Texas Education Agency Standard Application System (SAS)

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Program authority:	Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), Public Law (P.L.) 114-95, Title Part A, Sec 1003, School Improvement				95, Title I,	F	FOR TEA USE ONLY Write NOGA ID here		
Grant Period:	August 28, 2	August 29, 2047, to July 24, 2040							
Application deadline:	5:00 p.m. Central Time, July 13, 2017					150	Place date s	amp here	
Submittal information:	One original and two copies of the application, printed on one side only and signed by a person authorized to bind the applicant to a contractual agreement, must be received no later than the aforementioned date and time at this address: Document Control Center, Division of Grants Administration Texas Education Agency, 1701 North Congress Ave. Austin, TX 78701-1494				CONTROL CEN	Place date: Place date: 58	KAS EDUCATION AC		
Contact information:	Doug Dawson: doug.dawson@tea.texas.gov; (512) 463-2617				是克	. 58	NGENOY		
		Sche	dule #1	- General I	nformation	10,0			
Part 1: Applicant Infor	nation	ecure	Value Seal						
Organization name	County-District #		Campus name/#		Amend	Amendment #			
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Mailing address			City			State	ZIP	Code	
324 E. Flora St.					Hidalgo	T I Com	TX	785	57
Primary Contact									
First name		M.I.	Last name		Title				
Kavier			Salinas		Superintendent				
Telephone #		Email address		FAX#					
956-834-4401		XASALINAS@HIDALGO-ISD.ORG		956-843-3343					
Secondary Contact									
First name		M.I.	. Last name		Title Curriculum Director		or		
Sandra		C. 10	Cavazos						
Telephone #956-834-4401		Email	mail address sacavazoz@hidalgo-isd.org			FAX # 956-843-4431			

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 general provisions and assurances, debarment and suspension certification, lobbying certification 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:

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First name	M.I. Last name	Title
Xavier	Salinas	Superintenden
Telephone #	Email address	FAX#
956-834-4401	XASALINAS@HIDALGO-ISD.ORG	956-843-3343
Signature (blue ink preferred)	Date signed	

Only the legally responsible party may sign this application.

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Standard Application System (SAS

Schedule #1—General Information

County-district number or vendor ID: 108905

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Part 3: Schedules Required for New or Amended Applications

An X in the "New" column indicates a required schedule that must be submitted as part of any new application. The applicant must mark the "New" checkbox for each additional schedule submitted to complete the application. For amended applications, the applicant must mark the "Amended" checkbox for each schedule being submitted as part of the amendment.

Schedule	Cabadula Nama	Applicat	Application Type		
#_	Schedule Name	New	Amended		
1	General Information				
2	Required Attachments and Provisions and Assurances		N/A		
4	Request for Amendment	N/A			
5	Program Executive Summary				
6	Program Budget Summary				
7	Payroll Costs (6100)	See			
8	Professional and Contracted Services (6200)	Important			
9	Supplies and Materials (6300)	Note For			
10	Other Operating Costs (6400)	Competitive			
11	Capital Outlay (6600)	Grants*			
12	Demographics and Participants to Be Served with Grant Funds				
13	Needs Assessment				
14	Management Plan				
15	Project Evaluation	\boxtimes			
16	Responses to Statutory Requirements				
17	Responses to TEA Requirements				
18	Equitable Access and Participation	\boxtimes			

*IMPORTANT NOTE FOR COMPETITIVE GRANTS: Schedules #7, #8, #9, #10 and #11 are required schedules if any dollar amount is entered for the corresponding class/object code on Schedule #6—Program Budget Summary. For example, if any dollar amount is budgeted for class/object code 6100 on Schedule #6—Program Budget Summary, then Schedule #7—Payroll Costs (6100) is required. If it is either blank or missing from the application, the application will be disqualified.

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Schedule #2—Required Attachments and Provisions and Assurances

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Part 1: Required Attachments

The following table lists the fiscal-related and program-related documents that are required to be submitted with the application (attached to the back of each copy, as an appendix).

#	Applicant Type	Name of Required Fiscal-Related Attachment
No f	iscal-related attachments are	e required for this grant.
#	Name of Required Program-Related Attachment	Description of Required Program-Related Attachment
1.	Portfolio Plan Questionnaire	Applicants must use the template posted on the TEA Grant Opportunities page to self-assess the district's portfolio plan.

By marking an X in each of the boxes below, the authorized official who signs Schedule #1—General Information certifies his or her acceptance of and compliance with all of the following guidelines, provisions, and assurances.

Note that provisions and assurances specific to this program are listed separately, in Part 3 of this schedule, and

require a separate certification.

X	Acceptance and Compliance
\boxtimes	I certify my acceptance of and compliance with the General and Fiscal Guidelines.
$\overline{\boxtimes}$	I certify my acceptance of and compliance with the program guidelines for this grant.
\boxtimes	I certify my acceptance of and compliance with all General Provisions and Assurances requirements.
\boxtimes	I certify that I am not debarred or suspended. I also certify my acceptance of and compliance with all Debarment and Suspension Certification requirements.
\boxtimes	I certify that this organization does not spend federal appropriated funds for lobbying activities and certify my acceptance of and compliance with all Lobbying Certification requirements.
\boxtimes	I certify my acceptance of and compliance with Every Student Succeeds Act Provisions and Assurances requirements.

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Schedule #2—Required Attachments and Provisions and Assurances

County-district number or vendor ID: 108905

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Part 3: Program-Specific Provisions and Assurances

I certify my acceptance of and compliance with all program-specific provisions and assurances listed below.

