

Educator Effectiveness Block Grant Proposal

Academics, Business & Human Resources

Board Meeting December 16, 2021 Agenda Item No. 9.4

Overview

- District the Educator Effectiveness Block Grant (EEBG) in the amount of \$8,923,701
- For the purpose of supporting professional learning for certificated teachers, administrators, paraprofessional educators, and certificated staff
- Funds may be expended during the 2021–22, 2022–23, 2023–24, 2024–25 and 2025–26 fiscal years
- The District's EEBG Plan must be heard in a public meeting of the governing board of the school district, before its adoption in a subsequent public meeting
- Both meetings must take place on or before December 30, 2021
 - Public Hearing held 11/18/21

- Funds must be utilized in accordance with the requirements to provide professional learning for teachers, administrators, paraprofessionals, and classified staff that interact with pupils in order to promote educator equity, quality, and effectiveness
- Submit the annual data and expenditure reports on or before September 30 of each year to CDE
- On or before September 30, 2026, the District will submit a final report to CDE, with detailed final data and expenditure information including, but not limited to, specific purchases made and the number of teachers, administrators, paraprofessional educators, or classified staff that received professional development.

Funds can be expended for any of the following 10 purposes:

- 1. Coaching and mentoring of staff serving in an instructional setting and beginning teacher or administrator induction, including, but not limited to, coaching and mentoring solutions that address a local need for teachers that can serve all pupil populations with a focus on retaining teachers, and offering structured feedback and coaching systems organized around social-emotional learning, including, but not limited to, promoting teacher self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationships, and responsible decision making skills, improving teacher attitudes and beliefs about one's self and others, and supporting learning communities for educators to engage in a meaningful classroom teaching experience.
- 2. Programs that lead to effective, standards-aligned instruction and improve instruction in literacy across all subject areas, including English language arts, history-social science, science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and computer science.
- 3. Practices and strategies that reengage pupils and lead to accelerated learning.
- 4. Strategies to implement social-emotional learning, trauma-informed practices, suicide prevention, access to mental health services, and other approaches that improve pupil well-being.

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Funds can be expended for any of the following 10 purposes:

- 5. Practices to create a positive school climate, including, but not limited to, restorative justice, training around implicit bias, providing positive behavioral supports, multitiered systems of support, transforming a school site's culture to one that values diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds, and preventing discrimination, harassment, bullying, and intimidation based on actual or perceived characteristics, including disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, language, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, or sexual orientation.
- 6. Strategies to improve inclusive practices, including, but not limited to, universal design for learning, best practices for early identification, and development of individualized education programs for individuals with exceptional needs.
- 7. Instruction and education to support implementing effective language acquisition programs for English learners, which may include integrated language development within and across content areas, and building and strengthening capacity to increase bilingual and biliterate proficiency.

Funds can be expended for any of the following 10 purposes:

- 8. New professional learning networks for educators not already engaged in an education-related professional learning network to support the requirements of subdivision (c).
- 9. Instruction, education, and strategies to incorporate ethnic studies curricula adopted pursuant to EC Section 51226.7 into pupil instruction for grades 7 to 12, inclusive.
- 10. Instruction, education, and strategies for certificated and classified educators in early childhood education, or childhood development.

Proposed Budget Plan

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Planned Activity	В	Budgeted Per Year	To	otal Budgeted per Activity
1. Retention - Admin Coaching & Partnership Program	\$	150,000.00	\$	750,000.00
2. Recruitment & Retention - DACA Pathway	\$	200,000.00	\$	1,000,000.00
3. Recruitment & Retention - Visa H1B, J1 support to				
prospective and current employees	\$	100,000.00	\$	500,000.00
4. Recruitment - Advertising, social media subscriptions				
for postings & recruitment (LinkedIn, etc); QR codes,				
links to District social media page for business cards	\$	25,000.00	\$	125,000.00
5. Recruitment - Career Pathways (administrators,				
certificated & classified staff, substitutes)	\$	250,000.00	\$	1,250,000.00
6. Recruitment & Retention - Director II, Talent				
Management/Educator Effectiveness	\$	154,386.00	\$	771,930.02
7 New Teacher Development - Teacher Intern Program &				
Teacher Induction Program	\$	655,354.19	\$	3,276,770.98
Subtotal for this section:	\$	1,534,740	\$	7,673,701.00

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(4) Strategies to implement social-emotional learning, trauma-informed practices, suicide prevention, access to mental health services, and other approaches that improve pupil well-being.

