gender, special education, dyslexia, 504, LEP & at-risk criteria. Success levels of students exited from LEP, bilingual, special education, & dyslexia. Staff demographics, teacher student ratios and evaluation of how demographics and ratios impact (current & historically) student success.														
3	<u>Student Achievement:</u> TAKS, TPRI/Tejas LEE, SELP, AMOS, benchmark assessments, TELPAS. All data sources disaggregated by ethnicity, gender, SES, LEP at-risk, special education, migrant & LEP. Growth trends, regression trends, stagnation trends and TAKS commended performance trends overall & by population.														
4	<u>School Culture & Climate:</u> Student, staff, parent & community surveys. Ascertain how stakeholders describe school climate in terms of feelings of personal safety, discipline, physical environment, cleanliness, respectful atmosphere, sense of belonging & support and overall culture. Attendance/tardy rates. Discipline referrals trends.														
5	<u>Staff Quality, Recruitment, & Retention:</u> Highly qualified teachers & staff. % of Masters Degree teachers. Staff attendance, retention, & turnover rates. Process for aligning professional development to student needs.														
6	<u>Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment:</u> Degree of adherence to state & district mandated curriculum (TEKS & C Scope). Degree to which assessment results are used to drive curriculum & instruction. Degree to which course corrections are made, tutorials planned, etc. based on benchmark results. Determination of whether or not tutorials, Tier 2 interventions, etc. provide high impact/high yield results. Determination of level of student engagement in the learning process. Determination of level of student ownership in the learning process.														
7	<u>Family & Community Involvement:</u> Services to support families. #/quality of activities for parents. Quality/quantity of services to parents of students in special programs. #/quality of community partnerships.														
8	<u>School Context & Organization:</u> Degree/quality of support from central office. Degree/quality of teacher teams' collaborative work and vertical/horizontal alignment of curriculum, tutorials, etc. Degree to which student and staff schedules maximize student success. Degree of staff's commitment to/belief in students.														
9	<u>Technology:</u> What technology is currently in use? How outdated/up-to-date is it? Technology literacy level of teachers & staff. % of use of technology per teacher per instructional unit. Degree of technology use by students.														

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Part 1: Comprehensive Needs Assessment Cont.		
Section C: Process Responses are limited to the space provided, front side only, with a font size no smaller than 9 point (Arial or Verdana).		
Describe, in detail, the process the LEA and campus followed/will follow to identify the needs of the campus.		
<p>Lopez High School will use the Texas Education Agency, Region 20, NCLB Comprehensive Needs Assessment (CNA) Model. This is a five step process which ultimately links needs assessment results to the review and development of annual campus goals and a campus improvement plan. The five steps are: 1) Review the purpose and outcomes for conducting the CNA. 2) Establish committees for each area (demographics, student achievement, school culture/climate, family/community involvement, school context/organization, and technology. 3) Determine which types of data will be collected and analyzed by each committee to develop the school profile. 4) Determine areas of priority and summarize needs. 5) Connect the CNA to the campus improvement plan development and review process.</p> <p><u>(Step 1)</u> The administrative team will thoroughly plan the process, set short and long-term timelines, prepare presentation and data collection tools, and introduce the campus's Site-Based Decision-Making committee and the school-as-a-whole to the process. A high level of buy-in of all stakeholders and their enthusiasm to participate is critical to success. Stakeholders must clearly understand what will be accomplished through this process, what their involvement will be, and how outcomes will be communicated.</p> <p><u>(Step 2)</u> To facilitate the process and ensure buy-in from stakeholders, all staff and other potential members will be organized into committees. Some staff members may prefer to volunteer for a particular committee while others may wish to await an appointment. However, it will be the responsibility of campus leadership to ensure that each committee contains representatives from a cross-section of the school and community. Special consideration will be given to ensuring that there is diversity on each committee to challenge assumptions and stimulate discussions. Some of the teachers, administrators, pupil services personnel, technical assistance providers, parents, and community representatives on each committee should have expertise in the particular area of study and there should be members on each committee who have experience in group facilitation, consensus building, data analysis, collaboration and coordination. It is anticipated that more than 75% of the staff will be actively engaged in the process.</p> <p><u>(Step 3)</u> Once the committees (demographics, student achievement, school culture/climate, family/community involvement, school context/organization, and technology) are formed and a chairperson has been selected, each will determine what data and types of data should be collected and analyzed to provide key information regarding the strengths and needs of the school. Data collection must be purposeful and sufficient to assessing the needs of the campus but not so massive that it is difficult to determine what are the key factors contributing to and hindering student success. Sound data sources to be reviewed by each committee are found on the previous page (17). Campus administration will engage the support of central office in reorganizing the data collected into charts, graphs, tables etc. to facilitate analysis. It is critical to the success of the process that informed decisions are made based on data rather than on assumptions or perceptions. However, it is the function of each committee to report the data, not to identify solutions. Each committee will complete its work by writing its narrative which tells the story that the data presents and will use varied formats to illustrate findings.</p> <p><u>(Step 4)</u> Based on the committees' findings and summary reports, the school-as-a-whole in conjunction with the Campus Site-Based-Decision-Making team will study the evidence to determine what the strengths and needs of the campus are, what the priorities are, what pieces of evidence are impacted by other pieces of evidence, and whether or not any additional information is needed. Informed decisions need to be made regarding which CNA priorities will be dealt with to impact continuous improvement.</p> <p><u>(Step 5)</u> The data-driven priorities become the basis of the school's plan for transformation. The TEA CNA process tools will be used to match objectives and research-based strategies, programs, activities, and resources to the school's greatest areas of need of improvement/priorities (ie.: special education TAKS scores) and package all into an Campus Improvement Plan. Critical to this step is the linking of all NCLB expenditures to the CNA priorities and the annual Campus Improvement Plan as well as the initiatives used to ensure that all students meet challenging academic and performance standards. Periodic reviews will be conducted to ensure that significant and deliberate progress toward meeting the CNA priorities is being made, whether or not course corrections are needed, and whether or not new priorities (ie.: changes in state assessment requirements) may be found to be emerging.</p>		

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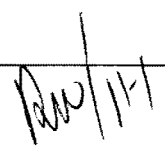
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1	Superintendent Designee/ Area Assistant Superintendent	
2	Campus Principal	
3	Central Office Administration and Personnel	
4	Campus Administration	
5	Teachers	
6	(SBDM) Site Based Decision Making Committee Members	
7	Community members	
8	Department Heads/ Grade Level Lead Teachers	
9	Parents	
10	Students	

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Capacity -- Describe the LEA's capacity to use grant funds to provide adequate resources and related services/support to the campus to implement, fully and effectively, the required activities of the school intervention model.		
<p> BISD, home to over 48,000 students and close to 7000 employees, of necessity has an infrastructure designed to support its 36 elementary campuses, 10 middle schools, 5 high schools, and 4 alternative/school of choice campuses. While it simultaneously boasts a below-state average of administrative costs (BISD: 6.93%. State: 11.05%. 2006 FIRST data), the District does have highly capable, efficient, and effective support personnel to work with campuses in finance, curriculum and instruction, supplemental services, transportation, food services, health services, etc. BISD's organizational chart, in addition to the departments necessary to the functioning of a Texas ISD, maintains the following departments which exist mainly to support campuses and students: Federal Programs, State Comp., Migrant Education, Advanced Academics, Assessment/Evaluation/Research, Bilingual Education, Career & Technical Education, Special Services Department, Dyslexia, Fine Arts Department, Guidance & Counseling, Homeless Youth, RtI, Instructional Technology, Parental Involvement, Police & Security Services, and Wellness. The District is organized into the Cluster/Feeder school concept. Elementary school students feed into middle schools in their geographical section of Brownsville and the middle school students then feed into the high schools in their zone. Currently, Lopez High School is one of five BISD high schools, 2 middle school feed into us, and 7 elementary schools feed into our 2 middle schools. Our cluster is served directly by an Area Assistant Superintendent and is identified by our high school's name. Thus, our cluster is named Lopez. Additionally, the Curriculum and Instruction Department has 1 ELA, 1 math, 1 social studies and 1 science curriculum specialist who each serves our cluster. The Bilingual Education, Advanced Academics, Special Services, and Human Resources departments also have personnel (lead teachers or specialists) each individually assigned to one cluster. Thus the District is organized in a manner that facilitates the provision of adequate resources and related services to support the campus in its reform efforts. The infrastructure is, of its very nature, designed to help the campus fully and effectively implement the required activities of the school intervention model selected, Tier 3 Modified Transformation. These curriculum specialists are experts in their field. Additionally, they attend all State trainings and, in many cases, are trainer of trainers in the TEKS, revised TEKS, CSCOPE curriculum and instructional models. They are knowledgeable of all the intricacies of the TAKS and stay on top of each piece of End of Course information and legislation, are highly competent in the disaggregation of assessment data and are conscientious in obtaining resources, manipulatives, etc for each student population at Lopez High School. These curriculum specialists, as well as the lead teachers in Bilingual Education and Advanced Academics are required to be on the campuses they serve Monday through Thursday of each week. They design their services in collaboration with the Cluster Area Assistant Superintendent and the campus leadership team, principal and dean of instruction. They model lessons, do walk-throughs, meet with teachers for collaborative planning and/or as per individual need, help with the disaggregation of data and train. The District is organized in a manner that facilitates the provision of adequate resources and related services to support the Lopez High School campus in its reform efforts. Additionally, the District has approximately 5-6 locations for TETN video conferencing (via polycom). This has greatly enhanced BISD's capacity to stay up-to-date and participate in state and regional service centers trainings and conferences without having to travel long distances. It also enhances the capacity to have more individuals receive first-hand information. Of significance also, is the role that the At-Risk and Federal Programs departments play in supporting Lopez High School. These departments' expertise in meeting federal and state guidelines is shared both horizontally and vertically with our cluster and other BISD departments serving our school. The BISD high schools have made significant gains in reducing drop-out rates but much work remains. Due to the supportive resources the district is providing, each high school campus currently has its own drop-out prevention specialist, a probation officer housed on campus, a Communities in School liason, and an at-risk counselor. These individuals are trained by and meet with district administrators on a regular basis. Campuses have empowered staff members focusing on these critical components of successful school reform. Probably BISD's greatest resource for campuses is its high level of commitment on the part of each and every staff member and its deep-rooted sense of community. </p>		


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Partnership/Involvement of Others – Describe how the LEA/campus consulted with relevant stakeholders (students, staff, parents, community) regarding this application and proposed implementation of a school intervention model.		
<p>The Brownsville Independent School District consulted with all relevant stakeholders regarding this application and the proposed implementation of the school intervention model: Tier 3 Modified Transformation. The BISD Board of Trustees was presented with the parameters of the grant, the qualifying criteria, and the Tier 3 modified transformation model. This occurred at the regular Board meeting of April 20th, 2010. BISD Board meetings are all televised live via the BISD KBSD television station, Cable 17. Additionally, Board meeting reruns are aired every Saturday, Sunday, and Monday evening at 7:00 pm. This means that all community viewers with cable viewing access have been exposed to the information. Also, on Monday, April 19th, the grant eligibility, parameters, and model were discussed with the District' Educational Improvement Council. This body is comprised of teachers, administrators, campus support staff representatives and community/business members as per Policy requirements. Thereafter, on Thursday, April 22nd, Thursday, May 6th, and Thursday, May 12th, the Superintendent of Schools presented all grant components to parents, community members, and business representatives at his "Coffee With The Superintendent" events. Since BISD schools are divided into cluster groups (as per campus zones) with one high school in each cluster, its 2 feeder middle schools, and the 7-11 elementary schools feeding into each of those middle schools, the entire Brownsville community has had the opportunity to provide input and learn and understand the magnitude of this grant opportunity. The April 22nd community event included all schools within the north and northeast sections of town. The May 6th event included all schools in the south and southeast segments of Brownsville. The May 12th morning coffee covered schools in the west section of the school district's borders. These Superintendent's Coffee events are conducted in both English and Spanish in accordance with the needs of the District's clientele. Therefore, all district-level stakeholders discussed above have heartily endorsed the grant opportunity. All stakeholders concur that the BISD grants be submitted as Tier 3 Modified Transformation with no need to remove principals.</p> <p>Lopez High School held parent meetings on May 4, 2010 and May 7, 2010. The principal shared the grant information with the parents and solicited their input and ideas on how to utilize the funds to address the campus goals that would, in turn, improve student success academically. Specifically, the parents were asked to share their ideas related to the improvement of the school climate and culture. Valuable information was garnered at these meetings and many of our parents' ideas became activities in our grant. One of these ideas was forming separate Parent Support Groups for each of the small learning communities at the 9th grade level to better serve the needs of each learning community. A meeting to discuss the grant and to evaluate the campus needs assessment (CNA) was held on May 6, 2010 with key campus personnel such as department heads, assistant principals, counselors, Gear-Up facilitators, and the campus TAP. Each member of this team was designated a critical success factor to address, as per our campus needs, and was required to meet with members of their department for input. Members were asked to conduct research and propose budget allotments for activities that would fulfill the requirement of the grant application with respect to the assigned factor. On May 10, 2010, the team was provided the time to gather all of the research and draft the narrative for each of the factors. A meeting on May 11, 2011 was held with the Campus Advisory Committee to share the recommendations of the teams regarding activities for each critical success factor. The CAC provided additional input, culminating in total inclusivity of all relative stakeholders to the success of Lopez HS students.</p>		

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Management of Grant Activities – Describe how the LEA and campus will modify its practices and/or policies, as necessary, to ensure its implementation of the intervention(s) fully and effectively.		
<p>Brownsville Independent School District's policies and procedures are an integral part of its operational efficiency and as such, are well-defined and delineated. Some, such as graduation requirements, promotion/retention requirements, grading procedures, attendance, and state requirements (SSI, OEYP), campuses adhere to strictly and changes occur when a state mandate is in effect or when the Board of Trustees approves administration's recommendations for change. For example, BISD's grading procedures and its secondary Course Listing Guides are reviewed annually. That initiative is begun at the District level in the department of Curriculum and Instruction. Department personnel request feedback from Lopez High School regarding recommendations for change. Meetings are held in which recommended changes are discussed (district and campus leadership teams) and consensus is reached. The agreed-upon changes are then submitted to the Board of Trustees (at a regularly scheduled meeting) for endorsement. The LEA will modify any practices and/or policies to ensure full and effective implementation of the Tier 3 Modified Transformation Model accordingly. The Lopez High School cluster Area Assistant Superintendents will work collaboratively with our campus and the appropriate BISD Main Office department to provide the needed research and support behind a request for a practice/policy change.</p> <p>The Board of Trustees is supportive of research-based initiatives which significantly improve services to students and enhance their on-grade-level academics, their graduation rates, and their preparedness for college/work force readiness. Simultaneously, BISD provides a significant level of empowerment to Lopez HS in deciding the daily operations of our site and in the implementation of success-driven research-based initiatives. Our campus sets its own extended day/extended week and zero-period schedules based on student need. We have flexibility in the budgetary process and make decisions regarding placement of state, local, and federal monies in instructional categories which will impact our areas of need as indicated by our annual comprehensive needs assessment. Thus, our campus may devote more budgeted funds to extended day and/or week services to students. We may also elect to use portions of funds for professional development/training in subject-specific pedagogy, differentiated instruction, or a deeper understanding of the community served by the school. Funds are available for ongoing, high-quality, job-embedded professional development, for staff collaborative planning time, for flexible time for teachers to work at disaggregation of data, and for home visits to families of students in need, etc. Lopez High School makes the decisions as to where the budget allocations will be placed. Additionally, we have the flexibility to make budget changes/amendments as needed throughout the year. Grant campuses will also have flexibility in implementing any SIRC initiatives instead of the district ones, ie., discipline programs. As stated, it is one of the functions of the Lopez High School Cluster Area Assistant Superintendent to support our campus, provide guidance to us, and facilitate our requests for assistance and building capacity. In the area of Human Resources, BISD principals recommend staff for promotion, extended day/week services (with compensation/\$35/hr.), non-renewal and hiring. The Lopez HS leadership team engages teacher committees when searching for candidates to hire and campus teacher committees' input is used when searching for a new campus principal. In the area of curriculum and instruction, Lopez High has flexibility and is highly encouraged to supplement the Texas Collaborative, CSCOE, curriculum with lessons, activities, and materials designed to meet all students needs, especially the LEP and special education students. Lopez High School sets its own benchmark testing schedule and is provided some flexibility in implementing the District benchmark schedule also. Lopez High School's decision regarding benchmark testing must be made in light of how the data drives instruction and its impact on testing results. Significant interventions will be put in place where students respond positively and which have immediate impact on student success.</p>		

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Resource Management – Describe how the LEA/campus will align other resources (federal, state, local, and community) with the school improvement intervention.		
<p>The Brownsville Independent School District has a long and successful history of aligning all resources, federal, state, local, and community, in its effort to support the campus in improving instruction and achieving educational excellence. Currently, the District has already achieved a significantly high level of alignment of resources to need. With Lopez High School on Stage 3 AYP due to graduation rate, it became clear approximately two years ago that a new model for addressing graduation rates was needed. A Task Force was formed and their recommendations were funded by pooling resources. The State Comp. budget allocated funds to the Lopez HS campus to hire two at-risk counselors, a drop out prevention specialist, a probation officer and Communities In Schools social worker. The PEIMS supervisor (local funds), attendance liaisons (Title I funds), parent involvement liaison (Title I funds) and drop out specialist and probation officer work as a team recruiting students, re-engaging drop-outs, and targeting students at-risk of dropping out for immediate and deliberate fast-track interventions. All of these personnel also work closely with District personnel share best practices, research-based findings, and the most effective ways of reengaging students at Lopez High School. Additionally, a Memorandum of Understanding with the District has enabled the local Juvenile Justice Department to station probation officers at each of the five high school campuses at no cost to the District. One last contributing entity to this endeavor is a "Communities in Schools" presence on each campus which also works with these disadvantaged students and their families. A high level of coordination is required to ensure that each of these entities is working together and not duplicating efforts as a whole. Success is measurable. Dropout rate has decreased .2%, graduation rates have increased 4.4%, and completion rates are up 3.8%. Additional evidence of aligning resources is the Dual Enrollment program. Since BISD pays all expenses, books tuition, etc., the University of Texas at Brownsville has greatly reduced fees for Lopez High School students participating in Dual Enrollment courses. Currently, approximately 512 Lopez High School students are taking dual enrollment courses. The Annual Superintendent's Scholarship Golf Tournament brings in approximately \$100,000 for scholarships for fourteen high school seniors. Golf participants are mainly community architects, construction companies, and bank employees in addition to a wide variety of community members. Lopez High School's Adopt-A-School Program is also alive and well as we partner with Fiesta Graphics, Security First Credit Union, Wal-Mart on Boca Chica, Wal-Mart on 802 and McDonalds. BISD and community restaurants, stores, and even elected officials share financial and personnel resources with the BISD campuses that they adopt. In return, one can view our students' art work, poetry, etc. when frequenting these public places.</p> <p>Lopez High School is committed to the initiatives and activities of this grant. Therefore, a combination of federal, state, state compensatory and local funds will be used to continue the reformation activities that prove successful at the end of the 3 year grant period. Furthermore, Lopez HS will continue its practice of using data to thoroughly review annually the effectiveness of current programs, discarding those that are not meeting the academic needs of our students, and transferring funds to support activities/initiatives that are meeting our campus goals and promoting student success.</p>		

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Grant Project Manager Qualifications – Describe the qualifications of the person selected to be the project manager for this grant on the campus.		
<p>The Campus Grant Project Manager position will be advertised with prerequisite qualifications and a job description posted as is the case with all BISD hires. Human Resources posting timelines and requirements will be met as well as timelines and procedures for recommendation for hire. The position of Grant Project Manager will require the following qualifications:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Masters' Degree in Education; 2) Experience with budgets, budget amendments, budget changes; 3) Experience with supervision of instruction/programs; 4) Experience with using data to identify whether research-based and vertically aligned program is effectively meeting campus, state and local standards and goals; 5) Experience with analyzing data and teaching staff to analyze formative, interim, and summative assessment data and use results to inform and differentiate instruction in order to meet the academic needs of individual students; 6) Experience with planning for and ensuring that all technical assistance from SIRC and other support agencies is on target, intense, laser-like, and precise according to campus needs; 7) Experience with formative and summative assessment models, multiple observation-based assessments, etc and tools of high quality and which reflect the student-growth factors; and 8) A deep understanding of the community served by the school. <p>The Campus Grant Project Manager will be required to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensure that all grant activities are administered in accordance with all applicable statutes, regulations, program plans, and requirements. 2. Meet all local and state imposed reporting and evaluation deadlines. 3. Cooperate in carrying out any and all evaluation components required by TEA, make reports and back-up information available to all sponsoring agencies, and maintain records as required. 4. Conduct formative and summative evaluations to ensure that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training and mentoring activities are developing and increasing teacher and school leader effectiveness; • Multiple observation-based assessments of performance and ongoing collections of professional practice reflect student achievement and increased high school graduation rates; • Ongoing, high-quality, job-embedded professional development is aligned with the school's comprehensive instructional program; • All financial incentives, increased opportunities for promotion/career growth, and flexible work conditions being implemented in a manner that recruits and retains highly qualified staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of students; • Monitor established schedules that provide increased learning time as per grant requirements; • Monitor ongoing mechanisms for family and community engagement as per grant requirements; and • Monitor follow-up training in subject area TEKS, technology, advanced coursework, credit-recovery programs, etc. for fidelity to plan and impact on student success. 5. Attend all orientation meetings, technical assistance meetings, and other periodic meetings and/or conferences required by SIRC and/or TEA pertaining to grant implementation and pertaining to the sharing of best practices. <p>Facilitate and help coordinate collaborative efforts between District and the campus.</p>		

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LEA Support – Describe how the LEA will structure and implement an individual or office with responsibility for supporting the campus' school improvement efforts.		
<p>BISD will structure the office of the Lopez Cluster Area Assistant Superintendent to support the Lopez High School improvement efforts. Seven elementary school's students feed into two middle schools and subsequently into Lopez High school which is located in their zone. The Lopez Cluster Area Assistant Superintendent will be the grant's shepherd-the district-level individual who will ensure that Lopez HS has the support and assistance needed to build capacity and ensure that these grant funds are used to implement, fully and effectively, the required activities of the Tier III Modified Transformation reform model. The Lopez Area Assistant Superintendent reports directly to the Superintendent of Schools, thus facilitating communication regarding program needs and removing any barriers that layers in an organizational chart often imply. This Lopez Area Assistant Superintendent has first-hand access to Federal Programs, State Comp., Curriculum & Instruction, etc. program administrators which will greatly enhance the individual's ability to provide adequate resources and related support to Lopez High School. Furthermore, this individual participates in all BISD Board of Trustees meetings and has the right/first-hand access, under the approval of the Superintendent, to submit recommendations to the Board of Trustees. This will greatly facilitate any policy or procedural changes and/or budget changes incumbent on the grant's full implementation of a rigorous high-powered reform model. This individual has a first-hand working knowledge of the Brownsville community, serves, at the will of the Superintendent, on a variety of district and local committees, and relates to all levels of stakeholders, students, parents, teachers, support staff, business and community members, on nearly a daily basis. The Lopez Area Assistant Superintendent will be the individual who provides assurance that financial assistance provided under the grant program will supplement and not supplant, the amount of state and local funds allocated to Lopez High School. This person will also shepherd Lopez High School in its analysis of its needs, ensure that its comprehensive needs assessment process results in the delineation of priorities, and that the delineation of priorities is transformed into operative goals and objectives which mirror a deep and lasting reform of all components of the school. This District Shepherd will be the go-to person at the District level for support, encouragement, resources, redirection, and inspiration for deep-seated reform. The Lopez Area Assistant Superintendent will work very closely with the campus principal and the instructional leadership team to develop and increase teacher and school leader effectiveness. The District Shepherd will help inspire staff and model high expectations for student achievement, professional practices, research-based best practices strategies, and vertical alignment of curriculum from grade level to grade level. This individual will be an expert in collaboration, instructional management, use of data to drive all campus decisions, job-embedded professional development, differentiated instruction, and laser-like school reform. This individual will be an individual with successful campus instructional leadership experience as well as an individual with a heart firmly implanted in the Brownsville community and its most valuable resource, its children. In summary, the District Shepherd is invested. The individual views this role as an integral part of the job responsibilities, feels responsible for the transformation process, has a direct line of contact with the Superintendent, has authority to influence central office departmental procedures, has experience as a building principal, views self as a positive change agent, and possesses effective communication skills. Roles and responsibilities include: 1) ensuring that the campus is provided operational flexibility, 2) providing for the effective implementation of all components of the transformation process, 3) monitoring the progress of 90-day action plans, 4) regularly communicating with and scheduling meetings with the transformation campus, 5) removing LEA barriers that may hinder the transformation process, 6) providing support and feedback to the principal and teacher leaders when needed or requested, 7) taking an active role in problem-solving with the principal and teacher leaders, 8) attending campus leadership meetings, 9) assisting in recruitment of qualified staff, and 10) assisting in increasing parent & community involvement and positive school culture.</p>		

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Program Continuation and Sustainability – Describe how the LEA will sustain the campus reforms after the funding period ends.		
<p>The Brownsville ISD has the capacity to sustain the Lopez High School reform efforts after the grant funding period ends. Although the District, like all of those across Texas, uses a variety of funding sources to support District initiatives, such as our CScope curriculum and instruction program, most of the District's categorical funds are distributed to campuses which generate the funds on a per pupil allocation. Therefore, the Lopez High School campus has local, state, and categorical funds which they control and which they appropriate to their needs as prioritized by the annual Comprehensive Needs Assessment (CNA) process. The Lopez HS campus will have the funds and/or the District will appropriate funds to ensure that, at the end of the grant period, initiatives, activities, and strategies which have proven successful in increasing on-grade-level assessment results, increasing graduation rates, and decreasing drop out rates will continue to be funded. Some initiatives already exist which provide funds to increase course offerings, and significantly impact many of the Critical Success Factors (CSF) fundamental to this grant initiative. With regards to those CSFs, it is noteworthy to indicate that BISD will continue to operate its programs and systems in alignment with the grant's CSFs because its initiatives and decisions are predicated on research-based, scientifically relevant data. Examples follow. 1) BISD aggressively improves <u>academic performance</u> through the use of data driven instruction as is evidenced by its 2009 BROAD award. Curriculum alignment, both vertical and horizontal, is systematized through the use of the Texas Regional Collaborative CScope curriculum. BISD was one of the first to implement CScope in math, science, ELA, and social studies. Currently the Lopez High School campus uses an on-going monitoring instrument known as EDUPHORIA. Lopez High School leadership teams utilize this instrument in their visits to classrooms, with their conversations with teachers about improvement, and which is also tied directly to the District's Teacher Appraisal Instrument. CScope based walk-through forms are an integral component of the software which enables instructional leaders to input data about classroom walk-throughs and visits into the system immediately and also allows the observed teacher the opportunity to provide immediate feedback, respond to questions, and request further assistance and/or clarification. 2) A long tradition of rigorous professional development initiatives contributes significantly to <u>increasing teacher quality</u>. Classroom teachers have a great multitude of opportunities for professional development annually but it is always Lopez High School and individual teacher's decision to select growth opportunities which meet the priorities of the CNA. All state issued TEKS revision professional developments are turned around at the District level and provided to all content specific teachers. 3) Additionally, <u>instructional leadership teams</u> are constantly involved in on-going job embedded professional development and increased learning of resources/data utilization strategies. 4) BISD uses quality data to drive instruction, which is evidenced in its use of benchmark testing, the Texas Math and Science Diagnostic System database, and WebCATT software. Teachers are fast becoming experts is looking at the data collected through these and a variety of other instruments and grouping/regrouping for Tier 2 or Tier 3 instruction based on the data at their fingertips! Software and hardware on the Lopez HS campus and at the District level facilitate immediate access to results so that those results can drive instruction and on-going communication in the collaborative planning of instruction, remediation, and acceleration. 5) All BISD schools currently have opportunities for <u>increasing learning time</u> via the use of zero period classes, after school tutorials, Saturday academies, and other calendar modifications which enhance instruction. 6) Improving school climate and increasing parent/community involvement is also an annual goal in Lopez High School's Campus Improvement Plan. A parent liaison at Lopez High School increases parental involvement on campus. Postitive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) will be implemented this school year. A great variety of chess, art, photography, environmental clubs, student council, etc. encourage continued parental support and community involvement on the campus.</p>		

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External Providers -- Describe how the LEA will recruit, screen, and select external providers to ensure their quality.		
<p>Brownsville Independent School District requires all external providers of services or products to either respond to an RFP, RFQ, or be on the state's approved vendor list. Therefore, Region XIII's School Improvement Resource Center, as a state-approved vendor, has already met the criteria of rigor, research-based, and quality demanded by the grant's specifications. The same applies to the Region I Educational Service Center menu of support offerings. Thereafter, vendors already on the District's annual vendor list for services and/or resources will also have to meet the criteria of being screened by the District for quality, research-based, scientifically-researched best practices. New or proposed vendors will be judged on the following criteria as appropriate to the service/product:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Research-based; 2) Vertically and horizontally aligned to next grade level and state/local standards; 3) On-going, job embedded professional development included; 4) Technologically appropriate to students' daily experiences and lives; 5) Aligned to CScope, Advanced Placement, Dual Enrollment, etc. current district initiatives; 6) Formative, interim, and progress-monitoring assessment components contained within product/service as relevant; 7) Intensive technical assistance and related support built-in; 8) Unique and specific needs of specific populations (LEP & Sp. Ed) addressed at a highly visible and effective level; and/or 9) Provision of appropriate social-emotional and community-oriented services and supports for students via local presence and significant history of successful endeavors. <p>As with all other purchasing processes, grant external providers will be processed through the BISD Purchasing Department and in compliance with BISD Policy as well as all pertinent state and federal guidelines. Memorandums of Understanding will be reviewed by BISD Legal Counsel and recommended by Administration for approval of the Board of Trustees. No purchase of goods or services will occur outside the grant specifications and BISD's policies and procedures. Grant funds will only be expended in compliance with all pertinent local, state, and federal guidelines. The campus Area Assistant Superintendent or District Shepherd will facilitate these processes for and with campuses entrusted to his/her care. The District will waive procedures, such as an annual bidding process for external providers, instructional materials, and/or consultants, so that more than one bid process occurs within a year's time span. This will facilitate campuses' engagement of vendors and providers and will greatly reduce time spent in moving through the organizational structure for receipt of goods and services. Vendors will be recruited through a great variety of avenues: website, KBSD BISD Instructional Television Studio, newspaper announcements, and word of mouth regarding successful endeavors of vendors in providing laser-like services to schools in need of reform. In all cases, external providers will ultimately be evaluated against the criteria of research-based, scientifically researched highly successful services to schools and districts.</p>		

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Site Visits – If the intervention program includes site visits to other campuses successfully implementing the intervention model, describe the process for selecting the locations and the expected outcomes of the site visit.		
Site visits to other campuses successfully implementing the Tier 3 Modified Transformation model or other initiatives which have resulted in high student performance, extraordinary success with on-grade level instruction (as reflected by TAKS Commended scores) and high levels of success with LEP and Sp. Ed. TAKS scores will be allowed. Sites will be selected by the campus and approved by the campus' District Shepherd based on the following criteria:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) % of commended TAKS scores by grade level, subject area, and student population (all students, LEPS and Sp. Ed.); 2) Historical review of increase of % commended TAKS scores by grade level, subject area, and student population (all students, LEPS and Sp. Ed.) over past 3 years (baseline Spring 2007); 3) Reduction of the gap between state assessment scores of Sp. Ed. and LEPs and regular students over a 2-3 year period; 4) Reduction of the gap between commended state assessment scores of Sp. Ed. and LEPS and regular students over a 2-3 year period; 5) Increases in graduation rates over past 3 years (baseline Spring 2007/High Schools only); and/or 6) Reduction in drop-out rates over past 3 years (baseline Spring 2007/High Schools only). 		
Visitation sites will also be selected based on evidence that the school operates under 7 Critical Success Factors. Web-sites, literature, etc. regarding the campus should be investigated before prior to visitation to ensure that: 1) Campus decisions are driven by data, vertical & horizontal alignment is evident, and there is provision for on-going monitoring of instruction. 2) Increasing teacher quality is a high priority; teachers are provided on-going job-embedded professional development, and highly qualified individuals are recruited/retained through a variety of effective strategies. 3) Positive school climate increases high attendance rates, reduces discipline issues, and provides a large and varied scope of extra-curricular activities and opportunities for student engagement. 4) The campus leadership team exemplifies the use of a toolkit of powerful resources such as the operational flexibility, resource and data utilization, and a philosophy of life-long learning through job-embedded professional development. 5) Data drives instruction, teachers are experts in the disaggregation of data and make instructional decisions based on data as well as collaboration with leaders and colleagues. 6) Parent and community involvement is visible throughout the school and there is significant evidence of accessibility to community resources and services. 7) Students have opportunities for increased learning time through tier 2 & 3 instructional segments, zero period class offerings, after-school tutorials, Saturday & summer academies, etc. Once a site or sites have been selected for visitation, permission, of course, must be secured from the campus principal as well as the Cluster Area Assistant Superintendent. Dates and times must be agreeable to both groups and visiting participants must complete BISD professional leave paperwork and have it approved prior to departure. Depending on the size of the visiting group and the campus to be visited, as well as the scope of the visit (academic subject or grade level specific vs. overall school climate visit), visitors might be scheduled in teams and/or for specific blocks of time. Regardless of the details, the visit must be well coordinated, have a goal/end product well specified, and not overburden neither the visited nor the visitor. While the details of each visit are dependent upon the desired outcome, the following is a list of possible critical "look for-s" and "listen for-s" during the visit:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Are the strategies research-based comprehensive instructional reform strategies and do the strategies make continuous use of student data (formative, interim, progress monitoring) to inform instructional decisions such as regrouping, differentiation of instruction, use of technology, etc? 2) Is there sufficient flexibility and sustained support for implementing the strategies? 3) Are teachers provided ongoing, intensive technical assistance in implementing the strategies? 4) Is there evidence that the strategies were provided sufficient financial support for full implementation? 5) Are staff members committed to the implementation? What is the level of buy-in for impacting student success? 		