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#	Provision/Assurance .
1.	Grant funds awarded will supplement (increase the level of service), and not supplant (replace) State and local funds. The applicant provides assurance that each school served with these grant funds will receive all of the State and local funds it would have received in the absence of this award. The applicant's methodology used to allocate State and local funds to each school will demonstrate compliance with this assurance.
2.	The applicant provides assurance that the application does not contain any information that would be protected by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) from general release to the public.
3.	The applicant provides assurance that the campus it proposes to serve will receive all the State and local funds it would have received in the absence of funds received under this grant.
4.	The applicant provides assurance that it will engage in the necessary effort to align and complement existing school improvement strategies, goals, and interventions in their final approved grant, in order to effectively deliver a single and comprehensive school improvement plan.
5.	The applicant provides assurance that it will, in alignment with its selected school redesign model, implement one or more evidence-based strategies.
6.	The applicant provides assurance that it will provide access for onsite visits to the LEA and campus by TEA and its
7.	The applicant provides assurance to participate in a formative assessment of the LEA's capacity and commitment to carry out the selected school improvement intervention model at periods during implementation.
8.	The applicant provides assurance to participate in and make use of technical assistance and coaching support provided by TEA Division of System Support and Innovation and/or its subcontractors.
9.	The applicant provides assurance to attend and participate in grant orientation meetings, technical assistance meetings, other periodic meetings of grantees, and sharing of best practices through the TEA program office.
10.	The applicant provides assurance that the necessary operational flexibility (such as staffing, calendars/time, and budgeting) will be provided to campus leadership and the school redesign partner to fully develop and implement a school redesign. For those selecting the District of Innovation operational flexibility plan, this includes an assurance that exemptions received through the DOI innovation plan will be extended to the campus developing and implementing a school redesign plan.
11.	The applicant provides assurance that they will identify and contract with a redesign partner on or before December 1, 2017.

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Diaz Jr. High campus has been identified as a "Focus campus" by the Texas Education Agency (TEA). If awarded, the campus will implement a **TurnAround Model** that will increase student achievement by providing quality educational opportunities so that all students can reach their fullest potential. The program will include structural elements that are evidence-based and nationally recognized for ensuring the: Development and increase of teacher and school leader effectiveness; Delivery of comprehensive instructional reform strategies; Increase of learning time and creation of a community-oriented school; and Flexibility of campus schedule and sustained program support.

Hidalgo ISD is based in Hidalgo, Texas, United States. The district serves most of Hidalgo and the city of Granjeno as well as small portions of McAllen, Pharr, and San Juan. It southern boundary is the Rio Grande along the U.S.-Mexico border. It serves many colonias. The district's vision of, "providing a welcoming and supportive environment where parents and educators work to make a positive difference in the hearts and minds of all students so that they may achieve their highest potential in becoming productive citizens" will be the vision and focus for the school reform. The campus will enlist district and campus staff, parent, families, and community members to implement and support the proposed School Redesign Grant, Cycle Pilot Program which will restructure and transform the campus in a manner that will ensure students' academic and personal growth. This entailed addressing not only the educational, but also the social, family, and emotional aspects of every student and stakeholder. The program will benefit from grant resources based on the vision for school reform, commitments secured, and existing academic, staff and facility structures that will enable reforms to take place. Therefore, the campus will focus its reforms in the following areas:

- · Implement the use of research-based and vertically aligned curriculum;
- Establish schedules and strategies that provide increased
- Learning time;
- Provide access to technology and resources to all students;
- Develop a comprehensive training plan tailored to each teacher's needs which offers opportunities for advancement.
- Provide teachers and staff the supports needed to grow and develop;
- Create an environment that encourages parental by addressing the needs of the parent and the family;
- Embrace school/community partnerships;
- Promote the continuous use of student data to differentiate instruction and meet their individual academic needs;
- Use rigorous, transparent, and equitable evaluation systems for teachers and principal; and
- Ensure that the school receives on-going, intensive technical assistance.

The campus's continuous failure to meet standards in the annual Accountability Ratings is a clear indication of the urgent need for lasting change is needed. For this change to be lasting and sustained, change cannot just occur within the school system. Commitment of the parents, families, and members of the community is also needed. Therefore, a series of meetings were held throughout the development of this grant to clearly define and communicate the mission and vision of the program with all stakeholders. Community Forum Meetings parent roundtables, and student roundtables were also scheduled, to provide information and garner feedback. Our communication plan was formulated and explained so that everyone had ownership, felt empowered, and understood the magnitude of the issues that are facing the campus. Issues include students' academic deficiencies, low-educational attainment, high-poverty, limited English proficiency, and lack of parental involvement. By ensuring all stakeholders are aware of these issues, the campus can ensure that an urgent sense of need for change is prevalent.

Schedule #5—Program Executive Summary (cont.) County-district number or vendor ID: 108905 Amendment # (for amendments only):

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Program author	ority: Every Student Succeeds A	Act (ESSA), P.L	. 114-95, Title	e I, Part A, Sec 1003	, School Im	provement
Grant period:	August 28, 2017, to July 31, 20	19	Fund code:	211		
Budget Sumr	nary		MALE I			
Schedule #	Title	Class/ Object Code	Planning Cost	Implementation Cost	Admin Cost	Total Budgeted Cost
Schedule #7	Payroll Costs (6100)	6100	\$607,000	\$628,000	\$0	\$1,235,000

Schedule #	Title	Class/ Object Code	Planning Cost	Implementation Cost	Admin Cost	Budgeted Cost
Schedule #7	Payroll Costs (6100)	6100	\$607,000	\$628,000	\$0	\$1,235,000
Schedule #8	Professional and Contracted Services (6200)	6200	\$90,000	\$120,000	\$0	\$210,000
Schedule #9	Supplies and Materials (6300)	6300	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$0	\$60,000
Schedule #10	Other Operating Costs (6400)	6400	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	\$,6000
Schedule #11	Capital Outlay (6600)	6600	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$0	\$60,000
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	Percentage% indirect costs (s	see note):	N/A	\$0	\$0	\$0
Grand t	otal of budgeted costs (add all entrie	es in each column):	\$760,000	\$811,000	\$0	\$1,571,000

NOTE: Indirect costs are calculated and reimbursed based on actual expenditures when reported in the expenditure reporting system, regardless of the amount budgeted and approved in the grant application. If indirect costs are claimed, they are part of the total grant award amount. They are not in addition to the grant award amount.