Planned Activity		Budgeted 2021-22	otal Budgeted per Activity
Trauma-Informed Practices - Professional Learning for			
Management, Certifcated and Classified Staff	\$	250,000.00	\$ 1,250,000.00
Subtotal for this section:	\$	250,000.00	\$ 1,250,000.00

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Summary of Expenditures				
Section Totals		Budgeted 2021-22	Т	otal Budgeted per Activity
Subtotal Section (1)	\$	1,534,740.19	\$	7,673,701.00
Subtotal Section (4)	\$	250,000.00	\$	1,250,000.00
Totals By Year:	\$	1,784,740.19	\$	8,923,701.00
				Total Planned
				Expenditures
				\$ 8,923,701.00

Recruitment and Retention Focus

- Continue to develop cross-departmental collaborations in order to enhance recruitment efforts and grow retention focus
- Strategic focus on increasing diversity
- Strategic focus on increasing sustainability
- Build capacity to better utilize effective practices
- Classified, certificated, and administrative focus

Element	Definition
Focus Area	Ties to the defined grant competency
KPI	Defines what exactly is being measured
Rationale	Describes the impact of this measurement and why it is important

Administrator Coaching and Partnership Program

Retention

- Increase retention of site and district administrators by providing them with professional learning and coaching opportunities to enhance their knowledge and skills to fulfill their roles and responsibilities as instructional leaders (SIR Action 8A2)
- Research and train school sites where student equity data reflects the highest priority and provide school leaders the opportunity to strengthen their ability to mobilize others, model inquiry and reflection, and data-based decision-making (SIR Action 2C)

Proposed Key Performance Indicators

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Focus Area (s)	KPI	Rationale
Retention	Compare the difference in annual and 3-year retention rates of site and district administrators who participate in professional learning and coaching opportunities to those who have not participated. For example, if group A represents those who participated and group B represents those who did not participate and both groups have 100 employees each then in 12 months, we would measure the number of employees who remained employed. If Group A has 90 versus Group B has 85 then Group A has a retention rate of 90% vs. Group B of 85% 2021-2022 Baseline: XXX 2022-2023 Target: XXX 2023-2024 Target: XXX	Given the human capital investment, retention is one measure of overall effectiveness. The expectation is that the retention rate for those who participate in the program would be higher than those who do not especially at the same site.

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Pathway to Teaching

Recruitment and Retention

 Build upon the already strong relationships with local universities to allow the development and implementation of a DACA focused pathway to the teaching profession

Focus Area (s)	КРІ	Rationale
Recruitment and Retention	 Number of local universities including Sacramento State, University of California, Davis, etc. with DACA focused pathway to the teaching profession 2021-2022 Baseline: XXX Number of SCUSD teacher hires who participated in a local university's DACA focused pathway to the teaching profession: 2021-2022 Baseline: XXX 2021-2022 Baseline: XXX 	This KPI highlights two important process steps. The first is for the universities to create the actual DACA pathways to the teaching profession and second a way to measure the actual utilization of these pathways to the reaching profession.

Visa H1B, J1 Support to Prospective and Current Employees

Recruitment and Retention

- The continued focus on recruiting and retaining diverse staff is paramount. Having the ability to provide current and prospective employees with visa support will assist in providing needed support
- Support for teacher in high needs areas such as special education and foreign languages

Proposed Key Performance Indicators

Focus Area (s)	KPI	Rationale
Recruitment	Compare the year over year total number of teachers recruited with VISAs over the life time of the grant with the expectation that this number will increase over time 2021-2022 Baseline: XXX 2022-2023 Target: XXX 2025-2026 Target: XXX	The most effective measure of recruitment will be on who actually joins the district staff
Focus Area (s)	KPI	Rationale
Retention	Compare the difference in annual and 3-year retention rates of site and district administrators who received visa support to those who were eligible for visa support but did not request it. For example, if group A represents those who participated and group B represents those who did not participate and both groups have 100 employees each then in 12 months, we would measure the number of employees who remained employed. If Group A has 90 versus Group B has 85 then Group A has a retention rate of 90% vs. Group B of 85% 2021-2022 Baseline: XXX	Given the human capital investment, retention is one measure of overall effectiveness. The expectation is that the retention rate for those who participate in the program would be higher than those who do not especially at the same site.