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Intervention Model to be Implemented – Indicate the model(s) being <i>considered</i> by the LEA/campus for implementation. Indicate whether the LEA/campus will participate in the TEA Approved Model with Technical Assistance provided by the TEA-funded School Improvement Resource Center or the LEA/campus will implement its own intervention design within the requirements of the grant program.		
<div style="margin-bottom: 10px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Turnaround </div> <div style="margin-bottom: 10px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Closure </div> <div style="margin-bottom: 10px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Restart </div> <div style="margin-bottom: 10px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Transformation </div> <div style="margin-bottom: 10px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tier III Modified Transformation </div> <div style="margin-bottom: 10px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TEA Designed Model with Technical Assistance Provided by the School Improvement Resource Center </div> <div style="margin-bottom: 10px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Supplemental Education Services (SES) incorporated into the intervention model </div> <p><i>Note: Applying to implement the TEA Approved Model with Technical Assistance Provided by the School Improvement Resource Center in no way implies or guarantees funding.</i></p> <div style="margin-bottom: 10px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> The LEA/campus will implement its own intervention design, within the parameters required by the final federal regulations released by USDE </div>		
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Section B: Model Selection Process –Describe in detail: 1. The process the LEA and campus followed/will follow to select a school intervention model that aligns to the identified needs of the campus. 2. The timeline delineating the steps the campus will take to implement the selected intervention.		
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<p>Lopez High School is identified by the grant specifications as a Tier 3 campus. Therefore, the SIRC Tier 3 Modified Transformation School Intervention Model is the model aligned to the identified needs of our campus. Lopez HS is an acceptable school under the Texas AEIS accountability system. Furthermore, it is labeled "met AYP" under the federal accountability system (AYP). However, Lopez HS and BISD readily recognize the gap between the success rates of its LEP and Special Education populations and the general population, recognize that scores are not on-level, aims at increasing commended TAKS scores; and therefore, anticipate grant funds designed to help close this achievement gap. Lopez HS must meet and exceed federal and state expectations regarding student success. Looking at the "Big Picture View" of the Transformation Model, Lopez HS readily identified with all its components and is committed to full implementation of all components: 1) Develop and increase teacher and school leader effectiveness, 2) Implement comprehensive instructional reform strategies, 3) Increase learning time and create a community-oriented school, and 4) Provide operational flexibility and sustained support for school reform. BISD has a very strong and passionate stakeholder commitment to implement the SIRC/TEA Modified Transformation Model and has the capacity to implement fully and effectively this model at Lopez HS. BISD will meet and comply with all the required activities of this rigorous intervention model and will expand it with permissible activities for the selected model. All SIRC and TEA Modified Transformation Model components will be met. 1) Lopez HS principal is to be retained. She is a highly committed instructional leader who has exceeded previous administration's high standards for excellence in the service of students and is only in his/her 4th year of service to the Lopez campus. Over the past three years, improvement has been made in the following areas: Year 1, under her guidance the school went from Unacceptable to Acceptable. Lopez HS has met AYP last year and this year under her guidance. Drop out and completion rates have improved measurably. 2) Rigorous, transparent, and equitable evaluation systems for teachers and principals will be used. BISD currently uses the TEA PDAS system which meets all of these requirements. District enhancements include the use of EDUPHORIA software for immediate turnaround of observation data, facilitation of communication and collaboration. 3) Reward or remove school personnel based on student performance. The campus currently has many reward systems in place and will implement a financial incentive to underscore the importance of student success. Teachers are paid stipends for professional development trainings, have opportunities to travel to out-of-district/state trainings, and are provided with many non-monetary incentives throughout the year. 4) Provide job-embedded professional development. There will be more effective and research-based professional development in the area of effective instructional strategies for special education and LEP students. Teachers will be trained in the use of a variety of instructional tools, software, mobi-pads, etc. designed to capture the attention of a learner with disabilities or disadvantages and a greater level of collaboration will occur regarding services to LEP and Special Education students. 5) Implement strategies to retain staff. Lopez HS has initiated the removal of those staff members who are not impacting students in a positive way. This proactive, rigorous process will continue throughout the life of the grant. 6) Use data to identify and implement research-based instructional programs. In addition to benchmark testing, TMSDS, WebCATT, release TAKS tests, AMAO, TELPAS, Compass generated tests, and PBMAS, other data sources will be reviewed and used to develop Tier 2 & 3 interventions. 7) Promote continuous use of student data to differentiate instruction. Teachers will become proficient in the differentiation of instruction to improve academic excellence for each and every child individually. 8) Provide increased learning time in terms of extended day, extended week, and extended year services. 9) Provide ongoing mechanisms for family and community engagement. Lopez HS looks forward to continuing the initiative with Communities In Schools to strengthen its family and community ties and commitment. Lopez HS will expand family and community services through after school, family counseling sessions. BISD and Lopez HS commit to providing flexibility to operate in a manner needed to achieve first-rate and lasting school reform. 10) Give the school operational flexibility. BISD and Lopez HS commit to providing flexibility to operate in a manner needed to achieving first-rate and lasting school reform. 11) Provide ongoing technical assistance. SIRC, Region I, the District Shepherd, and BISD's many departments on the organizational chart are all technical assistance providers and are all committed to Lopez HS's school reform initiative.</p>		

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The three year reform process/program, is designed to increase the effectiveness of teacher and campus leaders, improve instruction through targeted professional development, create community-oriented schools, and provide operational flexibility to increase student achievement. Lopez High School, in conjunction with BISD, will engage in a research-based approach to transform it into a high achieving community-based school. The Texas Transformation Project, under the direction of SIRC, will provide the support, resources, and training needed to enhance the Lopez HS campus' ability to meet all student needs and achieve at higher levels.

YEAR ONE

Pre-work has already begun. Comprehensive Needs Assessment of the district and campus is a work in progress. Priorities will be set as a result and those priorities will become the foundation of the goals, objectives, and activities of the reform. Lopez HS has elected to retain the principal and all staff members except those who retire, request transfers to another campus, and/or resign and relocate. These individuals will be replaced with highly qualified individuals who are screened by campus committees and the campus principal prior to recommendation for hire. Main community partners are SIRC, Region One, Communities In Schools, Compass Learning, Gear-Up, UTB/TSC, McDonald's and Wal-Mart. Communities in Schools is integral to the reform effort because they have close personal ties to the school environment and are highly visible in Brownsville. Additionally, Lopez's Area Assistant Superintendent is the LEA's designated person who will foster this Transformation Project, provide support for the campus, nurture the campus through the challenges, and be the liaison between the District and the Lopez HS campus. The school already has built-in teacher leaders in the form of grade level chairpersons. These individuals have already received a great deal of training in instructional practices, research-based instruction, disaggregation of data, grouping for instruction, closing the gaps for LEP and Special Education students, and differentiation of instruction. Changes in this structure may be made based on campus need but the qualifying criteria for selection of the teacher leaders will be those who demonstrated excellence in instructional delivery and student success, ability to collaborate with and lead peers, and strong foundations in use of technological tools to facilitate work processes. A job-embedded professional development plan for year one needs to be developed. Additionally, 5-10 members of the instructional leadership team and the teacher leaders will attend the SIRC summer seminar (August 8-12, 2010). The first 90 day action plan will be completed as required.

August-December (Fall) 2010 implementation activities will engrain the reform effort deeply into the Lopez HS culture. The campus will work with SIRC and BISD to develop the district and campus snapshots. Results will be investigated at the deepest level possible to ensure that maximum benefit is received from the initiative. Especially important are the snapshot items impacting federal and state accountability requirements, TAKS, AMOA, PBMAS, etc. The campus will also begin the school-wide Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) interventions of the SIRC Transformational Model which is the implementation of approaches to improve school climate and discipline, taking steps to eliminate bullying and harassment. Simultaneously, Lopez HS will work with SIRC to provide enhanced social services support for students, parents, and extended families with the end-goal of creating a community-oriented school wherein the whole village is raising the child. This enhanced social services support model will include partnering with parents and parent organizations, faith and community based organizations, health clinics, other state or local agencies, etc. to create a safe school environment which meets students' emotional, social, health, and academic needs. On-site technical assistance by the SIRC Professional Service Provider/Transformation Specialist, campus site visits, will be integral to the year one activities as planned jointly by SIRC and Lopez HS. SIRC webinars/podcasts/publications will be thoroughly incorporated into every level of job-embedded professional development as appropriate and will be of particular importance to teacher leaders and the instructional leadership team as they begin collecting observation data to guide professional development and student interventions. Other SIRC resources and technical assistance will be ongoing and readily received by the campus in an effort to leave no stone unturned with regards to improving student success, narrowing the achievement gaps, especially academic success for the campus' special education and LEP students. All components of the campus case management provided by TTIPS staff will also be important. Critical also will be the principal/leader competency review process.

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<p>BISD excels in committed, dedicated instructional leaders who leave no stone unturned when searching for success for their students. They work with dedication, passion, and commitment. The desire to grow and become more empowered and effective is a critical driving force. This is a crucial component and is closely linked with the need to <u>develop a plan to recruit, retain, and constantly improve excellent teachers and teacher leaders</u>. <u>Leadership coaching</u> is also important. Progress towards goals is in the <u>90 day action plan</u>. In November, 2010, Year One Fall, the campus will complete its quarterly implementation report due to TEA on the date specified.</p> <p><u>January-June (Spring) 2011</u> will initiate a <u>review of the behavioral data and PEIMS to analyze PBIS implementation, needed course corrections, interventions, and/or plan modifications</u>. <u>On-line courses</u> will be available and <u>targeted professional development based on classroom observation data and student data</u> will begin. It is not anticipated that a <u>customized performance management system</u> will need to be established. On-going support from SIRC and the District Shepherd will continue to impact success. At the close of May 2011, it will again be necessary to write the next <u>90 day action plan</u>. On February 1 and May 1, 2011, Year One, Spring, the campus will submit its quarterly implementation reports.</p> <p><u>June & July (Summer) 2011</u> will present opportunities for rejuvenation and rededication to goals. The 5 day <u>summer team training</u>, will be quality time for reflecting on guest speakers' messages, training materials, district insights, celebrations, and challenges. Back at home, with support from SIRC and the District Shepherd, <u>professional development plans and needs assessments will be reviewed and progress towards goals in the previous 90 day action plans will be evaluated</u>. Based on the data accumulated, <u>plans for classroom interventions for PBIS will be developed and a new 90 day action plan will be written</u>. The culminating summer activity will be attendance at the <u>National Staff Development Council Summer Conference</u>. TAKS Spring 2011 test results will be analyzed and disaggregated. Decisions will be made regarding how the gap has closed between regular students and LEP and Special Education student populations' test scores. Increases in TAKS commended score rates will be analyzed for each student group. Graduation rates and drop-out rates, in summary, all District and Lopez HS SIRC snapshot data will be carefully reviewed, analyzed, and evaluated in order to better plan for the upcoming year and its challenges. Each campus performance goal will be reviewed and benchmark data collected to ensure that sufficient progress has been made during Year One to ensure that BISD's goals of all students being on-level in reading, math, science, and social studies are being met or that the Lopez HS campus is succeeding at a rapid enough rate to ensure that grant, district, and campus goals are met at the end of the grant period.</p> <p>Looped throughout Fall 2010, Spring 2011, and Summer 2011 will be: 1) <u>Curriculum alignment with TEKS process</u>. Since BISD and all its schools are part of the CScope Collaborative implementing the CScope Curriculum, headed up by Region XIII, the District and campuses are in the spotlight with regards to all curriculum alignment issues, constantly provide feedback to the Collaborative, and are updated on all trainings and revisions. BISD and Lopez HS are also part of all <u>formative assessment systems</u> linked to CScope and Region XIII; 2) <u>Targeted professional development</u> in technology, outside consultants, <u>face to face training in instructional strategies</u>, and additional job-embedded conferences all responsive to the priorities determined by the campus and district CNA and the SIRC district and campus snapshots; 3) <u>Staff incentives and rewards</u> for extending learning time, attending conferences, participating in job-embedded professional development, and taking on a myriad of other duties and responsibilities associated with the grant's implementation; 4) <u>The teacher and principal evaluation system</u>; and 5) <u>Operational flexibility and increased learning time</u> to implement strategies leading to improved student achievement and graduation rates. On August 1, 2011, Year One Summer, the Lopez HS campus will submit its End of Year 1 implementation report. TEA will evaluate the LEA/campus performance on annual goals and the meeting of the grant requirements.</p> <p>YEAR TWO</p> <p>August-December (Fall) 2011 will be devoted to <u>implementing revised and updated professional development plans</u> for instructional leadership, teachers, and the staff-as-a-whole. <u>Classroom level PBIS interventions</u> will be implemented and teacher committees/instructional teams will begin the <u>action research projects</u> in alignment with the SIRC timeline. <u>On-line courses</u> will continue and <u>on-site technical assistance by the professional service provider, the</u></p>		

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transformation specialist will be on-going. SIRC webinars, podcasts and publications as well as other resources and technical assistance will all be part of standard operating procedure for the Lopez HS campus and BISD. BISD will ensure that all SIRC Modified Transformation Model components are 100% part of the BISD and campus general operating procedures. TTIPS campus case management, leadership coaching, and BISD participation in the SIRC District Institute will continue. The 90 day action plan will be completed. On November 1, 2011, Year Two Fall, the quarterly implementation report is due to TEA.

January-June (Spring) 2012 activities include the continuation of the online learning and the teacher leaders collecting data for the action research projects. Also integral to Spring 2012 will be the review of the data and evaluation of the effectiveness of PBIS interventions as well as continued professional development, on-site technical assistance, webinars, podcasts, and the use of other SIRC resources. As is integral to each phase of this reform effort, a new 90-day plan will also be written. Both **Fall 2011 and Spring 2012** activities also include continuous work on vertical curriculum alignment (CScope), operational efficiency regarding the comprehensive formative assessment system, continuation of the social services support in creating community-oriented schools, targeted professional development, sustained support from the District Shepherd/BISD, staff incentives and rewards, the management of the teacher and principal evaluation system, operational flexibility and learning time to implement strategies leading to improved student achievement and graduation rates, and face to face training and follow-up monitoring in instructional strategies. SIRC district/campus profiles and the CNA and prioritizing of needs will also be the basis of each decision made at the Lopez HS campus and district level. Additionally, monitoring of continuous improvement formative assessments will be constant and consistent. Alignment to the campus' performance goals is also topmost at the list of activities at all juncture points in reform implementation and formative assessments will be constantly used to evaluate proximity to goals. Depending on the nature and quality of the school reform effort, the principal/leadership competency review process may also be reinstituted to build a pipeline of new leaders. On November 1 and May 1, 2012, the quarterly implementation is due. **June & July (Summer) 2012** activities begin with the 5 day summer team training. The campus leadership team will attend the National Staff Development Council (NSDC) summer conference. During Summer 2012, teacher leaders will present initial findings on their action research topics. Committee work will be devoted to intense data process evaluation to measure what has been working, what needs focus, and what course corrections are needed to successfully accomplish school reform. Formative assessments and TAKS Spring 2012 test results will be analyzed and disaggregated. Decisions will be made regarding how much the gap has closed between regular students and LEP and Special Education student populations' test scores. Increases in TAKS commended score rates will also be analyzed for all students and each student group. Graduation rates and drop-out rates, in summary, all District and campus SIRC snapshot data will be carefully reviewed, analyzed, and evaluated in order to better plan for the upcoming year. On August 1, 2012, Summer 2012, the end of year 2 implementation report will be submitted and TEA will evaluate the LEA/campus performance on annual goals.

YEAR THREE

August-December (Fall) 2012 will begin with the re-administration of the SIRC campus snapshot, thereby refining the work begun during Summer 2012 when preliminary TAKS, AEIS, and AYP data became available. On-site technical assistance by the SIRC professional service provider/transformation specialist, and a campus site visit will be integral to the campus snapshot process. Case management by TTIPS will be used to upgrade reform efforts as indicated by the snapshot data. Leadership coaching and open access to online professional development will also continue. As during the past two years, Fall and Spring III will be comprised of continued participation in webinars/podcasts/publications, and all other resources/technical assistance provided by SIRC. Depending on the nature and quality of the school reform effort at this juncture, the principal/leadership competency review process may also be reinstituted to build a pipeline of new leaders for the campus/district. It is anticipated that by Year Three all components of the school's social services project which support and create community-oriented schools will be firmly in place and institutionalized. This project, along with that of the positive behavior support system, should be fully operational and 100% integral to the school's daily success stories. The LEA's personnel participation in the

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SIRC district institute will also be a part of the fabric of BISD's support for the campus reform efforts. All professional development and technical assistance activities of the past two years will continue in Fall 2012 & Spring 2013. On November 1, 2012, Fall 2012, the quarterly implementation report will be submitted to TEA.

January-June 2013 will be the time when teacher leaders and their committees finalize their action research projects and when the campus/district collect data for the PBS evaluation. Both Fall 2012 and Spring 2013 activities will also include continuous work on vertical curriculum alignment (CScope), operational efficiency regarding the comprehensive formative assessment system, continuation of the social services support in creating community-oriented schools, targeted professional development, sustained support from the District Shepherd/BISD, staff incentives and rewards, the management of the teacher/principal evaluation system, operational flexibility and learning times for implementing strategies leading to improved student achievement and graduation rates, and of course, face to face training and follow-up monitoring in instructional strategies. SIRC campus/district profiles and the district/campus CNA and prioritizing of needs will also be threaded through and the basis of each decision made at the campus and district levels. Monitoring of continuous improvement formative assessments will be constant. Alignment to performance goals is also of topmost importance at all juncture points. Formative assessments will be constantly used to evaluate proximity to reaching goals. On February and May 1, 2013, Year 3 Spring, the Lopez HS campus will submit its quarterly implementation reports to TEA.

June & July (Summer) 2013 will again include the 5-day summer team training for 8-10 team members and attendance at the National Staff Development Council summer conference will also occur. Evaluations of the district's customized performance management system, the PBS program, the vertical curriculum alignment projects, the formative assessment system, the social services support plan for creating community-oriented schools, the targeted professional development, face to face training in instructional strategies, and the support from the LEA will also continue. Culminating activities regarding staff incentives and rewards, the teacher and principal evaluation system, and the degree to which the campus and district used operational flexibility and increased learning time to improve student achievement and impact graduation rates will also be inspected. In order words, intense data review and process evaluation will be conducted. What worked and what still needs focus will be reviewed. A sustainability plan which builds in the continuous practice of developing a 90 day action plan, reflecting on its successes and challenges, reviewing formative assessment data, and aligning the constant upgrading of the plan to the campus and district performance goals and objectives will also be integral to the work of Summer 2013. Just as important will be the plan of action to continue to use teacher leaders as dynamic and critical instructional resources, to constantly monitor their effectiveness, and to continuously provide them with technology and the appropriate leadership and instructional resources and professional development opportunities. On July 31, 2013, the campus will submit its final implementation report to TEA.

In summary, the Lopez HS campus and BISD will fully implement all components of the Texas Transformation Project under the direction of and in collaboration with SIRC.

Brownsville Independent School District will: 1) Allow new governance arrangements and operational flexibility as needed; 2) Conduct district needs assessments via the district snapshot process; 3) Facilitate the replacement and recruitment of qualified staff at the campus as needed; 4) Support initiatives to increase community and parental involvement; 5) Ensure the placement of social service resources at the campus; and 6) Attend all required meetings and trainings. The campus principal will: 1) Utilize rigorous and equitable evaluation systems to enhance instructional improvement; 2) Provide high quality job-embedded professional development; 3) Lead the implementation of Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS); 4) Support and utilize teacher leaders to improve instruction; 5) Implement programs to increase community and parental involvement; 6) Participate in required trainings and online professional learning; and 7) Create and submit 90-day action plans as required by SIRC and the LEA.

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The campus teacher leaders will: 1) Provide instructional leadership and support to staff via walk-throughs and observations; 2) Facilitate job-embedded professional development; 3) Collaborate with administration in the development of long-range professional development plans; 4) Work in a dual role of teacher and instructional leader; 5) Participate in required trainings and online professional learning; and 6) Conduct action research.

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Section C: Groups of Participants – List the groups of participants who will actively assist in the process to select a school intervention model that aligns to the identified needs of the campus.					
1	Board of Trustees/ Superintendent/Area Administrators				
2	Campus Principal				
3	Campus Instructional Leadership Team (Assistant Principal, Instructional Facilitator/Dean of Instruction)				
4	Teachers				
5	Support Staff (Instructional Assistants, Custodians, Cafeteria Workers, Office Staff)				
6	Students				
7	Parents				
8	Business Community				
9	Community agencies serving the campus				
10	Students at feeder pattern schools				

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On the following pages of charts applicants should describe all other school improvement activities that will be incorporated with the model to be selected.		
<p>For each additional improvement activity entered, enter the Critical Success Factor Code(s) from this table, enter the LEA/campus' rationale for including the activity, provide the supporting research that indicates the activity will be effective, and indicate the beginning and ending date of the activity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 – Improve Academic Performance, including (but not limited to) Reading/ELA and Math <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Data-driven instruction B. Curriculum Alignment (both horizontal and vertical) C. On-going Monitoring of Instruction 2 – Increase the Use of Quality Data to Drive Instruction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Data Disaggregation/Training B. Data-driven Decisions C. On-going Communication 3 – Increase Leadership Effectiveness <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. On-going Job Embedded Professional Development B. Operational Flexibility C. Resource/Data Utilization 4 – Increase Learning Time <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Flexible Scheduling B. Instructionally-focused Calendar C. Staff Collaborative Planning 5 – Increase Parent/Community Involvement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Increased Opportunities for Input B. Effective Communication C. Accessible Community Services 6 – Improve School Climate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Increased Attendance B. Decreased Discipline Referrals C. Increased Involvement in Extra/Co-Curricular Activities 7 – Increase Teacher Quality <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Locally Developed Appraisal Instruments B. On-going Job Embedded Professional Development C. Recruitment/Retention Strategies 		

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Critical Success Factor 1: Improve Academic Performance including (but not limited to) Reading/ELA and Math

CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
1A	Small learning communities will be implemented through the Teachers Teamed in Pursuit of Student Success (TTiPSS) program Yr. 1: 9 th gr. Yr. 2: 9 th & 10 th Yr. 3: 9 th , 10 th & 11 th grades	Research supports and our campus surveys reflect that small learning communities will help our academically at-risk students improve their academic skills and performance, will better engage them in their learning and will help to improve their attitude toward school.	"Implementation study of smaller learning communities: Final report. Bernstein, L., U.S. Department of Education. 2008.	Aug. 2010	Aug. 2013 Ongoing
1A	Year 1: 10 th grade will utilize a Team Leader concept in each of the four core areas. Team Leaders (TL's) will be responsible for monitoring student grades, attendance and discipline and planning immediate and appropriate interventions including but not limited to (1) Prescriptive Saturday Academies (2) Lobo Homework Camps (3) Parent Academic Conferences and (4) Counseling. In additions, Team Leaders will plan and lead Curriculum Plan Reviews (CPRs), organize Teachers Teaching Teachers (TTTs) sessions, monitor the preparation of aligned six week assessments.	Immediate interventions for students who are not making adequate progress will have a greater impact on their long term learning.	"Developing early warning systems to identify potential high school dropouts", Heppen, J., National High School Center at the American Institutes for Research, 2008.	August 23, 2010	Ongoing

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CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
1A	<p>Evaluative Tools will be redesigned to reflect TTiPSS staff use of technology, cooperative learning strategies, Cornell note-taking, Socratic questioning strategies, skills learned in the use of the affective domain strategies and student engagement.</p> <p>Administrators and Team Leaders will use the Eduphoria software to produce walkthrough data that quantifies the use of the required teaching strategies.</p>	Teachers will receive extensive professional development in areas identified on our campus needs assessment (CNA). Therefore, it is important that their evaluation instrument reflects the use of the skills learned.	"Improving instruction through effective teacher evaluation: Options for states and districts", Mathers, C., National Comprehensive Center for Teacher Quality, 2008, Retrieved from: http://www.tqsource.org/publications/February2008Brief.pdf ,	Feb. 2010	May 2011 Ongoing
1B	<p>Year 1: 9th grade students will be selected to participate in a Princeton Review Class offered during *zero period.</p> <p>12th grade students will be offered Princeton Review classes available during the day.</p> <p>Year 2 & 3: 9th-12th grade students will be offered Princeton Review Classes during *zero period and throughout the day.</p> <p>*Students taking the class during zero period who have Perfect Attendance and are passing the class will have the use of an iPad.</p>	Research shows that 1 st generation students report being challenged by their lack of expertise regarding college requirements, college applications, and financial aid available to them.	"First-Generation Students", College Board Inspiring minds. Retrieved from http://professionals.collegeboard.com/guidance/prepare/first-generation	?	August 2013 ongoing

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1B	Teachers in the TTIPSS school reform program will participate in Summer Curriculum Writing Camps focusing on the horizontal and vertical alignment of all core courses. Consultants from the Compass Learning Program will align their computer assisted learning program to the campus's aligned curriculum.	Curriculum should be fluid and adjusted according to campus needs.	"Scope, Sequence, and Coordination: the Iowa Project, a National Reform Effort in the USA," Robert E. Yager, Jeffrey D. Wild, <i>International Journal of Science Education</i> , Feb. '99, Vol. 21 Issue 2, p. 169-194	June 2011 Nov. 2011	Aug. 2011 Aug. 2011
1A, 1C	Substitute teachers will receive extensive training in the use of the Compass Learning Program so that student instruction is not interrupted when TTIPSS teachers are absent.	Traditionally when teachers are absent, students are given review work. By training the substitutes in the implementation of the Compass Learning system, the students' instruction will proceed with minimal interruption.	"How we reinvent the high school experience", Forbes, John D., <i>Educational Leadership</i> , May 2008, vol. 65, pp. 42-46.	Sept. 2010	Sept. 2013 Ongoing
1A, 1C	Teachers overseeing the In School Suspension (ISS) program will utilize the Compass Learning program to ensure continuation of regular classroom curriculum.	Students who get in trouble and are assigned to ISS should not be allowed to fall behind academically because of their behavior due to the poor choices they made.	"How we reinvent the high school experience", Forbes, John D., <i>Educational Leadership</i> , May 2008, vol. 65, pp. 42-46.	Sept. 2010	May 2013 Ongoing
1B	Mathematics TTIPSS teachers will improve the academic achievement of ESL and Special Education students by focusing on academic language acquisition via IPODS and designing lessons that increase the use of mathematic	Manipulatives in the mathematics classrooms allow students to take a more active role in their learning and can have a positive effect on student achievement. Manipulatives also give students something concrete to make sense of thus producing an	"Mathematics Instruction for Students with Learning Disabilities or Difficulty Learning Mathematics: A Guide for Teachers," M. Jayanthi, R. Gersten, & S. Baker. (2008). Portsmouth, NH: RMC Research Corporation, Center on Instruction.	Sept. 2010	June 2011 Ongoing

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	manipulatives in the classroom by 50%.	understanding that can be transferred to more abstract problems.			
1B	English Language Arts TTIPSS teachers will improve the academic achievement of ESL and Special Education students by focusing on academic language acquisition via IPODS and through the use of triplet ticket computer software	The students will be able to repeatedly listen to the vocabulary specific to each core area. The Ipod allos for correct pronunciation, usage in a sentence and a definition. Students will be able to write in the TAKS format more frequently and get a grade quickly so instruction can be changed as needed.	"Language and Reading Interventions for English Language Learners and English Language Learners with Disabilities," M.O. Rivera, A.C. Moughamian, N.K. Lesaux, & D.J. Francis. (2008). Portsmouth, NH:RMC research Corporation, Center on Instruction.	Sept. 2010	June 2011 Ongoing
1B	Teachers will utilize Mobipads (writing pads) and multimedia projectors to ensure total student participation during instruction.	This tool will also allow teachers and administrators to see at a glance how many students correctly understand the concepts being taught.	"Language and Reading Interventions for English Language Learners and English Language Learners with Disabilities," M.O. Rivera, A.C. Moughamian, N.K. Lesaux, & D.J. Francis. (2008). Portsmouth, NH:RMC research Corporation, Center on Instruction.	Sept. 2010	June 2013 Ongoing
1B	Science TTIPSS teachers will improve the academic achievement of ESL and Special Education students by focusing on academic language acquisition via iPods and designing lessons that increase the use of science manipulatives and hands-on labs in the classroom by 50%.	Teaching abstract concepts in the Science classroom can be quite challenging for any teacher and more so for teachers of ESL and Special Ed students. Studies have shown however, that the best way to introduce and reinforce abstract scientific concepts is by using manipulatives.	"Hand-On Science: Using Manipulatives in the Classroom," Berk, Elaine. (1999). Reston, Va: Principal	Sept. 2010	June 2013 Ongoing

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1C	Implement an Early Warning System to monitor student progress on the campus-aligned curriculum. Students who are not making adequate progress, as per their weekly standardized quizzes, will be required to attend Prescriptive Saturday Academies for an additional 240 minutes of instruction per week. These academies are available to all students. Students who have not made up their grades during the week will be required to attend Saturday Academies. In addition, students who fail to complete daily work assignments will be assigned to afterschool Lobo Homework Camps for an additional 200 minutes of instruction during the week, as needed.	Immediate interventions for students not making adequate progress will have a greater impact on their long term learning.	"Developing early warning systems to identify potential high school dropouts", Heppen, J., National High School Center at the American Institutes for Research, 2008.	Sept. 2010	June 2013 Ongoing
1C	TTIPSS teachers will hold Parent Academic Conferences (PAC-Days) at the end of each six week period for parents of identified students who are not making adequate progress in the curriculum.	Face to face meetings with parents of student who are not making adequate progress in the curriculum will help to create a home/school plan of action for the student's success.	"A New Wave of Evidence: The Impact of School, Family, and Community Connections on Student Achievement," A. Henderson & K. Mapp. (2002). Austin, TX:SEDL	Oct. 2010	April 2013