Indirect costs are not required to be budgeted in the grant application in order to be charged to the grant. Do not submit an amendment solely for the purpose of budgeting indirect costs.

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		Employee Position Title	Estimated # of Positions 100% Grant Funded	Estimated # of Positions <100% Grant Funded	Planning Cost	Implementation Cost	Total Budgeted Cost
Ac	ademic/	Instructional					
1	Teach	er	4	0	\$216,000	\$216,000	\$432,000
2	Educa	tional aide	3	0	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$120,000
3	Tutor			0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pro	gram M	lanagement and Administration	n				
4	And in case of the last of the	t director	1	0	\$65,000	\$68,000	\$133,000
5		t coordinator	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
6		er facilitator	2	0	\$50,000	\$55,000	\$105,000
7		er supervisor	2	0	\$50,000	\$55,000	\$105,000
8		ary/administrative assistant	1	0	\$30,000	\$35,000	\$65,000
9		entry clerk	1	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
10		accountant/bookkeeper	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
11		tor/evaluation specialist	1	0	\$15,000	\$10,000	\$25,000
Au	xiliary			ARTER PERSON			
12	Couns	elor	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
13		worker	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
14		unity liaison/parent coordinator	1	0	\$30,000	\$35,000	\$65,000
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22	Title				\$	\$	\$
23	Title		+		\$	\$	\$
23 24	Title		Subtotal em	ployee costs:	\$516,000	\$534,000	\$1050000
	nstitute	Extra-Duty Pay, Benefits Cost		p.5,00 000to.	75.15,000	7-1,000	***************************************
25	6112	Substitute pay			\$1,000	\$4,000	\$5,000
26	6119	Professional staff extra-duty pa	NV .		\$70,000	\$70,000	\$140,000
27	6121	Support staff extra-duty pay	9		\$20,000	\$20,000	40,000
28	6140	Employee benefits			\$0	\$0	\$0
29	61XX	Tuition remission (IHEs only)			\$0	\$0	\$0
30	01700		stitute, extra-duty, b	enefits costs	\$91,000	\$94,000	\$185,000
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Schedule #8—Professional and Contracted Services (6200)

County-district number or vendor ID: 108905

NOTE: Specifying an individual vendor in a grant application does not meet the applicable requirements for sole-source providers. TEA's approval of such grant applications does not constitute approval of a sole-source provider.

Professional and Contracted Services Requiring Specific Approval

	Expense Item Description	Planning Cost	Implementation Cost	Total Budgeted Cost
6269	Rental or lease of buildings, space in buildings, or land Specify purpose:	\$0	\$0	\$0
a.	Subtotal of professional and contracted services (6200) costs requiring specific approval:	\$0	\$0	\$0

Professional and Contracted Services

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#	Description of Service and Purpose	Planning Cost	Implementation Cost	Total Budgeted Cost
1	Reading Staff Development and Teacher Support	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$35,000
2	Math Staff Development and Teacher Support	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$35,000
3	Leadership Staff Development and Staff Support	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$35,000
4	School Climate and Teacher Support	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$35,000
5	Curriculum and Scheduling Staff Development and Teacher Support	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$35,000
6	Program Evaluation and Assessment Staff Support	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$35,000
7		\$	\$	\$
8		\$	\$	\$
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11		\$	\$	\$
12		\$	\$	\$
13		\$	\$	\$
14		\$	\$	\$
	b. Subtotal of professional and contracted services:	\$0	\$0	\$0
	c. Remaining 6200—Professional and contracted services that do not require specific approval:	\$90,000	\$120,000	\$210,000
	(Sum of lines a, b, and c) Grand total	\$90,000	\$120,000	\$210,000

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County-District Number or Vendor ID: 108905 Ame		mendment number (for amendments only):			
Expense Item Description	,	Planning Cost	Implementation Cost	Total Budgeted Cost	
6300 Total supplies and materials that do not require spe approval:	cific	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$60,000	
	Grand total:	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$60,000	

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	Schedule #10—Other Operating			
County	/-District Number or Vendor ID: 108905	Amendment numl	per (for amendments	s only):
	Expense Item Description	Planning Cost	Implementation Cost	Total Budgeted Cost
6411	Out-of-state travel for employees. Must be allowable per Program Guidelines and grantee must keep documentation locally.	\$0	\$0	\$0
Travel for students to conferences (does not include field trips). Requires pre-authorization in writing.		\$0	\$0	\$0
	Specify purpose:			
6413	Stipends for non-employees other than those included in 641	9 \$0	\$0	\$0
6419	Non-employee costs for conferences. Requires pre- authorization in writing.	\$0	\$0	\$0
6411/ 6419	Travel costs for officials such as Executive Director, Superintendent, or Local Board Members. Allowable only who such costs are directly related to the grant. Must be allowable per Program Guidelines and grantee must keep out-of-state travel documentation locally.	en . \$3,000	\$3,000	\$6,000
	Subtotal other operating costs requiring specific appro	val: \$0	\$0	\$0
	Remaining 6400—Other operating costs that do not requested approximation of the specific approxi	uire \$3,000	\$3,000	\$6,000
	Grand to	tal: \$3,000	\$3,000	\$6,000

In-state travel for employees does not require specific approval.

