



Santa Barbara SCHOOL DISTRICTS

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Date: April 14, 2009
 To: Dr. J. Brian Sarvis, Superintendent
 From: Robin Sawaske, Associate Superintendent
 Cynthia White, Director of Curriculum and Categorical Programs
 Subject: Approval of SB 472 Math Training Envision Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Santa Barbara County Office of Education

Consent Agenda: X

Background:

California has been engaged in a serious public school reform effort since the mid-1990's. The foundation for this reform rests on a belief in and commitment to increased academic expectations for every student.

A major part of the state's reform effort revolves around the principles and practices of accountability. At the state level, the STAR testing program and the High School Exit Exam are in place to measure student achievement. Local school administrators are also being asked to benchmark, and monitor student results in order to establish specific student, class, and school level improvement goals.

SB 472, the Mathematics and Reading Professional Development Program strengthens and defines the framework for systematic school reform by providing teachers a common research-based approach to the curriculum chosen, instructional strategies, data to inform instruction, and RTI², response to intervention and instruction. The mission is to train approximately 225,000 K-12 teachers and 22,000 instructional aides or paraprofessionals on the state-adopted, or local board-adopted, standards-based curriculum for their grade level, course level, and/or school level.

Plan:

The program authorizes 40 hours of Institute training and 80 hours of Follow-up Practicum for kindergarten and grades 1-12 classroom teachers. SB 472, under Article 3 for Local Educational Agencies (LEAs), connects approved professional development (delivered by State Board of Education approved training providers) to state or local board approved instructional materials, which are aligned with state content standards and curriculum frameworks.

Fiscal Impact

No fiscal impact to the General Fund. The state reimburses the school district for the cost of training, and the teacher stipends.

Recommendation:

The Board of Education to approve the SB 472 Math Training Envision MOU with Santa Barbara County Office of Education.

Attachment(s)?	Yes (please attach)	X	No	PowerPoint	Overhead	Consultant
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Adams Elementary School Cesar Chavez Charter School Cleveland Elementary School Franklin Elementary School	Harding Elementary School McKinley Elementary School Monroe Elementary School Open Alternative School	Peabody Charter School Roosevelt Elementary School Santa Barbara Charter School Santa Barbara Community Academy Washington Elementary School	Goleta Valley Junior High School La Colina Junior High School La Cumbre Junior High School Santa Barbara Junior High School	Dos Pueblos High School La Cuesta Continuation High School San Marcos High School Santa Barbara High School
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