# Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Federal Addendum Template

### **LEA Name**

Liberty Union High School District

# **CDS Code:**

07-61721-0000000

# Link to the LCAP:

(optional)

### For which ESSA programs apply to your LEA?

Choose From:

**TITLE I, PART A** Improving Basic Programs Operated by State and Local Educational Agencies

TITLE II, PART A Supporting Effective Instruction

**TITLE III, PART A** Language Instruction for English Learners and Immigrant Students

**TITLE IV, PART A** Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants

(*note:* This list only includes ESSA programs with LEA plan requirements; not all ESSA programs.)

In the following pages, ONLY complete the sections for the corresponding programs.

### Instructions

The LCAP Federal Addendum is meant to supplement the LCAP to ensure that eligible LEAs have the opportunity to meet the Local Educational Agency (LEA) Plan provisions of the ESSA.

The LCAP Federal Addendum Template must be completed and submitted to the California Department of Education (CDE) to apply for ESSA funding. LEAs are encouraged to review the LCAP Federal Addendum annually with their LCAP, as ESSA funding should be considered in yearly strategic planning.

### The LEA must address the Strategy and Alignment prompts provided on the following page.

Each provision for each program must be addressed, unless the provision is not applicable to the LEA.

In addressing these provisions, LEAs must provide a narrative that addresses the provision within the LCAP Federal Addendum Template.

Under State Priority Alignment, state priority numbers are provided to demonstrate where an ESSA provision aligns with state priorities. This is meant to assist LEAs in determining where ESSA provisions may already be addressed in the LEA's LCAP, as it demonstrates the LEA's efforts to support the state priorities.

The CDE emphasizes that **the LCAP Federal Addendum should not drive LCAP development.** ESSA funds are supplemental to state funds, just as the LCAP Federal Addendum supplements your LCAP. LEAs are encouraged to integrate their ESSA funds into their LCAP development as much as possible to promote strategic planning of all resources; however, this is not a requirement. In reviewing the LCAP Federal Addendum, staff will evaluate the LEA's responses to the ESSA plan provisions. There is no standard length for the responses. LEAs will be asked to clarify insufficient responses during the review process.

California's ESSA State Plan significantly shifts the state's approach to the utilization of federal resources in support of underserved student groups. This LCAP Federal Addendum provides LEAs with the opportunity to document their approach to maximizing the impact of federal investments in support of underserved students.

The implementation of ESSA in California presents an opportunity for LEAs to innovate with their federallyfunded programs and align them with the priority goals they are realizing under the state's Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF).

LCFF provides LEAs flexibility to design programs and provide services that meet the needs of students in order to achieve readiness for college, career, and lifelong learning. The LCAP planning process supports continuous cycles of action, reflection, and improvement.

Please respond to the prompts below, and in the pages that follow, to describe the LEA's plan for making the best use of federal ESEA resources in alignment with other federal, state, and local programs as described in the LEA's LCAP.

## Strategy

Explain the LEA's strategy for using federal funds to supplement and enhance local priorities or initiatives funded with state funds, as reflected in the LEA's LCAP. This shall include describing the rationale/evidence for the selected use(s) of federal funds within the context of the LEA's broader strategy reflected in the LCAP.

Through a strategic planning process involving a variety of stakeholder groups, the Liberty Union High School District developed a mission statement and 3 goals which impel the work of our organization:

#### Mission

The Liberty Union High School District is committed to focusing its resources on the achievement of academic and personal success for all students. Schools will develop students' ability to think critically, make rational decisions, communicate effectively and act responsibly. Schools will provide a safe and personalized environment, value diversity and collaboration, and encourage respect for others and self. Multiple avenues will be provided to assure all students master a basic core of knowledge, become a productive community member, and succeed in our global society.

Goal 1: The Liberty Union High School District (LUHSD) will provide a physically and emotionally supportive school environment which supports student learning by:

A. Providing a safe, secure, updated, clean environment,

- B. Creating opportunities to incorporate best practices and program successes,
- C. Fostering an atmosphere of respect and civility among all students, and

D. Aligning operating budget to the LUHSD Strategic Plan and the goals outlined in the LCAP.

Goal 2: The Liberty Union High School District will prepare students for career and college by providing a rigorous and stimulating curriculum and instructional program by:

A. Meeting state and federal accountability measures.

- B. Demonstrating student proficiency in all content standards.
- C. Increasing percentage of students who are college ready and UC/CSU eligible .

