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**Greeley-Evens School District 6  
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act  
(ARRA)  
Stimulus Report  
2009-2010**

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Report to the Board of Education

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# ARRA Stimulus Report

Congress passed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) on February 17, 2009. These funds were appropriated for a two-year period to increase student achievement and create jobs. School districts were cautioned to spend the funds on short-term initiatives that would build capacity as the funding would be available for only two years.

Although first reports of ARRA funding indicated that these federal funds would flow directly to school districts, this did not come to pass. In fact, these stimulus funds flowed to school districts through already-existing avenues, these being federal Title programs and Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEIA).

These funding streams have strict regulations that guide how Title and IDEIA funds can and cannot be used; ARRA funds also fall under these strict regulations. For example, these funds cannot be used to supplant, only to supplement. They also can only be used for the purposes outlined by Title and IDEIA legislation. Following are the funding sources, the amounts allocated to District 6 and the purposes for which the funds can be used.

Funding Source	Amount	Purpose
Title I	3,091,062	Funding for schools with a large population of students on free and reduced lunch
Title ID	8,500	Funding for Title I delinquent institutions (Alternative Homes for Youth)
Title IID	98,376	Provides professional development for the integration of technology in the classroom
IDEIA	3,690,567	Funding to improve the education of exceptional students.
Title X McKinney Vento Homeless	60,000	Funding to provide for the education of homeless students.

District staff reviewed district needs and identified areas that met the requirements of 1) improving student achievement and 2) creating jobs. Additionally, areas were identified that would build the system's capacity to improve during the two-year period that funds are available, then allow the district to sustain the work without additional funding after that time.

These initiatives include:

- Support the implementation of the new elementary math curriculum adoption
- Strengthen schools' ability to work with students with behavior issues
- Expand support for students learning English and literacy skills
- Bring schoolwide Title 1 services to additional schools and expand technology and support services to Title schools with the most needs
- Build capacity in the district to fully implement the Response to Instruction and Intervention (RtI<sup>2</sup>) model as is required by IDEIA
- Create a system to better support new families as they enroll students in our district
- Provide diagnostic support to teachers to increase the achievement of students on Individual Education Plans (IEPs)
- Upgrade assistive technology to support the needs of students on IEPs and provide technology tools for ESS teachers
- Develop online professional development to support the ongoing training needs of teachers in the district
- Accelerate the alignment of career pathway programs (magnets) that lead to better career and post secondary options for students

Based on these identified areas of need, district staff submitted plans for spending the ARRA funds to the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) in June of 2009. In August of 2009 the plans were approved. Specific initiatives funded within these plans are outlined on page four.

Initial results indicate that 31.67 additional jobs will be created, all within the strict parameters of Title and IDEIA. These jobs are temporary and are designed to build capacity within the system over a two-year period. New staff positions associated with ARRA stimulus funds are outlined on page five.

### **Reporting requirements**

Stimulus updates to the United States Department of Education will be required quarterly. The department requires data to be submitted that provides evidence that the funds are being used to:

- improve results for students
- increase capacity
- accelerate reform
- increase the district's longer-term productivity and sustainability when the ARRA funds are not longer available
- foster continuous improvement

## 09-10 ARRA Projects

AWARD Categories	Purpose	Award
<b>Title I ARRA</b>		
Jackson Elementary into Title I reform	Provide all day kindergarten; full time instructional coaching; after school program; interventionist support; parent involvement facilitator and parent classes; additional targeted professional development; school improvement planning	\$861,614
Franklin Middle School into Title I reform	Provide interventionist; full time instructional coaching; after school program for identified students; additional targeted professional development; Parent involvement facilitator and parent classes; improved technology in math classrooms to increase technology skills of students.	\$407,298
John Evans Middle School into Title I reform	Provide interventionist; full time instructional coaching; after school program for identified students; additional targeted professional development; Parent involvement facilitator and parent classes; improved technology in math classrooms to increase technology skills of students; improved library resources.	\$511,708
After school programs	Additional resources for the extended day opportunities for identified students at Centennial and Madison.	\$93,985
Intensive Summer Literacy program for Title I students	A summer literacy program for identified Title I student will provide an extended opportunity for students to receive intervention. Teachers and instructional coaches will have the opportunity to observe and learn the very best instructional models.	\$156,660
Welcome Center	Provide a welcoming setting for parents to enroll their children.	\$141,190
Career Magnet Facilitator	This coordinator will develop structures and defined magnets and pathways for secondary students that lead to post secondary options and career pathways.	\$173,000
Maplewood Middle School	Provide an interventionist for targeted students and provide training in the development of a Title I needs assessment to guide improvement.	\$150,000
Homeless Education	Resources to serve the additional identified homeless students.	\$5,000
Technology	Technology makeovers for high needs Title I schools	\$372,032
<b>Title ID ARRA</b>		
Alternative Homes for Youth	Provide additional resources for identified delinquent institutions.	\$8,500
<b>Title IID ARRA</b>		
Technology Coordinator	Provide the coordination of the development of the online course options for teachers.	\$98,376
<b>IDEIA ARRA</b>		
Math coaches	Provide math coaching for teachers who work with ESS students	\$633,000
Literacy coaches	Provide coaching for teachers who work with ESS students	\$667,000
Behavior coaches	Provide training for teachers and job embedded coaching	\$393,700
Coach coordinator	Provide training and support to coaches	\$160,000
Secondary Diagnostic Coach	Provide additional support to ESS teachers in the diagnosis of student disabilities	\$308,000
Response to Instruction and Intervention (RtI <sup>2</sup> ) support	Provide Response to Intervention (RtI <sup>2</sup> ) project management, help desk clerk and Statewide Augmentative Assistive Alternative Communication (SWAAC) coordination	\$302,000
STAR Collaborative Consultant	Provide team coaching for all school STAR teams	\$206,572
Exceed RtI <sup>2</sup> training	Provide training in the Exceed program which hold intervention information	\$12,650
Professional development	Training for ESS staff in special education strategies, literacy and math strategies	\$38,000
Technology	Instructional software, equipment, technology upgrades	\$135,000
<b>Title X McKinney Vento Homeless ARRA</b>		
Homeless Services	Provide additional services for the student who are homeless	\$60,000