2022-2023 Target: XXX 2025-2026 Target: XXX

Advertising

Recruitment

- Social media subscriptions for postings and recruitment (LinkedIn, etc.); QR Codes for back of business cards with link to our social media page, business cards
- To post in some proven and visible sites in search of key positions, some postings are as much as \$500 per posting
- Need to increase our digital presence to be more competitive

Focus Area	KPI	Rationale
Recruitment	Compare the difference in the number of applications based on social media over the course of the block grant with the expectation that the number of applicants who cite social media as the recruitment channel increases.	Social media is now recognized as a primary professional recruitment channel. It is an emerging best practice to include it in all recruiting efforts
	2021-2022 Baseline: XXX 2022-2023 Target: XXX 2025-2026 Target: XXX	

Career Pathways for Administrators and Teachers Recruitment

 Building off past successful programs and expanding with a focus on diversity and sustainability, this would allow for the development and extension of pathways for teachers to become administrators, classified staff to become teachers, and Early Childhood Education teachers to become Transitional Kindergarten (TK) teachers through partnerships and support

Focus Area (s)	KPI	Rationale
Recruitment	 Compare the year over year total number of participating teachers who become administrators with the expectation that this number will increase over time 2021-2022 Baseline: XXX 2022-2023 Target: XXX Compare the year over year total number of participating classified staff who become teachers with the expectation that this number will increase over time 2021-2022 Baseline: XXX 2022-2023 Target: XXX Compare the year over year total number of participating early childhood education teachers who become TK teachers with the expectation that this number will increase over time 2021-2022 Baseline: XXX 2021-2022 Baseline: XXX 2022-2023 Target: XXX 2022-2023 Target: XXX 	The most effective measure of recruitment will be on who actually changes job positions

Classified Coaching and Partnership Programs Retention

- Increase retention of classified staff by providing them with professional learning and coaching opportunities to enhance their knowledge and skills to fulfill their roles and responsibilities
- Specific focus on those hard to fill positions or those with high turnover rates such as bus drivers, special education instructional aides, food service assistants, and child care attendants

Focus Area (s)	KPI	Rationale
Retention	Compare the difference in annual and 3-year retention rates of classified staff by job class who participate in professional learning and coaching opportunities to those who have not participated. For example, if group A represents those who participated and group B represents those who did not participate and both groups have 100 employees each then in 12 months, we would measure the number of employees who remained employed. If Group A has 90 versus Group B has 85 then Group A has a retention rate of 90% vs. Group B of 85% 2021-2022 Baseline: XXX 2022-2023 Target: XXX 2025-2026 Target: XXX	Given the human capital investment, retention is one measure of overall effectiveness. The expectation is that the retention rate for those who participate in the program would be higher than those who do not especially at the same site

Professional Learning for Classified and Certificated Substitutes

Recruitment and Retention

 Provide ongoing professional learning for both certificated and classified substitutes in alignment with district priorities to ensure success in assigned positions and encourage permanent employment with SCUSD

Focus Area (s)	KPI	Rationale
Retention	Compare the difference in annual and 3-year retention rates of classified staff by job class who participate in professional learning and coaching opportunities to those who have not participated. For example, if group A represents those who participated and group B represents those who did not participate and both groups have 100 employees each then in 12 months, we would measure the number of employees who remained employed. If Group A has 90 versus Group B has 85 then Group A has a retention rate of 90% vs. Group B of 85% 2021-2022 Baseline: XXX 2022-2023 Target: XXX 2025-2026 Target: XXX	Given the human capital investment, retention is one measure of overall effectiveness. The expectation is that the retention rate for those who participate in the program would be higher than those who do not especially at the same site

Summary

Approve the Educator Effectiveness Block Grant

Approval required by 12/30/21

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