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1C	Following each Curriculum Plan Review (CPR) , teachers will share successful strategies, ideas, resources, etc., during Teachers Teaching Teachers (TTTs) sessions held during their common planning period	Teachers can be each others' best resources. They can offer one another creative teaching ideas, classroom management techniques, suggestions for effective communication with parents and strategies for hard to reach students.	Galvez-Hjornevik, C. "Teacher Mentors: A Review of the Literature." Austin, TX: Research and Development Center for Teacher Education, University of Texas, 1985. SP 026 844. Note: most of this material appears in Journal of Teacher Education, 37,1 (January-February 1986): 6-11.	Oct. 2010	June 2013
1C	Teachers will use Socratic seminars/questioning, thinking maps, Cornell note-taking, Compass learning and cooperative learning strategies in the classroom.	A variety of teaching strategies will help students develop their cognitive skills at the highest levels as well as have a positive effect on the affective domains of development.	"Socratic Seminars: Engaging Students in Intellectual Discourse," Lynda Tredway, <i>Educational Leadership</i> , V 53 n 1, p. 26-29, Sept. 1995.	Sept. 2011	Aug. 2013 Ongoing
1A, 1C	TTIPSS teachers will hold Curriculum Plan Review sessions (CPRs) at the end of each six week period to review aligned test data results, to analyze individual student progress on the curriculum, to plan re-teaching of identified weak skills, and to plan tutoring lessons for the next six week period.	CPRs are an ongoing process that allow timely feedback during the course instruction to teachers and students to close the gap between current learning and a desired goal. It also gives teachers excellent information needed for curricular adjustments as needed.	"Data Use for Continuous Quality Improvement," Retrieved from: http://datause.sce.ucla.edu/	Oct. 2010	June 2013 Ongoing

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CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
1A,1C	Teachers will disaggregate aligned assessment data via Compass Learning, Grade Speed and AEIS-IT software to improve instructional services to students immediately.	Data driven instruction will help teachers to provide a laser focused instructional program to all students. This in turn will improve teacher effectiveness and student achievement.	"Involving Teachers in Data-Driven Decision Making: Using Computer Data Systems to Support Teacher Inquiry and Reflection," Jeffrey C. Wayman, <i>Journal of Education for Students Placed at Risk</i> , July 2005, Vol. 10 Issue 3, p. 295-308.	Sept. 2010	Aug. 2013 Ongoing
1A,1C	TTiPSS teachers will have a common planning period weekly for the purpose of planning lessons, sharing materials and analyzing student progress.	Schools that connect teacher learning to student learning often have a better chance of making a positive impact on student achievement. Collaborative planning provides opportunities for teachers to work together during the school day to make those connections through examining their practice, consulting with colleagues, and developing their skills.	"Scheduling for Success: Common Planning Time," (2008). Newton, Ma: Education Development Center	Aug. 2010	Aug. 2013 Ongoing
1A, 1C	Core area teachers will integrate technology such as Ipods, laptops, multimedia projectors CPS clickers, electronic learning pads, graphing calculators, document cameras, playaways and eReaders and eBooks into lesson designs.	Today's student is accustomed to using technology daily. Designing instruction to integrate technology will engage and motivate students to learn.	"Librarian bring Kindles into the classroom", Barack, Lauren, School Library Journal, May 2010, Vol. 56, Iss. 5, p.15.	Sept. 2010	Aug. 2013 Ongoing
1B,1C	Teachers participating in the TTiPSS school reform program will develop assessments that are aligned to the course instructional timelines and that will be administered to all students each six week period	Developing and implementing common, high-quality assessments must be a part of any bold school reform. Common, quality assessments will allow staff to compare results across classrooms and across student demographic groups	"Classroom Assessment for Student Learning: Doing it Right, Using it Well," A. Stiggins, J. Chappuis, S. Chappuis, (2007). Portland, OR: Assessment Training Institute	Oct. 2010	June 2013 Ongoing

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2A,2B	Core area teachers will receive training on using software programs such as Criterion, Reading Smart, TMSDS, WebCaTT, Text Help, AEIS-IT and Compass Learning to facilitate their immediate use of data to revise the curriculum and improve instruction. Additional scanners will be required for quick turnaround of student data.	Student scores will improve when teachers use a variety of data to analyze curricular strengths and weaknesses that will lead to adjustment in the instructional program and improved instructional delivery.	"You don't have to be a statistician to use data: a process for data based decision making in schools", Flowers, Nancy, <i>Phi Delta Kappan</i> , Oct. 2009, vol. 91, Iss. 2, pp.64-67	Sept. 2010	June 2011 Ongoing
2B	TTIPSS teachers will design assessments that are aligned to the curriculum that will be reviewed and approved by a curriculum specialist every six weeks.	Monitoring by a curriculum specialist will ensure that assessments are targeting TAKS objectives and are aligned with curriculum timelines.	"Ahead of the curve: the power of assessment to transform teaching and learning", Reeves, D., <i>Solution Tree</i> , 2007	Oct. 2010	May 2013 Ongoing
2B	Core area teachers will utilize Compass Learning and GradeSpeed data weekly and AEIS-IT data after benchmarks to allow for immediate change in reteaching.	Student scores will improve when teachers use data from Compass Learning and AEIS-IT data to focus instruction on identified areas of need.		Oct. 2010	May 2013 Ongoing
2B,2C	Working in collaboration, teachers will use disaggregated data (TAKS, benchmarks, Compass Learning, Criterion, Text Help, Reading Smart, TMSDS, Web CaTT, AEIS-IT) to make curriculum decisions to improve the instructional services to students.	Data driven instruction will improve teacher effectiveness as well as student achievement and will help focus on Special Ed and LEP student needs.	"Involving Teachers in Data-Driven Decision Making: Using Computer Data Systems to Support Teacher Inquiry and Reflection," Jeffrey C. Wayman, <i>Journal of Education for Students Placed at Risk</i> , July 2005, Vol. 10 Iss. 3, p. 295-308.	Aug. 2010	Aug. 2013

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Critical Success Factor 2: Increase the use of Quality Data to Drive Instruction

CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
2B,2C	Using Grade Speed TTIPSS team leaders will monitor student grades on a weekly basis to identify students not making the required progress on the aligned curriculum and for determining who will be required to attend daily tutorials and Saturday Academy for an additional 440 minutes of learning time weekly.	Student achievement will improve as teachers, students and parents receive immediate and frequent feedback on student progress.		Aug. 2010	June 2013 Ongoing
2B,2C	TTIPSS team leaders will use Grade Speed weekly reports to plan Saturday Academies and daily tutorials that focus on areas of academic need.	Utilizing data from Grade Speed will allow TTIPSS teachers to address areas of weakness during Saturday Academies.	"Involving Teachers in Data-Driven Decision Making: Using Computer Data Systems to Support Teacher Inquiry and Reflection," Jeffrey C. Wayman, Journal of Education for Students Placed at Risk, July 2005, Vol. 10 Iss. 3, p. 295-308.	Aug. 2010	June 2013 Ongoing

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Critical Success Factor 3: Increase Leadership Effectiveness					
CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
3A	Administrators and teacher leaders will receive leadership training for school improvement through SIRC	To ensure a successful school reform effort, administrators and teacher leaders must be trained to be effective leaders.	"A matter of Principals", Fletcher, Geoffrey H., <i>T.H.E. Journal</i> , v.36, n.5, p.22-28	Aug. 2010	Aug. 2013 Ongoing
3A	Administrator and teacher leaders will attend the State leadership and assessment conferences.	Instructional leaders need a strong curricular foundation if they are to lead our school to improve in these areas.	"Learning Communities for administrators", David, Jane L., <i>Educational Leadership</i> , Oct. 2009, Vol. 67, Iss. 2, pp. 88-89	Oct. 2010	Oct. 2013 Ongoing
3A	Administrators will participate in instructional leadership training that focuses on school transformation.	The campus has a greater chance of successfully turning around when led by effective administrators.	"Planning ahead: make program implementation more predictable", Weinbaum, Elliot H., <i>Phi Delta Kappan</i> , Apr. 2010, Vol. 9, Iss. 7, pp.68-71	Aug. 2010	Aug. 2013 Ongoing
3A	The Principal will attend leadership training at the national level.	An effective Principal must be current on the latest successful school practices.	"Facing the challenge of whole school reform", Berends, Mark. 2002	Summer 2011	Summer 2013
3B	Administrators will provide teachers with instructional resources for team planning, calendars and benchmark timelines.	Teachers must have the resources they need to effectively practice their craft.	"Facing the challenge of whole school reform", Berends, Mark. 2002	Aug. 2010	Aug. 2013
3B,3C	TTIPSS team leaders will be assigned to monitor attendance, review student grades, plan Saturday Academies, organize PAC meetings and coordinate team activities.	TTIPSS team leaders will be responsible for overseeing all aspects of the team constantly monitoring progress to promote team success.	"Small learning communities: Implementing and deepening practice", Oxley, D., Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory. 2007.	Sept. 2010	June 2013 Ongoing
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Critical Success Factor 4: Improve Learning Time					
CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
4A	Small learning communities will be implemented through the Teachers Teamed in Pursuit of Student Success (TTIPSS) program Yr.1: 9 th gr. Yr. 2: 9 th & 10 th Yr. 3: 9 th , 10 th & 11 th grades	Research supports and our campus surveys reflect that small learning communities will help our academically at-risk students improve their academic skills and performance, will better engage them in their learning and will help to improve their attitude toward school.	"Implementation study of smaller learning communities: Final report. Bernstein, L., U.S. Department of Education. 2008.	Aug. 2010	Aug. 2013 Ongoing
4A	Year 1: 10 th grade will utilize a Team Leader concept in each of the four core areas. Team Leaders (TL's) will be responsible for monitoring student grades, attendance and discipline and planning immediate and appropriate interventions including but not limited to (1) Prescriptive Saturday Academies (2) Lobo Homework Camps (3) Parent Academic Conferences and (4) Counseling. In additions, Team Leaders will plan and lead Curriculum Plan Reviews (CPRs), organize Teachers Teaching Teachers (TTTs) sessions, monitor the preparation of aligned six week assessments.	Immediate interventions for students who are not making adequate progress will have a greater impact on their long term learning.	"Developing early warning systems to identify potential high school dropouts", Heppen, J., National High School Center at the American Institutes for Research, 2008.	August 2010	August 2013 Ongoing
4A	TTIPSS teachers will receive extensive training on how to utilize bell-to-bell instruction and teach effectively within a small communities concept	Increased learning time is effective when focused on student need and aligned curriculum. Therefore, teachers must be trained on how to effectively use the 50 minutes available to them.	"Using student center activities to differentiate instruction. A guide for teachers", Kosanovich, M. L., RMC Research Corporation, Center on Instruction, 2009.	Sept 2010	Sept 2012

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Critical Success Factor 4: Improve Learning Time

CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
4A	Implement laser focused teacher-led lessons using the Compass Learning Software. This will be available four days a week to all of our ELL and Special Ed students and will provide an additional 200 learning minutes per week	Through the Compass Learning program, content area teachers will provide the extra assistance students may require to master concepts in all four core subject areas	"Restructuring High Schools: Looking for Solutions," Dennie L. Smith, editor, <i>Mid America Training and Development</i> , 2006, p. 1-6	Aug. 2010	June 2013 Ongoing
4A	Beginning in 2011-2012, all 10 th & 11 th graders who have not achieved commended status in Math, ELA or Science will be double scheduled in these core areas.	Students who fail to master course content may need additional remedial course to support their learning.	"Restructuring High Schools: Looking for Solutions," Dennie L. Smith, editor, <i>Mid America Training and Development</i> , 2006, p. 1-6	Aug. 2011	Aug. 2013 Ongoing
4A	TTiPSS team leaders will identify and assign students to Saturday Academies that will target areas of need in Math, Science, Social Studies and ELA.	Saturday Academies will provide identified students with the additional assistance they need to master the objectives taught in the previous two weeks .	"Scenes from a Science Classroom: An Enrichment Program Experience," Erica M. Brownstein, paper presented at The Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, 1994	Sept. 2010	April 2013 Ongoing
4B	A Summer Camp for At-Risk, LEP and Special Ed ninth graders will be initiated to allow them extended opportunities to master skills in the four core subject areas. This will add 3,600 minutes of additional learning time.	Research supports our belief that all students can learn, but not in the same way or at the same pace. Therefore, it makes sense to provide extended academic support to students through a Summer Camp	"MI-LINC Menchville Interconnected Learning Initiative in a Networked Community," Retrieved from: http://www.earthwalk.com/pdf/grants/grantSample.pdf	June 2011	June 2013 Ongoing
4C	TTiPSS team teachers will be required to meet during their common planning period a minimum of two times per week.	Will allow teachers planning time to discuss student progress, student attendance and discipline issues, to share strategies, analyze test data and to plan interventions as needed	"The Houston Design: Setting the Stage," speech presented by Robert Stockwell, March 2002	Aug. 2010	May 2013 Ongoing

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CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
4C	TTiPSS teachers will receive professional development on how to effectively manage small learning communities to ensure success of the TTiPSS initiatives.	Teachers will be provided with research based tools that will clarify the rationale for utilizing this teaming concept.	"Small learning communities: implementing and deepening practice", Oxley, D., Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory, 2007	Sept. 2010	Sept. 2012 Ongoing

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Critical Success Factor 5: Increase Parent/Community Involvement					
CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
5A	TTIPSS teachers will prepare Parent Newsletters each six weeks period to inform parents of parent meetings, tutoring sessions, instructional issues and other topics of interest to them	Keeping the parents informed about their children's academic world will help them to make better choices related to school attendance, homework assignments, tutoring, etc	"Parent involvement: Keys to success" podcast, Retrieved from : http://www.arcc.edvantia.org/page/ParentInvolvementPodcasts/	Sept. 2010	Apr. 2013 Ongoing
5A	Each TTIPSS team will recruit a parent support team to assist with student incentive projects for improved attendance and increased achievement	Parental involvement will have a positive effect on student academic success as it promotes the parent's support of educational expectations, acquaints the parents with school initiatives and increases parental involvement in the child's education.	"The impact of school, family, and community connections on student achievement", Henderson, AI, Austin SEDL, 2002.	Sept. 2010	June 2013 Ongoing
5A	TTIPSS teams will enroll 90% of their parents in Grade Speed.	Grade Speed access allows parents to monitor their student's academic progress and daily attendance.	"Parent involvement: Keys to success" podcast, Retrieved from: http://www.arcc.edvantia.org/page/ParentInvolvementPodcasts/	Oct. 2010	June 2013 Ongoing
5A, 5B	TTIPSS teachers will hold parent academic conference (PAC) days every six weeks.	Meetings will increase communication with parents and involve them in the school.	"Do's and don't of parent-teacher conferences", Potter, Les, <i>Education Digest</i> , May 2001. Vol. 66, Iss.9, p. 37	Oct. 2010	Apr. 2013 Ongoing
5A, 5B	Weekly workshops will be offered to parents on school-related topics via our Campus Parent Center.	Parents will be aware of our instructional goals to better help their child succeed in school.	"Parental involvement as a protective factor during the transition to high school", Chen, Wei-Bing, <i>Journal of Educational Research</i> , Sept/Oct 2009, Vol. 103, Iss. 1, p. 53-62	Sept. 2010	June 2013 Ongoing
5B, 5C	Adult literacy courses and computer literacy courses will be offered to parents via our campus Parent Center using the computers on wheels (COWS)	Parents will be better able to become active participants in their children's education	"Parents as problems or parents as people. Parental involvement programs, schools and adult educators", <i>International Journal of Lifelong Education</i> , May 2001, Vol. 20, Iss. 3, p. 188-198	Jan. 2011	June 2013 Ongoing

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CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
5B, 5C	Provide access to GED classes for parents.	Assisting parents with completing their GED allows them to be good role models for our students.	"Parents as problems or parents as people. Parental involvement programs, schools and adult educators", <i>International Journal of Lifelong Education</i> , May 2001, Vol. 20, Iss. 3, p. 188-198	Nov. 2010	June 2013 Ongoing
5C	A family counseling program will be implemented for parents of At-Risk students after school hours, twice a month.	Will promote parental involvement, improve parent/child relationships and reduce student referrals.	"Parents as problems or parents as people. Parental involvement programmes, schools and adult educators", <i>International Journal of Lifelong Education</i> , May 2001, Vol. 20, Iss. 3, p. 188-198	Nov. 2010	June 2013 Ongoing

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Critical Success Factor 6: Improve School Climate

CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
6A	Students with perfect attendance and improved academic achievement will be recognized each six weeks period and will participate in attendance incentive initiatives developed by each TTIPSS team parent support group.	Maximum success in school calls for total commitment to attendance at school	"Parent involvement: Keys to success" podcast, Retrieved from: http://www.arcc.edvantia.org/page/ParentInvolvementPodcasts/	Oct. 2010	June 2013 Ongoing
6B	Teachers and staff will receive training on preventing school violence and bullying and promoting a safe school environment.	A trained staff will inspire positive changes to our campus thus reducing incidences of violence, bullying improving school climate	"Eight elements of high school improvement: a mapping framework", National High School Center, Retrieved from: http://betterhighschools.org/pubs/documents/NHSCEightElements7-25-08.pdf	July 2011	July 2013 Ongoing
6C	Students will register for a club or sport during the first weeks of school by attending a club/sports expo.	Students are more inclined to pass all classes at the end of the grading period and a sense of belonging will be promoted.	"Physical Activity and Sports Team Participation: Associations with Academic Outcome in Middle and High School Students," Claudia K. Fox, <i>Journal of School Health</i> , Jan. 2010, Vol. 80 Issue 1, p. 31-37.	Sept. 2010	Sept. 2012
6A,6B	TTIPSS teams and participating teachers will attend character and relationship building training.	Students who feel ownership of their school will be more productive, and successful and their attendance and academic achievement will improve	"Breaking the habit of low performance: successful school restructuring stories", Academic Development Institute, Retrieved from: http://www.centerii.org/survey/	July 2011	July 2013 Ongoing
6A. 6B	TTIPSS teachers will hold parent academic conference (PAC) days every six weeks.	Meetings will increase communication with parents and involve them in the school.	"Do's and don't of parent-teacher conferences", Potter, Les, <i>Education Digest</i> , May 2001. Vol. 66, Iss.9, p. 37	Oct. 2010	April 2013
6A, 6B	TTIPSS teachers will prepare Parent Newsletters each six weeks period to inform	Keeping the parents informed about their children's academic world will help them to make	"Parent involvement: Keys to success" podcast, Retrieved from : http://www.arcc.edvantia.org/	Sept. 2010	Apr. 2013

parents of parent meetings, tutoring	better choices related to school attendance,	org/page/P at Involvement-odcasts/		
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Critical Success Factor 6: Improve School Climate

CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
	sessions, instructional issues and other topics of interest to them	homework assignments, tutoring, etc			
6A, 6B	TTiPSS teams will have a student advisory period at least once every six weeks.	Team teachers will build a close relationship with students that will reflect in increased achievement in all areas.	"An Advisory Approach," Catherine Gewertz, <i>Education Week</i> , 3/7/2007, Vol. 26 Issue 26, p. 22-25	Oct. 2010	June 2013 Ongoing
6A, 6B, 6C	A ninth grade Summer Fish Camp will be hosted for all incoming Freshmen	Camp participation will provide ninth graders with a smoother transition into high school.	"Summer Bridge Program, Policy Brief," <i>Center for Comprehensive School Reform and Improvement</i> , 2009	July 2011	July 2013 Ongoing
6B, 6C	TTiPSS teams will adopt a sport or performance activity each six weeks; students without referrals will be rewarded with a ticket to attend an activity of their choice	Participation will promote increased extra-curricular involvement and decreased discipline referrals.	"Impact of School-Related, Community-Based, and Parental Involvement Activities on Achievement of At-Risk Youth in High School Settings", Barbara H. Young. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Mid-South Educational Research Association, Nov. 12-14, 1997.	Sept. 2010	Sept. 2012 Ongoing



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Critical Success Factor 7: Increase Teacher Quality

CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
7A	<p>Evaluative Tools will be redesigned to reflect TTiPSS staff use of technology, cooperative learning strategies, Cornell note-taking, Socratic questioning strategies, skills learned in the use of the affective domain strategies and student engagement.</p> <p>Administrators and Team Leaders will use the Eduphoria software to produce walkthrough data that quantifies the use of the required teaching strategies.</p>	Teachers will receive extensive professional development training in areas identified on our Campus Needs Assessment. Therefore it is important that the teacher evaluation instrument reflects the use of skills learned.	"Improving instruction through effective teacher evaluation: Options for states and districts", Mathers, C., National Comprehensive Center for Teacher Quality, 2008, Retrieved from: http://www.tqsource.org/publications/February2008Brief.pdf ,	2010	2013
7B	TTiPSS and Academic Team teachers will receive professional development in the areas of technology, Socratic Seminars/Questioning, Cornell note taking, thinking maps, and cooperative learning strategies.	Teachers must be trained in the implementation of strategies to successfully integrate them into their daily lessons for the greatest effect on student learning and success.	"Redefining Profession Development," Center for Comprehensive School Reform and Improvement, Washington, D.C., Retrieved from http://www.centerforscri.org/files/Feb06newsetter.pdf .	2010	2013
7B	TTiPSS and Academic Teams teachers will participate in professional development on building a positive learning environment.	A classroom with a positive atmosphere is encouraging for student achievement.	"Building a culture of achievement", Major, Marc R., <i>Educational Digest</i> , Vol. 74, N. 8, p. 24-28	2010	2013
7B	TTiPSS and Academic Teams teachers will attend a workshop on developing a positive rapport with students.	Students who respect and relate to their students are more likely to produce better schoolwork.	"Teaching and learning conditions are critical to the success of students and the retention of teachers", Hirsch, Eric, <i>Center for Teaching Quality</i> , 2006.	2010	2013

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<p>Critical Success Factor 7: Increase Teacher Quality</p>					
CSF Milestone	Additional Improvement Activity	Rationale	Supporting Research	Timeline Begin Date	Timeline End Date
7B	TTiPSS and Academic Teams teachers will receive training on integrating iPods and other technology in the classroom. With playaways and Ereaders, the learning concepts will be extended afterschool	iPods are an excellent tool for language acquisition. Utilizing technology in the classroom keeps students actively engaged in the learning process.	"iPod in the Classroom: The Potential for Language Acquisition", White paper retrieved from: http://edcommunity.apple.com/ali/galleryfiles/15300/ipod_lang_acq_educ_whitepaper.pdf	2010	2013
7C	TTiPSS teachers will be paid a financial incentive (up to \$3,000 per year) that will be contingent on student academic performance, teacher attendance, and reduction of discipline referrals.	TTiPSS teachers will be expected to work longer hours and additional days as they participate in more curriculum building, data analysis, and lesson planning to improve student outcomes.	"Sustaining School Improvement: Resource Allocation," 2003, Retrieved from http://www.mcrel.org/PDF/LeadershipOrganizationDevelopment/5031TG .	2010	2013
7C	All 1 st year TTiPSS teachers will be assigned a mentor.	Teacher mentoring will help new teachers succeed and understand the school's mission and vision for students.	"What Mentors Learn About Teaching," Susan G. Hanson, <i>Educational Leadership</i> , May 2010, Vol. 67 Issue 8, p. 76-80.	2010	2013
7B, 7C	Participating teachers will attend training on effective instructional strategies with an emphasis on reaching LEP and Special Ed students.	Teaching that incorporates current and effective instructional strategies will improve student outcomes.	"The art and science of teaching: a comprehensive framework for effective instruction," Marzano, Robert J., Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development. 2007	2010	2013
7B, 7C	Math and Science team teachers will attend professional development via the Dana Center on hands-on teaching strategies used to reach At-Risk, ESL and Special Ed students.	Math and Science teachers who use effective strategies to teach the TEKS will produce better student scores.	"Teachers' quality, instructional strategies and students' performance in secondary school science", Okoye, Nnamid S., <i>Journal of Instructional Psychology</i> , June 2008, Vol. 35, Iss. 2, p. 204-211	2010	2013

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Part 4: Waiver Requests

Applicants must check the waivers in which the LEA/campus intends to implement.

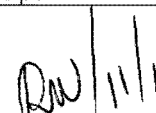
- ☒ Extending the period of availability of school improvement funds.
This waiver extends the "life" of the funds for two additional years; allowing the state to fund the grant period for three years to the LEA on behalf of the eligible campus, as long as the campus meets the requirements of implementation of the grant program.

Note: Since TEA has requested and received a waiver of the period of availability of these school improvement grant funds, this waiver automatically applies to all LEAs in the State and must be checked.

- ☐ "Starting over" in the school improvement timeline for Tier I and Tier II Title I participating schools implementing a turnaround or restart model.
Under this waiver, the LEA with an eligible Tier I or Tier II campus implementing the turnaround model or restart model may have their School Improvement status reset regardless of the actual AYP status and other school improvement interventions, such as School Choice and Supplemental Education Services (SES) would not be applicable. This waiver allows the campus two years to effectively implement the selected turnaround or restart model of reform without additional statutory school improvement interventions being required.

- ☐ Implementing a school wide program in a Tier I or Tier II Title I participating school that does not meet the 40 percent poverty eligibility threshold.
This waiver allows a Tier I Title I campus that otherwise does not qualify to operate a Schoolwide program to do so in order to implement the Tier I reform model selected.

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Schedule #4C—Performance Assessment and Evaluation		
Part 1: Component Description. By submitting this application, the applicant agrees to comply with any reporting and evaluation requirements that TEA may establish and to submit the reports in the format TEA requests. (Response limited to one page each, font size no smaller than 9 pt, Arial or Verdana)		
Section A: Ongoing Monitoring/Continuous Improvement - Describe the LEA/campus' process for providing on-going monitoring of grant activities to ensure continuous improvement		
<p>Brownsville ISD will provide significant on-going monitoring of grant activities primarily through the office of the Cluster Area Assistant Superintendent who is also hereby known in this grant as the district shepherd. All quarterly and end of year implementation reports will be carefully reviewed and dissected by the Cluster Area Assistant Superintendent prior to submission to TEA. These will be the official guideposts for monitoring of grant activities to ensure continuous improvement, however, short-interval (3-4 weeks) significant monitoring of grant activities on the local level will be implemented to ensure that reports to TEA indicate progress towards meeting goals and provide evidence of continuous improvement. These BISD short-interval on-going monitoring activities are listed below aligned to the grant's Critical Success Factors.</p> <p>1) Academic Performance: Reading/ELA, math, & science district and campus benchmarks, TAKS reading/ELA, math, & science commended & passing levels for all students, for LEPS, and for Sp. Ed., tutorial session sign-in sheets coupled with mini-assessments compiled on a weekly basis</p> <p>2) Quality data to drive instruction: Charts, graphs, and lists of regrouping, increased instructional time, etc. based on district & campus benchmark results, and numbers of students showing improvement. TELPAS & AMAO changes, tutorial session mini-assessment results</p> <p>3) Leadership effectiveness Number of training sessions attended by principal, assistant principal, & dean/facilitator. Teacher leader trainings.</p> <p>4) Increase learning time. Number of extended day/week/year and zero period opportunities for students, Number of students participating in sessions. Extended day/week/year & zero period curriculum review and evaluation, tutorial session sign-in sheets coupled with mini-assessments compiled on a weekly basis</p> <p>5) Increase parent/community involvement: Number of sessions, types of sessions, and number of participants for parents/community, attending tutorial session(s) will improve students' understanding resulting in mastery and a sense of accomplishment</p> <p>6) Improve school climate: percentage point increases in attendance, decreases in discipline referrals, and increases in number of students participating in extra/co-curricular activities.</p> <p>7) Increase teacher quality: increases in number of administrator & teacher leader walk-throughs, feedback meetings, and mentoring/collaboration meetings.</p> <p>Campus Administration will review the student and teacher progress on a weekly basis and conduct weekly grade level meetings to discuss and review student progress on campus developed benchmarks and TAKS released tests which have been broken down by objective. Delivery of instruction will be in alignment to campus developed scope and sequence. All other components of the SIRC model and SIRC's services to the campus will be monitored on an on-going basis to ensure continuous progress. Evaluative tools, use of Eduphoria software, evaluation of the summer curriculum writing camps, the Compass Learning Program, use of Mobipads and IPods as instructional teaching and learning tools, and the success of each six weeks' Parent Academic Conference (PAC) will be monitored regularly in alignment with the grant's requirements and the improvement activities and timeline (Schedule 4B Part 3, Section D). The same applies to Prescriptive Saturday Academies, the Lobo Homework Camps, the Teachers Teaching Teachers common planning periods, the Curriculum Plan Review sessions (CPRs), teachers' actual use of a variety of tools for disaggregation of data and planning instructional interventions, evaluation of the small learning communities, and the double scheduling of ELA, math, and science classes for students who haven't achieved "commended" performance on TAKS. Summer camps, fish camps, adult literacy classes, use of computers on wheels, family counseling sessions, increased participation in extra/co-curricular activities, reduction in numbers of bullying and violence referrals, and the student advisory periods will also be monitored as appropriate for the nature of the indicator. Monitoring of the activities above which will have a direct academic impact (i.e.: small learning communities, double schedules, common planning periods, professional development, etc.) will be the duty of project coordinator, the campus instructional leadership team, and the campus instructional team leaders. Others, such as the adult literacy classes, the family counseling sessions, etc. will be monitored via sign-in sheets, increases in numbers of participants, reductions in numbers of discipline referrals, increases in student and teacher attendance rates, surveys, etc. In short, Lopez HS commits to providing on-going monitoring of all grant activities to ensure continuous improvement. Integral to the monitoring process will be regularly scheduled meetings of all monitoring departments to debrief one another and the campus principal.</p>		



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Section B: Formative Evaluation- Describe the LEA/campus' process for formative evaluation, including how the results of the evaluation will be used to improve the grant program


BISD will use the results of the formative evaluations to improve the grant program. At the district level, the formative evaluation is that outlined on page 51 which will occur in short-intervals of 3-4 weeks and at the time of the quarterly reports to TEA. The district's Cluster Area Assistant Superintendent/District Shepherd will meet with the campus administration and/or teacher leaders as appropriate to review and provide feedback on campus and district reading/ELA, math, and science benchmark results and the instructional and professional development decisions made as the result of those pieces of assessment data. Quality data drives instruction! Thus, the formative evaluation measures, in short intervals, show how effectively the campus is using the quality data and whether or not it is driving instructional decisions on a daily basis! Although leadership effectiveness may be more difficult to ascertain on a short-interval basis, disaggregation of data and the making of data-driven decisions are both on-going job embedded leadership professional development activities. So is resourcefulness in the allocation of additional time and funds to support areas of need revealed by the constant and consistent disaggregation of data. Thus, the District Shepherd will be able to use these indicators as formative evaluation tools for leadership effectiveness. Formative evaluation of the effectiveness of increases in learning time will be based on increases in numbers of students participating in extension programs as well as indirectly via improvements in benchmark test results from administration to administration. Again, the success of extended learning opportunities will be an indicator of the leadership's effectiveness and groupings and curriculum for these opportunities will reflect the quality of use of data to drive instruction. The short-interval effectiveness of parent/community involvement increases and improvements in school climate will also be a topic of discussion every 3-4 weeks when the District Shepherd meets with the campus to discuss progress towards goals. Discussions will result in decisions as to whether or not Lopez High School is on target or needs to strengthen each activity/initiative dedicated to these two components. Finally, although BISD's teaching force is currently 100% highly qualified as per federal guidelines, the CSF of increasing teacher quality will be measured via the formative evaluation by items such as: walkthrough data collection, improvements in benchmark results, implementation of training on instructional strategies, use of technology, etc. in alignment with the on-going job embedded professional development in which grant teachers are participating. Curriculum Planning Reviews (CPRs) will be organized after every grading period. These reviews will focus on disaggregating data from benchmark testing, tutorial mini-assessments, etc., with emphasis on evaluating the successful acquisition of learning/understanding of TEKS/TAKS objectives by the student. GradeSpeed, TMSDS, and AEIS-IT software programs will facilitate generating the data. Walk-through observations as well as formal and summative evaluations will serve to monitor the effectiveness of teacher implementation of campus initiatives that will improve the program. Specifically, the observation tools will evaluation the quantity and quality of the following: student engagement, use of technology as a teaching strategy, use of graphic organizers, cooperative learning strategy, etc. Both formative and summative evaluations of the activities about which will have a direct academic impact (i.e.: small learning communities, double schedules, common planning periods, professional development, tec.) will arise from objective data, benchmark tests, six weeks grades, and TAKS test results. Formative evaluations of other components, such as the adult literacy classes, the family counseling sessions, etc. will be via sign-in sheets, increases in numbers of participants, reductions in numbers of discipline referrals, increases in student and teacher attendance rates, surveys, etc. In short, Lopez HS commits to providing formative evaluations of all grant departments with written reports and debriefings. Theses will be the basis of all reports to SIRC, TEA, the District Shepherd, the Superintendent of schools, and the Board of Trustees. These formative reports will also be the basis for the regularly scheduled debriefing meeting between the campus and the Area Assistant Superintendent/District Shepherd for Lopez High School.