D. Providing relevant curriculum, and instruction to expand, enrich, and support career opportunities.

Goal 3: The Liberty Union High School District recognizes the need for stakeholder involvement by:

A. Enhancing communication, partnerships, and collaboration among staff, parents, and students.

B. Expanding parent involvement.

C. Increasing communication and collaboration with our business and community organizations.

The goals of the district are aligned with the 8 State Priorities, and LUHSD has adopted them as the goals for its LCAP. Major priority areas of the LCAP include academic achievement, college and career readiness, graduation rates, reduction of chronic absenteeism, English Learner progress, and the reduction of suspension and expulsion rates. To support these goals for all students, the district provides a variety of actions and services, including:

- Facilities Improvements (to provide state of the art learning environments)
- Textbooks aligned to the Common Core State Standards in ELA/ELD, mathematics, history and aligned to the Next Generation Science Standards
- Technology (infrastructure, hardware, software, and IT support)
- Professional Development
- Parent Education programs

Significant actions and services are principally directed toward low-income students, English Learners, foster youth, and homeless students, including:

- 3 Targeted Assistance Counselors
- 3 College/Career Technicians
- A District Diversity Coordinator
- Intervention Classes including Read 180, Math 180, math support classes, and English 3D EL Academic Support
- 3 Study Hall Teachers
- Homework Help program
- Supplemental textbooks

- SAT Prep classes
- PUSH classes to help targeted students graduate UC/CSU eligible
- English Learner Parent Liaisons
- One School Psychologist
- Mental Health counseling interns
- Attendance Recognition Programs
- Diversity Training for administrators and certificated staff

Federal Title I funds are used to provide targeted supplemental academic support to low achieving students. Some examples include:

- Tutorial Support classes for Title I students
- Supplemental Instructional Supplies

Federal Title II funds are used in recruiting, preparing, training and developing teachers and school and district administrators. Some examples include:

- A Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment Induction Program
- Professional Development and consultants providing PD to teachers and administrators

Federal Title III funds are used to provide supplemental services that improve the English language proficiency and academic achievement of ELs, including through the provision of language instruction educational programs and activities that increase the knowledge and skills of teachers who serve ELs. Some examples include:

- An Instructional Aide who works exclusively with ELs
- Supplemental Instructional Materials

Federal Title IV funds are used to provide all students with access to a well-rounded education, improve school conditions for student learning, and improve the use of technology to improve the academic achievement and digital literacy of all students. Some examples include:

- Staff development for science teachers related to the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) and STEM
- · Staff development for history/social science teachers related to civic engagement

### Alignment

Describe the efforts that the LEA will take to align use of federal funds with activities funded by state and local funds and, as applicable, across different federal grant programs.

The Liberty Union High School District communicates its mission and goals (listed above) to stakeholders throughout the LEA in a variety on ways, including printed documents, electronic communications, presentations to stakeholder groups, and websites. Sites develop mission statements and goals aligned to those of the district. Sites communicate to their stakeholder groups in a similar manner.

Through the annual process to update the LCAP, the district reviews a variety of achievement data with stakeholder groups. Some specific examples of the data reviewed include CAASPP results, attendance data, graduation data, UC/CSU a-g completion rates, EL reclassification rates, College/Career Readiness completion rates, suspension and expulsion rates, and perception data such as the Healthy Kids Survey, staff surveys and parent surveys. After reviewing the data, stakeholder groups recommend revisions to the LCAP and in the use of state and federal resources to support at-risk students. These recommendations are then shared with the District Advisory Committee, which makes additional recommendations for revision. These recommendations shard with the Governing Board, which ultimately approves the plan.

The district distributes funds to the sites, including supplemental state and federal funds, in accordance with the LCAP, board policy, and state and federal law. The Governing Board reviews and approves the district budget to ensure that state and federal resources are used in a coherent manner to support the achievement of all students. District administrators communicate to site leaders the district's priorities. District and site leaders work collaboratively at regularly scheduled meetings to discuss the equitable use of state and federal funding. The LUHSD Executive Cabinet reviews the district and site budgets to ensure activities funded from various state and federal sources are not duplicative and support common outcomes. District administrators work collaboratively to ensure that federal funds such as Title II, Title III, and Title IV are used in a manner that helps qualifying students receive targeted support, and that educators receive appropriate staff development.

