

that submits an application under subsection (b) of this section that—

- (1) demonstrates a pervasive need for access to advanced placement incentive programs;
- (2) provides for the involvement of business and community organizations in the activities to be assisted;
- (3) assures the availability of matching funds from State, local, or other sources to pay for the cost of activities to be assisted;
- (4) demonstrates a focus on developing or expanding advanced placement programs and participation in the core academic areas of English, mathematics, and science;
- (5) demonstrates an intent to carry out activities that target—
 - (A) local educational agencies serving schools with a high concentration of low-income students; or
 - (B) schools with a high concentration of low-income students; and
- (6) in the case of a local educational agency, assures that the local educational agency serves schools with a high concentration of low-income students; or
- (7) demonstrates an intent to carry out activities to increase the availability of, and participation in, on-line advanced placement courses.

(d) Authorized activities

(1) In general

Subject to paragraph (2), an eligible entity shall use grant funds made available under this section to expand access for low-income individuals to advanced placement incentive programs that involve—

- (A) teacher training;
- (B) pre-advanced placement course development;
- (C) coordination and articulation between grade levels to prepare students for academic achievement in advanced placement courses;
- (D) books and supplies; or
- (E) activities to increase the availability of, and participation in, on-line advanced placement courses; or
- (F) any other activity directly related to expanding access to and participation in advanced placement incentive programs, particularly for low-income individuals.

(2) State educational agency

In the case of an eligible entity that is a State educational agency, the entity may use grant funds made available under this section to award subgrants to local educational agencies to enable the local educational agencies to carry out the activities under paragraph (1).

(e) Contracts

An eligible entity awarded a grant to provide online advanced placement courses under this part may enter into a contract with a nonprofit or for profit organization to provide the online advanced placement courses, including contracting for necessary support services.

(f) Data collection and reporting

(1) Data collection

Each eligible entity awarded a grant under this section shall, with respect to each ad-

vanced placement subject, annually report to the Secretary on—

- (A) the number of students served by the eligible entity who are taking an advanced placement course in that subject;
- (B) the number of advanced placement tests taken by students served by the eligible entity in that subject;
- (C) the number of students served by the eligible entity scoring at different levels on advanced placement tests in that subject; and
- (D) demographic information regarding individuals served by such agency who taking¹ advanced placement courses and tests in that subject disaggregated by race, ethnicity, sex, English proficiency status, and socioeconomic status.

(2) Report

The Secretary shall annually compile the information received from each eligible entity under paragraph (1) and report to the appropriate committees of Congress regarding the information.

(Pub. L. 89-10, title I, §1705, as added Pub. L. 107-110, title I, §101, Jan. 8, 2002, 115 Stat. 1608.)

§ 6536. Supplement, not supplant

Grant funds provided under this part shall supplement, and not supplant, other non-Federal funds that are available to assist low-income individuals to pay for the cost of advanced placement test fees or to expand access to advanced placement and pre-advanced placement courses.

(Pub. L. 89-10, title I, §1706, as added Pub. L. 107-110, title I, §101, Jan. 8, 2002, 115 Stat. 1609.)

§ 6537. Definitions

In this part:

(1) Advanced placement test

The term “advanced placement test” means an advanced placement test administered by the College Board or approved by the Secretary.

(2) High concentration of low-income students

The term “high concentration of low-income students”, used with respect to a school, means a school that serves a student population 40 percent or more of whom are low-income individuals.

(3) Low-income individual

The term “low-income individual” means an individual who is determined by a State educational agency or local educational agency to be a child, ages 5 through 19, from a low-income family, on the basis of data used by the Secretary to determine allocations under section 6333 of this title, data on children eligible for free or reduced-price lunches under the National School Lunch Act [42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.], data on children in families receiving assistance under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act [42 U.S.C. 601 et seq.], or data on children eligible to receive medical assistance under the medicaid program under title XIX of

¹ So in original.

the Social Security Act [42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.], or through an alternate method that combines or extrapolates from those data.