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Section C: Qualitative and Quantitative Data Collection Methods- Describe the LEA/campus' process for data collection methods to be implemented and 1) how the data will be disaggregated; 2) used to improve instruction; and 3) obtain continuous improvement results		
<p>BISD and the campus agree to comply with reporting and evaluation requirements that TEA may establish and to submit the reports in the format TEA requests. The LEA will develop a process for data collection and methods will be technology driven to the greatest extent possible and Lopez HS will comply with all components of said data collection. Surveys will be used (example/Survey Monkey) to the extent possible to gather data on quality, type, and degree of participatory involvement practiced by principal, teachers, parents, community members, and when/as appropriate, students. Quality, type, and degree of planning, implementation, and evaluation of project activities data collection will be mainly through summaries/sign in sheets/agendas submitted on-line to the degree possible to the Cluster Area Assistant Superintendent. The method for collection of data with regards to the quality, type, and degree of collaboration with project partners will be via reports from these groups as well as campus reports to the district shepherd with details regarding the successes and challenges of project collaboration. Data collection regarding the quality, type, and level of professional development activities and their impact on school reform efforts will be via walk-throughs and the PDAS instruments which indicate level of implementation of new strategies and level of follow-through in use of technology, etc. Data regarding the quality and type of curriculum used, instruction delivered, and increases in learning time will be derived from district and campus benchmark testing results, AP classes, dual enrollment classes, etc. and online reports disaggregated by targeted student groups. Any products or documents developed as part of the project will be evaluated by the district's appropriate central office department. Strengths and weaknesses of the project design, implementation, and evaluation will also be reflected via these data collection methods and components described here. The quality and level of communication with and reporting to management on the progress of the project and any problems encountered will also be reflected via the data collection methods described above because data collection components will include items such as: 1) on time/late submission, 2) complete/incomplete submissions, and 3) level of meeting formative goal/s, etc. Ultimately, the extent to which recommendations for modifying or improving the program as a result of on-going evaluation activities were implemented will be determined by the meeting or not meeting each year's progress goals and performance objectives. The majority of this data will be collected via the SIRC customized performance management system or a similar data collection tool. The SIRC district and campus snapshots will also be integral to the qualitative and quantitative data collection, the disaggregation of the data to improve instruction and to obtain continuous improvement results. All stakeholders, Board of Trustees, Superintendent, central office personnel, campus staff, parents, and community will have access to the data via on-line documents. Curriculum Planning Reviews (CPRs) will be organized after every grading period. These reviews will focus on disaggregating data from benchmark testing, tutorial mini-assessments, etc., with emphasis on evaluating the successful acquisition of learning/understanding of TEKS/TAKS objectives by the student. GradeSpeed, TMSDS, and AEIS-IT software programs will facilitate generating the data.</p> <p>A final component of both the formative and summative evaluation process will be the fiscal responsibility that Lopez HS exhibits in the expenditure of the funds awarded. As stated previously, Lopez HS serves 2200 students. Based on the fact that the full grant award for Lopez HS is \$2,000,000 annually for three years, the per pupil average expenditure results in \$909 per year. This is well aligned with State Compensatory (\$909/per pupil) and Title I (\$545/per pupil) entitlements. Thus, the cost analysis is reasonable in the meeting of the expected student goals. The Project costs and the scope of the grant are aligned as is evident in the comparison of budget schedules and Schedule #4B Program Description Part 3: Intervention Model Section D: Improvement activities and Timelines. The Lopez High School budget proposal clearly supports the expected student outcomes.</p>		

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Texas Title I Priority Schools Grant Schedule #4C—Performance Assessment and Evaluation		
Part 1: Component Description. By submitting this application, the applicant agrees to comply with any reporting and evaluation requirements that TEA may establish and to submit the reports in the format TEA requests. (Response limited to one page each, font size no smaller than 9 pt, Arial or Verdana)		
Section A: Ongoing Monitoring/Continuous Improvement - Describe the LEA/campus' process for providing on-going monitoring of grant activities to ensure continuous improvement		
<p>Brownsville ISD will provide significant on-going monitoring of grant activities primarily through the office of the Cluster Area Assistant Superintendent who is also hereby known in this grant as the district shepherd. All quarterly and end of year implementation reports will be carefully reviewed and dissected by the Cluster Area Assistant Superintendent prior to submission to TEA. These will be the official guideposts for monitoring of grant activities to ensure continuous improvement, however, short-interval (3-4 weeks) significant monitoring of grant activities on the local level will be implemented to ensure that reports to TEA indicate progress towards meeting goals and provide evidence of continuous improvement. These BISD short-interval on-going monitoring activities are listed below aligned to the grant's Critical Success Factors.</p> <p>1) Academic Performance: Reading/ELA, math, & science district and campus benchmarks, TAKS reading/ELA, math, & science commended & passing levels for all students, for LEPS, and for Sp. Ed., tutorial session sign-in sheets coupled with mini-assessments compiled on a weekly basis</p> <p>2) Quality data to drive instruction: Charts, graphs, and lists of regrouping, increased instructional time, etc. based on district & campus benchmark results, and numbers of students showing improvement. TELPAS & AMAO changes, tutorial session mini-assessment results</p> <p>3) Leadership effectiveness Number of training sessions attended by principal, assistant principal, & dean/facilitator. Teacher leader trainings.</p> <p>4) Increase learning time. Number of extended day/week/year and zero period opportunities for students, Number of students participating in sessions. Extended day/week/year & zero period curriculum review and evaluation, tutorial session sign-in sheets coupled with mini-assessments compiled on a weekly basis</p> <p>5) Increase parent/community involvement: Number of sessions, types of sessions, and number of participants for parents/community, attending tutorial session(s) will improve students' understanding resulting in mastery and a sense of accomplishment</p> <p>6) Improve school climate: percentage point increases in attendance, decreases in discipline referrals, and increases in number of students participating in extra/co-curricular activities.</p> <p>7) Increase teacher quality: increases in number of administrator & teacher leader walk-throughs, feedback meetings, and mentoring/collaboration meetings.</p> <p>Campus Administration will review the student and teacher progress on a weekly basis and conduct weekly grade level meetings to discuss and review student progress on campus developed benchmarks and TAKS released tests which have been broken down by objective. Delivery of instruction will be in alignment to campus developed scope and sequence. All other components of the SIRC model and SIRC's services to the campus will be monitored on an on-going basis to ensure continuous progress. Evaluative tools, use of Eduphoria software, evaluation of the summer curriculum writing camps, the Compass Learning Program, use of Mobipads and IPods as instructional teaching and learning tools, and the success of each six weeks' Parent Academic Conference (PAC) will be monitored regularly in alignment with the grant's requirements and the improvement activities and timeline (Schedule 4B Part 3, Section D). The same applies to Prescriptive Saturday Academies, the Lobo Homework Camps, the Teachers Teaching Teachers common planning periods, the Curriculum Plan Review sessions (CPRs), teachers' actual use of a variety of tools for disaggregation of data and planning instructional interventions, evaluation of the small learning communities, and the double scheduling of ELA, math, and science classes for students who haven't achieved "commended" performance on TAKS. Summer camps, fish camps, adult literacy classes, use of computers on wheels, family counseling sessions, increased participation in extra/co-curricular activities, reduction in numbers of bullying and violence referrals, and the student advisory periods will also be monitored as appropriate for the nature of the indicator. Monitoring of the activities above which will have a direct academic impact (i.e.: small learning communities, double schedules, common planning periods, professional development, etc.) will be the duty of project coordinator, the campus instructional leadership team, and the campus instructional team leaders. Others, such as the adult literacy classes, the family counseling sessions, etc. will be monitored via sign-in sheets, increases in numbers of participants, reductions in numbers of discipline referrals, increases in student and teacher attendance rates, surveys, etc. In short, Lopez HS commits to providing on-going monitoring of all grant activities to ensure continuous improvement. Integral to the monitoring process will be regularly scheduled meetings of all monitoring departments to debrief one another and the campus principal.</p>		

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Part 2: Process for Development of Performance Goals		
Describe the process to be implemented to develop the campus' performance goals. Include the groups participating in the development of the goals. Responses are limited to two pages , front side only, with a font size no smaller than 9 point (Arial or Verdana).		
In implementing the modified Transformation Model, the district and Lopez HS commit to ensuring that their goals are designed to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Develop and increase teacher and school leader effectiveness, using rigorous, transparent, and equitable evaluation systems for teachers and the principal that take into account data on student growth and include the individuals themselves in developing and designing growth models. 2) Provide ongoing, high-quality, job-embedded professional development in subject-specific pedagogy aligned to the district's curriculum and instructional program and supported by mentoring and on-job reflective practices. 3) implement strategies such as incentives, flexible work conditions, etc. that are designed to identify and reward school leaders, teachers, and staff who have increased student achievement and "Commended" performance percentages. 4) Use data to implement an instructional program that is research-based and vertically aligned from grade-to-grade and which promotes the continuous use of student data to inform and differentiate instruction in a cyclical manner that provides resources of helping each individual student succeed academically. 5) establish schedules, strategies and additional chunks of time to increase learning and time on task while simultaneously promoting rigor and higher order thinking skills. 6) take advantage of all technical assistance provided by the grantor to enable all staff members to work smarter, no harder. 7) engage the parents in the reform effort. 8) conduct periodic reviews to ensure that the curriculum is being implemented with fidelity, is having the intended impact on student achievement, and is modified if found to be ineffective. 9) use and integrate technology-based supports and interventions as part of the instructional program and match technology resources to students; learning styles. 10) partner with parents and parent organizations, faith and community based organizations, health clinics, etc. to create safe school environments that meet students' social, emotional, and health needs. 11) implement approaches to improve school climate and discipline, such as implementing a system of positive behavioral supports. 12) attend and participate in grant orientation meetings, technical assistance meetings, coaching support, and other periodic meetings of grantees as well as the Texas School Improvement Conference and the sharing of best practices. 13) participate in any evaluation of the grant conducted by the U.S. Department of Education and TEA. 14) establish a system of formative assessment aligned to the TEKS and TAKS which provides robust, targeted data to evaluate the effectiveness of the curriculum, the rigor of the instruction occurring on the Lopez HS campus, and the progress of student groups targeted by the campus and the district program goals. 15) ensure that objective data guides instructional decisions made by teachers for individual students. 16) implement a school wide "response to intervention" behavior modification model. 17) provide additional supports to teachers to ensure that students with disabilities are served in the least restrictive environment and that LEP students acquire language skills to master academic content. <p>As Lopez HS develops its final goals and aligns them to those of the district and the requirements of this grant application, all of the above mentioned components will play a part in the final outcome, not only of setting the goals and objectives, but also in attaining and exceeding them. As stated previously, all stakeholders at the campus level, teachers, support staff, students, parents, community, etc. will be involved in every step of the process of goal setting, progress review, and summative evaluation as appropriate. Additionally, at the District level, the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education, and the Lopez Cluster Area Assistant Superintendent are committed to this effort, support it fully, and communication between all will be regular and informative.</p> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 20px;">  </div>		

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Part 3: Annual Performance Goals						
Improve Academic Performance – Enter the annual goals for student achievement, on both the State's assessments and other measures identified by the LEA, to which the LEA is holding the campus accountable						
#	Performance Measure	Assessment Instrument / Tool	Most Recent Year Performance	Year 1 Progress Goal	Year 2 Progress Goal	Year 3 Progress Goal
1	Increase TAKS Reading/ELA scores for all students.	TAKS Gr. 9,10 & EXIT Reading/ELA	84%	89%	95%	100%
2	Increase TAKS Math for all students.	TAKS Gr. 9,10 & EXIT Math	71%	75%	80%	90%
3	Increase TAKS Science commended performance rates.	TAKS Gr. 9,10 & EXIT Science	13%	+10% baseline	+20% baseline	+30% baseline
4	Narrow gap between LEP and Special Education each and all students tested: TAKS Reading/ELA.	TAKS, TAKS A & TAKS M Gr. 9,10 & EXIT Reading/ELA	32%	-5% baseline	-10% baseline	-15% baseline
5	Narrow gap between LEP and Special Education each and all students tested: TAKS Math.	TAKS, TAKS A & TAKS M Gr. 9,10 & EXIT Math	23%	-5% baseline	-10% baseline	-15% baseline
Increase the Use of Quality Data to Drive Instruction – Enter the annual goals for increasing the use of quality data to drive instruction, to which the LEA is holding the campus accountable.						
#	Performance Measure	Assessment Instrument / Tool	Most Recent Year Performance	Year 1 Progress Goal	Year 2 Progress Goal	Year 3 Progress Goal
1	Increase district benchmark test passing rates: Reading/ELA, math, and science.	District benchmark tests	70%	75%	80%	85%
2	Meet or exceed state standards for instruction of Beginner, Intermediate, & Advanced LEPS.	TELPAS	Baseline: 52% Attain: 37% Progress: 58%	-5% baseline	+10% baseline	+15% baseline
3	Reduce reading/ELA six weeks failure rates.	TELPAS	25%	-5% baseline	-10% baseline	-15% baseline
4	Reduce math six weeks failure rates.	StudentPLUS database	25%	-5% baseline	-10% baseline	-15% baseline

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Increase Leadership Effectiveness— Enter the annual goals for increasing the effectiveness of campus leadership, to which the LEA is holding the campus accountable.

#	Performance Measure	Assessment Instrument/ Tool	Most Recent Year Performance	Year 1 Progress Goal	Year 2 Progress Goal	Year 3 Progress Goal
1	Achieve Recognized or Exemplary TEA Accountability Status.	AEIS	Recognized or Exemplary	Recognized or Exemplary	Recognized or Exemplary	Exemplary
2	Meet AYP requirements.	NCLB AYP	Stage 3 AYP	Meet AYP	Meet AYP	Meet AYP
3	Increase stakeholders' support of principal as instructional leader	Annual CNA Needs Assessment	70%	+10%	+15%	+20%
4	Increase participation in district & Region I workshops, on-line courses, pd seminars, etc.	ERO & Region 1 database	60%	90%	92%	95%
5	Comply with all SIRC Modified Transformation Project components.	SIRC database	Subject to grant award	90%	92%	100%

Increase Learning Time – Enter the annual goals for increasing learning time on the campus, to which the LEA is holding the campus accountable.

#	Performance Measure	Assessment Instrument/ Tool	Most Recent Year Performance	Year 1 Progress Goal	Year 2 Progress Goal	Year 3 Progress Goal
1	Provide extended day/week/RtI sessions for Reading/ELA all students and specifically for LEP and Special Education students.	StudentPLUS database	21%	+10% baseline	+20% baseline	+30% baseline
2	Provide day/week/RtI sessions for math all students and specifically for ELLP and Special Education students.	StudentPLUS database	20%	+10% baseline	+20% baseline	+30% baseline
3	Provide day/week/RtI sessions for science all students and specifically for ELL and Special Education students.	StudentPLUS database	22%	+10% baseline	+20% baseline	+30% baseline
4	Provide summer academies for remediation & enrichment.	StudentPLUS database	14%	+3-5% baseline	+5-7% baseline	+7-9% baseline
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Increase Parent/Stakeholder Involvement – Enter the annual goals for increasing parent and community involvement, to which the LEA is holding the campus accountable.

#	Performance Measure	Assessment Instrument/ Tool	Most Recent Year Performance	Year 1 Progress Goal	Year 2 Progress Goal	Year 3 Progress Goal
1	Increase number of yearly parent involvement activities on campus.	Meeting/ Training Agendas	32	+10	+10	+10
2	Increase number of parents attending parent involvement trainings, activities, conferences, etc. on campus and at district.	Sign-in sheets	27	+20 baseline	+30 baseline	+40 baseline
3	Increase parent and community satisfaction with school.	Annual CNA survey	70%	80%	80%	80%
4	Increase depth of community involvement in school curriculum, including submission to KBSD for broadcasting.	Campus annual calendar	5	+10 baseline	+15 baseline	+20 baseline
5	Increase parent and community volunteerism on campus.	Human Resources database	5	+10	+15	+20

Improve School Climate – Enter the annual goals for improving the school climate, to which the LEA is holding the campus accountable.

#	Performance Measure	Assessment Instrument/ Tool	Most Recent Year Performance	Year 1 Progress Goal	Year 2 Progress Goal	Year 3 Progress Goal
1	Increase student attendance rates.	PEIMS	93%	96%	97%	98%
2	Decrease student discipline referrals.	PEIMS	917	-10 baseline	-20 baseline	-30 baseline
3	Increase teacher attendance rates.	Payroll dept. database	13%	+3% baseline	+6% baseline	+9% baseline
4	Increase stakeholders' perception of school climate.	CNA survey	60%	+10% baseline	+15% baseline	+20% baseline
5	Increase student participation in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities.	StudentPLUS database	25%	+3% baseline	+6% baseline	+9% baseline

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Increase Teacher Quality – Enter the annual goals for increasing teacher quality by measures identified by the LEA, to which the LEA is holding the campus accountable.

#	Performance Measure	Assessment Instrument/ Tool	Most Recent Year Performance	Year 1 Progress Goal	Year 2 Progress Goal	Year 3 Progress Goal
1	Increase student centered instruction.	Eduphoria software / walkthroughs	35%	+20% baseline	+30% baseline	+35% baseline
2	Increase participation in District and Region I professional development sessions.	ERO & Region I software	60%	+5 %	+10%	+15%
3	Comply with all SIRC Modified Transformation professional development components.	ERO software	Subject to grant award	90%	92%	95%
4	Increase use of technology in instruction.	Eduphoria Reading Smart TextHELP Criterion, etc. software	20%	+10% baseline	+20% baseline	+30% baseline
5	Increase teacher use of data to impact instructional decisions.	AEIS it WebCATT TMSDS software	18%	+10% baseline	+20% baseline	+30% baseline

Other – Enter any other annual goals for improvement to which the LEA is holding the campus accountable.

#	Performance Measure	Assessment Instrument/ Tool	Most Recent Year Performance	Year 1 Progress Goal	Year 2 Progress Goal	Year 3 Progress Goal
1	Increase High School graduation rates.	AYP/TEA AEIS	74%	+5% baseline	+10% baseline	+15% baseline
2	Increase numbers of Sp. Ed. and LEP students graduating under Recommended High School Graduation Plan.	PEIMS	34%	+5% baseline	+10% baseline	+15% baseline
3	Increase high school completion rates.	PEIMS	64%	+5% baseline	+10% baseline	+15% /baseline
4	Increase numbers of AP students scoring 3,4,5 on ELA, math, and science AP tests.	AP test results	1%	+3 % points / baseline	+5 % points / baseline	+7 % points / baseline

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Schedule # 4D—Equitable Access and Participation: Barriers and Strategies				
No Barriers				
#	No Barriers	Students	Teachers	Others
000	The applicant assures that no barriers exist to equitable access and participation for any groups.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Barrier: Gender-Specific Bias				
#	Strategies for Gender-specific Bias	Students	Teachers	Others
A01	Expand opportunities for historically underrepresented groups to fully participate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A02	Provide staff development on eliminating gender bias	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A03	Ensure strategies and materials used with students do not promote gender bias	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A04	Develop and implement a plan to eliminate existing discrimination and the effects of past discrimination on the basis of gender	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A05	Ensure compliance with the requirements in Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A06	Ensure students and parents are fully informed of their rights and responsibilities with regard to participation in the program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A99	Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Barrier: Cultural, Linguistic, or Economic Diversity				
#	Strategies for Cultural, Linguistic, or Economic Diversity	Students	Teachers	Others
B01	Provide program information/materials in home language	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B02	Provide interpreter/translator at program activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B03	Increase awareness and appreciation of cultural and linguistic diversity through a variety of activities, publications, etc.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B04	Communicate to students, teachers, and other program beneficiaries an appreciation of students' and families' linguistic and cultural backgrounds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B05	Develop/maintain community involvement/participation in program activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B06	Provide staff development on effective teaching strategies for diverse populations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B07	Ensure staff development is sensitive to cultural and linguistic differences and communicates an appreciation for diversity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B08	Seek technical assistance from Education Service Center, Technical Assistance Center, Title I, Part A School Support Team, or other provider	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B09	Provide parenting training	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B10	Provide a parent/family center	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B11	Involve parents from a variety of backgrounds in decision making	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B12	Offer "flexible" opportunities for parent involvement including home learning activities and other activities that don't require parents to come to the school	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B13	Provide child care for parents participating in school activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B14	Acknowledge and include family members' diverse skills, talents, and knowledge in school activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B15	Provide adult education, including GED and/or ESL classes, or family literacy program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B16	Offer computer literacy courses for parents and other program beneficiaries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Barrier: Cultural, Linguistic, or Economic Diversity (cont.)

#	Strategies for Cultural, Linguistic, or Economic Diversity	Students	Teachers	Others
B17	Conduct an outreach program for traditionally "hard to reach" parents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B18	Coordinate with community centers/programs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B19	Seek collaboration/assistance from business, industry, or institution of higher education	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B20	Develop and implement a plan to eliminate existing discrimination and the effects of past discrimination on the basis of race, national origin, and color	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B21	Ensure compliance with the requirements in Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, national origin, and color	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B22	Ensure students, teachers, and other program beneficiaries are informed of their rights and responsibilities with regard to participation in the program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B23	Provide mediation training on a regular basis to assist in resolving disputes and complaints	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B99	Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Barrier: Gang-Related Activities

#	Strategies for Gang-related Activities	Students	Teachers	Others
C01	Provide early intervention.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C02	Provide Counseling.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C03	Conduct home visits by staff.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C04	Provide flexibility in scheduling activities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C05	Recruit volunteers to assist in promoting gang-free communities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C06	Provide mentor program.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C07	Provide before/after school recreational, instructional, cultural, or artistic programs/activities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C08	Provide community service programs/activities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C09	Conduct parent/teacher conferences.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C10	Strengthen school/parent compacts.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C11	Establish partnerships with law enforcement agencies.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C12	Provide conflict resolution/peer mediation strategies/programs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C13	Seek collaboration/assistance from business, industry, or institution of higher education.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C14	Provide training/information to teachers, school staff, & parents to deal with gang-related issues.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C99	Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Barrier: Drug-Related Activities

#	Strategies for Drug-related Activities	Students	Teachers	Others
D01	Provide early identification/intervention.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D02	Provide Counseling.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D03	Conduct home visits by staff.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D04	Recruit volunteers to assist in promoting drug-free schools and communities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D05	Provide mentor program.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Schedule # 4D—Equitable Access and Participation: Barriers and Strategies

Barrier: Drug-Related Activities (cont.)

D06	Provide before/after school recreational, instructional, cultural, or artistic programs/activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D07	Provide community service programs/activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D08	Provide comprehensive health education programs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D09	Conduct parent/teacher conferences.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D10	Establish school/parent compacts.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D11	Develop/maintain community partnerships.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D12	Provide conflict resolution/peer mediation strategies/programs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D13	Seek collaboration/assistance from business, industry, or institution of higher education.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D14	Provide training/information to teachers, school staff, & parents to deal with drug-related issues.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D15	Seek Collaboration/assistance from business, industry, or institution of higher education.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D99	Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Barrier: Visual Impairments

#	Strategies for Visual Impairments	Students	Teachers	Others
E01	Provide early identification and intervention.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E02	Provide Program materials/information in Braille.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E03	Provide program materials/information in large type.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E04	Provide program materials/information on tape.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E99	Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Barrier: Hearing Impairments

#	Strategies for Hearing Impairments	Students	Teachers	Others
F01	Provide early identification and intervention.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
F02	Provide interpreters at program activities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
F99	Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Barrier: Learning Disabilities

#	Strategies for Learning Disabilities	Students	Teachers	Others
G01	Provide early identification and intervention.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
G02	Expand tutorial/mentor programs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
G03	Provide staff development in identification practices and effective teaching strategies.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
G04	Provide training for parents in early identification and intervention.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
G99	Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Barrier: Other Physical Disabilities or Constraints

#	Strategies for Other Physical Disabilities or Constraints	Students	Teachers	Others
H01	Develop and implement a plan to achieve full participation by students with other physical disabilities/constraints.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
H99	Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Barrier: Absenteeism/Truancy

#	Strategies for Absenteeism/Truancy	Students	Teachers	Others
K01	Provide early identification/intervention.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
K02	Develop and implement a truancy intervention plan.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
K03	Conduct home visits by staff.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
K04	Recruit volunteers to assist in promoting school attendance.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
K05	Provide mentor program.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
K06	Provide before/after school recreational or educational activities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
K07	Conduct parent/teacher conferences.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
K08	Strengthen school/parent compacts.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
K09	Develop/maintain community partnerships.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
K10	Coordinate with health and social services agencies.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
K11	Coordinate with the juvenile justice system.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
K12	Seek collaboration/assistance from business, industry, or institution of higher education.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
K99	Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Barrier: High Mobility Rates

#	Strategies for High Mobility Rates	Students	Teachers	Others
L01	Coordinate with social services agencies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
L02	Establish partnerships with parents of highly mobile families.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
L03	Establish/maintain timely record transferal system.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
L99	Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Barrier: Lack of Support from Parents

#	Strategies for Lack of Support from Parents	Students	Teachers	Others
M01	Develop and implement a plan to increase support from parents.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
M02	Conduct home visits by staff.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
M03	Recruit volunteers to actively participate in school activities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
M04	Conduct parent/teacher conferences.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
M05	Establish school/parent compacts.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
M06	Provide parenting training.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
M07	Provide a parent/family center.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
M08	Provide program materials/information in home language.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
M09	Involve parents from a variety of backgrounds in school decision making.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
M10	Offer "flexible" opportunities for involvement, including home learning activities and other activities that don't require coming to school.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
M11	Provide child care for parents participating in school activities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
M12	Acknowledge and include family members' diverse skills, talents, acknowledge in school activities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
M13	Provide adult education, including GED and/or ESL classes, or family literacy program.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
M14	Conduct an outreach program for traditionally "hard to reach" parents.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
M99	Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Schedule # 4D—Equitable Access and Participation: Barriers and Strategies				
Barrier: Shortage of Qualified Personnel				
#	Strategies for Shortage of Qualified Personnel	Students	Teachers	Others
N01	Develop and implement a plan to recruit and retain qualified personnel.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
N02	Recruit and retain teachers from a variety of racial, ethnic, and language minority groups.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
N03	Provide mentor program for new teachers.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
N04	Provide intern program for new teachers.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
N05	Provide professional development in a variety of formats for personnel.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
N06	Collaborate with colleges/universities with teacher preparation programs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
N99	Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Barrier: Lack of Knowledge Regarding Program Benefits				
#	Strategies for Lack of Knowledge regarding Program Benefits	Students	Teachers	Others
P01	Develop and implement a plan to inform program beneficiaries of program activities & benefits.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P02	Publish newsletter/brochures to inform program beneficiaries of activities and benefits.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P03	Provide announcements to local radio stations & newspapers about program activities/benefits.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P99	Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Barrier: Lack of Transportation to Program Activities				
#	Strategies for Lack of Transportation to Program Activities	Students	Teachers	Others
Q01	Provide transportation for parents and other program beneficiaries to activities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q02	Offer "flexible" opportunities for involvement, including home learning activities and other activities that don't require coming to school.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q03	Conduct program activities in community centers and other neighborhood locations.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q04	Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Barrier: Other Barrier				
#	Strategies for Other Barrier	Students	Teachers	Others
Z99	Other Barrier:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other Strategy:			

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Schedule #5—Program Budget Summary								
Program Authority: P.L. 107-110, Section 1003(g), as amended by ARRA, P.L. 111-5 CFDA # 84.388A & 84.377A						Fund Code ARRA (CFDA# 84.388A): 286 Regular (CFDA# 84.377A): 276		
Project Period: August 1, 2010 ^{October 1, 2010} through June 30, 2013								
Class/Object Code and Description			Campus Grant Costs	LEA Admin Grant Costs	Pre-Award Cost	Total Grant Funds Budgeted		
Payroll Costs	5B	6100	\$ 2,140,436	\$ 71,040	\$ 33,082	\$ 2,211,476		
Professional and Contracted Services	5C	6200	311,825		37,475	311,825		
Supplies and Materials	5D	6300	553,349		82,050	553,349		
Other Operating Costs	5E	6400	391,000			391,000		
Capital Outlay (Exclusive of 6619 and 6629) (15XX for charter schools only)	5G	6600/15XX	1,721,700		252,000	1,721,700		
Total Direct Costs			5,118,310		404,607	5,189,350		
1.438% Indirect Costs				\$60,650		60,650		
Grand Total								
Total Budgeted Costs:			\$ 5,118,310	\$131,690	\$ 404,607	\$5,250,000		
Administrative Cost Calculation								
Enter total amount from Schedule #5 Budget Summary, Last Column, Total Budgeted Costs						5,250,000		
Multiply by (5% limit)						X .05		
Enter Maximum Allowable for Administration, including Indirect Costs						\$ 262,500		

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<p>Texas Title I Priority Schools Grant</p> <p>Schedule #5—Program Budget Summary</p>		
<p>Budget Request by Grant Year: Enter the amount of grant funds requested for each year of the three year grant period.</p>		
<p>Year 1: SY 2010-2011 \$1,820,000</p> <p>Year 2: SY 2011-2012 \$1,720,000 *</p> <p>Year 3: SY 2012-2013 \$1,710,000 *</p> <p>* Any Budget Request entered for funds in Year 2 and/or Year 3 constitutes the LEA/campus requesting approval of the waiver for extending the period of availability of these grant funds, whether indicated on Schedule #4B—Program Description: Waiver Requests or not.</p>		
<p>Provide any necessary explanation or clarification of budgeted costs</p>		
<p>1) Professional development stipends \$100/6 hrs., \$50/3hrs.</p> <p>2) Teacher Extra Duty (Instructional) \$35/hr.</p> <p>3) BISD finance procedures for items (other than electronics) with a per unit cost of greater than \$500 and life expectancy of greater than two years will be capital outlay. Electronics with a per unit cost greater than \$150 or more and life expectancy of greater than two years will be capital outlay. Items not meeting this criteria will be coded 6399.</p> <p>6100:</p> <p>1) Incentive stipend is \$2,000 per teacher based on student achievement by Special Ed and LEP students on TAKS results in Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3; Total= \$420,000.00 Yr 1: Total of 60 teachers in 9th&10th grades; Yr 2: Total of 60 teachers in 9th&10th grades; Yr 3: Total of 90 teachers in 9th & 10th & 11th grades.</p> <p>2) Professional Staff Extra-Duty Pay:</p> <p>Project Coordinator (\$35/hr) 3 Yrs = \$60,480.00</p> <p>Extended Day/Week/Year Teachers Stipends(\$35/hr)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team Leaders - Yr 1 & Yr 2 = 24 teachers = \$258,720.00 • Team Leaders - Yr 3 = 17 Teachers = \$183,260.00 • Zero Period Class - 2 teachers Yr. 1 = \$7560.00 • Teacher Conference Periods - (Yrs 2 & 3) \$119,700.00 • Teacher Tutorials - 8 Teachers(Yr 1); 8 Teachers (Yr 2) and 12 Teachers (Yr 3) = \$313,600.00 • Librarian - 3 Yrs = \$12,600.00 • Data Analyst - 3 Yrs = \$65,500.00 • Counselors -3 yrs (4) 9th, 10th, AT RISK and SPED = \$84,000.00 • Fringes Costs= 3 yrs = \$242,920.00 (for certified and clerical staff) <p>Professional Development Stipends (\$50/3 hrs., and Incentive Pay Stipends for Teachers meeting criteria (\$2000/year)</p> <p>Professional Development Stipends for Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 9th grade teachers = (Yr 1) \$48,000.00 • 30 10th grade teachers = (Yr 2) \$60,000.00 • 30 11th grade teachers = (Yr 3) \$60,000.00 <p>3) Support Staff Extra-Duty Pay: Clerical staff (time and ½) paperwork, data base processing, etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data Entry Clerk - 3 yrs (1) = \$6,600.00 • Secretary Administrative Assistant - 3 yrs (1) = \$3,960.00 • Person - generating audio practice - 3 yrs (1) = \$14,256.00 • Custodian - 3 yrs (1) \$7,200.00 		

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- 4) Substitute pay for teachers attending PAC meetings and professional development.