At the site level, site leaders share data with stakeholder groups and analyze the achievement data of various student groups on the campuses. School Site Council members are trained so that they understand the purpose and rationale for the various state and federal funding, and they are apprised of the district and site mission and goals. The School Site Council develops and approves a School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA), congruent with the district and site goals. Each site SPSA aligns the supplemental use of federal funds with funding provided by the state. The district reviews site SPSAs to ensure that strategies are aligned and that supplemental funding is used to support students from traditionally disadvantaged backgrounds, in accordance with state and federal law. The SPSAs are then reviewed and approved by the Governing Board.

### ESSA Provisions Addressed Within the LCAP

Within the LCAP an LEA is required to describe its goals, and the specific actions to achieve those goals, for each of the LCFF state priorities. In an approvable LCAP it will be apparent from the descriptions of the goals, actions, and services how an LEA is acting to address the following ESSA provisions through the aligned LCFF state priorities and/or the state accountability system.

### TITLE I, PART A

### Monitoring Student Progress Towards Meeting Challenging State Academic Standards

ESSA SECTION	STATE PRIORITY ALIGNMENT
1112(b)(1) (A–D)	1, 2, 4, 7, 8 (as applicable)

Describe how the LEA will monitor students' progress in meeting the challenging state academic standards by:

(A) developing and implementing a well-rounded program of instruction to meet the academic needs of all students;

(B) identifying students who may be at risk for academic failure;

- (C) providing additional educational assistance to individual students the LEA or school determines need help in meeting the challenging State academic standards; and
- (D) identifying and implementing instructional and other strategies intended to strengthen academic programs and improve school conditions for student learning.

#### **Overuse in Discipline Practices that Remove Students from the Classroom**

ESSA SECTION	STATE PRIORITY ALIGNMENT
1112(b)(11)	6 (as applicable)

Describe how the LEA will support efforts to reduce the overuse of discipline practices that remove students from the classroom, which may include identifying and supporting schools with high rates of discipline, disaggregated by each of the student groups, as defined in Section 1111(c)(2).

#### **Career Technical and Work-based Opportunities**

ESSA SECTION	STATE PRIORITY ALIGNMENT
1112(b)(12)(A–B)	2, 4, 7 (as applicable)

If determined appropriate by the LEA, describe how such agency will support programs that coordinate and integrate:

- (A) academic and career and technical education content through coordinated instructional strategies, that may incorporate experiential learning opportunities and promote skills attainment important to in-demand occupations or industries in the State; and
- (B) work-based learning opportunities that provide students in-depth interaction with industry professionals and, if appropriate, academic credit.

# TITLE II, PART A

#### Title II, Part A Activities

ESSA SECTION	STATE PRIORITY ALIGNMENT
2102(b)(2)(A)	1, 2, 4 (as applicable)

Provide a description of the activities to be carried out by the LEA under this Section and how these activities will be aligned with challenging State academic standards.

# TITLE III, PART A

## Parent, Family, and Community Engagement

ESSA SECTION	STATE PRIORITY ALIGNMENT
3116(b)(3)	3, 6 (as applicable)

Describe how the eligible entity will promote parent, family, and community engagement in the education of English learners.

### ESSA Provisions Addressed in the Consolidated Application and Reporting System

An LEA addresses the following ESSA provision as part of completing annual reporting through the Consolidated Application and Reporting System (CARS).

### TITLE I, PART A

### **Poverty Criteria**

ESSA SECTION(S)	STATE PRIORITY ALIGNMENT
1112(b)(4)	N/A

Describe the poverty criteria that will be used to select school attendance areas under Section 1113.

### ESSA Provisions Not Addressed in the LCAP

For the majority of LEAs the ESSA provisions on the following pages do not align with state priorities. **Each provision for each program provided on the following pages must be addressed**, unless the provision is not applicable to the LEA. In addressing these provisions, LEAs must provide a narrative that addresses the provision **within this addendum**.

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### TITLE I, PART A

#### **Educator Equity**

ESSA SECTION 1112(b)(2)

Describe how the LEA will identify and address, as required under State plans as described in Section 1111(g)(1)(B), any disparities that result in low-income students and minority students being taught at higher rates than other students by ineffective, inexperienced, or out-of-field teachers.

