

ASSISTANCE *plus*

All four Districts submitted their February monthly report on the 26 Assistance Plus requirements. The following updates address the concerns shared as a result of the December report and subsequent updates.

The February monthly report was reviewed by Department staff highlighting compliance or areas of concern for each requirement. A summarized analysis was completed on each school. For this Board meeting each of you received the district reports on all schools and the analysis of the 26 requirements for schools in Jefferson and Orange.

The districts are continuing to report more specifically on the number of student who qualify for assistance to attend tutoring, extended learning opportunities, and credit recovery programs. Specific data for each school's level of student participation is in the attached district reports.

In our previous report to you, we shared that Repeating F High Schools had been earmarked to receive an increased allocation of Title V, Part A, roll forward funds based on student enrollment. The Districts have received these funds and either anticipate or have begun to use them in the following ways:

<u>District</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Expected Use of Title V funds</u>
Miami-Dade	\$62,810	Teacher Salaries at Miami Central, Miami Jackson and Miami Edison High Schools
Orange	\$44,130	Support of a Science Proposal for Evans and Jones High Schools to include payment for Consultants, Graphing Calculators, A/V Projectors/Carts, and out of county travel
Duval	\$20,684	Tutorial activities, such as the After School and Saturday School tutorial programs, Teachers salaries and benefits, and supplies for the after school program
Jefferson	\$3,160	Professional development/consultants for writing, reading, math and/or science for Jefferson County Middle/High School

In addition to the monthly report, all Assistance Plus schools submitted their mid-year progress report which identified the progress schools have made since the October report. A chart summarizing the reported data is attached.

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A Superintendent conference call was held on February 1, 2007 with Deputy Chancellor Iris C. Wilson. It was communicated to the Superintendents that they would receive a copy of the information shared with the State Board. A principal's conference call was held on February 8, 2007 with the Deputy Chancellor and the Bureau Chief of School Improvement to discuss the specifics of the mid-year progress reports.

Chancellor Cheri Yecke, Deputy Chancellor Iris C. Wilson, and Bureau Chief Angelia Turner met with Superintendent Ronald Blocker and other Orange County District staff on February 9, 2007 to discuss the monthly report. A summary of the mid-year review meeting with Superintendent Blocker is included in the packet.

Deputy Chancellor Iris C. Wilson and Bureau Chief Angelia Turner met with Superintendent Phil Barker and other Jefferson County District staff on February 15, 2007. A summary of the mid-year review meeting with Superintendent Barker is included in the packet.

We are in the process of scheduling visits with Superintendent Rudy Crew (Miami-Dade) and Superintendent Joseph Wise (Duval) prior to the March State Board.