Substitute pay for teachers:

Yr 1 = 30 9th grade teachers = \$15,840.00

Yr 2 = 30 10th grade teachers = \$19,800.00

Yr 3 = 30 11th grade teachers = \$19,800.00

Professional Development for teachers:

Yr 1 = 30 9th grade teachers = \$9,900.00

Yr 2 = 30 10th grade teachers = \$29,040.00

Yr 3 = 30 11th grade teachers = \$29,040.00

6200: Professional or Consulting Services: As detailed on Schedule 5C.

Compass Learning Software purchase is a one-time cost in Year 1 and will allow us to implement in Year 2 and Year 3.

6300:

1) Technology Software -Not capitalized: Text Help, Triplet Ticket, Compass Learning Professional Development and Consulting Services.

2) Supplies and materials for extended day, trainings, in-services and professional development that do not require specific approval:

- Consumable supplies, workbooks, printing, and materials for instruction, benchmark testing, etc.
- Consumable supplies and materials for staff development, notebooks, binders, printing,

6400: Other Operating Costs that do not require specific approval: Light lunches and refreshment for all-day, cloistered staff development sessions.

6600: Technology Hardware – Capitalized. Computers On Wheels, IPODS, Scanners, E-Readers, Document Cameras, Laptops, Writing Pads, Mobi-pads, electronic learning pads, graphing calculators, document cameras, playaways, etc.



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Texas Title I Priority Schools Grant Schedule #5B—Payroll Costs (6100)						
Budgeted Costs						
Employee Position Titles		Justification	#Full-Time Effort	#Part-Time Effort	Pre-Award	Amount Budgeted
Instruction						
1	Teacher	YR1(13 Teachers) YR 2 (13 Teachers) YR 3 (17 Teachers)		441,980	\$ 11,760	\$ 441,980
2	Educational Aide					
3	Tutor					
Program Management and Administration						
4	Project Director					
5	Project Coordinator	Coordinates the grant on campus		60,480	1,680	60,480
6	Teacher Facilitator					
7	Teacher Supervisor					
8	Secretary/Administrative Assistant	Process grant payroll		3,960	132	3,960
9	Data Entry Clerk	Data entry in District database		6,600	220	6,600
10	Grant Accountant/Bookkeeper					
11	Evaluator/Evaluation Specialist					
Auxiliary						
12	Counselor	3 yrs (4) 9 th , 10 th , AT RISK and SPED		84,000		84,000
13	Social Worker					
14	Child Care Provider					
15	Community Liaison/Parent Coordinator					
16	Bus Driver					
17	Cafeteria Staff					
18	Librarian	Manage/monitor technology equipment		12,600		12,600
19	School Nurse					
20	Data Analyst	Generate/monitor grant reports		65,500	1,260	65,500
21	Custodian	Set up and/or clean up duties		7,200	240	7,200
Other Employee Positions						
22	Title:	Person Generating Audio Practice for IPOD Word Walls		14,256	396	14,256
23	Title:					
24	Title:					
25	Title:					
26	Subtotal Employee Costs				\$	\$ 696,576
Substitute, Extra-Duty, Benefits						
27	6112	Substitute Pay			\$	\$ 123,420
	6117	Teacher Financial Incentive (Based on 85% 9 th and 10 th grade core area TAKS scores with subpopulations)				420,000
	6117	Teacher Planning Meeting Stipends \$100/6 hrs., \$50/3hrs.			4,800	168,000
28	6119	Professional Staff Extra-Duty Pay (Teacher Extra Duty-Instruction for extended time during the day \$35/hr, Princeton Review Classes - 2 teachers,)			8,960	560,560
29	6121	Support Staff Extra-Duty Pay				
30	6140	Employee Benefits			3,634	242,920
31	Subtotal Substitute, Extra-Duty, Benefits Costs				\$ 33,082	2,211,476
32	Grand Total Payroll Budget (line 26 + line 31)				\$ 33,082	2,211,476

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Schedule #5C- Itemized 6200 Professional and Contracted Services Costs Requiring Specific Approval

	Expense Item Description	Pre-Award	Total Amount Budgeted
6212	Audit Costs (other than audits required under OMB Circular A-133) Specify purpose: _____	\$	\$
6269	Rental or Lease of Buildings, Space in Buildings, or Land Specify purpose and provide calculation: _____		
6299	Contracted Publication and Printing Costs (specific approval required only for nonprofit charter schools) Specify purpose: _____		
6299	Scholarships and Fellowships (not allowed for nonprofit charter schools) Specify purpose: _____		

Subtotal

6200 – Professional and Contracted Services Cost Requiring Specific Approval

Professional and Consulting Services (6219/6239) Less than \$10,000

#	Topic/Purpose/Service	Total Contracted Amount	Pre-Award	Total Amount Budgeted
1.	Motivational Speaker – 5 days for 6 teams at \$1,000 a day	\$ \$ 5,000	\$	\$ 5,000
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				
6.				
7.				
8.				
9.				
10.				

Subtotal

Professional and Consulting Services Less than \$10,000 \$ \$ 5,000

Professional and Consulting Services (6219) Greater than or Equal to \$10,000

1. Description of Professional or Consulting Service (Topic/Purpose/Service):

SIRC – Provide all components of Modified Transformation School Reform Initiatives: Snapshots, technical assistance, professional development, coaching, etc.

Contractor's Cost Breakdown of Service to be Provided	# Positions	Total Contracted Amount	Pre-Award	Total Amount Budgeted
Contractor's Payroll Costs		\$	\$	\$
Title: _____				
Subgrants, Subcontracts, Subcontracted Services				
Supplies and Materials				
Other Operating Costs				108,000
Capital Outlay (Subgrants Only)				
Indirect Cost (____%)				
Total Payment:		\$	\$	\$ 108,000

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Schedule #5C- Itemized 6200 Professional and Contracted Services Costs Requiring Specific Approval (cont.)				
Professional and Consulting Services (6219) Greater than or Equal to \$10,000 (cont.)				
2. Description of Professional or Consulting Service (Topic/Purpose/Service): Consultant to provide expertise in the areas of Math and Science and to conduct additional observations in these classrooms to promote rigor. (YR 1 & YR 2 = 49.5 days each; YR 3 = 69.23 days TOTAL = 168.23 days)				
Contractor's Cost Breakdown of Service to be Provided	# Positions	Total Contracted Amount	Pre-Award	Total Amount Budgeted
Contractor's Payroll Costs		\$	\$	\$
Title: Consultant - 168.23 days x \$650.00 daily rate for 3 years				
Subgrants, Subcontracts, Subcontracted Services				109,350
Supplies and Materials				
Other Operating Costs				
Capital Outlay (Subgrants Only)				
Indirect Cost (____%)				
Total Payment:		\$	\$	\$ 109,350
3. Description of Professional or Consulting Service (Topic/Purpose/Service): Professional Development Services for Implementation of Compass Learning = YR 1 cost \$37,475 (Annual cost, 16 days of Professional Development for 100 participants) YR 2 & YR 3 cost \$20,000 each (Annual cost, 16 days of Professional Development for 25 participants)				
Contractor's Cost Breakdown of Service to be Provided	# Positions	Total Contracted Amount	Pre-Award	Total Amount Budgeted
Contractor's Payroll Costs		\$	\$	\$
Title:				
Subgrants, Subcontracts, Subcontracted Services			37,475	77,475
Supplies and Materials				
Other Operating Costs				
Capital Outlay (Subgrants Only)				
Indirect Cost (____%)				
Total Payment:		\$	\$ 37,475	\$ 77,475
4. Description of Professional or Consulting Service (Topic/Purpose/Service): Positive Behavior Interventions & Support				
Contractor's Cost Breakdown of Service to be Provided	# Positions	Total Contracted Amount	Pre-Award	Total Amount Budgeted
Contractor's Payroll Costs		\$	\$	\$
Title:				
Subgrants, Subcontracts, Subcontracted Services				12,000
Supplies and Materials				
Other Operating Costs				
Capital Outlay (Subgrants Only)				
Indirect Cost (____%)				
Total Payment:		\$	\$	\$ 12,000
Subtotal: Professional and Consulting Services Greater Than or Equal to \$10,000:		\$	\$ 37,475	\$306,825
Subtotal of Professional and Contracted Services Costs Requiring Specific Approval:				
Subtotal of Professional and Consulting Services or Subgrants Less than \$10,000:				
Subtotal of Professional and Consulting Services Greater than or Equal to \$10,000:				
Remaining 6200- Professional and Contracted Services that do not require specific approval:				
Grand Total:		\$311,825	\$37,475	\$311,825

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Texas Title I Priority Schools Grant Schedule #5D - Itemized 6300 Supplies and Materials Costs Requiring Specific Approval						
Expense Item Description		Pre-Award	Total Budgeted			
6399	Technology Hardware- Not Capitalized		\$	\$		
	#	Type			Purpose	Quantity
	1					
	2					
	3					
	4					
6399	Technology Software- Not Capitalized Text Help, Triplet Ticket, Computer Licenses, Compass Learning		82,050	106,250		
6399	Supplies and Materials Associated with Advisory Council or Committee					
Total Supplies and Materials Requiring Specific Approval:						
Remaining 6300- Supplies and Materials that do not require specific approval (Specifically binders, dividers, planners, carryalls, consumables, PlayAways, headphones) Each year we will introduce a new 9 th grade class which will require refurbishing to sustain the gains we seek. Technology (head phones, flash drives, Ipod materials, Ipad) will facilitate language acquisition and provide needed repetitions for slower learners and ELL learners. This fresh approach will help with expansion of basic vocabulary which will, in turn, increase test scores and student ability to express themselves. Binders, bags, and other consumables ensure that students have the appropriate materials to sustain weekly checks by their team leaders. Taking Cornell notes, thinking maps graphic organizers, etc. must be kept in these portfolios to make sure students have access. The Polaroid materials are to provide ID's for students to check out technology and to ensure the appropriate students are utilizing the appropriate Ipods, and other technology tools. The remaining consumables are to support these major strategies.:				447,099		
Grand Total			\$ 82,050	553,349		

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by telephone/e-mail/FAX on <u>11-10-10</u> By <i>R. Willis</i> of TEA.					
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Schedule #5E - Itemized 6400 Other Operating Costs Requiring Specific Approval					
Expense Item Description				Pre-Award	Total Budgeted
6411	Out of State Travel for Employees (includes registration fees)			\$	\$ 36,000
	Specify purpose: NSDC Summer Conference				
6412	Travel for Students (includes registration fees; does not include field trips) (specific approval required only for nonprofit charter schools)				
	Specify purpose:				
6413	Stipends for Non-Employees (specific approval required only for nonprofit charter schools)				
	Specify purpose:				
6419	Travel for Non-Employees (includes registration fees; does not include field trips) (specific approval required only for nonprofit charter schools)				
	Specify purpose:				
6411/ 6419	Travel Costs for Executive Director (6411), Superintendents (6411), or Board Members (6419) (includes registration fees)				
	Specify purpose:				
6429	Actual losses which could have been covered by permissible insurance				
6490	Indemnification Compensation for Loss or Damage				
6490	Advisory Council/Committee Travel or Other Expenses (explain purpose of Committee on Schedule #4B-Program Description: Project Management)				
	Membership Dues in Civic or Community Organizations (Not allowable for University applicants)				
	Specify name and purpose of organization:				
6499	Publication and Printing Costs- if reimbursed (specific approval required only for nonprofit charter schools)				
	Specify purpose:				
Total 64XX- Operating Costs Requiring specific approval:					
Remaining 6400 - Other Operating Costs that do not require specific approval:					
Travel for Summer Team Trainings, Dana Center and Cooperative Learning. Student Incentives-On a yearly basis, provide students with academic and attendance rewards such perfect attendance/A-B Honor Roll certificates, college visits, instructional field trips and etc., for 758 9 th grade students, 532 10 th grade students in YR 1 and including 9 th through 11 th grade students during Yr 2 and Yr 3 for 1852 enrollment. To provide parent/student breakfast socials and working teacher lunches for co-planning and curriculum alignment over the 3 years. Give students to access to technology such as IPADS on a yearly basis for excellent attendance and grades.					355,000
Grand Total				\$	\$ 391,000

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**Schedule #5G - Itemized 6600/15XX Capital Outlay- Capitalized Assets Regardless of Unit Cost
(15XX is for use by Charter Schools sponsored by a nonprofit organization)**

	Description/Purpose	Unit Cost	Quantity	Pre-Award	Total Budgeted
6699/15XX- Library Books and Media (capitalized and controlled by library)					
1					
66XX/15XX- Technology Hardware - Capitalized					
2	Computers on Wheels/Provide computer access for all core area classes for original assignments, web access to practice Compass Learning, and other software. Also provide access to parents to check students attendance and grades, complete GED programs.	45,000	13		585,000
3	IPods (Mobile Cart with 20 8GB iPod Touch in each)/Each core area will have a set of Ipods that is color-coordinated for students to obtain additional practice in acquiring core area vocabularies and provide necessary repetitions for slower learners and ELL learners.	7,000	72	252,000	504,000
4	Scanners/Teachers will have quick access to run benchmark results, tests results to disaggregate student data quickly and to promote more effective re-teaching objectives for students.	15,000	4		60,000
5	E-Readers/To provide a wider base of reading material to students who struggle with vocabulary and idea acquisition. Ereaders will translate vocabulary and read selections to slower learners and ELL learners as needed.	200	700		140,000
6	Document Cameras/To provide teachers with additional tools to illustrate more difficult sections of the lessons to struggling students. Effective re-teaching tool.	600	20		12,000
7	Writing Pads/ Teacher tool to allow circulation throughout the classroom while projecting notes onto the board. Keeps the teacher with students who are in cooperative learning groups.	450	26		11,700
8	Laptops/Provide computer access for ELL learners, slower learners and those who need Compass Learning access outside the school day. Provides extended learning time.	1,500	74		111,000
9	Calculators (Case with 30 calculators in each)/Sets of calculators to provide practice in science and math classes for additional rigor and for preparation for state assessments.	3,600	25		90,000
10	IPads/To provide computer access for language practice and acquisition in Princeton Review classes for college readiness as well as Compass Learning access. Also provides portal to ereaders.	600	300		180,000
11	Projectors/To provide teacher tools to better relay information for slower learners and ELL learners.	700	30		21,000
12	Laser Jet Printer/To provide student ID's to track materials checked out for our students.	2,000	1		2,000
13	Polaroid ID Printer/To provide student ID's to track materials checked out for our students.	5,000	1		5,000
66XX/15XX- Technology Software- Capitalized					
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66XX/15XX- Equipment and Furniture					
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Capital expenditures for improvements to land, buildings, or equipment which materially increase their value or useful life.					
29					
Grand Total					
Total 6600/15XX- Capital Outlay Costs:				252,000	1,721,700

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Statement of provisions and assurances for the program(s) in this application:

A. Terms defined: As used in these Provisions and Assurances,

- Contract means the entire document, and all of TEA's attachments, appendices, schedules (including but not limited to the General Provisions and the Special Provisions), amendments and extensions of or to the Standard Contract;
- Agency or TEA means the Texas Education Agency;
- Contractor means the party or parties to this contract other than Agency; including its or their officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives, consultants and subcontractors, and subcontractors' officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives and consultants;
- Project Administrator means the person representing Agency or Contractor, as indicated by the contract, for the purposes of administering the contract project;
- Contract Project means the purpose intended to be achieved through the contract of which these Provisions and Assurances are a part;
- Applicant means the same as Contractor;
- SAS means the Standard Application System of which the application document is a part;
- "Application" means the entire package submitted by the Applicant including the schedules contained in the application and so indicated on the General Information page of the application package;
- Amendment means an application that is revised in budget categories and/or in program activities. It includes both the original application and any subsequent amendments; or extensions thereto;
- Works means all tangible or intangible material, products, ideas, documents or works of authorship prepared or created by Contractor for or on behalf of TEA at any time after the beginning date of the Contract (Works includes but is not limited to computer software, data, information, images, illustrations, designs, graphics, drawings, educational materials, assessment forms, testing materials, logos, trademarks, patentable materials, etc.); and,
- Intellectual Property Rights means the worldwide intangible legal rights or interests evidenced by or embodied in: (a) any idea, design, concept, method, process, technique, apparatus, invention, discovery, or improvement, including any patents, trade secrets, and know-how; (b) any work of authorship, including any copyrights, moral rights or neighboring rights; (c) any trademark, service mark, trade dress, trade name, or other indicia of source or origin; (d) domain name registrations; and (e) any other similar rights. The Intellectual Property Rights of a party include all worldwide intangible legal rights or interests that the party may have acquired by assignment or license with the right to grant sublicenses.
- Grant means the same as Contract;
- Grantee means the same as Contractor;
- Grantor means the same as Agency; and
- DCC means the Document Control Center of Agency.

B. Contingency: This contract is executed by Agency subject to the availability of funds appropriated by legislative act for the purposes stated. All amendments and/or extensions or subsequent contracts entered into for the same or continued purposes are executed contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. Notwithstanding any other provision in this contract or any other document, this contract is void upon appropriated funds becoming unavailable. In addition, this contract may be terminated by Agency at any time for any reason upon notice to Contractor. Expenditures and/or activities for which Contractor may claim reimbursement shall not be accrued or claimed subsequent to receipt of such notice from Agency. This contract may be extended or otherwise amended only by formal written amendment properly executed by both Agency and Contractor. No other agreement, written or oral, purporting to alter or amend this contract shall be valid.

C. Contractor's Application: Furnished to Agency in response to a request for application, is incorporated in this contract by reference for all necessary purposes. It is specifically provided, however, that the provisions of this contract shall prevail in all cases of conflict arising from the terms of Contractor's application whether such application is a written part of this contract or is attached as a separate document.

D. Requirements, Terms, Conditions, and Assurances: Which are stated in the Request for Application, in response to which Applicant is submitting this application, are incorporated herein by reference for all purposes although the current General Provisions shall prevail in the event of conflict. The instructions to the Standard Application System, as well as the General and Fiscal Guidelines and Program Guidelines, are incorporated herein by reference.

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- E. Signature Authority; Final Expression; Superseding Document:** Applicant certifies that the person signing this application has been properly delegated this authority. The Contract represents the final and complete expression of the terms of agreement between the parties. The Contract supersedes any previous understandings or negotiations between the parties. Any representations, oral statements, promises or warranties that differ from the Contract shall have no force or effect. The Contract may be modified, amended or extended only by formal written amendment properly executed by both TEA and Contractor.
- F. State of Texas Laws:** In the conduct of the contract project, Contractor shall be subject to Texas State Board of Education and Commissioner rules pertaining to this contract and the contract project and to the laws of the State of Texas governing this contract and the contract project. This contract constitutes the entire agreement between Agency and Contractor for the accomplishment of the contract project. This contract shall be interpreted according to the laws of the State of Texas except as may be otherwise provided for in this contract.
- G. Monitoring:** Desk reviews or on-site monitoring reviews may be conducted by Agency to determine compliance with the approved application and the applicable statute(s), law(s), regulations, and guidelines.
- H. Sanctions for Failure to Perform or for Noncompliance:** If Contractor, in Agency's sole determination, fails or refuses for any reason to comply with or perform any of its obligations under this contract, Agency may impose such sanctions as it may deem appropriate. This includes but is not limited to the withholding of payments to Contractor until Contractor complies; the cancellation, termination, or suspension of this contract in whole or in part; and the seeking of other remedies as may be provided by this contract or by law. Any cancellation, termination, or suspension of this contract, if imposed, shall become effective at the close of business on the day of Contractor's receipt of written notice thereof from Agency.
- I. Contract Cancellation, etc.:** If this contract is canceled, terminated, or suspended by Agency prior to its expiration date, the reasonable monetary value of services properly performed by Contractor pursuant to this contract prior to such cancellation, termination or suspension shall be determined by Agency and paid to Contractor as soon as reasonably possible.
- J. Indemnification:**
For local educational agencies (LEAs), regional education service centers (ESCs), and institutions of higher education (IHEs) and state agencies: Contractor, to the extent permitted by law, shall hold Agency harmless from and shall indemnify Agency against any and all claims, demands, and causes of action of whatever kind or nature asserted by any third party and occurring or in any way incident to, arising from, or in connection with, any acts of Contractor, its agents, employees, and subcontractors, done in the conduct of the contract project.
For all other grantees, subgrantees, contractors, and subcontractors, including nonprofit organizations and for-profit businesses: Contractor shall hold Agency harmless from and shall indemnify Agency against any and all claims, demands, and causes of action of whatever kind or nature asserted by any third party and occurring or in any way incident to, arising from, or in connection with, any acts of Contractor, its agents, employees, and subcontractors, done in the conduct of the contract project.
- K. Encumbrances/Obligations and Liquidations:** All encumbrances/obligations shall occur on or between the beginning and ending dates of the contract. All goods must be received and all services rendered between the beginning and ending dates of the contract. The contractor must liquidate (record as an expenditure) all obligations (encumbrances) incurred under the contract no later than 30 days after the ending date of the contract, to coincide with the submission of the final expenditure report, due 30 days after the ending date of the contract. In no manner shall encumbrances be considered or reflected as accounts payable or as expenditures, and an encumbrance cannot be considered an expenditure or accounts payable until the goods have been received and the services have been rendered. Obligations that are liquidated and recognized as expenditures must meet the allowable cost principles in OMB Circular A-87, A-21, or A-122 (as applicable) and program rules, regulations, and guidelines contained elsewhere. This applies to all grant programs, including state and federal, discretionary and formula.

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- E. Signature Authority; Final Expression; Superseding Document:** Applicant certifies that the person signing this application has been properly delegated this authority. The Contract represents the final and complete expression of the terms of agreement between the parties. The Contract supersedes any previous understandings or negotiations between the parties. Any representations, oral statements, promises or warranties that differ from the Contract shall have no force or effect. The Contract may be modified, amended or extended only by formal written amendment properly executed by both TEA and Contractor.
- F. State of Texas Laws:** In the conduct of the contract project, Contractor shall be subject to Texas State Board of Education and Commissioner rules pertaining to this contract and the contract project and to the laws of the State of Texas governing this contract and the contract project. This contract constitutes the entire agreement between Agency and Contractor for the accomplishment of the contract project. This contract shall be interpreted according to the laws of the State of Texas except as may be otherwise provided for in this contract.
- G. Monitoring:** Desk reviews or on-site monitoring reviews may be conducted by Agency to determine compliance with the approved application and the applicable statute(s), law(s), regulations, and guidelines.
- H. Sanctions for Failure to Perform or for Noncompliance:** If Contractor, in Agency's sole determination, fails or refuses for any reason to comply with or perform any of its obligations under this contract, Agency may impose such sanctions as it may deem appropriate. This includes but is not limited to the withholding of payments to Contractor until Contractor complies; the cancellation, termination, or suspension of this contract in whole or in part; and the seeking of other remedies as may be provided by this contract or by law. Any cancellation, termination, or suspension of this contract, if imposed, shall become effective at the close of business on the day of Contractor's receipt of written notice thereof from Agency.
- I. Contract Cancellation, etc.:** If this contract is canceled, terminated, or suspended by Agency prior to its expiration date, the reasonable monetary value of services properly performed by Contractor pursuant to this contract prior to such cancellation, termination or suspension shall be determined by Agency and paid to Contractor as soon as reasonably possible.
- J. Indemnification:**
For local educational agencies (LEAs), regional education service centers (ESCs), and institutions of higher education (IHEs) and state agencies: Contractor, to the extent permitted by law, shall hold Agency harmless from and shall indemnify Agency against any and all claims, demands, and causes of action of whatever kind or nature asserted by any third party and occurring or in any way incident to, arising from, or in connection with, any acts of Contractor, its agents, employees, and subcontractors, done in the conduct of the contract project.
For all other grantees, subgrantees, contractors, and subcontractors, including nonprofit organizations and for-profit businesses: Contractor shall hold Agency harmless from and shall indemnify Agency against any and all claims, demands, and causes of action of whatever kind or nature asserted by any third party and occurring or in any way incident to, arising from, or in connection with, any acts of Contractor, its agents, employees, and subcontractors, done in the conduct of the contract project.
- K. Encumbrances/Obligations:** All encumbrances/obligations shall occur on or between the beginning and ending dates of the contract. All goods must be received and all services rendered and subsequently liquidated (recorded as an expenditure or accounts payable) within the contract dates. In no manner shall encumbrances be considered or reflected as accounts payable or as expenditures, and an encumbrance cannot be considered an expenditure or accounts payable until the goods have been received and the services have been rendered. Obligations that are liquidated and recognized as expenditures must meet the allowable cost principles in OMB Circular A-87, A-21, or A-122 (as applicable) and program rules, regulations, and guidelines contained elsewhere. This applies to all grant programs, including state and federal, discretionary and formula.



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- L. Financial Management and Accounting:** Grantee assures it will maintain a financial management system that complies with federal standards established in 34 CFR 80.20 and 74.21 and that provides for accurate, current, and complete disclosure of the financial results of each grant project. The financial management system records will identify adequately the source and application of funds and will contain information pertaining to grant awards, authorizations, obligations, unobligated balances, assets, outlays (i.e., expenditures), income, and interest. Fiscal control and accounting procedures will permit the tracing of funds to a level of expenditure adequate to establish that funds have been used in accordance with the approved grant application. The applicant agrees to maintain effective control over and accountability for all funds, property, and other assets. Public school districts, open enrollment charter schools, and regional education service centers in Texas must comply with the accounting requirements in the Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) module of the *Financial Accountability System Resource Guide*, Texas Education Agency (34 CFR 74.21; 34 CFR 80.20; TEA *Financial Accountability System Resource Guide*).
- M. Expenditure Reports:** Contractor shall submit expenditure reports in the time and manner requested by Agency as specified in the instructions to the Standard Application System (SAS) which are incorporated by reference. Unless otherwise specified, interim reports are due to TEA within 15 days after the end of each reporting period. Unless otherwise specified, the final expenditure report is due within 30 days after the ending date of the grant. Revised expenditure reports, where the grantee is claiming additional expenditures beyond that originally requested, must be submitted within 60 days after the ending date of the grant, or as specified in the applicable Program Guidelines.
- N. Refunds Due to TEA:** If Agency determines that Agency is due a refund of money paid to Contractor pursuant to this contract, Contractor shall pay the money due to Agency within 30 days of Contractor's receipt of written notice that such money is due to Agency. If Contractor fails to make timely payment, Agency may obtain such money from Contractor by any means permitted by law, including but not limited to offset, counterclaim, cancellation, termination, suspension, total withholding, and/or disapproval of all or any subsequent applications for said funds.
- O. Records Retention:** Contractor shall maintain its records and accounts in a manner which shall assure a full accounting for all funds received and expended by Contractor in connection with the contract project. These records and accounts shall be retained by Contractor and made available for programmatic or financial audit by Agency and by others authorized by law or regulation to make such an audit for a period of not less than five years from the date of completion of the contract project or the date of the receipt by Agency of Contractor's final claim for payment or final expenditure report in connection with this contract, whichever is later. If an audit has been announced, the records shall be retained until such audit has been completed.
- Contractor understands that acceptance of funds under this contract acts as acceptance of the authority of the State Auditor's office, or any successor agency, to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds. Contractor further agrees to cooperate fully with the State Auditor's Office or its successor in the conduct of the audit or investigation, including providing all records requested. Contractor will ensure that this clause concerning the authority to audit funds received indirectly by subcontractors through Contractor and the requirements to cooperate is included in any subcontract it awards.
- P. Time and Effort Recordkeeping:** For those personnel whose salaries are prorated between or among different funding sources, time and effort records will be maintained by Applicant that will confirm the services provided within each funding source. Applicant must adjust payroll records and expenditures based on this documentation. This requirement applies to all projects, regardless of funding source, unless otherwise specified. For federally funded projects, time and effort records must be in accordance with the requirements in the applicable OMB cost principles.
- Q. Forms, Assurances, and Reports:** Contractor shall timely make and file with the proper authorities all forms, assurances and reports required by federal laws and regulations. Agency shall be responsible for reporting to the proper authorities any failure by Contractor to comply with the foregoing laws and regulations coming to Agency's attention, and may deny payment or recover payments made by Agency to Contractor in the event of Contractor's failure so to comply.
- R. Intellectual Property Ownership:** Contractor agrees that all Works are, upon creation, works made for hire and the sole property of TEA. If the Works are, under applicable law, not considered works made for hire, Contractor hereby assigns to TEA all worldwide ownership of all rights, including the Intellectual Property Rights, in the Works, without the necessity of any further consideration, and TEA can obtain and hold in its own name all such rights to the Works. Contractor agrees to maintain written agreements with all officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives and subcontractors engaged by Contractor for the Contract Project, granting Contractor rights sufficient to support the performance and grant of rights to TEA by Contractor. Copies of such agreements shall be provided to TEA promptly upon request.

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Contractor warrants that (i) it has the authority to grant the rights herein granted, (ii) it has not assigned or transferred any right, title, or interest to the Works or Intellectual Property Rights that would conflict with its obligations under the Contract, and Contractor will not enter into any such agreements, and (iii) the Works will be original and will not infringe any intellectual property rights of any other person or entity. These warranties will survive the termination of the Contract. If any preexisting rights are embodied in the Works, Contractor grants to TEA the irrevocable, perpetual, non-exclusive, worldwide, royalty-free right and license to (i) use, execute, reproduce, display, perform, distribute copies of, and prepare derivative works based upon such preexisting rights and any derivative works thereof and (ii) authorize others to do any or all of the foregoing. Contractor agrees to notify TEA on delivery of the Works if they include any such preexisting rights. On request, Contractor will provide TEA with documentation indicating a third party's written approval for Contractor to use any preexisting rights that may be embodied or reflected in the Works.

For School Districts and Nonprofit Organizations: The foregoing Intellectual Property Ownership provisions apply to any school districts, nonprofit organizations, and their employees, agents, representatives, consultants and subcontractors. If a school district or nonprofit organization or any of its subcontractor(s) wish to obtain a license agreement to use, advertise, offer for sale, sell, distribute, publicly display, publicly perform or reproduce the Works, or make derivative works from the Works, then express written permission must first be obtained from the TEA Copyright Office.

For Education Service Centers (ESCs): The foregoing Intellectual Property Ownership provisions apply to an Education Service Center (ESC) and its employees, agents, representatives, consultants, and subcontractors. If an ESC or any of its subcontractor(s) wish to obtain a license agreement to use, advertise, offer for sale, sell, distribute, publicly display, publicly perform or reproduce the Works, or make derivative works from the Works, then express written permission must first be obtained from the TEA Copyright Office.

For Colleges and Universities: The foregoing Intellectual Property Ownership provisions apply to any colleges and universities and their employees, agents, representatives, consultants, and subcontractors; provided, that for all Works and derivative works created or conceived by colleges or universities under the Contract, they are granted a non-exclusive, non-transferable, royalty-free license to use the Works for their own academic and educational purposes only. The license for academic and educational purposes specifically excludes advertising, offering for sale, selling, distributing, publicly displaying, publicly performing, or reproducing the Works, or making derivative works from the Works that are created or conceived under this Contract and colleges and universities and their employees, agents, representatives, consultants, and subcontractors are prohibited from engaging in these uses and activities with regard to the Works unless the prior express written permission of the TEA Copyright Office is obtained.

- S. Unfair Business Practices:** By signing this Contract, Contractor, if other than a state agency, certifies that Contractor, within the preceding 12 months, has not been found guilty, in a judicial or state agency administrative proceeding, of unfair business practices. Contractor, if other than a state agency, also certifies that no officer of its company has, within the preceding 12 months, served as an officer in another company which has been found, in a judicial or state agency administrative proceeding, to be guilty of unfair business practices.

Contractor, whether a state agency or not a state agency, certifies that no funds provided under this Contract shall be used to purchase supplies, equipment, or services from any companies found to be guilty of unfair business practices within 12 months from the determination of guilt.