The Associate Superintendent of Personnel Services monitors the credentials and experience level of all the employees to ensure that students are taught by effective and experienced teachers. In 2020, the California Department of Education updated LUHSD used the process specified in the "Guidance" section of the California Department of Education's "Educator Equity: LCAP Addendum Criteria and Guidance" web page for identifying disparities that result in low-income and minority students being taught at higher rates than other students by ineffective, inexperienced, or out-of-field teachers. A local equity gap analysis was conducted to be able to appropriately describe the local process for identifying and addressing disparities. The local gap analysis process included the following steps:

Step 1 - Data Collection

The following data was collected at both the LEA and school site levels: Enrollment Data, Low-Income Students, Minority Students, Teacher Workforce, Ineffective Teachers, Inexperienced Teachers, and Out-of-Field Teachers.

Step 2 - Equity Gap Analysis

The data extracted in Step 1 was imported into a series of tables as specified in the "Guidance" section of the California Department of Education's "Educator Equity: LCAP Addendum Criteria and Guidance" web page. The following tables were created:

- Table 1:Ineffective Teachers and Minority Students
- Table 2: Ineffective teachers and Low-Income Students
- Table 3: Inexperienced Teachers and Minority Students
- Table 4: Inexperienced Teachers and Low-Income Students
- Table 5: Out-of-Field Teachers and Minority Students
- Table 6: Out-of-Field Teachers and Low-Income Students

In 2020, the California Department of Education updated the definitions of ineffective teachers and out-of-field teachers. LUHSD conducted an updated review of Educator Equity based upon the new definitions provided by the CDE. Based upon an analysis of this data, the following conclusions can be drawn:

- 0.8% percent of teachers in the comprehensive high school with the highest percentage of minority students were taught by ineffective teachers, while 0% percent of teachers in the comprehensive high school with the lowest percentage of minority students were taught by ineffective teachers. This represents an equity gap of 0.8% percent.
- 0.8% percent of teachers in the comprehensive high school with the highest percentage of low-income students were taught by ineffective teachers, while 0% percent of teachers in the comprehensive high school with the lowest percentage of low-income students were taught by ineffective teachers. This represents an equity gap of 0.8% percent.
- 11.1% percent of teachers in the comprehensive high school with the highest percentage of minority students have two or fewer years of teaching experience, while 5.4% percent of teachers in the comprehensive high school with the lowest percentage of minority students have two or fewer years of teaching experience. This represents an equity gap of 5.7% percent.
- 11.1% percent of teachers in the comprehensive high school with the highest percentage of low-income students have two or fewer years of teaching experience, while 5.4% percent of teachers in the comprehensive high school with the lowest percentage of low-income students have two or fewer years of teaching experience. This represents an equity gap of 5.7% percent.
- Low income students are NOT taught at higher rates than other students by out-of-field teachers.
- Minority students are NOT taught at higher rates than other students by out-of-field teachers.

LUHSD plans to address the experience gaps by providing staff development to new teachers on how to support the achievement of students coming from minority and low-income backgrounds, and on providing universal access to the curriculum by McREL International. In addition, staff development into cultural differences will be provided by World Trust. Administrators are receiving equity training by Epoch Education. Additionally, administrative leadership meetings will emphasize the importance of Educator Equity in the hiring process.

LUHSD engaged stakeholders in its process for identifying strategies for addressing discovered equity gaps by sharing the information with the District Advisory Committee (comprised of students, parents, certificated employees, classified

employees, and administrators from throughout the district). Additionally, this information was shared with administrators at district administrative meetings. Input was solicited regarding strategies to support students and address the equity gaps.

#### Parent and Family Engagement ESSA SECTIONS 1112(B)(3) AND 1112(B)(7)

Describe how the LEA will carry out its responsibility under Section 1111(d).

Describe the strategy the LEA will use to implement effective parent and family engagement under Section 1116.

