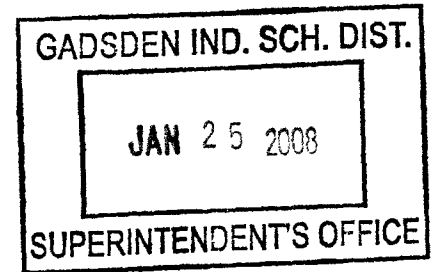


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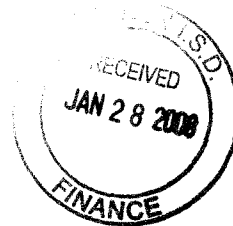


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January 11, 2008

Cynthia Nava, Superintendent  
Gadsden Independent School District  
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Dear Superintendent Nava:

✓ Please be advised of an additional \$10,000 being awarded to support your schools in narrowing the achievement gap. The purpose is to support leadership team, goal team and PDSA training at Mesquite Elementary School, Gadsden Middle School, Chaparral Middle School, and Santa Teresa Middle School. This 2007-2008 funding is to help these R1 and R2 schools address their needs for continuous improvement. By accepting the funding for this professional development, you are agreeing to the following conditions:

1. Affirm that all staff involved in the programs will have received professional development and have agreed to participate in the leadership and/or goal teams as a part of their EPSS/Alternative Governance Plan (AGP).
2. Request the BAR by January 30, 2008.
3. Agree not to exceed \$10,000 to purchase the professional development.
4. Submit quarterly reports of progress on the EPSS plan for quarters ending March 31 and June 30, 2008, to the Assistant Secretary for Quality Assurance and Systems Integration.

These Title I School Improvement funds will be reimbursed, must be obligated by June 30, 2008, and liquidated by September 30, 2008. To budget these funds, please submit an electronic Budget Adjustment Request (BAR) utilizing the PED OBMS website in the amount of \$10,000 utilizing Fund Code: 24162 and Revenue Code: 44500 by January 30, 2008.

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If you have any questions regarding these Title I School Improvement funds, please do not hesitate to call Dr. Sheila Hyde, Assistant Secretary, Quality Assurance and Systems Integration at (505) 827-6571, or Dr. Beverly Johnson, Director of PED Priority Schools Bureau at (505) 827-6420. For BAR questions you may contact Gabriel Baca, Assistant Director of Title I Bureau at (505) 827-1805.

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cc: Dr. Catherine Cross Maple, Deputy Secretary, Learning and Accountability  
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