

Local Education Agency Application for State Fiscal Stabilization Funds

As superintendent of the Nelson County school district, I declare our school district is in agreement with all of the following and request approval to receive State Fiscal Stabilization Fund-Education State Grant funds:

- 1) The school district shall spend the funds allocated through the stabilization fund in a timely manner to save and create jobs.
- 2) The school district shall use the funds to improve student achievement and help close achievement gaps.
- 3) The school district shall adhere to any and all Subrecipient reporting requirements for the stabilization funds in accordance with Section 1512 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) and all associated rules and guidance from the federal Office of Management and Budget. It is understood that these reporting requirements may be in addition to and more rigorous than normal reporting requirements for federal funds. Specifically, the school district ensures that it will provide any necessary information to the Kentucky Department of Education related to the Department's Recipient reporting requirements under Section 1512 of the ARRA, and the state's obligation to report to the U.S. Department of Education its progress in the four education reform areas of the ARRA: (1) making improvements in teacher effectiveness and in the equitable distribution of qualified teachers for all students, particularly students who are most in need; (2) establishing pre-K-to-college-and-career data systems that track progress and foster continuous improvement; (3) making progress toward rigorous college- and career-ready standards and high-quality assessments that are valid and reliable for all students, including limited English proficient students and students with disabilities; and (4) providing targeted, intensive support and effective interventions for the lowest-performing schools.
- 4) The school district shall use fiscal control and fund accounting procedures (MUNIS) to ensure proper disbursement of and accounting for these funds, including separate accounting from regular SEEK funding. The State Fiscal Stabilization Fund-Education State Grant funds are federal funds, and the ARRA and other applicable federal requirements (such as the OMB cost principles) govern their uses.
- 5) The school district shall spend the stabilization funds, in accordance with state and local requirements, for any activities authorized under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (currently referred to as NCLB) the IDEA, the AEFLA, or the Perkins Act. The district also may use the stabilization funds for the modernization, renovation, and repair of public school facilities, and construction.
- 6) The school district shall not use the stabilization funds for any of the following expenditures: payment of maintenance costs; stadiums or other facilities primarily used for athletic contests or exhibitions or other events for which admission is charged to the general public; purchase or upgrade of vehicles; improvement of stand-alone facilities whose purpose is not the education of children, including central office administration or operations or logistical support facilities; financial assistance for students to attend private elementary or secondary schools (unless the funds are used to provide special education and related services to students with disabilities as authorized by the IDEA); school modernization, renovation, or repair that is inconsistent with state law; or restoring or supplementing the contingency fund.

These assurances were approved by the Nelson County Board of Education at a meeting on August 18, 2009. The approval is contained in the board minutes that are available for review at the school district's central office. All pertinent information related to the use of SFSF resources and the ARRA assurances are available for review at the school district's central office and, where applicable, have been incorporated in the school district improvement plan.

Superintendent

08/18/09
Date