

**CRANFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
CRANFORD, NEW JERSEY**

POLICY: AT RISK AND TITLE 1

The Cranford Board of Education affirms the obligation of the school district to comply with all state and federal requirements in developing, implementing, administering and evaluating funded Title I education programs.

Such programs shall be designed to improve the reading, writing and mathematics skills of students whose academic, social or environmental needs prevent them from succeeding in regular school programs, and to prevent the regression in such skills by the students when regular programs are not in session. Parents/guardians shall be kept informed of their child's progress and shall be invited to consult with staff members regarding any aspect of the programs and their child's participation therein.

At least once annually, a public meeting shall be held for the express purpose of informing parents/guardians of the programs provided with Title 1 funds. The parents/guardians of all eligible children shall be invited to attend the meeting. During this meeting:

1. Parents/guardians shall be informed of their right to participate in the design and implementation of Title 1 projects;
- B. Parents/guardians shall be provided with information about the regulations and instructional programs pertaining to Title 1;
- C. Input relating to basic skills improvement programs and related activities will be solicited from parents/guardians;
- D. Parents/guardians will be encouraged to establish and maintain ongoing communication with the staff and the Board of Education.

The parents/guardians of all eligible children shall be invited to attend.

A. Comparability of personnel

To be in compliance with the requirements of ~~P.L. 98-211 as Amended, Section 558 (2)(B), of Title 1, Title V~~, **federal law**, the Cranford Board of Education of ~~district name and code~~ directs the Chief School Administrator to assign teachers, administrators, and auxiliary personnel to the schools in such a way that equivalence of personnel is ensured among the schools.

B. Comparability of materials and supplies

To be in compliance with the requirements of ~~P.L. 98-211 as Amended, Section 558 (2)(B), of Title 1, Title V~~ **federal law**, the Cranford Board of Education of ~~district name and code~~ directs the Chief School Administrator to distribute curriculum materials and instructional supplies to the schools in such a way that equivalence is ensured among the schools.

C. Maintenance of effort

The Cranford Board of Education will maintain a combined fiscal effort per pupil or aggregate expenditures of state and local funds with respect to the provision of the public education for the preceding fiscal year that is not less than ~~90 percent~~ **the required amount** of the combined fiscal effort per pupil or the aggregate expenditures for the second preceding fiscal year.

D. Supplement not supplant

The Cranford School District shall use Title 1 and/or state compensatory education funds only to supplement and to the extent practical increase the level of funds that would, in the absence of Title 1 and/or state compensatory education funds, be made available for the education of pupils participating in Title 1 or state compensatory education program projects. In no case shall Title 1 and/or state compensatory education funds be used to supplant those non-Title 1 or nonstate compensatory education funds.

Eligibility for State and Federal Funds

The Chief School Administrator shall ensure that all requirements for receiving state and federal funds shall be fulfilled in an accurate and timely manner.

Control over such funds and title to all equipment and supplies purchased with such funds shall remain with the board of education. Procurement, control, use and disposition of equipment and supplies purchased with state/federal funds shall be in full compliance with the law.

General

The Chief School Administrator shall direct appropriate administrative personnel to pursue vigorously all possible sources of funding, either state or federal, that support such services, and shall keep abreast of all changes in the law which restrict or expand the district's use of state or federal funds.

Legal References: N.J.S.A. 18A:35-4.9 Pupil promotion and remediation; policies and procedures
 N.J.S.A. 18A:59-1
 through -3 Apportionment and distribution of federal funds; exceptions
 N.J.A.C. 6A:32-14.1 Review of mandated programs and services

42 U.S.C.A. 2000d - 2000d4 - Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

Hawkins-Stafford Elementary and Secondary School Improvement Amendments of 1988 (P.L. 100-297)

No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, Pub. L. 107-110, 20 U.S.C.A. 6301 et seq.

Possible

Cross References: *3220/3230 State funds; federal funds
 *3514 Equipment
 *5120 Assessment of individual needs
 *5200 Nonpublic school pupils
 *6122 Articulation
 *6141 Curriculum design/development
 *6142.2 English as a second language; bilingual/bicultural
 *6142.6 Basic skills
 *6171.1 Remedial instruction
 *6171.4 Special education

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.

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