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#	Description and Purpose	Quantity	Unit Cost	Planning Cost	Implementation Cost	Total Budgeted Cost
6669—	Library Books and Media (capital	ized and cont	rolled by libra	ary)		
1		- N/A	N/A	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$60,000
66XX-	-Computing Devices, capitalized					
2			\$0	\$	\$	\$
3			\$0	\$	\$	\$
4			\$0	\$	\$	\$
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6XX-	-Software, capitalized					
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17			\$0	\$0	\$	\$
18			\$0	\$0	\$	\$
6XX-	-Equipment, furniture, or vehicles	;				
19			\$0	\$0	\$	\$
20			\$0	\$0	\$	\$
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28			\$0	\$0	\$	\$
6XX-	-Capital expenditures for addition	s, improveme	ents, or modi	fications to	capital assets that n	naterially
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Schedule #13-Needs Assessment

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Part 1: Process Description. A needs assessment is a systematic process for identifying and prioritizing needs, with "need" defined as the difference between current achievement and desired outcome or required accomplishment. Describe your needs assessment process, including a description of how needs are prioritized. If this application is for a district level grant that will only serve specific campuses, list the name of the campus(es) to be served and why they were selected. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

In preparation for the submission of the 2017-2019 School Redesign Grant, Pilot Cycle, a District SRD Committee was assembled, which comprised of 16 members, to include campus and district staff, community leaders, and parents. The Committee met once a week for 4-weeks to complete the needs assessment, interpret and analyze data, and thoroughly discuss the various models of reform prior to making a final recommendation about the model that was the best fit for the campus.

In conducting the campus needs assessment, the following data was collected and reviewed:

- Daily assignment scores
- Attendance records
- Teacher and staff participation
- Quality of available resources
- Parental involvement documentation (sign-in sheets) Quality/dependability of partners and vendors
- Test scores
- PEIMS 425 records
- Teacher and staff experience
- Teacher and staff recent performance evaluations

Student and teachers' <u>accessibility</u> to resources
 After the district level SRD meetings, a SRD Campus Committee was assembled. This Committee was comprised of the Principal, Teachers, SPED Teacher, Counselors, Parents, and Community Members. These individuals met once a week over a 3-week period.

Utilized the process, the Campus Committee analyzed all data to identify the most appropriate research-based strategies and interventions to address the goals of increasing student achievement, positively changing the culture and climate of the campus, and increasing parent and community involvement. Then the two Committees met and discussed suggestions, additions and/or deletions to the proposed program. Based on finding, the Committee selected the TurnAround Model. The District and Campus SRD Committee met and shared its research and recommendations with parents and the school staff in, answered all questions and clarified any issues. The SRD Committees shared the results, findings and research regarding data analysis, needs assessment, planning activities, and research on reform models with the District Leadership Team, the School Board and the Board Finance Committee.

The committee decided to implement the TurnAround Model to change the environment for the benefit of all students enrolled at Ida Diaz Jr. Middle School. This would allow the campus to utilize funds to develop and increase teacher and school leader effectiveness, deliver comprehensive instructional reform strategies, increase learning time, create a community-oriented school, and provide flexibility and sustained support.

The following goals and interventions were selected based on the identified models and need of the campus:

- Goal #1: Providing staff on-going, high-quality, job-embedded professional development;
- Goal #2: Improving the quality of instruction provided to students;
- Goal #3: Developing an Incentive and Career Advancement Program in which teachers are rewarded and/or promoted for demonstrating excellent instructional and leadership qualities;
- Goal #4: Increasing the use of data to meet the needs of students;
- Goal #5: Implementing a comprehensive teacher and principal evaluation system;
- Goal #6: Increasing parental and community involvement; and
- Goal #7: Improving the school climate at the campus.

Meeting these goals will be critical for the successful implementation of the program; therefore, continuous monitoring by the District Coordinator of School improvement, as well as, evidenced-based progress reporting will be required.

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Schedule #14 Management Plan

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Part 1: Staff Qualifications. List the titles of the primary project personnel and any external consultants projected to be involved in the implementation and delivery of the program, along with desired qualifications, experience, and any requested certifications. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

#	Title	Desired Qualifications, Experience, Certifications
1.	District Coordinator of School Improvement	 Qualifications: Managing Programs, Budgets, Personnel, and Vendors Experience: 5 years in a related field Certifications: Master's Degree in Educational Management Field
2.	Superintendent	 Qualifications: Teacher, Coach, Principal, and other administrative roles Experience: Minimum 5 years as a Superintendent Certifications: Master's Degree in Education and a Superintendent Certificate
3.	Principal	 Qualifications: Working with students and successfully overseeing programs Experience: 5 years in a related field Certifications: Master's Degree in Education or similar field
4.	SRD Committee	 Qualifications: Knowledge of effective intervention strategies. Collaboration and organizational skills Experience: 5 years in a related field Certifications: Varies based on role
5.	Data Coordinator	 Qualifications: Understand state and federal accountability, can analyze data, assess needs, and make recommendations Experience: 3 years' central office experience Certifications: Master's Degree

Part 2: Milestones and Timeline. Summarize the major objectives of the planned project, along with defined milestones and projected timelines. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

#	Objective	Objective Milestone		End Activity	
		 Review needs assessment and evaluation results identify the types of trainings each staff member needs 	s to 08/28/2017	07/31/2019	
1.	Providing staff on- going, high-quality,	 Identify individuals that will be placed in the Care Advancement Program. 	er 09/01/2017	11/04/2017	
	job-embedded professional development	 Meet with staff members to create a customized training plan. 	11/06/2017	07/31/2019	
		 Research providers that are available to provide t identified trainings needed and schedule. 	the 09/1/2017	7/31/2019	
		Follow-up with staff and trainers to verify if trainin of staff is progressing	gs 10/3/2017	07/31/2019	
2.		Provide students access to research-based, developmentally appropriate curriculum.	09/04/2017	09/28/2017	
	Improving the quality of	 Hire to Content Coordinators to align assessment and instruction with the campus's instructional framework 	ts 08/28/2017	07/31/2019	
	instruction provided to students	 Ensure all students have access to curriculum an technology 24/7 by providing a 1:1 student to technology ratio 	d 09/01/2017	11/04/2017	
		 Utilize STEM related, hands-on resources to encourage students' participation. 	11/06/2017	07/31/2019	

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Unless pre-award costs are specifically approved by TEA, grant funds will be used to pay only for activities occurring between the beginning and ending dates of the grant, as specified on the Notice of Grant Award.

