

INSTRUCTION

REMEDATION PROGRAMS

The district, within its financial capacity, will offer programs that are designed to meet the needs of educationally disadvantaged students. Eligible students may receive services from one of three special needs programs--special education, learning assistance (LAP) and Title I of the Strengthening and Improvement of Elementary and Secondary Schools Act of 1994.

The district or individual school shall conduct a needs assessment and shall develop a plan for the use of LAP funds. Such a plan shall be determined in consultation with an advisory committee, including, but not limited to, parents of participants; teachers; principals; administrators; and school directors. The plan shall include:

- A. How students will be identified;
- B. Planned services and activities;
- C. A plan for annual evaluation (performance objectives); and
- D. Record-keeping procedure.

The plan shall be approved by the board of directors prior to submission to the state.

In compliance with the federal law, the board of directors adopts as part of this policy the following provisions for parent involvement, developed jointly with, agreed upon by and distributed to the parents of children participating in the federal remediation program:

- A. The objectives of the program;
- B. The teaching methods and materials that will be used;
- C. The methods that are used to measure progress that is made;
- D. The methods that are used to report progress to students and their parents;
- E. The availability of staff to confer with parents; and
- F. The role of parents in helping their children to achieve.
- G. The coordination and integration of parental involvement strategies.

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REMEDIATION PROGRAMS (continued)

The district shall reserve not less than one percent of its federal allocation for this program for parent involvement practices, including family literacy and parenting skills. Parents of children participating in the program shall be involved in the decisions regarding how these funds are to be spent.

Each school participating in the federal remediation program shall develop with and distribute to parents with children participating in the program a building-based parental involvement policy, agreed upon by those parents that addresses the following issues:

1. The policy involvement of parents, including an annual meeting describing the program to parents; a flexible number of other meetings and services relating to parent involvement; involving parents in the planning, review and improvement of parent involvement programs; and information about this program.
2. The responsibility of parents, school staff and students for improved student achievement including a description of the school's responsibility to provide high-quality curriculum and instruction and the parents' responsibilities for supporting their children's learning; and the importance of ongoing communication between teachers and parents including at least annual parent-teacher conferences in the elementary schools, frequent reports to parents and reasonable access to staff, opportunities to volunteer, participate and observe in classrooms.
3. Building the capacity of parents to be involved.

The superintendent is directed to identify eligible students and their special needs; design a program(s) that will satisfy those needs by interfacing, when advantageous, federal remediation assistance, learning assistance (LAP), and special education services; monitor the progress of such programs; and provide assurances to state and federal agencies that such programs are in compliance with program requirements of each program with regard to conditions such as staff qualifications, staff-student ratios, student records, facilities and materials, financial accounting, reporting and program and student evaluation.

Legal References: RCW 28A.165.010-090 Learning Assistance Program
 WAC 392-162 Special Program — Remediation Assistance
 34 CFR 200.1-200.65 Title I~Helping Disadvantaged Students Meet High
 Standards
 RCW 28A.165.010 Learning Assistance Program through .090
 20 USC 6301 - 8962 Strengthening and Improvement of Elementary and
 Secondary Schools Act of 1994

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