- T. Subcontracting:** Contractor shall not assign or subcontract any of its rights or responsibilities under this contract, except as may be otherwise provided for in this application, without prior formal written amendment to this contract properly executed by both Agency and Contractor.
- U. Use of Consultants:** Notwithstanding any other provision of this application, Applicant shall not use or pay any consultant in the conduct of this application if the services to be rendered by any such consultant can be provided by Applicant's employees.
- V. Capital Outlay:** If Contractor purchases capital outlay (furniture and/or equipment) to accomplish the objective(s) of the project, title will remain with Contractor for the period of the contract. Agency reserves the right to transfer capital outlay items for contract noncompliance during the contract period or as needed after the ending date of the contract. This provision applies to any and all furniture and/or equipment regardless of unit price and how the item is classified in Contractor's accounting record.

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- W. Agency Property (terms):** In the event of loss, damage or destruction of any property owned by or loaned by Agency while in the custody or control of Contractor, its employees, agents, consultants or subcontractors, Contractor shall indemnify Agency and pay to Agency the full value of or the full cost of repair or replacement of such property, whichever is the greater, within 30 days of Contractor's receipt of written notice of Agency's determination of the amount due. This applies whether the property is developed or purchased by Contractor pursuant to this contract or is provided by Agency to Contractor for use in the contract project. If Contractor fails to make timely payment, Agency may obtain such money from Contractor by any means permitted by law, including but not limited to offset or counterclaim against any money otherwise due to Contractor by Agency.
- X. Travel Costs:** Amounts authorized for maximum recovery for travel and per diem costs against any state or federal funding source are restricted to those amounts which are approved in the State of Texas Appropriations Bill in effect for the particular funding period. Any amount over this limit must come from local funding sources. Applicant must recover funds at a lesser rate if local policy amounts are less than the maximum allowed by the state. Out-of-state travel may not exceed the federal government rate for the locale. Travel allowances are not allowable costs.
- Y. Funds for Religious Worship, Instruction:** No funds will be used to pay for religious worship, instruction, or proselytization, or for any equipment or supplies for such, or for any construction, remodeling, repair, operation, or maintenance of any facility or part of a facility to be used for religious worship, instruction, or proselytization (34 CFR 76.532 and P. L. 107-110, section 9505).
- Z. Disclosure of Gifts and Campaign Contributions:** The grantee shall file disclosures of gifts and campaign contributions as required by State Board of Education Operating Rule 4.3, which is incorporated as if set out in full. The grantee has a continuing obligation to make disclosures through the term of the contract. Failure to comply with State Board of Education Operating Rule 4.3 is grounds for canceling the grant.
- AA. Submission of Audit Reports to TEA:** **Grantees which are public school districts and open enrollment charter schools** agree to submit the required annual audit report, including the reporting package required under OMB Circular A-133, if an audit is required to be conducted in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, to the TEA Division of School Financial Audits in the time and manner requested by the Agency.
- Grantees which are **nonprofit organizations (other than charter schools) and universities/colleges** that expend \$500,000 or more total in federal awards in any fiscal year and are thus required to conduct a Single Audit or program-specific audit in accordance with the requirements in OMB Circular A-133, agree to submit a copy of such audit to TEA when the schedule of findings and questioned costs disclosed audit findings relating to any federal awards provided by TEA. A copy of such audit shall also be submitted to TEA if the summary schedule of prior audit findings reported the status of any audit findings relating to any federal awards provided by TEA.
- A **nonprofit organization or university/college** grantee shall provide written notification to TEA that an audit was conducted in accordance with OMB Circular A-133 when the schedule of findings and questioned costs disclosed no audit findings related to any federal awards provided by TEA or when the summary schedule of prior audit findings did not report on the status of any prior audit findings related to any federal awards provided by TEA. Nonprofit organizations (other than charter schools) and universities/colleges shall submit the audit report to the TEA Division of Discretionary Grants. Audit reports must be submitted to TEA within 30 days of receipt of the report from the auditor. Failure to submit a copy of the audit to TEA could result in a reduction of funds paid to the grantee, a refund to TEA, termination of the grant, and/or ineligibility to receive additional grant awards from TEA.
- BB. Federal Rules, Laws, and Regulations That Apply to all Federal Programs:** Contractor shall be subject to and shall abide by all federal laws, rules and regulations pertaining to the contract project, including but not limited to:
- 1. Americans With Disabilities Act**, P. L. 101-336, 42 U.S.C. sec. 12101, and the regulations effectuating its provisions contained in 28 CFR Parts 35 and 36, 29 CFR Part 1630, and 47 CFR Parts 0 and 64;
 - Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964**, as amended (prohibition of discrimination by race, color, or national origin), and the regulations effectuating its provisions contained in 34 CFR Part 100;
 - Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972**, as amended (prohibition of sex discrimination in educational institutions) and the regulations effectuating its provisions contained in 34 CFR Part 106, if Contractor is an educational institution;
 - Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973**, as amended (nondiscrimination on the basis of handicapping condition), and the regulations effectuating its provisions contained in 34 CFR Part 104 and 105;

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5. the **Age Discrimination Act of 1975**, as amended (prohibition of discrimination on basis of age), and any regulations issued thereunder, including the provisions contained in 34 CFR Part 110;
6. the **Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1975**, as amended (ensures access to educational records for students and parents while protecting the privacy of such records), and any regulations issued thereunder, including **Privacy Rights of Parents and Students** (34 CFR Part 99), if Contractor is an educational institution (20 USC 1232g);
7. Section 509 of H.R. 5233 as incorporated by reference in P. L. 99-500 and P. L. 99-591 (**prohibition against the use of federal grant funds to influence legislation pending before Congress**);
8. **Pro-Children Act of 2001**, which states that no person shall permit smoking within any indoor facility owned or leased or contracted and utilized for the provision of routine or regular kindergarten, elementary, or secondary education or library services to children [P. L. 107-110, Section 4303(a)]. In addition, no person shall permit smoking within any indoor facility (or portion of such a facility) owned or leased or contracted and utilized for the provision of regular or routine health care or day care or early childhood development (Head Start) services [P. L. 107-110, Section 4303(b)(1)]. Any failure to comply with a prohibition in this Act shall be considered to be a violation of this Act and any person subject to such prohibition who commits such violation may be liable to the United States for a civil penalty, as determined by the Secretary of Education (P. L. 107-110, Section 4303(e)(1)).
9. **Fair Labor Standards Act (29 USC 207), Davis Bacon Act (40 USC 276(a), and Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 USC 327 et seq.)**, as applicable, and their implementing regulations in 29 CFR 500-899, 29 CFR Parts 1,3,5, and 7, and 29 CFR Parts 5 and 1926, respectively.
10. **Buy America Act:** Contractor certifies that it is in compliance with the Buy America Act in that each end product purchased under any federally funded supply contract exceeding \$2,500 is considered to have been substantially produced or manufactured in the United States. End products exempt from this requirement are those for which the cost would be unreasonable, products manufactured in the U. S. that are not of satisfactory quality, or products for which the agency head determines that domestic preference would be inconsistent with the public interest. Contractor also certifies that documentation will be maintained that documents compliance with this requirement (FAR 25.1-.2).
11. P.L. 103-227, Title X, Miscellaneous Provisions of the GOALS 2000: Educate America Act; P.L. 103-382, Title XIV, General Provisions of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended; and General Education Provisions Act, as amended.

CC. Federal Regulations Applicable to All Federal Programs:

1. **For Local Educational Agencies (LEAs):** 28 CFR 35 Subparts A-E, 28 CFR 36 Subparts C & D, Appendix A, 29 CFR 1630, 34 CFR 75 or 76 as applicable, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, 97, 98, 99, 104, 47 CFR 0 and 64, and OMB Circulars A-87 (Cost Principles), A-133 (Audits), and A-102 (Uniform Administrative Requirements);
2. **For Education Service Centers (ESCs):** 28 CFR 35 Subparts A-E, 28 CFR 36 Subparts C & D, Appendix A, 29 CFR 1630, 34 CFR 75 or 76 as applicable, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, 97, 98, 99, 104, 47 CFR 0 and 64, and OMB Circulars A-87 (Cost Principles), A-133 (Audits), and A-102 (Uniform Administrative Requirements);
3. **For Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs):** 28 CFR 35 Subparts A-E, 28 CFR 36 Subparts C & D, Appendix A, 29 CFR 1630, 34 CFR 74, 77, 79, 81, 82, 85, 86, 97, 98, 99, 104, 47 CFR 0 and 64, and OMB Circulars A-21 (Cost Principles), A-133 (Audits), and A-110 (Uniform Administrative Requirements);
4. **For Nonprofit Organizations:** 28 CFR 35 Subparts A-E, 28 CFR 36 Subparts C & D, Appendix A, 29 CFR 1630, 34 CFR 74, 77, 79, 81, 82, 85, 97, 98, 99, 104, 47 CFR 0 and 64, and OMB Circulars A-122 (Cost Principles), A-133 (Audits), and A-110 (Uniform Administrative Requirements);
5. **For State Agencies:** 28 CFR 35 Subparts A-E, 28 CFR 36 Subparts C & D, Appendix A, 29 CFR 1630, 34 CFR 76, 80, 81, 82, 85, 97, 98, 99, 104, 47 CFR 0 and 64, OMB Circulars A-87 (Cost Principles), A-133 (Audits), and A-102 (Uniform Administrative Requirements); and
6. **For Commercial (for-profit) Organizations:** 29 CFR 1630 and 48 CFR Part 31.

DD. General Education Provisions Act (GEPA), as Amended, Applicable to All Federal Programs Funded or Administered Through or By the U. S. Department of Education:

1. **Participation in Planning:** Applicant will provide reasonable opportunities for the participation by teachers, parents, and other interested parties, organizations, and individuals in the planning for and operation of each program described in this application (20 USC 1232(e)).

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2. **Availability of Information:** Any application, evaluation, periodic program plan, or report relating to each program described in this application will be made readily available to parents and other members of the general public (20 USC 1232(e)).
 3. **Sharing of Information:** Contractor certifies that it has adopted effective procedures for acquiring and disseminating to teachers and administrators participating in each program described in this application significant information from educational research, demonstrations, and similar projects, and for adopting, where appropriate, promising educational practices developed through such projects (20 USC 1232(e)).
 4. **Prohibition of Funds for Busing:** The applicant certifies that no federal funds (except for funds appropriated specifically for this purpose) will be used for the transportation of students or teachers (or for the purchase of equipment for such transportation) in order to overcome racial imbalance in any school or school system, or for the transportation of students or teachers (or for the purchase of equipment for such transportation) in order to carry out a plan of racial desegregation of any school or school system (20 USC 1228).
 5. **Direct Financial Benefit:** Contractor certifies that funds expended under any federal program will not be used to acquire equipment (including computer software) in any instance in which such acquisition results in a direct financial benefit to any organization representing the interests of the purchasing entity or its employees or any affiliate of such an organization [20 USC 1232(b)(8)].
- EE. Payment for Services:** Payment for service(s) described in this Contract is contingent upon satisfactory completion of the service(s). Satisfaction will be determined by TEA's Project Administrator, in his sole discretion but in accordance with reasonable standards and upon advice of his superiors in TEA, if necessary.
- FF. Family Code Applicability:** By signing this Contract, Contractor, if other than a state agency, certifies that under Section 231.006, Family Code, that Contractor is not ineligible to receive payment under this Contract and acknowledges that this Contract may be terminated and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate. TEA reserves the right to terminate this Contract if Contractor is found to be ineligible to receive payment. If Contractor is found to be ineligible to receive payment and the Contract is terminated, Contractor is liable to TEA for attorney's fees, the costs necessary to complete the Contract, including the cost of advertising and awarding a second contract, and any other damages or relief provided by law or equity.
- GG. Interpretation:** In the case of conflicts arising in the interpretation of wording and/or meaning of various sections, parts, Appendices, General Provisions, Special Provisions, Exhibits, and Attachments or other documents, the TEA Contract and its General Provisions, Appendices and Special Provisions shall take precedence over all other documents which are a part of this contract.
- HH. Registered Lobbyists:** No state or federal funds transferred to a contractor/grantee may be used to hire a registered lobbyist.
- II. Test Administration and Security:** This contract is executed by Agency subject to assurance by Contractor that it has at all times been and shall remain in full compliance with Title 19, Texas Administrative Code Chapter 101, and all requirements and procedures for maintaining test security specified in any test administration materials in the possession or control of Contractor, or any school, campus, or program operated by Contractor. Notwithstanding any other provision in this contract or any other document, this contract is void upon notice by Agency, in its sole discretion, that Contractor or any school, campus, or program operated by Contractor has at any time committed a material violation of Title 19, Texas Administrative Code Chapter 101, or any requirement or procedure for maintaining test security specified in any test administration materials in the possession or control of Contractor, or any school, campus, or program operated by Contractor. Expenditures and/or activities for which Contractor may claim reimbursement shall not be accrued or claimed subsequent to receipt of such notice from Agency.
- JJ. Social Security Numbers:** Social Security numbers will not be provided by TEA as a part of this agreement. TEA is not requiring or requesting school districts or other grantees to provide Social Security numbers as a part of this agreement.
- KK. Student-identifying Information:** Contractor agrees that in executing tasks on behalf of TEA, Contractor will not use any student-identifying information in any way that violates the provisions of FERPA and will destroy or return all student-identifying information to TEA within thirty (30) days of project completion.

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LL. High-Risk Status, Special Conditions, and Enforcement Actions: Pursuant to the provisions in 34 CFR 80.12 and 74.14, a grantee may be identified by TEA as high-risk if the grantee has a history of unsatisfactory performance; is not financially stable; has a financial management system that does not meet federal financial management standards or the requirements in TEA's Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) module; has not conformed to terms and conditions of previous awards; or is otherwise not responsible. TEA may impose one or more special conditions or restrictions on a high-risk grantee, including payment on a reimbursement basis; withholding authority to proceed to the next phase until receipt of evidence of acceptable performance within a given funding period; requiring additional, more detailed financial reports; additional project monitoring; requiring the grantee to obtain technical or management assistance; establishing additional prior approvals; or other conditions that may be legally available. A grantee identified as high-risk will be notified in writing by TEA of the special conditions imposed and the process for removing the high-risk status and special conditions.

Pursuant to the provisions in 34 CFR 80.43 and 74.62, if a grantee materially fails to comply with any term of an award, whether stated in a federal statute or regulation, an assurance, in a grant application, or elsewhere, TEA may take one or more of the following enforcement actions as appropriate in the circumstances: temporarily withhold cash payments pending correction of the deficiency or more severe enforcement action; disallow all or part of the cost of an activity or action not in compliance; wholly or partly suspend or terminate the current award; withhold further awards for the program; or take other remedies that may be legally available. If an enforcement action is imposed, the grantee will be notified in writing by TEA of the actions imposed and the process for remedying the noncompliance or removing the enforcement actions.

TEA reserves the right to not award a discretionary grant to a high-risk grantee or to a grantee that is materially non-compliant with the terms and conditions of another award.

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The signing of Schedule #1 - General Information by applicant indicates acceptance of and compliance with all requirements described on this schedule.
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SCHEDULE #6 B

Certification Regarding Debarment,
Suspension, Ineligibility and
Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier
Covered Transactions

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This certification is required by the Department of Education regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 34 CFR Part 85, for all lower tier transactions meeting the threshold and tier requirements stated at Section 85.11.

Terms defined: As used in these Provisions and Assurances

- "Covered Transaction"— A transaction under Federal non-procurement programs, which can be either a primary covered transaction or a lower tier covered transaction.
 - "Lower Tier Covered Transaction"— (1) Any transaction between a participant and a person other than a procurement contract for goods or services, regardless of type, under a primary covered transaction; (2) Any procurement contract for goods or services between a participant and a person, regardless of type, expected to equal or exceed the Federal procurement small purchase threshold of \$25,000; (3) Any procurement contract for goods or services between a participant and a person under a covered transaction, regardless of amount.
 - "Participant"— Any person who submits a proposal for, enters into, or reasonably may be expected to enter into a covered transaction, including an agent or representative of another participant.
 - "Principal"— An officer, director, owner, partner, principal investigator, or other person within a participant with management or supervisory responsibilities related to a covered transaction; or a consultant or other person, whether or not employed by the participant or paid with Federal funds, who (1) is in a position to handle Federal funds; (2) is in a position to influence or control the use of those funds; or (3) occupies a technical or professional position capable of substantially influencing the development or outcome of an activity required to perform the covered transaction.
 - "Excluded Parties List System (EPLS)"— The list maintained and disseminated by the General Services Administration (GSA) containing names and other information about persons who are ineligible.
 - "Debarment"— Action taken by a debarring official (Federal agency) to exclude a person (recipient) from participating in covered transactions.
 - "Suspension"— An action taken that immediately prohibits a person from participating in covered transactions for a temporary period, pending completion of an agency investigation and any judicial or administrative proceedings that may ensue.
 - "Ineligible" generally refers to a person who is either excluded or disqualified.
 - "Person"— Any individual, corporation, partnership, association, unit of government or legal entity, however organized, except: foreign governments or foreign governmental entities, public international organizations, foreign government owned (in whole or in part) or controlled entities, and entities consisting wholly or partially of foreign governments or foreign governmental entities.
 - "Proposal"—A solicited or unsolicited bid, application, request, invitation to consider or similar communication by or on behalf of a person seeking to participate or to receive a benefit, directly or indirectly, in or under a covered transaction.
 - "Voluntarily Excluded"—A status of nonparticipation or limited participation in covered transactions assumed by a person pursuant to the terms of a settlement.
1. By signing SAS Schedule #1 and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
 2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
 3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to whom this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
 4. The terms "covered transaction", "debarred", "suspended", "ineligible", "lower tier covered transaction", "participant", "person", "primary covered transaction", "principal", "proposal", and "voluntarily excluded", as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.



SCHEDULE #6B

Certification Regarding Debarment,
Suspension, Ineligibility and
Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier
Covered Transactions

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6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled ***Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions***, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may but is not required to, check the Non-procurement List.
8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

Certification

- (1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by signature on SAS Schedule #1 and by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- (2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

ED 80-0014, 9/90 (Replaces GCS-009 (REV.12/88), which is obsolete)

68 FR 66544, 66611, 66612, 66613, 66614, November 26, 2003

As amended by the Texas Education Agency (04/02)

The signing of Schedule #1--General Information by applicant indicates acceptance of all requirements described on this schedule.

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SCHEDULE #6C. Lobbying Certification	TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY Standard Application System School Years 2010-2013 Required for all federally funded grants greater than \$100,000.	<u>031-901</u> County-District No.
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Submission of this certification covers all federal programs in this application, is required by the U. S. Department of Education and Section 1352, Title 31, of the United States Code, and is a prerequisite for making or entering into a subgrant or subcontract over \$100,000 with any organization. (Read instructions for this schedule for further information.)

The applicant certifies by signature on Schedule #1 - General Information, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any federal grant, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal grant or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form - LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions. (See **Schedule #6D - Disclosure of Lobbying Activities.**)
- (3) The applicant shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subgrants, contracts under grants and cooperative agreements, and subcontracts) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact on which the U. S. Department of Education and the Texas Education Agency relied when they made or entered into this grant or contract. Any organization that fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Dept. of Education form #ED 80-0008
 As amended by the Texas Education Agency

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The signing of Schedule #1--General Information by applicant indicates acceptance of all requirements described on this schedule.



SCHEDULE #6D - Disclosure of Lobbying Activities	TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY Standard Application System School Years 2010-2013	031-901 County-District No.
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Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities for lobbying services procured (pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352). This disclosure form is required for any federal grant/contract received in excess of \$100,000 and on any subgrant/subcontract made by the grantee/contractor. (Read the instructions for this schedule for further information.)
Do not sign and submit this disclosure form unless lobbying activities are being disclosed.

Federal Program: NA	
Name: NA	
1. Type of Federal Action <input type="checkbox"/> NA a. Contract b. Grant	2. Status of Federal Action: <input type="checkbox"/> NA a. Bid/Offer/Application b. Initial award c. Post-award
3. Report Type: <input type="checkbox"/> NA a. Initial filing b. Material change For Material Change Only: Year: NA Quarter: NA Date of last Report: NA	
4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity: <input type="checkbox"/> NA Subawardee Tier (if known): NA Congressional District (if known): NA	5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime: Texas Education Agency 1701 N. Congress Avenue Austin, Texas 78701 Congressional District (if known): 21
6. Federal Department/Agency: NA	7. Federal Program Name/Description: NA CFDA Number, if applicable: NA
8. Federal Action Number, if known: NA	9. Award Amount, if known: \$ NA
10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Registrant <i>(if individual, last name, first name, MI):</i> NA	10. b. Individuals Performing Services <i>(including address if different from No. 10a; last name, first name, MI):</i> NA

(Attach Continuation Sheet(s), if necessary)

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16. Information requested through this form is authorized by Title 31 U.S.C. Section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C 1352. This information will be reported to the Congress semi-annually and will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.	Signature:	NA		
	Name:	NA		
	Title:	NA		
	Telephone#	NA	Date:	NA
Federal Use Only:		Standard Form LLL		

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SCHEDULE #6ENCLB ACT PROVISIONS &
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The following special provisions apply to all programs funded under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended by P. L. 107-110, No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001. By signing Schedule #1 of this SAS, the applicant is assuring it is in compliance with the following provisions:

- A. Each such program will be administered in accordance with all applicable statutes, regulations, program plans, and applications.
- B. The control of funds provided under each such program and title to property acquired with program funds will be in a public agency or in a nonprofit private agency, institution, organization, or Indian tribe, if the law authorizing the program provides for assistance to such entities.
- C. The public agency, nonprofit private agency, institution, or organization, or Indian tribe will administer such funds and property to the extent required by the authorizing statutes.
- D. The applicant will adopt and use proper methods of administering each such program, including the enforcement of any obligations imposed by law on agencies, institutions, organizations, and other recipients responsible for carrying out each program and the correction of deficiencies in program operations that are identified through audits, monitoring, or evaluation.
- E. The applicant will cooperate in carrying out any evaluation of each such program conducted by or for the Texas Education Agency, the Secretary of Education or other federal officials.
- F. The applicant will use such fiscal control and fund accounting procedures as will ensure proper disbursement of, and accounting for, federal funds paid to such applicant under each such program.
- G. The applicant will submit such reports to the Texas Education Agency (which shall make the reports available to the Governor) and the Secretary of Education, as the Texas Education Agency and the Secretary of Education may require to enable the Texas Education Agency and the Secretary of Education to perform their duties under each such program.
- H. The applicant will maintain such records, provide such information, and afford access to the records as the Agency (after consultation with the Governor) or the Secretary may find necessary to carry out the Agency's or the Secretary's duties.
- I. Before the application was submitted, the applicant afforded a reasonable opportunity for public comment on the application and has considered such comment.
- J. **Gun-Free Schools Act:** The local education agency assures that it is in compliance with Section 37.007(e) of the Texas Education Code, which requires expulsion of a student who brings to school or possesses at school a firearm as defined by 18 U.S.C. Section 2891 [pursuant to the requirements in P. L. 107-110, Section 4141(d)(1)]. In addition, the local educational agency certifies that it has a policy requiring referral to the criminal justice or juvenile delinquency system of any student who brings a firearm or weapon to school [P. L. 107-110, Section 4141(h)(1)].
- K. **Student Records Transfer:** The local educational agency shall ensure that a student's records and, if applicable, a student's individualized education program as defined in section 602(11) of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, are transferred to a charter school upon the transfer of the student to the charter school, and to another public school upon the transfer of the student from a charter school to another public school, in accordance with applicable state law (P. L. 107-110, section 5208).
- L. **Consolidation of Administrative Funds:** A local educational agency, with the approval of TEA, may consolidate and use for the administration of one or more programs under the No Child Left Behind Act not more than the percentage, established in each program, of the total available for the local educational agency under those programs. A local educational agency that consolidates administrative funds shall not use any other funds under the programs included in the consolidation for administration for that fiscal year. Consolidated administrative funds shall be used for the administration of the programs covered and may be used for coordination of these programs with other federal and non-federal programs and for dissemination of information regarding model programs and practices.
- M. **Privacy of Assessment Results:** Any results from an individual assessment referred to in the No Child Left Behind Act of a student that become part of the education records of the student shall have the protections provided in section 444 of the General Education Provisions Act [P. L. 107-110, section 9523 and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1975, as amended].



SCHEDULE #6E – cont.
NCLB ACT PROVISIONS &
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- N. School Prayer:** The local educational agency certifies that it is in compliance with Section 25.901 of the Texas Education Code. In addition, as a condition of receiving funds under the No Child Left Behind Act, the local educational agency certifies that no policy of the local educational agency prevents, or otherwise denies participation in, constitutionally protected prayer in public elementary schools and secondary schools, as detailed in the guidance provided by the U. S. Secretary of Education pertaining to such. The state educational agency shall report to the Secretary of Education each year a list of those local educational agencies that have not filed this assurance or against which complaints have been made to the State educational agency that the local educational agencies are not in compliance with this requirement (P. L. 107-110, section 9524(b)).
- O. Equal Access to Public Schools Facilities – Boy Scouts of America Equal Access Act:** No public elementary school, public secondary school or local educational agency that has a designated open forum or a limited public forum and that receives funds made available from the U. S. Department of Education shall deny equal access or a fair opportunity to meet, or to discriminate against, any group officially affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America, or any other youth group listed in Title 36 of the United States Code (as a patriotic society), that wishes to conduct a meeting within that designated open forum or limited public forum, including denying such access or opportunity or discriminating for reasons based on the membership or leadership criteria or oath of allegiance to God and country of the Boy Scouts of America or of the youth group listed in Title 36 of the United States Code (as a patriotic society). For the purposes of this section, an elementary school or secondary school has a limited public forum whenever the school involved grants an offering to, or opportunity for, one or more outside youth or community groups to meet on school premises or in school facilities before or after the hours during which attendance at the school is compulsory. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require any school, agency, or a school served by an agency to sponsor any group officially affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America, or any other youth group listed in Title 36 of the United States Code (as a patriotic society). Compliance with this provision will be enforced through rules and orders issued by the Office for Civil Rights. If the public school or agency does not comply with the rules or orders, no funds made available through the Department of Education shall be provided by a school that fails to comply with such rules or orders or to any agency or school served by an agency that fails to comply with such rules or orders (P. L. 107-110, section 9525).
- P. General Prohibitions:** None of the funds authorized under the No Child Left Behind Act shall be used to develop or distribute materials, or operate programs or courses of instruction directed at youth, that are designed to promote or encourage sexual activity, whether homosexual or heterosexual; to distribute or to aid in the distribution by any organization of legally obscene materials to minors on school grounds; to provide sex education or HIV-prevention education in schools that instruction is age appropriate and includes the health benefits of abstinence; or to operate a program of contraceptive distribution in schools (P. L. 107-110, section 9526).
- Q. Armed Forces Recruiter Access to Students and Student Recruiting Information:** In accordance with guidance issued by the U. S. Department of Education, each local educational agency receiving assistance under the No Child Left Behind Act shall provide, on a request made by military recruiters or an institution of higher education, access to secondary school students names, address, and telephone listings, upon prior written consent of a student or the parent of a student. A secondary school student or the parent of the student may request that the student's name, address, and telephone listing not be released without prior written parental consent, and the local educational or private nonprofit school shall notify parents of the option to make a request and shall comply with any request. Each local educational agency receiving assistance under the No Child Left Behind Act shall provide military recruiters the same access to secondary school students as is provided generally to post secondary educational institutions or to prospective employers of those students (P. L. 107-110, section 9528).
- R. Unsafe School Choice Option:** The local educational agency certifies that it shall establish and implement a policy requiring that a student attending a persistently dangerous public elementary school or secondary school, as determined by the Texas Education Agency, or who becomes a victim of a violent criminal offense, while in or on the grounds of a public elementary 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 (P. L. 107-110, section 9532).
- S. Civil Rights:** Nothing in the No Child Left Behind Act shall be construed to permit discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (except as otherwise permitted under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972), national origin, or disability in any program funded under the No Child Left Behind Act (P. L. 107-110, section 9534).



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- T. Student Privacy, Parental Access to Information, and Administration of Certain Physical Examinations to Minors:** The local educational agency assures that it is in compliance with Chapter 26 of the Texas Education Code concerning parental rights and responsibilities. In addition, the local educational agency receiving funds under the No Child Left Behind Act certifies that it shall develop and adopt policies, in consultation with parents, regarding certain rights of a parent to access and inspect information; student privacy; the administration of physical examinations or screenings (except for examinations or screenings required by state law); and the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for the purpose of marketing or selling that information. The local educational agency also assures that it is in compliance with the requirements for annually notifying parents of such policies and specific events (P. L. 107-110, Title X, Part F, section 1061).
- U. Assurances related to the education of homeless children and youths:**
- (1) The LEA assures that each child of a homeless individual and each homeless youth shall have equal access to the same free, appropriate public education, including a public preschool education, as provided to other children and youth.
 - (2) The LEA assures that homeless children and youth are afforded the same free, appropriate public education as provided to other children and youth.
 - (3) The LEA assures that it will review and undertake steps to revise any laws, regulations, practices, or policies that may act as a barrier to the enrollment, attendance, or success in school of homeless children and youth.
 - (4) The LEA assures that it will not separate students from the mainstream school environment on the basis of homelessness alone.
 - (5) The LEA assures that homeless children and youth have access to the education and other services that they need to in order to meet the same challenging State student academic achievement standards to which all students are held.
- V. Definitions:** The following terms shall be defined as follows for programs authorized and carried out under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001:
1. **Charter School:** An open enrollment charter school receiving federal funds of any type must meet the federal definition of a charter school as provided in P. L. 107-110, Section 5210(1). The term "charter school" means a school that:
 - (A) is created by a developer as a public school, or is adapted by a developer from an existing public school, and is **operated under public supervision and control;**
 - (B) operates in pursuit of a specific set of educational objectives determined by the school's developer and agreed to by the authorized public chartering agency [i.e., the State Board of Education (SBOE)];
 - (C) provides a program of elementary or secondary education, or both;
 - (D) is **nonsectarian in its programs, admissions policies, employment practices, and all other operations, and is not affiliated with a sectarian school or religious instruction;**
 - (E) **does not charge tuition;**
 - (F) **complies with the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act;**
 - (G) is a school to which parents choose to send their children, and that **admits students on the basis of a lottery, if more students apply for admission than can be accommodated;**
 - (H) **agrees to comply with the same Federal and State audit requirements** as do other elementary schools and secondary schools in the State, unless such requirements are specifically waived for the purpose of this program;
 - (I) **meets all applicable Federal, State, and local health and safety requirements;**
 - (J) operates in accordance with State law; and
 - (K) has a written performance contract with the authorized public chartering agency in the State (i.e., SBOE) that includes a description of how student performance will be measured pursuant to State assessments that are required of other schools and pursuant to any other assessments mutually agreeable to the SBOE.
 2. **Community-Based Organization:** A public or private nonprofit organization of demonstrated effectiveness that is representative of a community or significant segment of a community and that provides educational or related services to individuals in the community.
 3. **Core Academic Subjects:** English, reading or language arts, mathematics, science, foreign languages, civics and government, economics, art, history, and geography.

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4. Highly Qualified:

- (A) when used with respect to any public elementary school or secondary school teacher teaching in a State, means that–
 - (i) the teacher has obtained full State certification as a teacher (including certification obtained through alternative routes to certification) or passed the State teacher licensing examination, and holds a license to teach in such State, except that when used with respect to any teacher teaching in a public charter school, the term means that the teacher meets the requirements set forth in the State's public charter school law; and
 - (ii) the teacher has not had certification or licensure requirements waived on an emergency, temporary, or provisional basis;
- (B) when used with respect to–
 - (i) an elementary school teacher who is new to the profession, means that the teacher–
 - (I) holds at least a bachelor's degree; and
 - (II) has demonstrated, by passing a rigorous State test, subject knowledge and teaching skills in reading, writing, mathematics, and other areas of the basic elementary school curriculum (which may consist of passing a State-required certification or licensing test or tests in reading, writing, mathematics, and other areas of the basic elementary school curriculum); or
 - (ii) a middle or secondary school teacher who is new to the profession, means that the teacher holds at least a bachelor's degree and has demonstrated a high level of competency in each of the academic subjects in which the teacher teaches by–
 - (I) passing a rigorous State academic subject test in each of the academic subjects in which the teacher teaches (which may consist of a passing level of performance on a State-required certification or licensing test or tests in each of the academic subjects in which the teacher teaches); or
 - (II) successful completion, in each of the academic subjects in which the teacher teaches, of an academic major, a graduate degree, coursework equivalent to an undergraduate academic major, or advanced certification or credentialing; and
- (C) when used with respect to an elementary, middle, or secondary school teacher who is not new to the profession, means that the teacher holds at least a bachelor's degree and–
 - (i) has met the applicable standard in clause (i) or (ii) of subparagraph (B), which includes an option for a test; or
 - (ii) demonstrates competence in all the academic subjects in which the teacher teaches based on a high objective uniform State standard of evaluation that–
 - (I) is set by the State for both grade appropriate academic subject matter knowledge and teaching skills;
 - (II) is aligned with challenging State academic content and student academic achievement standards and developed in consultation with core content specialists, teachers, principals, and school administrators;
 - (III) provides objective, coherent information about the teacher's attainment of core content knowledge in the academic subjects in which a teacher teaches;
 - (IV) is applied uniformly to all teachers in the same academic subject and the same grade level throughout the State;
 - (V) takes into consideration, but not be based primarily on, the time the teacher has been teaching in the academic subject;
 - (VI) is made available to the public upon request; and
 - (VII) may involve multiple, objective measures of teacher competency.