Schedule #14-Management Plan (cont.)

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Part 3: Sustainability and Commitment. Describe any ongoing, existing efforts that are similar or related to the planned project. How will you coordinate efforts to maximize effectiveness of grant funds? How will you ensure that all project participants remain committed to the project's success? Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

Capacity gained through the proposed project will create lasting change to campus culture and practices that can be sustained after the grant period ends. As can be seen in the activities that are tied to the goals listed above, many of the initiatives to be introduced through the program will require start-up funds. Once many of these initiatives have been put into place, they can be easily sustained through local funds. Other initiative, (i.e. new staff and increased) will also be absorbed through the use of local funds or by seeking other funding sources.

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Schedule #15—Project Evaluation

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Part 1: Evaluation Design. List the methods and processes you will use on an ongoing basis to examine the effectiveness of project strategies, including the indicators of program accomplishment that are associated with each. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

Associated Indicator of Accomplishment Evaluation Method/Process School Report Cards and STAAR results Observations (Qualitative) 2. School Improvement Plans 1. 3. Community Level Data Increased targeted job-embedded professional development for all teachers Interviews (Qualitative) 1. Walk-throughs by Principal and Project Staff 2. 2. 3. increased targeted job-embedded professional development for all teachers Focus Groups (Qualitative) 1. Walk-throughs by Principal and Project Staff 2. 3. 3. School Report Cards and STAAR results Generated 1. Reports/Assessments 2. School Improvement Plans 4. 3. Community Level Data (Quantitative) Campus Meetings Progress Reports and Sign-in 1. Sheets (Quantitative) 2. District Meetings 3. Focus Group Meeting

Part 2: Data Collection and Problem Correction. Describe the processes for collecting data that are included in the evaluation design, including program-level data such as program activities and the number of participants served, and student-level academic data, including achievement results and attendance data. How are problems with project delivery to be identified and corrected throughout the project? Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

The process for collecting data has been broken-down at a detailed level to inform effectiveness of each activity/intervention. Diaz Jr, High has identified various types of data that will be collected for this process that includes both qualitative and quantitative data. This includes the following:

 Evaluation Team that will gather data by identifying and recording the characteristics and behavior of students, teachers, staff, parents, and community members through observation. This will be especially important in determining the success in improving the school's climate and ensuring that all stakeholders remain committed to the program.

2. The Evaluation Team will conduct interviews on randomly selected teachers and students. The interview will include a set of standard questions that will be asked on a one-to-one basis to be able to obtain straightforward replies. Additionally, any staff member that end their employment with the district will be asked to take part in an exit interview to determine if any other factors exist that had led to the high turnover rate.

3. The Evaluation Team will conduct focus group interviews on select groups. These groups will be brought together to be asked relevant and game changing questions. The goal will be to establish a dialog that can result in identifying common issues and encouraging input and suggestions

4. The DCSI, Principal, Instructional Coaches, teachers, and HR and PEIMS department will generate data reports that will be utilized to measure students' growth and teacher retention. This will include reports from RU software programs, STAAR Assessment Results, PEIMS 425 Reports, etc. They will be reviewed by the Evaluation Team and be utilized in the Evaluation Report submitted to TEA and the district.

5. The teachers will be required to track students' daily assignments, attendance, and classroom behavior. Copies of the students' progress reports will be submitted to the Evaluation Team, for tracking. In addition, sign-in sheets will be collected and inputted into an electronic log.

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Schedule #16-Responses to Statutory Requirements

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Amendment # (for amendments only):

Statutory Requirement 1a: Depending on if the campus is identified as a priority or a focus school, describe how the applicant will develop a school improvement plan (for priority schools) or support the focus school with the development and implementation of a targeted school improvement plan. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

As part of the proposed program, the campus will ensure activities and initiatives are assessed for effectiveness on an on-going basis. The campus will put together an Evaluation Team, which will consist of the DCSI, Interventionists, Principal, Data Coordinator, the External Evaluator, and other staff that will be responsible for utilizing both summative and formative assessments to ensure the on-going monitoring of continuous improvement.

Goal #1: Providing staff on-going, high-quality, job-embedded professional development. Activities/interventions will consist of the following list of items and will be assessed utilizing classroom observation notes, sign-in sheets, evaluation results, surveys, and meeting minutes:

- Review needs assessment/evaluation results to identify needed trainings.
- Identify individuals that will be placed in the Career Advancement Program.
- Meet with staff members to create a customized training plan.

Goal #2: Improve the quality of instruction provided to students. Activities/interventions will consist of the following list of items and will be assessed utilizing software/STAAR results, report cards, surveys, and Technology Agreements:

- Provide students research-based, developmentally appropriate curriculum and increase the use of technology.
- Hire two Content Coordinators to align assessments and instruction with the campus's instructional framework;
- Ensure all students have access to curriculum and technology 24/7 by providing a 1:1 student to technology ratio.
- Utilize STEM related, hands-on resources to encourage students' participation.
- Provide after-school tutorials, as well as, monthly Academic Academies that will target students' areas of deficiencies.
- Contract a Reading and a Math Interventionist to provided teachers with targeted assistance.

