2023-2024

Caldwell County Schools Title 1 Plan

Executive Summary

Caldwell County Schools' district Title 1 Plan and Caldwell County Schools' individual Title 1 Plans for 2023-2024, are complete and prepared for Board of Education approval. The total annual planning allocation is \$2,938,564, \$25,042 less than the 2022-2023 allotment. Many Title I schools use this funding source for personnel to reduce class size and provide additional academic support to students in order to promote individual student achievement. A large portion of the Title 1 funding will be used to fund 19 certified teaching positions, 8.5 instructional assistant positions. The fiscal year 2023-2024 Title 1 projected planning allotment sustains positions, including increases in insurance, retirement and potentially pay, previously funded from this source. Four schools will add 2 full time employment opportunities as part of continuous improvement to directly support student success and school growth.

Professional development and parent family involvement requirements remain at 1.5% of each school allocation due to the flexibility of spending with the continuation of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) for North Carolina. The remainder of the Title 1 funds will be used to improve student achievement in the areas of reading and math while integrating social studies, science, digital literacy, and arts through purchases of instructional supplies and educational programs supporting high-quality instruction that is engaging, rigorous and robust as aligned with the district comprehensive improvement plan.

This year, in alignment with trends from previous years, an increasing number of students qualify for McKinney-Vento (Homeless), Title 1 Part A set-aside. The funds are for services comparable to those provided to children in Title 1 schools to homeless children who do not attend participating Title 1 schools. The amount set aside is equivalent to the district allocated amount from a McKinney-Vento subgrant awarded to Caldwell County Schools. Collaboration between the Homeless Liaison, Student Services Director and Federal Programs Director will take place to ensure expenditures meet federal requirements.

Respectfully submitted,

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