La Paloma High School has been identified for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) due to the school's graduation rate being below 67%. LUHSD supported La Paloma High School in developing CSI plans. The Associate Superintendent and Director of Curriculum and Instruction met with the site principal to identify school-level needs. Additionally, the Associate Superintendent and Director of Curriculum of Instruction met with the stakeholders with a variety of data to analyze, including attendance data and the number of credits earned by quarter. The principal facilitated a needs assessments with the School Site Council (including parents, students, and staff). Data discussed during the needs assessment/root cause analysis included the number of credits individual students were earning, the attendance rates of students, the placement process for students transferring to La Paloma High School, and the need to provide food to students who attend tutoring sessions.

The stakeholders (parents, students, and staff) discussed evidence-based interventions, including:

- Identifying students at risk of not graduating and ensuring that every staff member is aware of those students.
- Having an intervention teacher meet with at-risk students throughout the week to get updates on their academic progress and problem-solve any concerns
- Contact parents of at-risk students to discuss options to help their children be successful
- Implementing Edgenuity to help at-risk students recover credits
- Hiring an at-risk counselor, using other funding sources, for the 2019-20 school year
- Developing a positive culture and celebrating success
- Implementing a college credit course on campus so that students can gain both high school and college credits, increasing College/Career preparedness

The school's School Plan for Student Achievement will be revised, based upon feedback from the stakeholders. Each year the School Site will monitor the implementation of the plan.

#### Section 1116

LUHSD has implemented an effective parent and family engagement under section 1116. Through this process, LUHSD and its schools build capacity for parent and family engagement; demonstrate leadership by ensuring that all schools have parent/family involvement policies; allocate resources to implement such policies; monitor progress by ensuring that all schools integrate parental involvement policies into the school's Single Plan for Student Achievement; and by ensuring access and equity in communicating to parents and families. LUHSD's Parent/Family Engagement Policy is codified in Board Policy 6020 and Administrative Regulation 6020. LUHSD's responsibilities related to Title I can be found in Board Policy 6171 and Administrative Regulation 6171.

The LUHSD Parent/Family Engagement Policy was jointly developed and agreed upon by the District Advisory Committee (comprised of students, parents, certificated employees, classified employees, and administrators from throughout the district, including parents and family members of participating children). The policy will be distributed to all families in the district. The Policy will also be posted on the district's web site. Sites develop parent/family engagement policies through the School Site Councils and Title I Parent Committees. Sites distribute their parent/family involvement policies to all families. The policy is posted on each site's website.

LUHSD provides assistance to parents of children served by the school or local educational agency, as appropriate, in understanding such topics as the challenging State academic standards, State and local academic assessments, the requirements of this part, and how to monitor a child's progress and work with educators to improve the achievement of their children. This information will be presented to parents through a variety of avenues, including monthly Parent Club meetings, Coffee with the Principal, Breakfast with the Principal, ELAC meetings, DELAC meetings, Back to School Night, Open House, College Night, African American Parent Night, Title I Parent meetings, and School Site Council meetings. Written information is provided through monthly newsletters. Information is also be provided on the district and school web sites. All communication is in English and Spanish.

LUHSD provides materials and training to help parents to work with their children to improve their children's achievement, including literacy training and using technology, and as appropriate, to foster parental involvement. Materials are provided at the meetings listed previously, as well as through site and district newsletters. In addition, teachers educate students on the harms of violating copyright policies. Other curricular examples where this information and materials are communicated are Math Parent Night, Science Parent Night, and AP Night.

LUHSD educates teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, principals, and other school leaders, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties

between parents and the school. These trainings are held at staff meetings and professional development days various times throughout the school year.

LUHSD will, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs and activities with other Federal, State, and conduct other activities, such as parent resource centers, that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children. Specific examples of this involvement include the hiring of parent liaisons and bi-lingual parent liaisons, to provide support to parents in their participation. Additionally, parents volunteers chaperone field trips, including field trips for English Learners and college visits, for students from minority and low-income families.

Some additional examples to increase the informed participation of parents and family members with disabilities include providing reasonable accommodations (golf cart rides for those who struggle to walk, sign language interpreters for those who cannot hear, and computer screens with large type size for those with vision issues). Families that have accessibility needs or other special needs which make correspondence with the school difficult will receive help from the parent liaisons, who will communicate parental concerns and needs to the school staff. Bi-lingual parent liaisons meet with parents of migratory children to ensure that students are supported through extended absences, minimizing the disruption to their education. Alternate meeting locations, including home visits, are provided for parents who have transportation difficulties which preclude them from coming to the campus.