Goal#3: Develop an Incentive/Career Advancement Program. Activities/interventions will consist of the following list of items and will be assessed utilizing software/STAAR results, report cards, surveys, sign-in sheets, and evaluation results:

- Meet with the SRG, Pilot Committee to finalize and approve the Incentive and Career Advancement Programs.
- Conduct a meeting with staff members to provide them information regarding the two incentive programs.
- Solicit volunteers for the Career Advancement Program and select the individuals that will serve as apprentices.

Goal #4: Increasing the use of data to meet the needs of students. Activities/interventions will consist of the following list of items and will be assessed utilizing teacher surveys, student assessments, classroom observations, and report cards:

- Use student data to identify and implement an instructional program.
- Promote the continuous use of student data to differentiate instruction to meet the academic needs of students. **Goal #5:** Improving the school climate at the campus. Activities/interventions will consist of the following list of items and will be assessed utilizing focus groups, surveys, report cards, and observations:
- Provide an array of incentives that are designed to improve students' behavior and academics.
- · Implement an anti-bullying campaign and drug-free atmosphere.
- Have the Counselor meet with students so that they can discuss issues and be provided with solutions.

Utilizing summative and formative assessments, the campus will identify existing problems with the delivery of the activities and initiative. If any issues are identified, the Implementation Team will be assembled to *discuss the findings and determine the best method to correct the problem.* A public meeting will be scheduled to garner feedback from stakeholders prior to making any decisions in addition written documentation of the meeting will be posted on the campus's website detailing the issue, assessment process utilized to identify the issue, and the method that will be utilized to correct the issue. Once the corrective action has been put into place, a timeline will be set to re-evaluate the issue. If it is determined that the issue persists, the application will be reviewed and an amendment will be submitted to provide for added resources.

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Statutory Requirement 1b: Describe how the applicant will monitor schools receiving Title I funds. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

Teacher teams and leadership teams must constantly reassess their action plan as new learning and teaching data come in. They make necessary instructional modifications along the way in hopes of achieving their target learning goals right on time.

With data collected teachers, interventionists and academic coaches have a multi-faceted process for assessing programs and interventions by following a data action model. Levels of data considered include: Summative - annual state assessments; Data about people, practices and perceptions - 2-4 times a year; Benchmark common assessments - 2 times a year; Formative common assessments - 1- 4 times a month Formative classroom assessments - daily/weekly Meetings during the school year involve a review of existing data and decisions about who will collect which of the data pieces for further examination.

The new leadership team at Diaz Middle School will create an environment where teachers feel safe to experiment with research-based strategies and where teachers actively seek to improve their instruction. However, teachers who move through the teacher improvement process without positive results will be removed.

Statutory Requirement 1c: Describe how the applicant uses a rigorous review process to recruit, screen, select, and evaluate any external partners with whom they will partner. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

Hidalgo ISD has a comprehensive process which ensures the quality of external providers over \$25,000. The LEA creates and publicizes a formal request for proposals. In recruitment, the LEA will create conditions to attract multiple applicants including, but not limited to the following: clearly defined rationale for hiring; adequate resources; aggressive but achievable goals; a transparent process; and appropriate levels of marketing at local, statewide and national levels.

Once applications are received, the LEA effectively assesses contractor's organizational and financial ability to perform the defined, necessary scope of work. The LEA and campus will work together in a timely process to set the roles and responsibilities, performance expectations and consequences for failure to meet expectations that can be articulated to external providers during the recruitment process.

The LEA will undergo a rigorous evaluation of the potential partner's capacity during the screening process looking at the partner's capacity, experience and record of successes and failures, the modified process that is developed will be transparent and will engage the LEA, the school and community stakeholders. Minimally, the process will involve a written application, due diligence to confirm the track record of the applicant, and in person interviews. Upon selection of the external providers, the LEA will support, but not micro-manage the providers. The LEA will be involved in ongoing monitoring of the external provider to support success. Additionally, the LEA will have developed consequences for failure and with ongoing monitoring, and will not hesitate to implement those consequences if needed.

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Statutory Requirement 1d: Describe how the applicant will align other Federal, State, and local resources to carry out the activities supported with funds received under this subsection. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

The LEA will support the campus by aligning additional resources. The incorporation of the Model will require a developing a culture and technological overhaul for the campus. The LEA will assist by aiding in acquiring the equipment, software, etc. in a timely manner. The Chief Financial Officer's Department, the Technology Department, and the Federal Programs Department will be responsible for maintaining fiduciary and financial responsibility for all grant activities. The Business and Finance Department will provide the services for the program: processing and maintaining accounting data for the grant, grant accounting, requesting funds through the automated payment request systems, preparing and submitting written expenditure reports, classifying and reporting the accounting transactions properly, and maintaining grant accounting records. The Federal Programs Development will provide assistance to the Project Director with developing an implementation plan for the grant activities, assist with revising timelines as necessary and ensure that reports are submitted on time. Funds will be maximized by using the available resources located at the campus to fulfill the requirements of the grant. The Chief Financial Officer in conjunction with the Project Director will assess the effectiveness of the program and determine if program goals and objectives were achieved. This project will be supplemental to existing federal, state, and local initiatives. This program complements and extends those already implemented at Diaz Middle School. Other District initiatives will be combined with local and state monies to cover expenses not covered in part or full in this proposal, including but not limited to support services, tutoring, professional learning, supplies, staff, facilities, technology, and school operations. All activities stated in this application are not supplementary to existing services and neither state, federal, nor local funds will be diverted or decreased for other purposes. Funds will not be used for any services or activities required by state law, State Board of Education, or local policies. Activities outlined in this grant will be held on the school campus during the school day, after school, Saturdays or during the summer months. Facilities at Diaz's Middle School are accessible to disabled visitors and in compliance with ADA regulations. Other sources of in-kind services include community and business leaders serving as mentors and project panel observers. Resources will be garnered by Santa Maria Middle School with the support of the LEA's Public Relations Office.

