



NOVEMBER 2003 AGENDA

SUBJECT	X	ACTION
High Priority Schools Grant Program: Approval of 12 New High Priority Schools Implementation Grant Awards		INFORMATION
		PUBLIC HEARING

Recommendation:

Approve applications for 12 additional schools to participate in the High Priority Schools Grant Program (HPSGP), pending availability of funds.

Summary of Previous State Board of Education Discussion and Action

Previously, the Board has approved 654 High Priority Schools to be funded in fiscal year 02-03.

Summary of Key Issue(s)

The High Priority Schools Office (HPSO) was notified in July that it would receive an additional \$4.5 million to fund new schools in 2003-04. This amount along with funds reappropriated from the 2003-03 budget will allow 12 additional schools to participate in the High Priority Schools Grant Program (HPSGP). HPSO notified 12 schools of their eligibility to apply for funding on August 7, 2003. All of the schools have affirmed their commitment to participate in the program. Upon acceptance of this funding, each school has agreed to the following conditions:

- Schools approved at the November Board meeting will receive \$720 per student for fiscal year 2003-04. Consistent with Senate Bill 18 (Chesbro, Chapter 4, Statutes of 2003-04 First Extraordinary Session) schools that participate in High Priority Schools Grant Program (HPSGP) received \$320 per student in fiscal year 2002-03 and will receive \$400 per student in 2003-04. The schools will subsequently be eligible to receive \$400 per student for fiscal year 2004-05, pending availability of funds in the 2004-05 Budget Act.
- Funds allocated in fiscal year 2003-04 may be carried over into 2004-05.
- Schools agreeing to accept these funds will be subject to the same accountability and timeline standards as schools that received their funding beginning in 2002-03. In other words, even though these schools will not receive funding to implement their action plans until 2003-04, they will be held accountable for making their API growth targets and/or significant growth for 2002-03.

Applications were due to the CDE on October 6, 2003. Applications received were subjected to a thorough review by program staff. Narratives were reviewed to insure they addressed the

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seven key elements needed for program approval. Budgets were inspected to ensure they were accurate and aligned with program objectives. Finally, staff completed a technical review of each application to ensure all required forms, signatures, and assurances are included.

The schools on the attached list were identified as eligible to participate in the High Priority Schools Grant Program based on their rank on the Academic Performance Index (API) by using the approved process of funding schools in decile 1 beginning with the lowest API score upward.

Fiscal Analysis (as appropriate)

Sufficient funds were made available in the 03-04 Budget Act to fund additional schools.

Attachment(s)

Attachment 1: [CDE Funding Recommendations for Additional High Priority Schools \(Page 1-1\)](#)

CDE Funding Recommendations for Additional High Priority Schools

CDS	County	District	School	Status	Funding
10623646115224	Fresno	Parlier	Parlier Junior	Approve	\$342,000
19734376023758	Los Angeles	Compton Unified	Carver Elementary	Approve	\$321,120
24657226025498	Merced	Le Grand Elementary	Le Grand	Approve	\$315,360
24657556025548	Merced	Los Banos Unified	Henry Miller	Approve	\$686,880
24753666025407	Merced	Delhi Unified	El Capitan Elementary	Approve	\$270,720
27659616025985	Monterey	Alisal Union Elementary	Bardin	Approve	\$550,080
33669776031512	Riverside	Alvord Unified	Arlanza	Approve	\$544,320
36677106035919	San Bernardino	Fontana Unified	West Randall Elementary	Approve	\$798,480
38684783834769	San Francisco	San Francisco Unified	O'Connell (John A.)	Approve	\$297,360
38684786041602	San Francisco	San Francisco Unified	Starr King	Approve	\$227,520
43696666048516	Santa Clara	San Jose Unified	Empire Gardens	Approve	\$318,960
44697996049704	Santa Cruz	Pajaro Valley Joint	Hyde (H. A.) Elementary	Approve	\$451,440

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