



Title One ARRA Update

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Grant Process



- **Grant was initially submitted August 25, 2009**
- **Permission was granted to begin expending, but with caution until the final approval was complete**
- **We were waiting on a waiver option for our use of funds to increase the number of students who could be serviced with SES tutoring without raising the per pupil allocation once the funds were combined with Regular Title One (which would have kept the number served lower)**
- **Final approval came on January 27, 2010**

First Expenditures



- **After consulting with our ISBE consultants, we did begin with:**
 - **1. managed switches so our network upgrade could get completed**
 - **2. mobile labs for our elementary schools to assist with online assesement**
 - **3. two computer labs equipped for the high school project.**

Once our grant was approved



- **3 Math Position began second semester:**
 - **Math Specialist for the High School to oversee the Math Bridge program with focus on Algebra 1**
 - **(2) Math support teachers – posted and interviewed, filled one position with new hire and used a permanent sub for the second since we had no other candidates and the school year was nearing end of the third quarter.**

Expenditures continued



- **Contracted with the University Center and National Louis to begin a training program with ten high school math teachers to improve Algebra instruction**
- **Purchased technology tools and software to support the new pilot at the high school- each teacher has a PC tablet, portable projector and software to support math instruction (One Note, Geometer Sketchpad, Fathom, T1-84 plus calculators)**
- **Compass Learning was purchased for K-5 schools to support reading and math intervention.**

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- **Comingled to support NWEA MAP online assessment**
- **Professional development to support School Improvement reform with Urban Learning and Leadership Center**
- **Additional SES tutoring with Orion's Mind and Brain Hurricane**

Upcoming expenditures



- **Summer Bridge Math Program support**
 - **Compass Learning for Ninth grade program (special summer license)**
 - **purchased middle school access with combined regular and ARRA funds)**
 - **Stipend pay for 20 teachers who will work with Pre and Algebra support (150 future Freshman and 150 future Sophomores- classrooms with 15 to 1 ratio.**
 - **Additional summer support materials including: Navigator Math program, Algebra tiles, additional calculators- professional development for the summer programs as well.**
 - **Transportation for special summer program which will run June 15 to July 23, 2010.**