Statutory Requirement 1e: Describe how the applicant will modify, as appropriate, practices and policies to provide operational flexibility that enables full and effective implantation of the plans. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

The instructional day will be extended by one hour and create Holiday Camps and Holiday packets to increase percentage of students who participate in afterschool extra assistance and increase the percentage of students who participate in designated Saturday extra help assistance.

Attendance plan will be created for teachers to increase instructional time and hold teachers accountable for their attendance based on the standards set forth by the LEA.

Teachers will attend professional development sessions on how to maximize learning time to instructional time in all classes.

Develop learning platforms easily accessible for children to allow additional practice on TEKS objectives that have not been mastered and enrichment of those that have.

Adjust the school timetable to create blocks of instruction to add more time to the learning day, by decreasing breaks and passing times. Adjust timeframe so that 30 minutes daily is dedicated to Interventions. Enrichment/Practice to specifically address deficiencies and learning issues as they occur.

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Statutory Requirement 2: Describe how the school redesign plan will incorporate one or more evidence-based strategies during the implementation. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

Improve School Environment School Culture

Evidence that student achievement will be monitored for students overall and for each subgroup of students by:

- Student attendance rates
- · Rates of serious misconduct and violence
- · Assessments of follow-through on implementation plans by school administration and staff
- Infrastructure improvement (such as dollars invested and response time to maintenance problems) School Connectivity
- Parent engagement and satisfaction metrics (such as participation in meetings)
- Partnerships (such as funding raised from philanthropy and community satisfaction survey metrics) Teacher and School Leader Engagement and Effectiveness
- · Teacher attendance and retention rates of effective staff
- Rates of participation in collaborative decision making and planning time
- Desire for and implementation of targeted professional development
- Focus on student learning based on content and time on task
- Value-added academic measures based on interim assessments of student progress
- · Use of data to improve the quality of teaching
- · Amount of principal's time spent on improving teaching and learning

Student Performance Measures of Student Progress

Evidence that the district can continue to improve student achievement, because it has well-functioning and sustainable district systems and practices:

- · Rates of earning credits and grade-level advancement
- Absenteeism and dropout rates

Outcomes for Students

Evidence that the district will continue to improve student achievement, because the conditions for school effectiveness are in place in schools and classrooms, with particularly strong evidence of:

- · Rates of students performing at grade level by subject area
- · Rates of proficiency on state assessments

Graduation and college-going rates

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Schedule #17—Responses to TEA Program Requirements

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TEA Program Requirement 1: Clearly communicate the district's vision for improving low-performing schools, including the strategy for increasing the number and percent of students in higher-rated schools. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

Hidalgo ISD and Diaz Middle School plans to use the School Redesign Grant, Cycle Pilot to create notable change and significant results on the campus in two years' time. Diaz Middle School is a Title I Priority Campus, which has been persistently lowest-achieving and has significant needs identified for improvement. Hidalgo ISD and Diaz Middle School have a strong commitment to the use of the SRG funds to provide adequate resources to substantially raise the achievement of the students and enable Diaz Middle School to make adequate yearly progress and exit improvement status. Not only does Diaz Middle School plan to use these funds to increase the achievement of the students, it has also plans to use these funds to create a plan using the grant money to dramatically improve school climate, drastically enhance teacher quality, significantly expand learning time, notably increase parents and community involvement, appreciably build leadership effectiveness and radically spread the use of data driven instruction. Suffering from an increasing enrollment, a high English language learner percentage, low student achievement, and many incoming students with limited English skills or unprepared for school, and a high mobility rate, the initial conversations regarding a plan that might include restructuring the middle school program in the Southwest side of the City of Hidalgo over 18 months ago. With an uproar in the community and the involvement of the LEA, the School Board, and the campus, it was determined that District and campus leadership needed to research the best possible avenue for student achievement.

A new principal, Cecilia Martinez was hired to lead Diaz Middle School June 2016. At that time, an extensive school and community needs assessment commenced and dialogues with community stakeholders continued. The changes proposed under this grant meet the identified campus need, respond to community and parent concerns, and builds on the assets that Diaz Middle School does have to offer: new leadership; community, LEA and city support; technology infrastructure and a desire for change.

Under this grant, Hidalgo ISD and Diaz Middle School plan to infuse a technology-focused, extended learning program that will change the climate of the campus as well as the outcomes. A recent analysis of the technology infrastructure and knowledge on the campus confirmed that Diaz Middle School rates Advanced in technology infrastructure and support from leadership, but rates as only Developing in the key areas of teaching and learning and educator preparation.

Accordingly, alongside that program, intensive traditional as well as job embedded professional development will be conducted to ensure the sustainability of the curriculum and improve teacher quality. With a new principal, a new Instructional Coach, a Family Engagement Leader, additional elementary teachers and an increase in academic performance as measured by the 2015-2016 STAAR Index 1 increase from 50 to 56 the campus is now ready for the SRG, Cycle Pilot with the help of the TEA Program.

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TEA Program Requirement 2: Describe how the applicant will develop and/or implement a supported school redesign that responds directly to the unique needs of the specific campus. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

"Turnaround" refers to intensive short-term interventions undertaken by a state or district with the goal of dramatically improving the way a school operates. Santa Maria Middle School is committed to undertake the process for change by developing and implementing a plan that supports school redesign as follows:

Planning

- Identify school leadership early to build in planning time to engage the community, establish the vision, and create a new school culture.
- Prepare to meet student needs that are severe and pervasive hire specialized staff, recruit and train teachers
 with specific capabilities, and engage with effective external providers, as appropriate.
- Articulate a powerful vision for turnaround and make tough decisions.
- View turnaround as a portfolio of approaches, with closure as a viable option.

