



**Chatham County Schools Federal Program
2022-2023 Consolidated Plan Overview
BOE meeting August 15, 2022**

Chatham County Schools submits a yearly consolidated grant application for federal grants (see below). A comprehensive needs assessment began in the spring, 2021 and continued through the spring, 2022. Feedback was gathered through the Superintendent's Learning and Listening Tour, surveys and a culminating One Chatham event. This cumulative summary of district data was reviewed by school and district leadership teams, the Federal Programs Department, community stakeholders and our Academic Services and Instructional Support (ASIS) team. In order to use the federal dollars most effectively and efficiently, the areas of growth were aligned with our district's needs assessment and our new strategic plan. This summary shows the 2022-2023 grant funds allocated for each of the designated federal grants.

The Consolidated Grant includes:

- ❖ Title I, Part A: Improving The Academic Achievement of The Disadvantaged
- ❖ Title I, Part C: Migrant Education Program
- ❖ Title II: Teacher and Principal Training and Recruitment
- ❖ Title III: Language Acquisition
- ❖ Title III: Language Acquisition - Significant Increase
- ❖ Title IV: Student Support and Academic Enrichment (SSAE)

For the 2022-2023 school year, a federally funded consolidated grants planning allotment of **\$2,174,629.00** has been awarded for all consolidated grants. The planning allotment is an overall increase of approximately \$103,140 from the 2021-2022 school year. All the planning allotments saw an increase except for Title IV seeing an approximate \$15,000 decrease.

- ❖ **Title I (PRC 050) - Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged**
Chatham County Schools serves K-8 schools with Free and Reduced populations of 40% and higher. Percentages were calculated in spring, 2022 and do not include PreK numbers as not all of our schools host PreK classrooms. For the school year 2022-2023 the following schools will be served (the percentage indicates the schools' current Free and Reduced population):
 - Bennett School (41.88%)
 - Bonlee School (59.34%)
 - Chatham Middle School (82.45%)
 - JS Waters School (51.52%)
 - Moncure School (46.38%)
 - Siler City Elementary (81.00%)
 - Silk Hope School (46.62%)
 - Virginia Cross Elementary (87.37%)

Use of funds at the district level will continue to include partial salaries of federal programs staff, professional development funds, Title I Crate (storage and maintenance of Title I evidence for district and schools), a parent newsletter for Title I schools and set

aside funds for the PreK and McKinney-Vento/Homeless programs.

Of the **\$1,828,972.29** (includes carry over) \$1,324,110.44 was allotted to the schools at a Per Pupil Allotment (PPA) of \$645.98.

All served Title I schools in Chatham County are “Schoolwide” Title I schools. Funds received can be used for the improvement of the school as a whole. Schools determine the use of Title I funds based on data gathered from the school needs assessment as analyzed by the school’s leadership teams. Each school is given a supplemental allotment which includes designated funds specifically for family engagement. Below are some examples of how our schools are using their supplemental funds:

- Class size reduction positions (5 schools)
- Instructional Specialist/Interventionist (3 schools)
- Curriculum Coach (1 school)
- Counselor (1 school)
- Tutoring
- Interpreter/Receptionist (3 schools)
- Family Engagement Liaison (1 school)
- Instructional Assistants (3 schools)
- Additional AVID supports/pathways trainings (2 schools)
- Library books
- STEM equipment
- Software and/or technology
- Curriculum development stipends
- Bonus incentives
- Book mobile in the summer

❖ **Migrant Education Program (MEP, PRC 051)**

The MEP allotment is \$50,770.00. The allotment plus carry over provides a budget of **\$72,817.56** for the 2022-2023 school year.

The MEP budget will continue to support the salary of our migrant recruiter as well as contracted services with outside health agencies to provide much needed basic dental, vision and health care for migrant students. In addition, funds are used to support student participation in outside opportunities for growth and development as well as parent/family involvement workshops.

❖ **Title II (PRC 103) - Preparing, Training, and Recruiting High-Quality Teacher, Principals, or Other School Leaders**

The Title II allotment is \$272,723.00 added to carry over of \$57,374.74 for a total of **\$330,097.74**. There will be no major changes in the use of funds for the 2022-2023 school year.

Currently our Title II program is housed with our Human Resources Division who serves our faculty and staff across the district. Title II funds will continue to be used to support curriculum coach salaries, contracting with outside trainers to provide professional development and support for our Beginning Teachers and International Teachers as well as providing monetary and mentor support for those interested in seeking National Board certification.

❖ **Title III (PRCs 104 and 111) - Language Instruction for English Learners and Immigrant Students**

The Title III allotment is \$130,368.00 with a carry over of \$76,246.05 for a total of **\$206,614.05**.

Chatham's Title III budget and Language Instruction Educational plan supports teaching and learning of approximately 1,200 English Language Learners (or now referred to as Multi-language Learners, ML) in the district. Title III will continue to support the salaries of Global Student Support Center staff (ML Instructional Program Facilitator and EL Data Manager) who serve this program. In addition funds are used to support professional development of teachers focusing on instruction for ML learners. The program is looking to provide additional support with the writing domain for our ML learners therefore some funds have been set aside for possible software to help in this area.

❖ **Title IV (PRC 108) - Student Support and Academic Enrichment (SSAE)**

The Title IV allotment saw a decrease of approximately \$15,000.00 this year at \$104,456.00. The total budget, with carry over, for Title IV is **\$169,266.82**.

The use of Title IV funds will be utilized differently this year in order to meet the needs seen over the past year. Title IV funds have the following requirements for use:

- 20% must be spent on activities to support well-rounded students
- 20% must be spent on activities to support the safety and health of students

Chatham County Schools will use Title IV funds for the following:

- Contracted work with Response To Intervention (RTI) to investigate, support and provide training on implementation of a year-round calendar for our highest needs schools;
- Professional development support for high school staff to receive LinkCrew training to strengthen the middle to high school transition programs;
- Purchase a high school math program to support at-risk students;
- Support a small portion of a lead social worker salary in order to provide additional support to social workers and the McKinney-Vento/Homeless program;
- Lead counselor stipends;
- Contracts with mental health and behavior support agencies to provide services to those students with little or no insurance; and
- Digital Teaching and Learning professional development.