

KEEPING UP WITH THE BUDGET
INSTALLMENT #4

Other Grant Funded Positions

As we have been discussing, the federal government through education funding laws provides funding for schools derived from formulas based on levels of poverty and other measures of need. This is funding that comes to our school for the express purpose of supplementing the educational program of schools struggling with economic pressures and gaps in student achievement. We receive a generous portion of these funds which, if we did not use them, would return to the state. ***The funds may not be used to reduce taxes, repay deficits, or take the place of regular school functions.*** We go through an intensive process of review and monitoring around the use of these funds and any improper use of these funds must be paid back to the state.

We have carefully aligned our choices for the use of grant funds with our educational goals of improved academic performance and the creation of a healthy, safe, and positive school community. This year we received additional “Title Funds” through the stimulus money, or the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). Below is a summary of the ***non-administrative*** use of grant funds for the 2009-2010 school year:

Title I: Support for academically struggling students:

- Class size reduction in the lower grades – 6 teachers
- Math and Literacy labs – 2 teachers

Title IIA: Professional development

- Professional development – 2 teachers to serve as professional developers/coaches in math and literacy
- Science Curriculum and Instruction – 1 teacher leader

Title IID: Technology

- Technology infrastructure – 1 Consultant

Title IV

- Student Assistance Program – 1 half-time SAP

Medicaid reimbursements

- 2 Home-School Coordinators
- Additional half time health instruction

IDEA-B (Special Education)

- 4 Special Education teachers

EPSDT (Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Testing)

- .2 additional nursing services
- Dental technician services

Tobacco Use Prevention

- Student Assistance Program – 1 half time SAP