# Schoolwide Programs, Targeted Support Programs, and Programs for Neglected or Delinquent Children ESSA SECTIONS 1112(b)(5) and 1112(b)(9)

Describe, in general, the nature of the programs to be conducted by the LEA's schools under sections 1114 and 1115 and, where appropriate, educational services outside such schools for children living in local institutions for neglected or delinquent children, and for neglected and delinquent children in community day school programs.

Describe how teachers and school leaders, in consultation with parents, administrators, paraprofessionals, and specialized instructional support personnel, in schools operating a targeted assistance school program under Section 1115, will identify the eligible children most in need of services under this part.

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

LUHSD has identified three Targeted Assistance Schools (TAS). TAS services are provided to help participating students meet the state's challenging academic standards. Specific examples of these services include Title I Tutorial Support classes, SAT prep classes, and an after school homework HELP program. Additionally, supplemental instructional materials are provided to participating students. Targeted Assistance Counselors provide academic, social, and emotional support to participating students. In a pro-active manner, Targeted Assistance Counselors work with participating students on academic strategies to increase achievement and meet the UC/CSU requirements; positive strategies to improve attendance; and positive behavior strategies to avoid disciplinary referrals. The strong connection Targeted Assistance Counselors develop with their students increases those students' connection to school.

In addition to the direct services provided to participating students, staff development is provided by McREL to teachers and paraprofessionals on how to engage students from disadvantaged backgrounds. Additionally, staff development is provided by World Trust regarding educating students from different cultures.

The Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services works with local institutions and community day school programs for neglected and delinquent children. When a student leaves one of the district's school for such an alternative setting, student records are transferred to the receiving school. Included in these records are reports from teachers, counselors, and administrators, in accordance with the law and board policy. In a similar manner, when students return to LUHSD from an alternative setting, the Assistant Superintendent meets with the student and his/her parents/guardians to ensure a smooth transition and to identify the appropriate supports necessary for the student to be successful. Those supports are communicated to the site receiving the student.

In Targeted Assistance Schools, teachers and school leaders, in consultation with parents, administrators, paraprofessionals, and specialized instructional support personnel, identify the eligible children most in need of services under this part. The criteria for identifying students is developed with stakeholder input through School Site Councils. Specific criteria include students who are: not meeting the academic standards; economically disadvantaged, English Learners, Homeless; Foster Youth; with disabilities; and Migrant. Teachers and paraprofessionals can refer students to the Targeted Assistance Counselor. At weekly Counselor meetings, counselors review these requests and move students to the Targeted Assistance Counselors caseload when warranted.

#### Teachers and School Leaders

In Targeted Assistance Schools, teachers and school leaders, in consultation with parents, administrators, paraprofessionals, and specialized instructional support personnel, identify the eligible children most in need of services under this part. The criteria for identifying students is developed with stakeholder input through School Site Councils. Specific criteria include students who are: not meeting the academic standards; economically disadvantaged, English Learners, Homeless; Foster Youth; with disabilities; and Migrant. Teachers and paraprofessionals can refer students to the Targeted Assistance Counselor. At weekly Counselor meetings, counselors review these requests and move students to the Targeted Assistance Counselors caseload when warranted.

#### **Homeless Children and Youth Services**

ESSA SECTION 1112(b)(6)

Describe the services the LEA will provide homeless children and youths, including services provided with funds reserved under Section 1113(c)(3)(A), to support the enrollment, attendance, and success of homeless children and youths, in coordination with the services the LEA is providing under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 United States Code 11301 et seq.).

