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To: Non-public schools participating in Title Programs for eligible City of Milwaukee resident students  
Re: Title Program Consultation Meeting

Under the U. S. Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA, now commonly referred to as “No Child Left Behind” legislation), Milwaukee Public Schools is required to engage in consultations on key issues that affect the ability of eligible private school students to participate equitably in Title programs. Any non-public school serving City of Milwaukee resident students may attend these consultation meetings, even if they are not currently participating in Title programs with the district. Here is information about the next MPS non-public school Title program consultation meeting:

**When: 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon on Thursday, November 17, 2005**  
**Where: Milwaukee Public Schools Central Services Auditorium, 5225 W. Vliet St.**

ESEA consultation topics include:

- How MPS will identify the needs of Title I eligible private school children
- What services MPS will offer to eligible private school children
- How and when MPS will make decisions about the delivery of services
- How, where and by whom MPS will provide services to eligible private school children, including a thorough consideration and analysis of the views of the private school officials on the provision of Title I services through a contract with a third-party provider
- How MPS will assess academically the Title I services to eligible private school children in accordance with §200.10 and how MPS will use the results of that assessment to improve Title I services
- The size and scope of the equitable services that MPS will provide to eligible private school children and, consistent with §200.64, the proportion of funds that will be allocated to provide these services.
- The method or sources of data that MPS will use under §200.78 to determine the number of private school children from low income families residing in participating public school attendance areas, including whether MPS will extrapolate data, if a survey is used
- The equitable services MPS will provide to teachers and families of participating private school children

**A reminder for non-public schools currently participating in Titles IB, IIA, IV or V:**

All requests for use of Title funds for the purchase of materials will be due on January 31, 2006. To date, requests have been made for only a very small percentage of funds available. Please convene school stakeholders to consider school needs as they relate to Title program purchases and submit requests as soon as possible to avoid delays anticipated when deadlines approach.

# Title Program Consultation Meeting Agenda

Thursday, November 17, 2005; 8:00 to 12:00

Milwaukee Public Schools Central Services Auditorium

- 1) Milwaukee Non-public School Title Program Calendar: Training opportunities and deadlines
  - a) Mr. Valent encouraged schools to process Title program requests as soon as possible. (He suggested that requests for MPS purchases be made before the new year). Among reasons for making prompt requests:
    - i) Almost immediate processing of requests
    - ii) Ability to use materials for longer period this year
    - iii) Ability to address issues before deadlines for requests arrive
    - iv) Much lower error rate for requests processed before the last minute rush
  - b) Deadline for requests for purchases is January 31, 2006
  - c) Title III participants must submit LAS tests by November 23, 2006 and must submit language surveys by December 5, 2006. Mr. Valent noted that late tests and surveys would not be accepted.
  - d) Annual Title Program "Affirmation of Consultation" surveys will be sent via certified mail in January 2006. This is the survey that allows schools to request Title program participation. It must be returned every year. Again this year, schools will be required to give enrollment information as a condition of participation. MPS will require name, address, phone, parent name and birth date for every student enrolled in participating schools. Mr. Valent noted that MPS sought a legal opinion on the legitimacy of this request. MPS lawyers have affirmed that as the Local Educational Agency in charge of Title funds, MPS may require this information from participants. The district only uses the information to confirm enrollment reports of Title program schools.
- 2) Title IA (Ed Valent 475-8122)
  - a) Evaluation feedback 4 out of 5 responses were very happy with title I services. Longitudinal trend for services is positive.
  - b) Sally Ride Academy for spring semester (Melinda DeCoriolis 262-370-5451)
    - i) Sally Ride Course professional development survey was handed out for feedback on needs for classes for the second semester. Of the 16 course topics presented, the 8 most popular course topics (in order of popularity) were: **Active Learning: Success for ALL Students. And you TOO!, Beyond Six Traits: the Writing Process (3-12), Discipline and Learning with Love and Logic (K-12), Best Practice for Teaching Elementary Mathematics (K-8), Differentiation Strategies for Meeting the Needs of a Wide Range of Learners (K-8), Algebra for All (6-12), Teaching Comprehension Strategies (K-5), The Puzzling Adolescent Reader (6-12)**
    - ii) Title I web site was shown and Sally Ride registration and evaluation information was shared