- 5. Parental Involvement:** The participation of parents in regular, two-way and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:
- (A) that parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;
 - (B) that parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;
 - (C) that parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child; and
 - (D) the carrying out of other activities, such as those described in section 1118 of P. L. 107-110.

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6. Professional Development includes activities that:

- (A) improve and increase teachers' knowledge of the academic subjects the teachers teach, and enable teachers to become highly qualified;
- (B) are an integral part of broad schoolwide and districtwide educational improvement plans;
- (C) give teachers, principals, and administrators the knowledge and skills to provide the students with the opportunity to meet challenging State academic content standards and student academic achievement standards;
- (D) improve classroom management skills;
- (E) are high quality, sustained, intensive, and classroom-focused in order to have a positive and lasting impact on classroom instruction and the teacher's performance in the classroom and are not one-day or short-term workshops or conferences;
- (F) support the recruiting, hiring, and training of highly qualified teachers, including teachers who became highly qualified through State and local alternative routes to certification;
- (G) advance teacher understanding of effective instructional strategies that are:
- (H) based on scientifically based research (except for programs under Title II, Part D, Enhancing Education Through Technology of this Act); and
- (I) strategies for improving student academic achievement or substantially increasing the knowledge and teaching skills of teachers; and
- (J) are aligned with and directly related to State academic content standards, student academic achievement standards, and assessments and the curricula and programs tied to the standards;
- (K) are developed with extensive participation of teachers, principals, parents, and administrators of schools to be served under this Act;
- (L) are designed to give teachers of limited English proficient children, and other teachers and instructional staff, the knowledge and skills to provide instruction and appropriate language and academic support services to those children, including the appropriate use of curricula and assessments;
- (M) to the extent appropriate, provide training for teachers and principals in the use of technology so that technology and technology applications are effectively used in the classroom to improve teaching and learning in the curricula and core academic subjects in which the teachers teach;
- (N) as a whole, are regularly evaluated for their impact on increased teacher effectiveness and improved student academic achievement with the findings of the evaluations used to improve the quality of professional development;
- (O) provide instruction in methods of teaching children with special needs;
- (P) include instruction in the use of data and assessments to inform and instruct classroom practice;
- (Q) include instruction in ways that teachers, principals, pupil services personnel, and school administrators may work more effectively with parents; and
- (R) may include activities that:
 - (i) involve the forming of partnerships with institutions of higher education to establish school-based teacher training programs that provide prospective teachers and beginning teachers with an opportunity to work under the guidance of experienced teachers and college faculty;
 - (ii) create programs to enable paraprofessionals (assisting teachers employed by an LEA receiving assistance under Title I Part A) to obtain the education necessary for those paraprofessionals to become certified and licensed teachers; and
 - (iii) provide follow-up training to teachers who have participated in activities described previously in this definition that are designed to ensure that the knowledge and skills learned by the teachers are implemented in the classroom.

7. Scientifically Based Research:

- (A) means research that involves the application of rigorous, systematic, and objective procedures to obtain reliable and valid knowledge relevant to education activities and programs; and
- (B) includes research that:
 - (i) employs systematic, empirical methods that draw on observation or experiment;
 - (ii) involves rigorous data analyses that are adequate to test the stated hypotheses and justify the general conclusions drawn;
 - (iii) relies on measurements or observational methods that provide reliable and valid data across evaluators and observers, across multiple measurements and observations, and across studies by the same or different investigators;

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- (iv) relies on measurements or observational methods that provide reliable and valid data across evaluators and observers, across multiple measurements and observations, and across studies by the same or different investigators;
- (v) is evaluated using experimental or quasi-experimental designs in which individuals, entities, programs, or activities are assigned to different conditions and with appropriate controls to evaluate the effects of the condition of interest, with a preference for random-assignment experiments, or other designs to the extent that those designs contain within-condition or across-condition controls;
- (vi) ensures that experimental studies are presented in sufficient detail and clarity to allow for replication or, at a minimum, offer the opportunity to build systematically on their findings; and
- (vii) has been accepted by a peer-reviewed journal or approved by a panel of independent experts through a comparably rigorous, objective, and scientific review.

8. Teacher Mentoring: Activities that–

(A) consist of structured guidance and regular and ongoing support for teachers, especially beginning teachers, that–

- (i) are designed to help the teachers continue to improve their practice of teaching and to develop their instructional skills; and part of an ongoing developmental induction process that–
 - (I) involves the assistance of an exemplary teacher and other appropriate individuals from a school, local educational agency, or institution of higher education; and
 - (II) may include coaching, classroom observation, team teaching, and reduced teaching loads; and
 - (III) may include the establishment of a partnership by a local educational agency with an institution of higher education.

9. Technology: State-of-the-art technology products and services.

W. ESEA Performance Goals, Indicators, and Performance Reporting: The LEA assures it has adopted the five performance goals and the related performance indicators established by the U. S. Department of Education and as submitted in the *Texas Consolidated State Application for Funds Under the No Child Left Behind Act*. The LEA also assures that it will develop and implement procedures for collecting data related to the performance indicators where such data is not already collected through the Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) or PEIMS and that it will report such data to the Agency in the time and manner requested.

X. Transfer of School Disciplinary Records: The LEA assures it has a procedure in place to transfer disciplinary records, with respect to a suspension or expulsion, to any private or public elementary school or secondary school for any student who is enrolled or seeks, intends, or is instructed to enroll, on a full- or part-time basis, in the school. This requirement shall not apply to any disciplinary records with respect to a suspension or expulsion that are transferred from a private, parochial or other nonpublic school, person, institution, or other entity, that provides education below the college level (P. L. 107-110, section 4155).

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The signing of Schedule #1 - General Information by applicant indicates acceptance of and compliance with all requirements described on this schedule.

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Federal Statutory Requirements

- 1) The LEA must demonstrate that the LEA has analyzed the needs of each school and selected an intervention for each school.
- 2) The LEA must demonstrate that it has the capacity to use these grant funds to provide adequate resources and related support to each Tier campus identified in the LEA's application in order to implement, fully and effectively, the required activities of the school intervention model it has selected.
- 3) If the LEA is not applying to serve each Tier I school (through a separate application for each campus), the LEA must explain why it lacks capacity to serve each Tier I school.
- 4) The LEA must describe actions it has taken, or will take, to design and implement interventions consistent with the final federal requirements, including the services the campus will receive or the activities the campus will implement.
- 5) The LEA must describe actions it has taken, or will take, to recruit, screen, and select external providers, if applicable, to ensure their quality.
- 6) The LEA must describe actions it has taken, or will take, to align other resources with the interventions.
- 7) The LEA must describe actions it has taken, or will take, to modify its practices or policies, if necessary, to enable its schools to implement the interventions fully and effectively.
- 8) The LEA must describe actions it has taken, or will take, to sustain the reforms after the funding period ends.
- 9) The LEA must include a timeline delineating the steps it will take to implement the selected intervention in each campus.
- 10) The LEA must describe the annual goals for student achievement on the State's assessments in both reading/language arts and mathematics that it has established in order to monitor its Tier I and Tier II schools that receive school improvement funds.
- 11) As appropriate, the LEA must consult with relevant stakeholders regarding the LEA's application and implementation of school improvement models on its campus.
- 12) Applicant provides assurance that financial assistance provided under the grant program will supplement, and not supplant, the amount of state and local funds allocated to the campus.
- 13) Applicant provides assurance that it will use its School Improvement Grant to implement fully and effectively an intervention in each Tier I and Tier II school that the LEA commits to serve consistent with the final federal requirements.
- 14) Applicant provides assurance that it will establish annual goals for student achievement on the State's assessments in both reading/language arts and mathematics and measure progress on the leading indicators in section III of the final federal requirements in order to monitor each Tier I and Tier II school that it serves with school improvement funds, and establish goals (approved by the TEA) to hold accountable its Tier III schools that receive grant funds.
- 15) Applicant provides assurance that it will, if it implements a restart model in a Tier I or Tier II school, include in its contract or agreement terms and provisions to hold the charter operator, charter management organization (CMO), or education management organization (EMO) accountable for complying with the final federal requirements.
- 16) Applicant provides assurance that it will report to the TEA the school-level data required under section III of the final federal requirements.
- 17) If the LEA/campus selects to implement the **turnaround model**, the campus **must** implement the following federal requirements.
 - a. Replace the principal and grant the principal sufficient operational flexibility (including in staffing, calendars/time, and budgeting) to implement fully a comprehensive approach in order to substantially improve student achievement outcomes and increase high school graduation rates;
 - b. Using locally adopted competencies to measure the effectiveness of staff who can work within the turnaround environment to meet the needs of students;
 1. Screen all existing staff and rehire no more than 50 percent; and
 2. Select new staff.
 - c. Implement such strategies as financial incentives, increased opportunities for promotion and career growth, and more flexible work conditions that are designed to recruit, place, and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in the turnaround school;
 - d. Provide staff ongoing, high-quality, job-embedded professional development that is aligned with the school's comprehensive instructional program and designed with school staff to ensure that they are equipped to facilitate effective teaching and learning and have the capacity to successfully implement school reform strategies;
 - e. Adopt a new governance structure, which may include, but is not limited to, requiring the school to report to a

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new "turnaround office" in the LEA or SEA, hire a "turnaround leader" who reports directly to the Superintendent or Chief Academic Officer, or enter into a multi-year contract with the LEA or SEA to obtain added flexibility in exchange for greater accountability;

- f. Use data to identify and implement an instructional program that is research-based and vertically aligned from one grade to the next as well as aligned with State academic standards;
 - g. Promote the continuous use of student data (such as from formative, interim, and summative assessments) to inform and differentiate instruction in order to meet the academic needs of individual students;
 - h. Establish schedules and implement strategies that provide increased learning time (as defined in this notice); and
 - i. Provide appropriate social-emotional and community-oriented services and supports for students.
- 18) If the LEA/campus selects to implement the **turnaround model**, the campus **may** implement the following federal requirements.
1. Any of the required and permissible activities under the transformation model; or
 2. A new school model (e.g., themed, dual language academy).
- 19) If the LEA/campus selects to implement the school **closure model**, the campus **must** implement the following requirement.
- a. Enroll the students who attended that school in other schools in the LEA that are higher achieving within reasonable proximity to the closed school and may include, but are not limited to, charter schools or new schools for which achievement data are not yet available.
 - b. A grant for school closure is a one-year grant without the possibility of continued funding.
- 20) If the LEA/campus selects to implement the **restart model**, the campus **must** implement the following federal requirements.
- a. Convert or close and reopen the school under a charter school operator, a charter management organization (CMO), or an education management organization (EMO) that has been selected through a rigorous review process. A CMO is a non-profit organization that operates or manages charter schools by centralizing or sharing certain functions and resources among schools. An EMO is a for-profit or non-profit organization that provides "whole-school operation" services to an LEA.
 - b. Enroll, within the grades it serves, any former student who wishes to attend the school.
- 21) If the LEA/campus selects to implement the **transformation model**, the campus **must** implement the following federal requirements.
1. Develop and increase teacher and school leader effectiveness.
 - (A) Replace the principal who led the school prior to commencement of the transformation model;
 - (B) Use rigorous, transparent, and equitable evaluation systems for teachers and principals that--
 - (1) Take into account data on student growth as a significant factor as well as other factors such as multiple observation-based assessments of performance and ongoing collections of professional practice reflective of student achievement and increased high school graduation rates; and
 - (2) Are designed and developed with teacher and principal involvement;
 - (C) Identify and reward school leaders, teachers, and other staff who, in implementing this model, have increased student achievement and high school graduation rates and identify and remove those who, after ample opportunities have been provided for them to improve their professional practice, have not done so;
 - (D) Provide staff ongoing, high-quality, job-embedded professional development (e.g., regarding subject-specific pedagogy, instruction that reflects a deeper understanding of the community served by the school, or differentiated instruction) that is aligned with the school's comprehensive instructional program and designed with school staff to ensure they are equipped to facilitate effective teaching and learning and have the capacity to successfully implement school reform strategies; and
 - (E) Implement such strategies as financial incentives, increased opportunities for promotion and career growth, and more flexible work conditions that are designed to recruit, place, and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in a transformation school.
 2. Comprehensive instructional reform strategies.
 - (A) Use data to identify and implement an instructional program that is research-based and vertically aligned from one grade to the next as well as aligned with State academic standards; and
 - (B) Promote the continuous use of student data (such as from formative, interim, and summative assessments) to inform and differentiate instruction in order to meet the academic needs of

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- individual students.
3. Increasing learning time and creating community-oriented schools.
 - (A) Establish schedules and strategies that provide increased learning time; and
 - (B) Provide ongoing mechanisms for family and community engagement.
 4. Providing operational flexibility and sustained support.
 - (A) Give the school sufficient operational flexibility (such as staffing, calendars/time, and budgeting) to implement fully a comprehensive approach to substantially improve student achievement outcomes and increase high school graduation rates; and
 - (B) Ensure that the school receives ongoing, intensive technical assistance and related support from the LEA, the SEA, or a designated external lead partner organization (such as a school turnaround organization or an EMO).
- 22) An LEA **may** also implement other strategies to develop teachers' and school leaders' effectiveness, such as--
- (A) Provide additional compensation to attract and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in a transformation school;
 - (B) Institute a system for measuring changes in instructional practices resulting from professional development; or
 - (C) Ensure that the school is not required to accept a teacher without the mutual consent of the teacher and principal, regardless of the teacher's seniority.
- 23) An LEA **may** also implement comprehensive instructional reform strategies, such as--
- (A) Conduct periodic reviews to ensure that the curriculum is being implemented with fidelity, is having the intended impact on student achievement, and is modified if ineffective;
 - (B) Implement a schoolwide "response-to-intervention" model;
 - (C) Provide additional supports and professional development to teachers and principals in order to implement effective strategies to support students with disabilities in the least restrictive environment and to ensure that limited English proficient students acquire language skills to master academic content;
 - (D) Use and integrate technology-based supports and interventions as part of the instructional program; and
 - (E) In secondary schools--
 - (1) Increase rigor by offering opportunities for students to enroll in advanced coursework (such as Advanced Placement; International Baccalaureate; or science, technology, engineering, and mathematics courses, especially those that incorporate rigorous and relevant project-, inquiry-, or design-based contextual learning opportunities), early-college high schools, dual enrollment programs, or thematic learning academies that prepare students for college and careers, including by providing appropriate supports designed to ensure that low-achieving students can take advantage of these programs and coursework;
 - (2) Improve student transition from middle to high school through summer transition programs or freshman academies;
 - (3) Increase graduation rates through, for example, credit-recovery programs, re-engagement strategies, smaller learning communities, competency-based instruction and performance-based assessments, and acceleration of basic reading and mathematics skills; or
 - (4) Establish early-warning systems to identify students who may be at risk of failing to achieve to high standards or graduate.
- 24) An LEA **may** also implement other strategies that extend learning time and create community-oriented schools, such as--

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- (A) Partner with parents and parent organizations, faith- and community-based organizations, health clinics, other State or local agencies, and others to create safe school environments that meet students' social, emotional, and health needs;
 - (B) Extend or restructure the school day so as to add time for such strategies as advisory periods that build relationships between students, faculty, and other school staff;
 - (C) Implement approaches to improve school climate and discipline, such as implementing a system of positive behavioral supports or taking steps to eliminate bullying and student harassment; or
 - (D) Expand the school program to offer full-day kindergarten or pre-kindergarten.
- 25) The LEA **may** also implement other strategies for providing operational flexibility and intensive support, such as--
- (A) Allow the school to be run under a new governance arrangement, such as a turnaround division within the LEA or SEA; or
 - (B) Implement a per-pupil school-based budget formula that is weighted based on student needs.

Statutory Program Assurances

- 1) Applicant provides assurance that financial assistance provided under the grant program will supplement, and not supplant, the amount of state and local funds allocated to the campus.
- 2) Applicant provides assurance that it will use its School Improvement Grant to implement fully and effectively an intervention in each Tier I and Tier II school that the LEA commits to serve consistent with the final federal requirements.
- 3) Applicant provides assurance that it will establish annual goals for student achievement on the State's assessments in both reading/language arts and mathematics and measure progress on the leading indicators in section III of the final federal requirements in order to monitor each Tier I and Tier II school that it serves with school improvement funds, and establish goals (approved by the TEA) to hold accountable its Tier III schools that receive school improvement funds.
- 4) Applicant provides assurance that it will, if it implements a restart model in a Tier I or Tier II school, include in its contract or agreement terms and provisions to hold the charter operator, charter management organization, or education management organization accountable for complying with the final federal requirements.
- 5) Applicant provides assurance that it will report to the TEA the school-level data required under section III of the final federal requirements.
- 6) Applicant provides assurance that it will participate in any evaluation of the grant conducted by the U.S. Department of Education, including its contractors, or the Texas Education Agency, including its contractors.

TEA Program Assurances

1. Before full implementation funds are made available, the grantee must demonstrate that all early implementation activities have been completed. Successful completion of the early implementation will be measured in the **Quarterly Implementation Reports**, the **Model Selection and Description Report**, and through participation in TEA technical assistance. Copies of the above named reports can be found on the TTIPS website at the following link: http://www.tea.state.tx.us/index4.aspx?id=7354&menu_id=798
 - a. The Model Selection and Description Report must be submitted to TEA no later than **February 1, 2011**. This report may be submitted at any time prior to the deadline. Grantees must demonstrate successful completion of the following activities:
 - i. Comprehensive Needs Assessment process.
 - ii. Establish the grant budget by the required categories.
 - iii. Identification and Selection of the intervention model.
 - iv. Development of activities to implement selected intervention model.
 - v. Development of Timeline of Grant Activities.
- 3) The applicant provides assurance that the LEA will designate an individual or office with primary responsibilities for supporting the LEA/campus' school improvement efforts. This individual/office will have primary responsibility and authority for ensuring the effective implementation of the grant option approved by TEA; serve as the district liaison to TEA and those providing technical assistance and/or contracted service to the LEA/campus as part of the approved grant.
- 4) The applicant provides assurance that a team from the grantee LEA/campus will attend and participate in grant orientation meetings, technical assistance meetings, other periodic meetings of grantees, the Texas School Improvement Conference, and sharing of best practices.

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- 5) For LEAs selecting the TEA Designed Model, the applicant must participate in and make use of technical assistance and coaching support provided by TEA, SIRC, and/or its subcontractors.
- 6) The applicant will establish or provide evidence of a system of formative assessment aligned to the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills which provides robust, targeted data to evaluate the effectiveness of the LEA's curriculum and its alignment with instruction occurring on the campus; assesses progress on student groups' academic achievement at the campus level; and guide instructional decisions by teachers for individual students.
- 7) The applicant will participate in a formative assessment of the LEA's capacity and commitment to carry out the grant intervention models.
- 8) The applicant will provide access for onsite visits to the LEA and campus by TEA, SIRC and its contractors.
- 9) The applicant, if selecting the Restart Model, agrees to contract only with CMO or EMO providers on the State's approved list of CMO and EMO providers.
- 10) The applicant, if selecting the Turnaround Model or Transformation Model (Tiers I and Tiers II only) agrees to the participation of the campus principal or principal candidates in a formative assessment of their turnaround leadership capacity.
- 11) If the LEA/Tier III campus selects to implement the **transformation model**, the campus assures that it will implement the following federal requirements.
 1. Develop and increase teacher and school leader effectiveness.
 - A. Evaluate the effectiveness of the current principal and use the results of the evaluation to determine whether the principal should be replaced, be retained on the campus, or be provided leadership coaching or training.
 - B. Identify and reward school leaders, teachers, and other staff who, in implementing this model, have increased student achievement and high school graduation rates and identify and remove those who, after ample opportunities have been provided for them to improve their professional practice, have not done so;
 - C. Provide staff ongoing, high-quality, job-embedded professional development (e.g., regarding subject-specific pedagogy, instruction that reflects a deeper understanding of the community served by the school, or differentiated instruction) that is aligned with the school's comprehensive instructional program and designed with school staff to ensure they are equipped to facilitate effective teaching and learning and have the capacity to successfully implement school reform strategies; and
 - D. Implement such strategies as financial incentives, increased opportunities for promotion and career growth, and more flexible work conditions that are designed to recruit, place, and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in a transformation school based on rigorous, transparent, and equitable evaluation systems for teachers and principals:
 1. Takes into account data on student growth as a factor as well as other factors such as multiple observation-based assessments of student performance and ongoing collections of professional practice reflective of student achievement and increased high school graduation rates; and
 2. Are designed and developed with teacher and principal involvement
 2. Comprehensive instructional reform strategies.
 - A. Use data to identify and implement an instructional program that is research-based and vertically aligned from one grade to the next as well as aligned with State academic standards; and
 - B. Promote the continuous use of student data (such as from formative, interim, and summative assessments) to inform and differentiate instruction in order to meet the academic needs of individual students.
 3. Increasing learning time and creating community-oriented schools.
 - A. Establish schedules and strategies that provide increased learning time; and
 - B. Provide ongoing mechanisms for family and community engagement.
 4. Providing operational flexibility and sustained support.
 - A. Give the school sufficient operational flexibility (such as staffing, calendars/time, and budgeting) to implement fully a comprehensive approach to substantially improve student achievement outcomes and increase high school graduation rates; and
 - B. Ensure that the school receives ongoing, intensive technical assistance and related support from the LEA, the SEA, or a designated external lead partner organization (such as a school turnaround organization or an EMO).
- 12) An LEA **may** also implement other strategies to develop teachers' and school leaders' effectiveness, such as--
 - A. Provide additional compensation to attract and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in a transformation school;
 - B. Institute a system for measuring changes in instructional practices resulting from professional development; or
 - C. Ensure that the school is not required to accept a teacher without the mutual consent of the teacher and principal, regardless of the teacher's seniority.

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- 13) An LEA **may** also implement comprehensive instructional reform strategies, such as--
- Conduct periodic reviews to ensure that the curriculum is being implemented with fidelity, is having the intended impact on student achievement, and is modified if ineffective;
 - Implement a school wide "response-to-intervention" model;
 - Provide additional supports and professional development to teachers and principals in order to implement effective strategies to support students with disabilities in the least restrictive environment and to ensure that limited English proficient students acquire language skills to master academic content;
 - Use and integrate technology-based supports and interventions as part of the instructional program; and
 - In secondary schools--
 - Increase rigor by offering opportunities for students to enroll in advanced coursework (such as advanced Placement; International Baccalaureate; or science, technology, engineering, and mathematics courses, especially those that incorporate rigorous and relevant project-, inquiry-, or design-based contextual learning opportunities), early-college high schools, dual enrollment programs, or thematic learning academies that prepare students for college and careers, including by providing appropriate supports designed to ensure that low-achieving students can take advantage of these programs and coursework;
 - Improve student transition from middle to high school through summer transition programs or freshman academies;
 - Increase graduation rates through, for example, credit-recovery programs, re-engagement strategies, smaller learning communities, competency-based instruction and performance-based assessments, and acceleration of basic reading and mathematics skills; or
 - Establish early-warning systems to identify students who may be at risk of failing to achieve to high standards or graduate.
- 14) An LEA **may** also implement other strategies that extend learning time and create community-oriented schools, such as--
- Partner with parents and parent organizations, faith- and community-based organizations, health clinics, other State or local agencies, and others to create safe school environments that meet students' social, emotional, and health needs;
 - Extend or restructure the school day so as to add time for such strategies as advisory periods that build relationships between students, faculty, and other school staff;
 - Implement approaches to improve school climate and discipline, such as implementing a system of positive behavioral supports or taking steps to eliminate bullying and student harassment; or
 - Expand the school program to offer full-day kindergarten or pre-kindergarten.
- 15) The LEA may also implement other strategies for providing operational flexibility and intensive support, such as--
- Allow the school to be run under a new governance arrangement, such as a turnaround division within the LEA or SEA; or
 - Implement a per-pupil school-based budget formula that is weighted based on student needs.
- 16) The LEA/campus assures TEA that data to meet the following federal requirements will be available and reported as requested.
- Number of minutes within the school year.
 - Average scale scores on State assessments in reading/language arts and in mathematics, by grade, for the "all students" group, for each achievement quartile, and for each subgroup.
 - Number and percentage of students completing advanced coursework (e.g., AP/IB), early-college high schools, or dual enrollment classes. (High Schools Only)
 - College enrollment rates. (High Schools Only)
 - Teacher Attendance Rate
 - Student Completion Rate
 - Student Drop-Out Rate
 - Locally developed competencies created to identify teacher strengths/weaknesses
 - Types of support offered to teachers
 - Types of on-going, job-embedded professional development for teachers
 - Types of on-going, job-embedded professional development for administrators
 - Strategies to increase parent/community involvement
 - Strategies which increase student learning time

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By submitting the application for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds (P.L. 111-5), the applicant agrees to comply with the following provisions and assurances for all programs authorized in Division A of the ARRA, Title I School Improvement Grant (SIG). The applicant understands that failure to comply with one or more of these provisions and assurances may result in the Texas Education Agency (TEA) taking one or more enforcement actions authorized in Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §§ 74.62 and 80.43.

In addition to the standard terms of award, all funding provided under the Recovery Act will be subject to the provisions, assurances and conditions for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA or Recovery Act).

Terms defined:

RECIPIENT – The term “recipient” means a State and includes the Texas Education Agency (TEA). It also includes any entity that applies for and receives a grant directly from the federal government.

RECOVERY FUNDS —The term “recovery funds” means any funds that are made available from appropriations made under the Recovery Act.

RECOVERY ACT – the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 (P.L. 111-5)

STIMULUS FUNDS – The term “stimulus funds” means any funds that are made available from appropriations under the Recovery Act; the term may be used interchangeably with “recovery funds.”

GRANTEE – the subrecipient of TEA and applicant of funds.

A. One-Time Funding: Unless otherwise specified, ARRA funding is considered one-time funding that is expected to be temporary. Grantees should expend funds in ways that do not result in unsustainable continuing commitments after the funding expires. Grantees must move rapidly, while using prudent grant management practices, to develop plans for using funds, consistent with the ARRA’s reporting and accountability requirements, and promptly begin spending funds to help drive the nation’s economic recovery. All ARRA funds must be separately accounted for and tracked in their obligation, expenditure, and reporting.

B. Period of Availability and Encumbrances/Obligations: Unless otherwise specified in the Notice of Grant Award (NOGA), all funds are effective from the beginning date specified on the Notice of Grant Award (NOGA) through June 30, 2013. Carryover of funds will not be available beyond that date. Unobligated/unexpended funds will be returned to the Department of Treasury. The paragraph in the General Provisions pertaining to Encumbrances and Obligations applies as follows:

All encumbrances shall occur on or between the beginning and ending dates of the contract. All goods must be received and services rendered and subsequently liquidated (recorded as an expenditure or accounts payable) within the contract dates. In no manner shall encumbrances be considered or reflected as accounts payable or as expenditures. Obligations that are liquidated and recognized as expenditures must meet the allowable cost principles in OMB Circular A-87, A-21, or A-122 (as applicable) and program rules, regulations, and guidelines contained elsewhere. When an obligation is made is defined in 34 CFR 76.707.

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C. Compliance with Other Provisions and Assurances: All provisions and assurances stated in the General Provisions, Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension, Lobbying Certification and Disclosure of Lobbying, No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) Special Provisions and Assurances, and all other program-specific provisions and assurances apply unless they conflict or are superseded by the following terms and conditions implementing the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) requirements below. This includes compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975; and all other nondiscrimination provisions. It also includes Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (prohibiting race, color, national origin, religion, and sex discrimination in employment; the Americans with Disabilities Act (prohibiting disability discrimination in employment and in services provided by entities receiving federal funds); as well as any other applicable civil rights laws. **By submitting this application, the applicant agrees to comply with all such provisions and assurances.**

D. Compliance with Other Program Statutes: The applicant agrees to comply with the authorizing program statutes, regulations, non-regulatory guidelines, and other guidance in the implementation of the programs receiving funding under ARRA. This includes compliance with comparability; supplement, not supplant; maintenance of effort (MOE); equitable participation for private nonprofit school students and teachers; and all other program-specific provisions and requirements. All such are hereby incorporated by reference.

E. DUNS Number: All entities receiving any federal funds, including ARRA funds, are required to have a DUNS (Dunn & Bradstreet) number. The DUNS number serves as the grantee organization's unique identifier for reporting federal funds received and expended. TEA must use this same DUNS number to report grant awards and expenditures for subrecipients under ARRA to the website specifically provided for in ARRA – <http://www.FederalReporting.gov/>. The assignment of a DUNS number is a condition of award of ARRA funds and must be validated by TEA prior to issuing a NOGA for ARRA funds. (Section 1512[c][4] of ARRA and the federal Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to comply with the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act [FFATA], P.L. 109-282. OMB adopted the DUNS number as the "unique identifier" required for reporting under FFATA).

F. Central Contractor Registration (CCR): All grantees receiving ARRA funds, as well as any other federal funds, are required to register and maintain current registration with the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database at <http://www.ccr.gov>. Registration in CCR is a condition of award of ARRA funds and must be validated by TEA prior to issuing a NOGA for ARRA funds.

G. ARRA Reporting Requirements: The federal Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has issued guidance related to reporting the use of ARRA funds to the various websites. The definition of terms and data elements, as well as any specific instructions for reporting, including required formats, are provided in separate guidance issued by the TEA.

The Texas Education Agency as a direct recipient of funds is required to report certain information at certain intervals throughout the grant period as required in Section 1512 of ARRA. In order to meet the reporting requirements, grantees will be required to provide certain information to TEA. By submitting this application, the grantee agrees to provide information in the form, time, and manner requested so that TEA can meet its reporting requirements and deadlines.

- 1. Separate Tracking and Monitoring of ARRA Funds:** ARRA funds must be separately tracked and monitored independently of any non-Recovery Act funding. Grantees must submit certain information to TEA in order for TEA to comply with quarterly reporting requirements established in Section 1512 of the Recovery Act. Recovery Act-related reporting requirements are incorporated as a special condition of this award.

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3. **Quarterly Reporting for ARRA:** Not later than 10 calendar days after the end of each calendar quarter, TEA and any other **direct** recipient of ARRA funds must report to the U.S. Department of Education with regard to recovery funds received in accordance with number 4 below (Section 1512[c]). (A "direct recipient" is a state agency or any entity that applies for and receives funds **directly** from a federal government agency.) TEA must obtain certain information from grantees in order to comply with this reporting requirement. By submitting this application, the grantee agrees to submit information to TEA in the time, form, and manner requested.
4. **Data Elements for Quarterly Reporting for ARRA:** In accordance with Section 1512(c) of ARRA and the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (Public Law 109-282), TEA is required to provide quarterly reports to the U.S. Department of Education or through a central government-wide portal (<http://www.FederalReporting.gov>). The information adopted by OMB contains the following data elements: submitting this application, the grantee agrees to submit the information to TEA in the time, form, and manner requested. The information may change pending final adoption by OMB.