In accordance with the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act and state law, LUHSD ensures that all school sites safeguard the educational rights and protections for students who experience homelessness. The Assistant Superintendent of Administrative/Student Services, has reviewed and revised all district and site policies and practices that may act as barriers to the identification, enrollment, attendance, and school success of homeless children and youths, including barriers due to outstanding fees or fines or absences. The Assistant Superintendent of Administrative/Student Services is the district Homeless Liaison and on each site the Targeted Assistance Counselor is the Site Homeless Student Liaison. The Homeless Liaisons ensure that homeless students: are identified through outreach and inter-agency coordination; are enrolled and have full and equal opportunity to succeed; access to all educational and intervention services; referrals to health services (including medical, dental, and mental health) through a Mobile Health Clinic (provided in collaboration with Contra Costa County Health Services) which visits the sites twice per week, and all parent notifications and information specified by law and board policy. In accordance with state law, LUHSD exempts homeless youth students from school district graduation requirements that exceed state graduation requirements if the student transfers to the district, or transfers from one high school to another after his/her second year of high school if the student would not be reasonably able to complete the additional district requirements. Special care is is taken to ensure that homeless students are not stigmatized or segregated from the general student population. Homeless students receive academic, social-emotional support, and attendance and behavior support from Targeted Assistance Counselors. Additionally, students and their families are supported in the process for the students to receive free lunch and free transportation to and from school. Teachers of homeless students work with them on a daily basis to ensure their academic success by providing them with all core and supplemental educational materials. Targeted Assistance Counselors monitor the progress of homeless students and provide interventions when needed. Interventions include an after school homework help program, tutoring, Title I Tutorial Support classes, and SAT prep classes.

#### **Student Transitions**

ESSA SECTIONS 1112(b)(8), 1112(b)(10), and 1112(b)(10) (A-B)

Describe, if applicable, how the LEA will support, coordinate, and integrate services provided under this part with early childhood education programs at the LEA or individual school level, including plans for the transition of participants in such programs to local elementary school programs.

Describe, if applicable, how the LEA will implement strategies to facilitate effective transitions for students from middle grades to high school and from high school to postsecondary education including:

- (A) coordination with institutions of higher education, employers, and other local partners; and
- (B) increased student access to early college high school or dual or concurrent enrollment opportunities, or career counseling to identify student interests and skills.

In a similar manner, LUHSD has implemented strategies to facilitate effective transitions for students from high school to post-secondary education. LUHSD achieves this by collaborating closely with local community colleges, 4-year universities, trade schools, the military and employers. Specific examples of this collaboration include bi-annual meetings with the LUHSD district and site leaders and leaders at Los Medanos College (the local community college); college visits to California State University, East Bay and Sacramento State University; a district College Night with recruiters from 4-year public and private universities, technical colleges, trade schools, and military recruiters; college recruiters conducting presentations to students during the school day; Career Day where parents and local employers speak to students about a variety of careers; an Air Force JROTC program accessible to all students in the district; Financial Aid Night where parents and students learn options for pursuing a post-secondary education; and FAFSA Night where parents are taught how to complete the FAFSA.

LUHSD has increased student access to dual or concurrent enrollment opportunities.

(A) Specific examples include coursework articulated with the local community colleges and California State University, Stanislaus for students finishing a California Partnership Academy program or other CTE programs; a dual enrollment class offered on the high school campuses after school in which students receive credit at Los Medanos College; and opportunities for students to take courses during the summer at Los Medanos College and other local community colleges; and a Summer Bridge Program for graduating seniors to take the summer before they begin at Los Medanos College.

(B) Career counseling to identify student interests and skills is provided to students by: Career Day, when students learn about a wide variety of careers; students use Naviance to explore potential careers; students take the ASVAB; students participate in internship programs as part of an academy program; and students listen to guest speakers who present in the College and Career Center on each campus.

### Additional Information Regarding Use of Funds Under this Part

ESSA SECTION 1112(b)(13) (A-B)

Provide any other information on how the LEA proposes to use funds to meet the purposes of this part, and that the LEA determines appropriate to provide, which may include how the LEA will:

- (A) assist schools in identifying and serving gifted and talented students; and
- (B) assist schools in developing effective school library programs to provide students an opportunity to develop digital literacy skills and improve academic achievement.

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

N/A

### TITLE I, PART D

### **Description of Program**

ESSA SECTION 1423(1)

Provide a description of the program to be assisted [by Title I, Part D].

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

N/A

#### **Formal Agreements**

ESSA SECTION 1423(2)

Provide a description of formal agreements, regarding the program to be assisted, between the LEA and correctional facilities and alternative school programs serving children and youth involved with the juvenile justice system, including such facilities operated by the Secretary of the Interior and Indian tribes.

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

**Comparable Education Program** 

ESSA SECTION 1423(3)

As appropriate, provide a description of how participating schools will coordinate with facilities working with delinquent children and youth to ensure that such children and youth are participating in an education program comparable to one operating in the local school such youth would attend.