- iii) Schools were asked to help ensure attendance at Sally Ride classes for those staff members who sign up. Stipends are not paid to people who do not earn the equivalent of a grade of B for participation, but registration and tuition fees are non-reimbursable.
  - iv) Openings are still available for December sessions.
  - v) Schools may have multiple teachers participate in courses or even arrange to have the courses delivered at their locations for multiple staff members.
- 3) Milwaukee non-public school use of Title funds for professional development (A report on vendors, activities, expenditures and time for sharing on best practices)
- a) A handout providing information about a sampling of 2004-2005 Milwaukee non-public school expenditures under Title IIA was reviewed. A large percentage of funds was used for multi-day / out of town conferences. Use of funds for events at the schools was encouraged as a more economical and research supported use of professional development funds.
  - b) Discussion of Milwaukee Title program handbook update (see sections 7 and 8 for information on professional development options) Handbook update is available on MPS non-public school web site. Use handout as guide for funding uses.
  - c) A handout providing a table with professional development guidelines under Titles IA, IIA, IID, III, IV and V was discussed. This handout is now available on the MPS non-public school web site. Items noted in discussion:
    - i) Title IA funds controlled by the Title IA provider. Schools have consultation rights only over use of these funds for non-public school teachers and aids currently working with students getting Title IA service.
    - ii) Funds from various Titles may be pooled, but expenditures must be allowed under every Title used
    - iii) Title IA funds may be used for mentoring.
  - d) Needs assessment resources available from MPS: Title funds may be used at non-public schools to promote student achievement. Title funds must be directed toward identified school needs. MPS has Educational Planning resources available at the district web site. Non-public schools were encouraged to take advantage of these public resources for their own school improvement planning. Information available to facilitate a comprehensive school needs assessment was highlighted. Follow the steps below to access that information:
    - i) Visit <http://mpsportal.milwaukee.k12.wi.us>
    - ii) Enter “Educational Plan 05-06” in search window at top of page Web site was reviewed and school plans Introduced. Templates and resources, Ed. plan workbook pointed out. Needs assessment section is valuable. Possible sources for data collection were reviewed.
    - iii) Scroll through search results to find and open folder called Educational Plan 05-06
    - iv) Open folder called Templates and Resources

- v) Find, click and save document called, Ed\_Plan\_Wkbk0506.doc
  - vi) See section 3 of the document for information about development of a comprehensive and ongoing needs assessment process SMART goals reviewed. Title funds do not support school wide efforts.
  - e) Small group discussion: How does your school identify Title program related needs? What best practices might be considered?
  - f) Large group sharing: More cooperative professional development efforts were suggested between non-public schools. This approach was suggested as a way to save funds and to bring new ideas to schools.
- 4) Title IID – (Anne Knackert, 438-3677) course offerings for non-public school staff members: Course offerings for the fall semester are on hold as MPS hires personnel needed to supervise classes. E-mail will be sent to the non-public school listserv when the next schedule is ready.
- 5) Title IV
- a) Consideration of Title IV menu changes for 2006-2007: A public/non-public school study group may be formed to consider changes to the Title IV menu for 06-07.
  - b) New programs from MPS Title IV: Judy Gerrity (475-8396), Sandra Thurman (475-8512) Non-public schools were encouraged to contact presenters regarding programs focusing on reducing high-risk sexual behavior. Title IV dollars may be used to purchase curriculum and training introduced by Ms. Gerrity. Interested schools were asked to return an interest form or to contact Ms. Gerrity. (handouts also available).
- 6) Title III – Deadlines for submitting ELL identification documentation (see calendar)
- 7) Other discussion of ESEA/IDEA consultation topics / Questions and Answers No additional questions were posed to address required consultation topics bulleted in the meeting notice.
- 8) Milwaukee Urban Inclusion Collaborative. Kim Fisher gave presentation and provided handout on upcoming MUIC sponsored workshops. Topic will include non-public school IDEA responsibilities and alignment of funding use with school goals
- 9) Meeting was adjourned.

**Non-public Web Site:** [http://www2.milwaukee.k12.wi.us/title\\_i/Web\\_Pages/non-public.html](http://www2.milwaukee.k12.wi.us/title_i/Web_Pages/non-public.html)

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