(Pub. L. 89–10, title I, §1707, as added Pub. L. 107–110, title I, §101, Jan. 8, 2002, 115 Stat. 1609; amended Pub. L. 108–11, title II, §2503, Apr. 16, 2003, 117 Stat. 599.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The National School Lunch Act, referred to in par. (3), probably means the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act, act June 4, 1946, ch. 281, 60 Stat. 230, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 13 (§1751 et seq.) of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1751 of Title 42 and Tables.

The Social Security Act, referred to in par. (3), is act Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, 49 Stat. 620, as amended. Part A of title IV of the Act is classified generally to part A (§601 et seq.) of subchapter IV of chapter 7 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. Title XIX of the Act is classified generally to subchapter XIX (§1396 et seq.) of chapter 7 of Title 42. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 1305 of Title 42 and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

2003—Par. (3). Pub. L. 108–11 substituted “19” for “17”.

PART H—SCHOOL DROPOUT PREVENTION

§ 6551. Short title

This part may be cited as the “Dropout Prevention Act”.

(Pub. L. 89–10, title I, §1801, as added Pub. L. 107–110, title I, §101, Jan. 8, 2002, 115 Stat. 1610.)

§ 6552. Purpose

The purpose of this part is to provide for school dropout prevention and reentry and to raise academic achievement levels by providing grants that—

- (1) challenge all children to attain their highest academic potential; and
- (2) ensure that all students have substantial and ongoing opportunities to attain their highest academic potential through schoolwide programs proven effective in school dropout prevention and reentry.

(Pub. L. 89–10, title I, §1802, as added Pub. L. 107–110, title I, §101, Jan. 8, 2002, 115 Stat. 1610.)

§ 6553. Authorization of appropriations

For the purpose of carrying out this part, there are authorized to be appropriated \$125,000,000 for fiscal year 2002 and such sums as may be necessary for each of the 5 succeeding fiscal years, of which—

- (1) 10 percent shall be available to carry out subpart 1 of this part for each fiscal year; and
- (2) 90 percent shall be available to carry out subpart 2 of this part for each fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 89–10, title I, §1803, as added Pub. L. 107–110, title I, §101, Jan. 8, 2002, 115 Stat. 1610.)

SUBPART 1—COORDINATED NATIONAL STRATEGY

§ 6555. National activities

(a) In general

The Secretary is authorized—

(1) to collect systematic data on the effectiveness of the programs assisted under this part in reducing school dropout rates and increasing school reentry and secondary school graduation rates;

(2) to establish a national clearinghouse of information on effective school dropout prevention and reentry programs that shall disseminate to State educational agencies, local educational agencies, and schools—

- (A) the results of research on school dropout prevention and reentry; and
- (B) information on effective programs, best practices, and Federal resources to—
 - (i) reduce annual school dropout rates;
 - (ii) increase school reentry; and
 - (iii) increase secondary school graduation rates;

(3) to provide technical assistance to State educational agencies, local educational agencies, and schools in designing and implementing programs and securing resources to implement effective school dropout prevention and reentry programs;

(4) to establish and consult with an inter-agency working group that shall—

- (A) address inter- and intra-agency program coordination issues at the Federal level with respect to school dropout prevention and reentry, and assess the targeting of existing Federal services to students who are most at risk of dropping out of school, and the cost-effectiveness of various programs and approaches used to address school dropout prevention and reentry;
- (B) describe the ways in which State educational agencies and local educational agencies can implement effective school dropout prevention and reentry programs using funds from a variety of Federal programs, including the programs under this part; and
- (C) examine Federal programs that may have a positive impact on secondary school graduation or school reentry;

(5) to carry out a national recognition program in accordance with subsection (b) of this section that recognizes schools that have made extraordinary progress in lowering school dropout rates; and

(6) to use funds made available for this subpart to carry out the evaluation required under section 6561i(c) of this title.

(b) Recognition program

(1) Establishment

The Secretary shall—

- (A) establish a national recognition program; and
- (B) develop uniform national guidelines for the recognition program that shall be used to recognize eligible schools from nominations submitted by State educational agencies.

(2) Recognition

The Secretary shall recognize, under the recognition program established under paragraph (1), eligible schools.

(3) Support

The Secretary may make monetary awards to an eligible school recognized under this sub-