### 09-10 ARRA Personnel Hired

Funding Source	Position	FTE Per Year	Staff Name	Years
Title I ARRA	Jackson Kindergarten Teacher	0.5 FTE/each year	Amanda Rockwell	2
	Jackson Kindergarten Teacher	0.5 FTE/each year	Christina Kicak	2
	Jackson Kindergarten Teacher	0.5 FTE/each year	Desiree Fode	2
	Jackson Interventionist	1.0 FTE/each year	Dawn Pfeiffer	2
	Jackson Interventionist	1.0 FTE/each year	Kim Reynolds	2
	Instructional Coach	1.0 FTE/each year	Kimberly Lorenson	2
	John Evans MS Interventionist	1.0 FTE/each year	Wendy Gray	2
	Franklin MS Interventionist	1.0 FTE/each year	Ruby Sabzevari	2
	JEMS/FMS Instructional Coach	1.0 FTE/each year	Liz Gallegos	2
	Parent Outreach Facilitator JE/Franklin	1.0 FTE/each year	Aldofo Diaz	2
	Welcome Center Facilitator	1.0 FTE/each year	Librada Treinen	2
<b>IDEIA ARRA</b>	Rtl <sup>2</sup> Collaborative Consultant	1.0 FTE/each year	Terri Pappas	2
	Rtl <sup>2</sup> /IEP Project Manager	1.0 FTE/each year	Shannon Hookom	2
	Rtl <sup>2</sup> /IEP Help Desk Clerk	1.0 FTE/each year	Prudence Woods	2
	Instructional/Diagnostic Coach	1.0 FTE/each year	Rebecca Yauchzee	2
	Instructional/Diagnostic Coach	1.0 FTE/each year	Donna Dundon	2
	Behavior Specialist	1.0 FTE/each year	Tammy Matier	2
	Behavior Coach	1.0 FTE/each year	Sheilah Martinez	2
	Behavior Coach	1.0 FTE/each year	Mike McGee	2
	Instructional Coach Coordinator	1.0 FTE/each year	Courtney Stone	2
	Literacy Coach	1.0 FTE/each year	Christine Hopkinson	2
	Literacy Coach	1.0 FTE/each year	Brandi Stephenson	2
	Literacy Coach	1.0 FTE/each year	Jennifer Rios-Ayers	2
	Literacy Coach	1.0 FTE/each year	Kelly Seilbach	2
	Literacy Coach	1.0 FTE/each year	Monica Jastrobin	2
	Math Coach	1.0 FTE/each year	John Kleiber	2
	Math Coach	1.0 FTE/each year	Kim Penn	2
	Math Coach	1.0 FTE/each year	Maria Casillas	2
	Math Coach	1.0 FTE/each year	Judy Hartshorn	2
	Itinerant Preschool Coach	1.0 FTE/each year	Susan Wolfe	2
	SWAAAC Facilitator	1.0 FTE/each year	Dana Tolman	2
	SWAAAC Clerk	1.0 FTE/each year	Lindsay Wall-Ruckles	2
<b>Title X ARRA McKinney</b>	Program Director	.02 FTE/each year	Elizabeth Barber	2
	Administrative Assistant	.08 FTE/each year	TBD	2
	Homeless Education Advocate	.37 FTE/each year	TBD	2
<b>Title ID ARRA</b>	Alternative Homes For Youth	0.2 FTE/each year	TBD	
<b>Title IID ARRA</b>	Educational Technology Coordinator	0.5 FTE/each year	TBD	2