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July 30, 2010

Ms. Cynthia Nava
Superintendent
Gadsden Independent Schools
P.O. Drawer 70
Anthony, NM 88021

Dear Superintendent Nava:

The review process for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Part B (IDEA-B) Local Application has been completed by the Special Education Bureau (SEB) of the New Mexico Public Education Department (NMPED). Gadsden Independent Schools' application for the 2010-2011 IDEA-B funds (Grant # H027A100078 Entitlement – 24106 and Grant # H173A100078 Preschool – 24109) has been considered substantially approvable in accordance with 34 CFR § 76.301 and IDEA-B. Based on available funding and the application submitted, the award(s) being made to Gadsden Independent Schools are as follows:

Sub-Grant Name	UCOA Fund Code	Award
IDEA-B, Entitlement	24106	\$3,292,768
IDEA-B, Preschool	24109	\$77,965
IDEA-B, Reallocation	24120	\$33,122

With prior approval from the SEB, up to 15% of your IDEA-B funding may be budgeted for Voluntary Coordinated Early Intervening Services (CEIS) under fund code 24112 (objective 4 of the local application). In order to utilize these funds for CEIS, the district must submit a plan for using IDEA funds for non-special education students, to the SEB for approval. Funds must only be utilized in accordance with 34 CFR § 300.226. Non-special education students who receive CEIS must be reported in the Student Teacher Accountability Reporting System (STARS) by their unique identification number.

If you have a private school within your educational jurisdiction, you are required to allocate Private Schools Proportionate Share in accordance with 34 CFR § 300.133. This is to be budgeted under fund code 24115 (objective 7 of the local application).

Requested Budget authority for fund codes 24112 and 24115 are sourced from allocations to fund codes 24106 and 24109, if applicable. Therefore, total budgeted amounts between these four funds cannot exceed the awarded totals for fund codes 24106 and 24109. Budget adjustment requests will be required to reduce budget authority for fund codes 24106 and 24109 in order to establish or increase budget authority for fund codes 24112 and 24115.

All of these funds will be reimbursed and must be expended in accordance with 34 CFR sections 76.708 – 76.710 and must be obligated by June 23, 2011. Any remaining balance not encumbered by June 30, 2011 will be included

within the authorized carryover balances for FY 2011-2012. Districts must carry over the proportionate share of carryover for parentally placed private school students in accordance with 34 CFR § 300.133(a)(3).

If this final award does not reflect the initial budget authority that may have already been authorized, please submit an electronic Budget Adjustment Request (BAR) utilizing the NMPED Operating Budget Management System (OBMS) website. The Flow-through BAR process is located on the NMPED website at <http://www.ped.state.nm.us/div/admin.serv/fiscal/d110/Federal%20and%20State%20Grant%20processes.pdf>. I also encourage you to work with your business manager who is familiar with the process. When submitting your district's electronic BAR to bring the district's budget authority in alignment with this award letter, please use the fund codes identified above and revenue code 44500. Should you have any questions please feel free to contact:

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Thank you for your cooperation in completing the Local IDEA-B Sub-grant Application in a timely manner. The SEB looks forward to working with the district in the coming year to improve outcomes for New Mexico students receiving special education services.

Yours truly,

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Secretary of Education

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