For each grant that equals or exceeds \$25,000 in total grant award amount:

- a. The grantee organization's DUNS number (TEA will need to collect this information from grantees)
- b. The grant award number (i.e., NOGA ID number) assigned by TEA (TEA will have this information on file)
- c. The legal name of the grantee organization (as registered in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR), if registered) (TEA will have this information on file provided it is the same legal name on file with TEA)
- d. The physical location (street address) (as listed in the CCR, if registered) (TEA will have this information on file provided it is the same street address on file with TEA)
- e. The (federal) Congressional district number
- f. The grantee organization type (i.e., independent school district, nonprofit organization, etc) (TEA will have this information on file)
- g. The total amount of the grant award (TEA will have this information on file)
- h. The total amount paid to the grantee as of date of report (TEA will have this information on file)
- i. The physical location (street address) of the primary place of performance of the grant (TEA will have this information on file provided it is the same address on file with TEA.)
- j. An evaluation (i.e., status report) of the completion status of the project or activity (for example, Not Started; Less than 50% Completed; Completed 50% or More; Fully Completed) (It is not clear at this time whether this information will need to be collected from the grantees. TEA will notify the grantee in the event status information needs to be collected.)
- k. An estimate of the number of jobs created and the number of jobs retained by the project or activity and a brief description of the types of those jobs (i.e., job titles) (TEA will need to collect this information from grantees.)
- l. The names and total compensation of the five most highly compensated officers of the grantee organization if the organization in its preceding year received 80% or more of its annual gross revenues in Federal awards and \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal awards and the public does not have access to information about the compensation of senior executives. (It is not known at this time whether this data element will be required once the data elements are finalized by OMB. If it is required in the final data elements, TEA will need to collect this information from the grantees.)

For grants that equal less than \$25,000 in total grant award amount or for grantees that in the previous tax year had gross income under \$300,000, amounts will be reported in the aggregate according to the following:

- a. The total number of grants awarded less than \$25,000 (TEA will have this information file)
- b. The total award (aggregate) amount for all grants less than \$25,000 (TEA will have this information on file)
- c. The total (aggregate) amount paid to grantees for all grants less than \$25,000 as of date of report (TEA will have this information on file)

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5. **Posting the Information on Public Website:** Not later than 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter, each federal agency, including the U.S. Department of Education, shall make the information in those reports publicly available by posting the information on the designated public website (Section 1512[d]). Grantees will not be required to post information on the public website unless they apply for and receive other ARRA grants directly from a federal government agency.

Once OMB adopts the final data reporting elements and TEA receives specific instructions for reporting, TEA will provide subsequent guidance to grantees related to required reporting information.

H. Electronic Drawdown of ARRA Funds from TEA and Use of FAR Fund Codes: Recipients will draw down ARRA funds on an award-specific basis. **Pooling of ARRA award funds with other funds for drawdown or other purposes is not permitted.** Recipients must account for each ARRA award separately by referencing the assigned FAR (Financial Accounting and Resource) fund code for each award.

I. Availability of Records: The applicant agrees to make all financial and programmatic records available in detail for inspection by TEA auditors, local independent auditors, and the offices described below.

- 1. Examination of Records:** The Comptroller General of the United States and any of its employees, contractors, agents, representatives, or designees, may examine any records related to obligations and use by any state or local government of funds made available under ARRA. (Section 901[b]).
- 2. Access of Government Accountability Office (GAO):** Each contract and each subcontract awarded using funds made available under ARRA shall provide that the Comptroller General of the United States and his representatives are authorized to examine any records of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or any State or local agency administering such contract, that directly pertain to, and involve transactions relating to, the contract or subcontract and to interview any officer or employee of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or of any State or local government agency administering the contract, regarding such transactions (Section 902).
- 3. Reviews by Inspector General:** The inspector general of the U.S. Department of Education shall review, as appropriate, any concerns raised by the public about specific investments using funds made available in this Act. Any findings of such reviews shall be relayed immediately to the Secretary of Education. In addition, the findings of such reviews, along with any audits conducted by any inspector general of ARRA funds, shall be posted on the inspector general's website and linked to the recovery.gov website, except that portions of reports may be redacted to the extent the portions would disclose information that is protected from public disclosure under sections 552 and 552a of Title 5, United States Code (Section 1514).
- 4. Access of Offices of Inspector General to Certain Records and Employees:** With respect to each contract or grant awarded using ARRA funds, any representative of an Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Education or other appropriate federal agency is authorized to examine any records of the contractor or grantee, any of its subcontractors or subgrantees, or any State or local agency administering such contract, that pertain to, and involve transactions relating to, the contract, subcontract, grant, or subgrant, and to interview any officer or employee of the contractor, grantee, subgrantee, or agency regarding such transactions (Section 1515).
- 5. Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board:** Section 1521 of the ARRA establishes the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board to coordinate and conduct oversight of ARRA funds to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse. The Board shall submit "flash reports" on potential management and funding problems that require immediate attention; quarterly reports; and annual reports to the President and Congress, including the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and House of Representatives, summarizing the findings on the use of ARRA funds. The Board may conduct its own independent audits and reviews of ARRA funds. All reports shall be made publicly available on the www.recovery.gov website established by the Board. See paragraphs J and K below with regard to reports of suspected fraud or abuse (Sections 1523 and 1524).

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6. **Recovery Independent Advisory Panel:** Section 1541 of the ARRA establishes the Recovery Independent Advisory Panel to make recommendations to the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board on action the Board could take to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse relating to ARRA funds.

J. Disclosure of Fraud or Misconduct: Each grantee awarded funds made available under the ARRA shall promptly refer to the USDE Office of Inspector General any credible evidence that a principal, employee, agent, contractor, subrecipient, subcontractor, or other person has submitted a false claim under the False Claims Act or has committed a criminal or civil violation of laws pertaining to fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, gratuity, or similar misconduct involving those funds.

K. Protection for Whistleblowers: Section 1553 of the ARRA provides protection for State and local government and contractor whistleblowers. Any employee of any employer receiving ARRA funds may not be discharged, demoted, or otherwise discriminated against as a reprisal for disclosing, including a disclosure made in the ordinary course of an employee's duties, to the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board, an inspector general, the U. S. Comptroller General, a member of Congress, a State or federal regulatory or law enforcement agency, a person with supervisory authority over the employee (or such other person working for the employer who has the authority to investigate, discover, or terminate misconduct), a court or grand jury, the head of a federal agency, or their representatives, information that the employee reasonably believes is evidence of (1) gross mismanagement of an agency contract or grant relating to ARRA funds; (2) a gross waste of ARRA funds; (3) a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety related to the implementation or use of ARRA funds; (4) an abuse of authority related to the implementation or use of ARRA funds; or (5) a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to an agency contract (including the competition for or negotiation of a contract), or grant, awarded or issued relating to ARRA funds. A person who believes that he or she has been subjected to a reprisal may submit a complaint regarding the reprisal to the inspector general for the appropriate federal agency (in most cases, the U.S. Department of Education).

L. Use of Funds: The grantee agrees to comply with the applicable federal cost principles in the obligation and expenditure of ARRA funds as identified in the General Provisions and Assurances as well as other limitations or restrictions and expenditures identified therein. The grantee also agrees to the following:

1. **Consolidation of ARRA Administrative Funds:** Due to the significant reporting requirements under ARRA, **it is not known at this time whether grantees may consolidate ARRA administrative funds with other NCLB consolidated administrative funds.** TEA will issue further guidance with regard to this provision once guidance is provided by the U.S. Department of Education. If ARRA funds are permitted to be consolidated with other NCLB consolidated administrative funds, grantees must still be able to report the types and number of jobs that were created or saved with ARRA funds.
2. **Combining ARRA funds on a Schoolwide Program.** ARRA funds are permitted to be used on a Title I Part A schoolwide Campus/Program, funds may be combined with other funding sources, but grantees still must be able to identify precisely the items of obligation and expenditure for ARRA reporting. You must also be able to report the types and number of jobs that were created or saved with ARRA funds.
3. **Special Contracting Provisions:** To the maximum extent possible, contracts funded under the ARRA shall be awarded as fixed-price contracts through the use of competitive procedures. A summary of any new contract awarded with ARRA funds that is not fixed-price and not awarded using competitive procedures shall be posted in a special section of the www.recovery.gov website established by the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board (Section 1554).

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4. **Use of Funds for Certain Expenditures Prohibited:** ARRA funds shall not be used for any casino or other gambling establishment, aquarium, zoo, golf course, or swimming pool (Section 1604).
5. **Use of Funds for Construction Prohibited:** Unless specifically authorized in the applicable program statute, regulations, guidelines, Request for Application (RFA), TEA Standard Application System (SAS), the approved grant application, or other written authorization, none of the ARRA additional formula funds shall be used for construction, remodeling, or renovation.
6. **Buy American - Use of American Iron, Steel, and Manufactured Goods:** If construction is allowed and approved pursuant to the previous paragraph pertaining to "Use of Funds for Construction Prohibited", none of the funds may be used for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public building or public work unless all of the iron, steel, and manufactured goods used in the project are produced in the United States unless waived by the Secretary of Education (Section 1605).
7. **Wage Rate Requirements for Contracted Laborers and Mechanics- Compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act:** Subject to further clarification issued by the Office of Management and Budget, and notwithstanding any other provision of law and in a manner consistent with other provisions of ARRA, all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and subcontractors on projects funded directly by or assisted in whole or in part by and through the Federal Government pursuant to this award shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on projects of a character similar in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code. With respect to the labor standards specified in this section, the Secretary of Labor shall have the authority and functions set forth in Reorganization Plan Numbered 14 of 1950 (64 Stat. 1267; 5 U.S.C. App.) and section 3145 of title 40, United States Code (Section 1606).

M. Compliance with OMB Circular A-133 Audits and Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards:

Grantees agree to separately identify the expenditures for each grant award funded under ARRA as required by Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations" and to comply with all other provisions of the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133.

The signing of Schedule #1 - General Information by applicant indicates acceptance of and compliance with all requirements described on this schedule

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Tier III Model Selection and Description Report - TRANSFORMATION

Option 1 Timeline Due to TEA no later than August 31, 2010.

Option 2 Timeline Due to TEA no later than February 1, 2011.

May be submitted any time prior to deadline.

For each area, enter applicable information for the identified Critical Success Factor (CSF) and milestones from this table.

- 1 -- Improve Academic Performance
 - A. Data-driven instruction
 - B. Curriculum Alignment (both horizontal and vertical)
 - C. On-going Monitoring of Instruction
- 2 -- Increase the Use of Quality Data to Drive Instruction
 - A. Data Disaggregation /Training
 - B. Data-driven Decisions
 - C. On-going Communication
- 3 -- Increase Leadership Effectiveness
 - A. On-going Job Embedded Professional Development
 - B. Operational Flexibility
 - C. Resource/Data Utilization
- 4 -- Increase Learning Time
 - A. Flexible Scheduling
 - B. Instructionally-focused Calendar
 - C. Staff Collaborative Planning
- 5 -- Increase Parent/Community Involvement
 - A. Increased Opportunities for Input
 - B. Effective Communication
 - C. Accessible Community Services
- 6 -- Improve School Climate
 - A. Increased Attendance
 - B. Decreased Discipline Referrals
 - C. Increased Involvement in Extra/Co-Curricular Activities
- 7 -- Increase Teacher Quality
 - A. Locally Developed Appraisal Instruments
 - B. On-going Job Embedded Professional Development
 - C. Recruitment/Retention Strategies

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Part 1: Identified Needs

List the local needs identified in each Milestone to be addressed by the Intervention Model selected as it relates to the Critical Success Factors (CSF).

1. Improve Academic Performance

Milestone	A	1.Lopez HS teachers will receive training in the use of data to drive instructional decisions. 2.Lopez HS teachers will use six weeks assessment results to inform skills that will be taught during tutoring 3.Six weeks aligned assessments results will identify the parents who will be invited to the Parent Academic Conferences each six week period
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	B	1.All courses in the four core areas will be aligned horizontally and vertically 2.Each four core subject area will have an aligned instructional timeline and all assessments will be aligned to the course timelines 3. Teachers will participate in Summer Curriculum Campus for aligning course curricula in the four core areas and for preparing formative assessments aligned to the curriculum
	C	1. Teachers will have a common planning period in which students progress will be monitored and evaluated weekly 2. Team Leaders in grades 9 & 10 will monitor student grades, attendance and discipline each week and plan immediate interventions as needed 3. Curriculum Plan Reviews (CPRs) will be conducted at the end of each six weeks period to evaluate aligned test results, share successful strategies, and plan tutoring sessions
2. Increase the Use of Quality Data to Drive Instruction		
Milestones	A	Lopez HS teachers will receive training in the use of software such as AEIS-IT, Eduphoria, Compass, etc, to use data that will drive instructional decisions.
	B	Lopez HS teachers will use six weeks assessment results to monitor success of their instructional program, to identify strengths and weaknesses in the curriculum, to identify the students that will require immediate tutoring, and to identify parents who will be invited to the Parent Academic Conference Days (PAC-Days)
	C	TTiPSS (Teachers Teamed in Pursuit of Student Success) teachers will all share a common planning period to promote on-going communication
3. Increase Leadership Effectiveness		
Milestones	A	1. A Teachers Training Teachers (TTT) program will be initiated to enable teachers to share successful teaching strategies with each other 2. Teachers and administrators will receive leadership training through SIRC, Region I, Dana Institute, etc
	B	Tutoring sessions will be available to students in a variety of ways such as but not limited to zero-period, afterschool tutoring, Saturday Academies, etc.
	C	Administrators will provide teachers with instructional resources and a variety of data resources that they can use for teaching and planning
4. Increase Learning Time		
Milestones	A	1.TTiPSS teachers will receive extensive training on how to utilize bell-to-bell instruction and teach effectively within a small learning community concept 2.A variety of flexible tutoring opportunities will be made available to students 3. TTiPSS teachers will be grouped into small learning communities resulting in more effective use of instructional time
	B	1. Campus-wide decisions will be made to positively impact the instructional programs of the campus 2. Summer Lobo Camps will be scheduled to allow students to either make up credits or do advance work
	C	TTiPSS teachers will be required to meet during their common planning period to collaborate instructional planning, identify students who are not making adequate progress, and to initiate immediate interventions on behalf of these students
5. Increase Parent / Community Involvement		
Milestones	A	Parent Academic Conferences will be held each six week period for parents of students who may be struggling with academics, attendance or discipline.
	B	TTiPSS teachers will prepare Parent Newletters each six week period to inform parents of meetings, test schedules, attendance averages, tutoring schedules, etc.
	C	1. Adult literacy courses and computer literacy courses will be offered via our Parent Center.

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		2. A family counseling program will be implemented for parents of At-Risk students after school hours, twice a month
6. Improve School Climate		
Milestones	A	Students with perfect attendance, improved academic performance and good behavior will participate in education incentive field trips each six week period. Incentive trips will be carefully aligned to educational objectives each six weeks.
	B	Students will participate in Challenge Day activities designed to promote tolerance and decrease bullying and violence
	C	All students will be required to register for an extracurricular activity during the Lobo Club & Sport Expo held during the first six weeks of school.
7. Increase Teacher Quality		
Milestones	A	Teacher evaluation tools will be redesigned to include observable use of cooperative learning strategies, Cornell note-taking strategies, affective strategies, successful student engagement, an improved academic growth of students
	B	TTIPSS teachers will participate in job-embedded professional development training related to leadership, building a positive rapport with students, cooperative learning strategies, successful science and math strategies, writing across the curriculum, use of data to drive instruction, etc
	C	All 9 th & 10 th grade core area teachers will receive a \$2,000 incentive if 85% of their students (each subgroup) pass the state assessments. Teachers whose students are not making adequate progress will be provided ample opportunities to improve their professional practice. Failure to improve will result in removal.
Other Identified Needs (not listed above)		
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Part 2: Budget by Identified Needs	
Enter the percent of the "Total Grant Funds" budgeted for each of the following categories.	
Improve Academic Performance	25%
Increase the Use of Quality Data to Drive Instruction	15%
Increase Leadership Effectiveness	10%
Increase Learning Time	15%
Increase Parent / Community Involvement	10%
Improve School Climate	13%
Increase Teacher Quality	10%
Other Remaining Costs	2%
Enter the percent of the State or Local Funds budgeted for each of the following categories in support of this grant program. <i>Note: Matching State or Local Funds are not required. If none, enter "0" on each line.</i>	
Improve Academic Performance	25%
Increase the Use of Quality Data to Drive Instruction	8%
Increase Leadership Effectiveness	4%
Increase Learning Time	8%
Increase Parent / Community Involvement	2%
Improve School Climate	0%
Increase Teacher Quality	7%
Other Remaining Costs	0%

Part 3: Intervention Model
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tier III Modified Transformation <i>KC 8/30/10 / DWS 10/29</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TEA Approved Model with technical assistance provided by the School Improvement Resource Center <input type="checkbox"/> The LEA will implement its own intervention design, within the parameters required by the final regulations released by USDE
Intervention Description –Describe the intervention model selected and how it will be implemented consistent with the final regulations released by USDE for this grant program. Include all major activities of the model. Responses are limited to <i>eight pages</i>, front side only, with a font size no smaller than 9 point (Arial or Verdana). Complete the appropriate model pages below.

Part 3: Intervention Description – TIER III TRANSFORMATION MODEL

Describe how the LEA/campus has/will address each of the following requirements of the model.

I. Develop and increase teacher and school leader effectiveness.

- A. Evaluate the effectiveness of the current principal and use the results of the evaluation to determine whether the principal should be replaced, be kept on the campus, or be provided leadership coaching or training**

The LEA has determined that during her tenure, the Lopez High School principal has made significant improvements that have led to a 2010 Recognized campus rating as well as allowing the campus to exit AYP. Therefore, the principal will be retained.

- B. Identify and reward school leaders, teachers, and other staff who, in implementing this model, have increased student achievement and high school graduation rates and identify and remove those who, after ample opportunities have been provided for them to improve their professional practice, have not done so;**

Lopez High School will use a redesigned teacher evaluation tool to reward teachers with a \$2,000 incentive if 85% of their students (each subgroup) pass the state assessments

- C. Provide staff ongoing, high-quality, job-embedded professional development (e.g., regarding subject-specific pedagogy, instruction that reflects a deeper understanding of the community served by the school, or differentiated instruction) that is aligned with the school's comprehensive instructional program and designed with school staff to ensure they are equipped to facilitate effective teaching and learning and have the capacity to successfully implement school reform strategies; and**

Lopez TTIPSS (Teachers Teamed in Pursuit of Student Success) teachers will participate in job-embedded professional development training related to leadership, building a positive rapport with students, cooperative learning strategies, successful science and math strategies, writing across the curriculum, use of data to drive instruction, etc

- D. Implement such strategies as financial incentives, increased opportunities for promotion and career growth, and more flexible work conditions that are designed to recruit, place, and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in a transformation school based on rigorous, transparent, and equitable evaluation systems for teachers and principals that—**

- **takes into account data on student growth as a factor as well as other factors such as multiple observation-based assessments of performance and ongoing collections of professional practice reflective of student achievement and increased high school graduations rates; and**
- **is designed and developed with teacher and principal involvement;**

Lopez teachers whose evaluations indicate their students were successful will not only receive a \$2,000 incentive, but will also be invited to participate in the Summer Curriculum Camps and Summer Planning Academies. Teachers whose students are not making adequate progress will be provided ample opportunities to improve their professional practice. Failure to improve will result in removal.

II. Comprehensive instructional reform strategies.

- A. Use data to identify and implement an instructional program that is research-based and vertically aligned from one grade to the next as well as aligned with State academic standards; and**

Lopez High School's core subject curriculum will be aligned horizontally, vertically and to the State academic standards. The effectiveness of the curriculum will be evaluated each six weeks during Curriculum Planning Reviews (CPRs) and adjusted as per the data. In addition, Summer Curriculum Writing Campus will be held to review test

data and to adjust the instructional timelines as per data results.

B. Promote the continuous use of student data (such as from formative, interim, and summative assessments) to inform and differentiate instruction in order to meet the academic needs of individual students.

TTiPSS Team Leaders will meet weekly to monitor students' progress of formative assessments. Interim data will be obtained through the use of aligned six weeks benchmarks and used to design interventions for students not making adequate progress. Summative data will be used to adjust our curriculum during the Summer Writing Curriculum Camps.

III. Increase learning time and create community-oriented schools.

A. Establish schedules and strategies that provide increased learning time (as defined below);

*Increased learning time means using a longer school day, week, or year schedule to significantly increase the total number of school hours to include additional time for (a) instruction in core academic subjects including English, reading or language arts, mathematics, science, foreign languages, civics and government, economics, arts, history, and geography; (b) instruction in other subjects and enrichment activities that contribute to a well-rounded education, including, for example, physical education, service learning, and experiential and work-based learning opportunities that are provided by partnering, as appropriate, with other organizations; and (c) teachers to collaborate, plan, and engage in professional development within and across grades and subjects. Research supports the effectiveness of well-designed programs that expand learning time by a minimum of 300 hours per school year. (See Frazier, Julie A.; Morrison, Frederick J. "The Influence of Extended-year Schooling on Growth of Achievement and Perceived Competence in Early Elementary School." *Child Development*. Vol. 69 (2), April 1998, pp.495-497 and research done by Mass2020.) Extending learning into before- and after-school hours can be difficult to implement effectively, but is permissible under this definition with encouragement to closely integrate and coordinate academic work between in school and out of school. (See James-Burdumy, Susanne; Dynarski, Mark; Deke, John. "When Elementary Schools Stay Open Late: Results from The National Evaluation of the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Program." *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*, Vol. 29 (4), December 2007, Document No. PP07-121.) http://www.mathematica-mpr.com/publications/redirect_PubsDB.asp?strSite=http://epa.sagepub.com/cgi/content/abstract/29/4/296*

TTiPSS teams will be grouped into small learning communities. These teams will have a common planning period for collaborative instructional planning, for identifying students who are not making adequate progress, and to initiate immediate interventions on their behalf.

B. Provide ongoing mechanisms for family and community engagement.

TTiPSS teams will hold parent conferences each six weeks with parents whose children are not making adequate progress as per aligned six weeks assessments and have excessive discipline referral and attendance problems. In addition, teachers will host monthly parent involvement meetings and create monthly parent newsletters to keep parents informed on issues such as tutorials, academic successes, attendance incentives, and resources available to them. Lopez HS will also provide school-based educational opportunities for parents and community members such as adult literacy courses, job skills and family counseling opportunities.

IV. Provide operational flexibility and sustained support.

A. Give the school sufficient operational flexibility (such as staffing, calendars/time, and budgeting) to implement fully a comprehensive approach to substantially improve student achievement outcomes and increase high school graduation rates;

BISD administration and Board of Trustees will support the Lopez HS initiative of \$2000 incentive if 85% of their students (each subgroup) pass the state assessments.

- B. Ensure that the school receives ongoing, intensive technical assistance and related support from the LEA, the SEA, or a designated external lead partner organization (such as a school turnaround organization or an EMO).**

The District Shepherd will monitor the processing of all requests for technical assistance, materials, equipment, and consultant services to ensure expeditious delivery of services and materials. The District Shepherd will also remove any bureaucratic barriers to full implementation of all components of this plan.

The LEA/campus may also implement other strategies within the four components. Describe any other strategies to be implemented. Enter "N/A" if a particular optional strategy is not to be implemented.

I. Develop and increase teacher and school leader effectiveness.

- A. Provide additional compensation to attract and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in a transformation school**

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- B. Institute a system for measuring changes in instructional practices resulting from professional development;**

Administrators and team leaders will redesign the teacher classroom observation tool that will link instructional practices to student achievement

- C. Ensure that the school is not required to accept a teacher without the mutual consent of the teacher and principal, regardless of the teacher's seniority.**

Lopez High School will not be required to accept a teacher without the mutual consent of the teacher and the principal, regardless of the teacher's seniority. The District Shepherd will be responsible for enforcing this requirement.

II. Comprehensive instructional reform strategies.

- A. Conduct periodic reviews to ensure that the curriculum is being implemented with fidelity, is having the intended impact on student achievement, and is modified if ineffective;**

TTiPSS teachers will participate in Curriculum Planning Review (CPR) sessions at the end of each six week period to evaluate student progress in core subjects as per their aligned six weeks assessments, to adjust instructional timelines as needed, and to identify students in need of immediate tutoring.

- B. Implement a schoolwide "response-to-intervention" model;**

TTiPSS team leaders will monitor student discipline referrals, pass/fail rates, and attendance weekly using the Early Warning System.

- C. Provide additional supports and professional development to teachers and principals in order to implement effective strategies to support students with disabilities in the least restrictive environment and to ensure that limited English proficient students acquire language skills to master academic content;**

TTiPSS teachers will increase academic achievement of special student groups by developing academic language via iPODS, implementing cooperative learning strategies, incorporating a hands-on interactive model and by using a variety of technology in the classroom.

- D. Use and integrate technology-based supports and interventions as part of the instructional program;**

Teachers will incorporate the use of iPODS, Inter-write Pads, Instruction-CPS Response Systems (clickers) and

other technology to improve the delivery of instruction.

E. In secondary schools--

- i. Increase rigor by offering opportunities for students to enroll in advanced coursework (such as Advanced Placement; International Baccalaureate; or science, technology, engineering, and mathematics courses, especially those that incorporate rigorous and relevant project-, inquiry-, or design-based contextual learning opportunities), early-college high schools, dual enrollment programs, or thematic learning academies that prepare students for college and careers, including by providing appropriate supports designed to ensure that low-achieving students can take advantage of these programs and coursework;**

Lopez High School will offer Princeton Review classes to its students to ensure that 1st generation students have equal access to a college education. In addition, a college preparation center will be established to assist students in meeting college entrance requirements. Students will also be given the opportunity to attend Summer School for credit retrieval and/or course enrichment.

- ii. Improve student transition from middle to high school through summer transition programs or freshman academies;**

Lopez High School will offer a Summer Fish Camp for incoming freshmen to facilitate the successful transition from middle school to high school.

- iii. Increase graduation rates through, for example, credit-recovery programs, re-engagement strategies, smaller learning communities, competency-based instruction and performance-based assessments, and acceleration of basic reading and mathematics skills;**

Lopez High School offers a credit-recovery program during the school day, on Saturdays and during the summer. Small learning communities will be incorporated at LHS to improve the quality of instruction for all students, curriculum will be aligned and monitored weekly as well as at the end of every six week period and tutoring session will be provided as needed.

- iv. Establish early-warning systems to identify students who may be at risk of failing to achieve to high standards or graduate.**

The Early Warning System will be used to monitor formative assessments on a weekly basis. Interim data will be obtained through the use of aligned six weeks benchmarks and used to design interventions for students not making adequate progress. Summative data will be used to adjust our curriculum during the Summer Curriculum Writing Camps.

III. Increase learning time and create community-oriented schools.

- A. Partner with parents and parent organizations, faith- and community-based organizations, health clinics, other State or local agencies, and others to create safe school environments that meet students' social, emotional, and health needs;**

Lopez High School will provide school-based educational opportunities for parents and community members such as computer courses, literacy and job skills, and family counseling opportunities.

- B. Extend or restructure the school day so as to add time for such strategies as advisory periods that build relationships between students, faculty, and other school staff;**

A mentorship program has been imbedded into the school day to provide all students with additional emotional and social support.

C. Implement approaches to improve school climate and discipline, such as implementing a system of positive behavioral supports or taking steps to eliminate bullying and student harassment;

The campus will host Challenge Days to promote tolerance, reduce bullying and violence, and to address other issues common to teenagers.

Expand the school program to offer full-day kindergarten or pre-kindergarten.

IV. Provide operational flexibility and sustained support.

A. Allow the school to be run under a new governance arrangement, such as a turnaround division within the LEA;

Lopez High School is participating in the Transformation model. No new governance arrangement implied or stated.

B. Implement a per-pupil school-based budget formula that is weighted based on student needs.

BISD's campus allocations are based on a per-pupil school-based budget formula that is weighted based on student needs.

Part 4: Activity Timeline – Describe the timeline delineating the steps the campus will take to implement the selected intervention model and additional improvement activities chosen.

Critical Success Factor	Milestone	Improvement Activity	Begin Date MM / YY	End Date MM / YY
1	A	1.Lopez HS teachers will receive training in the use of data to drive instructional decisions. 2.Lopez HS teachers will use six weeks assessment results to inform skills that will be taught during tutoring 3.Six weeks aligned assessments results will identify the parents who will be invited to the Parent Academic Conferences each six week period	09/2010	05/2013
	B	1.All courses in the four core areas will be aligned horizontally and vertically 2.Each four core subject area will have an aligned instructional timeline and all assessments will be aligned to the course timelines 3. Teachers will participate in Summer Curriculum Campus for aligning course curricula in the four core areas and for preparing formative assessments aligned to the curriculum	08/2010	08/2013
	C	1. Teachers will have a common planning period in which students progress will be monitored and evaluated weekly 2. Team Leaders in grades 9 & 10 will monitor student grades, attendance and discipline each week and plan immediate interventions as needed 3. Curriculum Plan Reviews (CPRs) will be conducted at the end of each six weeks period to evaluate aligned test results, share successful strategies, and plan tutoring sessions	08/2010	05/2013
2	A	Lopez HS teachers will receive training in the use of software such as AEIS-IT, Eduphoria, Compass, etc, to use data that will drive instructional decisions.	09/2010	05/2013
	B	Lopez HS teachers will use six weeks assessment results to monitor success of their instructional program, to identify strengths and weaknesses in the curriculum, to identify the students that will require immediate tutoring, and to identify parents who will be invited to the Parent Academic Conference Days (PAC-Days)	10/2010	05/2013
	C	TTIPSS teachers will all share a common planning period to promote on-going communication	08/2010	05/2013
3	A	1. A Teachers Training Teachers (TTT) program will be initiated to enable teachers to share successful teaching strategies with each other 2. Teachers and administrators will receive leadership training through SIRC, Region I, Dana Institute, etc	10/2010	07/2013
	B	Tutoring sessions will be available to students in a variety of ways such as but not limited to zero-period, afterschool tutoring, Saturday Academies, etc.	08/2010	05/2013
	C	Administrators will provide teachers with instructional resources and a variety of data resources that they can use for teaching and planning	08/2010	05/2013

4	A	<p>1. TTiPSS teachers will receive extensive training on how to utilize bell-to-bell instruction and teach effectively within a small learning community concept</p> <p>2. A variety of flexible tutoring opportunities will be made available to students</p> <p>3. TTiPSS teachers will be grouped into small learning communities resulting in more effective use of instructional time</p>	08/2010	-5/2013
	B	<p>1. Campus-wide decisions will be made to positively impact the instructional programs of the campus</p> <p>2. Summer Lobo Camps will be scheduled to allow students to either make up credits or do advance work</p>	07/2011	07/2013
	C	TTiPSS teachers will be required to meet during their common planning period to collaborate instructional planning, identify students who are not making adequate progress, and to initiate immediate interventions on behalf of these students	08/2010	05/2013
5	A	Parent Academic Conferences will be held each six week period for parents of students who may be struggling with academics, attendance or discipline.	09/2010	04/2013
	B	TTiPSS teachers will prepare Parent Newletters each six week period to inform parents of meetings, test schedules, attendance averages, tutoring schedules, etc.	09/2010	05.2013
	C	<p>1. Adult literacy courses and computer literacy courses will be offered via our Parent Center.</p> <p>2. A family counseling program will be implemented for parents of At-Risk students after school hours, twice a month</p>	11/2010	05/2013
6	A	Students with perfect attendance, improved academic performance and good behavior will participate in education incentive field trips each six week period. Incentive trips will be carefully aligned to educational objectives each six weeks.	09/2010	05/2013
	B	Students will participate in Challenge Day activities designed to promote tolerance and decrease bullying and violence	07/2010	07/2013
	C	All students will be required to register for an extracurricular activity during the Lobo Club & Sport Expo held during the first six weeks of school.	09/2010	08/2012
7	A	Teacher evaluation tools will be redesigned to include observable use of cooperative learning strategies, Cornell note-taking strategies, affective strategies, successful student engagement, an improved academic growth of students	01/2011	05/2013
	B	TTiPSS teachers will participate in job-embedded professional development training related to leadership, building a positive rapport with students, cooperative learning strategies, successful science and math strategies, writing across the curriculum, use of data to drive instruction, etc	09/2010	08/2013
	C	All 9th & 10th grade core area teachers will receive a \$2,000 incentive if 85% of their students (each subgroup) pass the state assessments	06/2011	06/2013

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