

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Title: 2006-2007 LEA Technology Plan Monitoring Visits

Type of Executive Summary:

- Action
- Action on First Reading
- Discussion
- Information

Policy Implications:

- Constitution _____
- General Statute #Section 7.43.(c) G.S. 115C-102.7
- SBE Policy # _____
- SBE Policy Amendment
- SBE Policy (New)
- APA # _____
- APA Amendment
- APA (New)
- Other _____

Presenter(s): Dr. Cindy W. Williamson (Director, K-12 Curriculum, Instruction and Technology) and Mr. Neill Kimrey (Section Chief, Instructional Technology)

Description:

According to S1052 and H1071 "The Department shall report to the State Board of Education and the State Chief Information Officer on which LEAs are not complying with their plans. The report shall include the reasons the LEAs are out of compliance and a recommended plan of action to support each such LEA in carrying out its plan."

Resources:

N/A

Input Process:

LEA Technology Plan Monitoring Visits conducted by Instructional Technology Regional Consultants.

Stakeholders:

North Carolina's public schools, NC General Assembly

Timeline For Action:

Approval is requested to assure continued qualification for federal and state dollars.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the State Board of Education accept the monitoring report.

Audiovisual equipment requested for the presentation:

- Data Projector/Video (Videotape/DVD and/or Computer Data, Internet, Presentations-PowerPoint preferred)
Specify: _____
- Audio Requirements (computer or other, except for PA system which is provided)
Specify: _____
- Document Camera (for transparencies or paper documents – white paper preferred)

 Motion By: _____ Seconded By: _____
 Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____
 Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Postponed _____ Revised _____

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LEAs Rated Non-compliant

| LEA | Board District | Instructional Technology Region |
|------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| Bladen County Schools | Fourth District | South Central |
| Hoke County Schools | Fourth District | South Central |
| Robeson County Schools | Fourth District | South Central |

The following LEAs have responded to their non-compliance with a written letter addressing non-compliance issues and/or action steps for improvement.

- Bladen County Schools
- Hoke County Schools
- Robeson County Schools

The most noted responses to non-compliance:

- Limited personnel
- Personnel changes
- Lack of funding
- Unrealistic measurement for strategy
- Required policies are not in place

Recommended Plan of Action

- Schedule an additional visit to assist the LEA in a review of their plan and data collection methods cited

A copy of the review reports are attached for your consideration.

LEA: Bladen County Schools

Reviewed by: Acacia Dixon

Submitted by: Cathy Mathews

Date: May 1, 2008

Date of Review by Mr. Neill Kimrey: October 22, 2008

Signatures **are in place**

Policy Charts – All policies **are not in place**

Expenditures **are provided** by Director

School and District Network Diagrams **are accurate**

Non-compliance: The following strategies were not addressed:

Required policies are outdated or not in place

Teaching appropriate computer skills curriculum at each grade level

Developing a system-wide plan to teach information literacy skills

Developing a system-wide plan to implement the IMPACT model

Installing IP-based security cameras in middle and elementary schools

Assessing and training staff members based on ISTE NETS for Teachers

Training staff members based on ISTE NETS for Administrators

Providing follow-up staff development opportunities

Training staff in the use of all types of printers

Training staff in the setup and delivery of multimedia presentations

Training staff in the manipulation of digital art and photos

Deploying a safe and secure email system for students

Developing a plan to increase community partnerships

Increasing staff levels in Technology Services to state recommended levels

Hiring a fourth computer technician

Incorporating a disaster recovery plan

LEA: Hoke County Schools

Submitted by: Cathy Mathews

Date: May 1, 2008

Date of Review by Mr. Neill Kimrey: October 22, 2008

Signatures **are in place**

Policy Charts – All policies **are in place**

Expenditures **are provided** by Director

School and District Network Diagrams **are accurate**

Non-compliance: The following strategies were not addressed:

Posting the County Schools Task Analysis on the website and intranet

Using online resources for assisting high school students with SAT preparation
Using hand held devices to record student data
Training staff on Learn NC
Training staff on basic and advanced level technology classes
Training non-certified staff members and substitutes on basic technology
Training staff on NCWise
Promoting teacher awareness of online and local technology course offerings
Providing follow-up support of NCWise
Conducting a Technology Night for parents and the community
Expanding computer labs for after school use

LEA: Robeson County Schools

Submitted by: Cathy Mathews

Date: May 1, 2008

Date of Review by Mr. Neill Kimrey: October 22, 2008

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