Human Capital

- Provide strong classroom and teamwork skills and additional support to teachers.
- Empower principals and leadership teams with key autonomies over staffing, program, budget, schedule, and data.
- Ensure principals and school leadership teams have the will, skill, and authority to drive change in demanding environments.

Maintaining Support and Building Sustainability

- Signal change early and build momentum by delivering and communicating "quick wins."
- Build capacity for long-term sustainable results.

Creating Conditions and Building System Capacity

- Create the necessary school-based conditions for success.
- Develop turnaround-specific capabilities and capacity.
- Build accountability and data systems to track progress and inform decisions.
- Build systems and structures that allow for sharing lessons across schools.

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space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller th	selecting the school redesign model. Response is limited to an 10 point.
The Turnaround Model contains the elements most needed student achievement. A rigorous, transparent and equitable System-TTESS) will provide teachers with timely, specific for the believe that with more visible and meaningful support from the will inevitably follow. Diaz Middle School struggles to both revery poor, are challenging to teach. Signing incentives and invest in the Diaz Middle School family. Job embedded provide teachers with the much-needed understanding	for Diaz Middle School to accomplish the main goal: Improve evaluation system (Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support eedback on classroom strategies and student performance. om instructional coaches and interventionists, student growlecruit and retain teachers because the students, who are awards for student growth are designed to entice teachers tressional development and ongoing coaching and feedback of the child of poverty - their environments, their challenges and erstanding the child and building meaningful relationships
Therapist (CALT). Mathematics teachers will have the optic (MMT) certification, but all teachers will receive the foundat roading levels are increased at a rapid rate to address this	Kingsville to pursue certification as an Academic Language on after year one to pursue a master mathematics teacher ional year of reading training. It is imperative that student gap in learning, and we believe that by increasing students erm sustainable and systemic transformation of reading skiller.
Although achievement overall is still the biggest hurdle at D student growth can happen and will happen even quicker v Extended learning time is an absolute must. Flexible sched development, high quality Instruction in reading and writing strategies are the answers to our school improvement effor	when students are reading and comprehending on grade level fuling, Innovative staffing, job-embedded professional , and effective implementation of research-based

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TEA Program Requirement 7: If the applicant has contracted or intends to contract with a school redesign partner to support the development and/or implementation of the school redesign, describe the qualifications of the contracted school redesign partner; or, describe the desired qualifications of a school redesign partner. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

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TEA Program Requirement 8: Describe how the applicant will recruit and select high-capacity leadership teams with a track record of increasing student achievement in low-performing schools and/or similar learning environments to develop and implement the school redesign. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

Hidalgo ISD purposes to recruit and select high capacity leaderships teams to lead in the 2016-2017 School Redesign Grant, Cycle, Pilot by:

Setting a high bar for school leadership

Education experts across the ideological spectrum agree that we can and must do a far better job of educating our nation's youth. Too many students leave our public schools unqualified to compete for jobs in an increasingly global workforce. The result is slipping US competitiveness and a perpetuating cycle of poverty. Our task is to:

- Finding leaders capable of transforming schools is to create a clear vision of who those leaders should be;
- Link school district goals to leadership capabilities; and require them to achieve them;
- Articulate the specifics behaviors and competencies that the leadership team must exhibit to succeed;
- Involve multiple stakeholders to create buy in and build a dire to change;
- Design stepping stone roles
- Evaluate current principals and emerging high potential leaders

Building a talent development organization

School leadership requires both a fundamental belief that better outcomes are possible and an extraordinary combination of skills. Those skills can only be developed through a mix of on-the-job experience, high-quality training and strong mentorship.

Build time for leadership development into the principal and principal supervisor roles.

Managing: Actively promote, monitor and support the talent pipeline

- Create robust leadership training programs across all stepping stones roles
- Ensure that high percentage leadership roles are filled by high potential leaders

Shared commitment to excellence

Hidalgo ISD and Diaz Middle School are committed in making important progress on the long journey to fundamentally rethink leadership development. Diaz Middle School is committed in raising standards, encouraging more-talented educators to consider the path to leadership, creating more meaningful stepping-stone roles, and devising systems to both evaluate and manage those moving through the pipeline.

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A02	Provide staff development on eliminating gender bias			
A03	Ensure strategies and materials used with students do not promote gender bias			
A04	Develop and implement a plan to eliminate existing discrimination and the effects of past discrimination on the basis of gender		×	
A05	Ensure compliance with the requirements in Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender			
A06	Ensure students and parents are fully informed of their rights and responsibilities with regard to participation in the program			
A99	Other (specify)			
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#	Strategies for Cultural, Linguistic, or Economic Diversity	Students	Teachers	Others
B01	Provide program information/materials in home language			
B02	Provide interpreter/translator at program activities			\boxtimes
B03	Increase awareness and appreciation of cultural and linguistic diversity through a variety of activities, publications, etc.			
B04	Communicate to students, teachers, and other program beneficiaries an appreciation of students' and families' linguistic and cultural backgrounds	\boxtimes		×
B05	Develop/maintain community involvement/participation in program activities			
B06	Provide staff development on effective teaching strategies for diverse populations		\boxtimes	
B07	Ensure staff development is sensitive to cultural and linguistic differences and communicates an appreciation for diversity			
B08	Seek technical assistance from education service center, technical assistance center, Title I, Part A school support team, or other provider			
B09	Provide parenting training			
B10	Provide a parent/family center			\boxtimes
B11	Involve parents from a variety of backgrounds in decision making			
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