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

**Successful Transitions** ESSA SECTION 1423(4)

Provide a description of the program operated by participating schools to facilitate the successful transition of children and youth returning from correctional facilities and, as appropriate, the types of services that such schools will provide such children and youth and other at-risk children and youth.

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

Educational Needs ESSA SECTION 1423(5)

Provide a description of the characteristics (including learning difficulties, substance abuse problems, and other special needs) of the children and youth who will be returning from correctional facilities and, as appropriate, other at-risk children and youth expected to be served by the program, and a description of how the school will coordinate existing educational programs to meet the unique educational needs of such children and youth.

# Social, Health, and Other Services

ESSA SECTION 1423(6)

As appropriate, provide a description of how schools will coordinate with existing social, health, and other services to meet the needs of students returning from correctional facilities, at-risk children or youth, and other participating children or youth, including prenatal health care and nutrition services related to the health of the parent and the child or youth, parenting and child development classes, child care, targeted reentry and outreach programs, referrals to community resources, and scheduling flexibility.

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

#### **Postsecondary and Workforce Partnerships**

ESSA SECTION 1423(7)

As appropriate, provide a description of any partnerships with institutions of higher education or local businesses to facilitate postsecondary and workforce success for children and youth returning from correctional facilities, such as through participation in credit-bearing coursework while in secondary school, enrollment in postsecondary education, participation in career and technical education programming, and mentoring services for participating students.

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

### Parent and Family Involvement

ESSA SECTION 1423(8)

Provide a description of formal agreements, regarding the program to be assisted, between the

- (A) LEA; and
- (B) correctional facilities and alternative school programs serving children and youth involved with the juvenile justice system, including such facilities operated by the Secretary of the Interior and Indian tribes.

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

### Program Coordination

ESSA SECTION 1423(9-10)

Provide a description of how the program under this subpart will be coordinated with other Federal, State, and local programs, such as programs under title I of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and career and technical education programs serving at-risk children and youth.

Include how the program will be coordinated with programs operated under the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 and other comparable programs, if applicable.

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

### **Probation Officer Coordination**

ESSA SECTION 1423(11)

As appropriate, provide a description of how schools will work with probation officers to assist in meeting the needs of children and youth returning from correctional facilities.

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

#### Individualized Education Program Awareness ESSA SECTION 1423(12)

Provide a description of the efforts participating schools will make to ensure correctional facilities working with children and youth are aware of a child's or youth's existing individualized education program.

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

**Alternative Placements** 

ESSA SECTIONS 1423(13)

As appropriate, provide a description of the steps participating schools will take to find alternative placements for children and youth interested in continuing their education but unable to participate in a traditional public school program.

### TITLE II, PART A

#### **Professional Growth and Improvement**

ESSA SECTION 2102(b)(2)(B)

Provide a description of the LEA's systems of professional growth and improvement, such as induction for teachers, principals, or other school leaders and opportunities for building the capacity of teachers and opportunities to develop meaningful teacher leadership.

LUHSD developed and implemented dynamic systems of professional growth and improvement for teachers, principals, and other school leaders. Each system is separately addresses the unique roles of employees within the organization.

#### Principals-

+Promoting professional growth and ensuring improvement, including how the LUHSD measures growth and improvement+

In consultation with the superintendent, principals develop professional goals based upon the California Professional Standards for Education Leaders (CPSEL) and the specific needs of their schools. Metrics are developed in consultation with the superintendent. Professional growth metrics are aligned to the standards identified in the CPSEL, including: Development and Implementation of a Shared Vision, Instructional Leadership, Management and Learning Environment, Family and Community Engagement, Ethics and Integrity, and External Context and Policy. School improvement metrics include state and local accountability measures as specified in the California School Dashboard, and site goals included in the School Plan for Student Achievement. Examples of these metrics include Chronic Absenteeism, Suspension Rate. English Learner Progress, Graduation Rate, College/Career Readiness, UC/CSU a-g completers, SAT scores, SBAC scores, D/F rates, and student, parent, and staff survey results. Principals track the metrics for their sites and provide ongoing formative feedback to stakeholders groups, including teachers, parents, students, and the Governing Board. Principals participate in a wide variety of professional development opportunities, from conferences, workshops, webinars, university coursework, ACSA academies, to work with consultants. Principals also meet monthly in collaborative PLC meetings with their colleagues to analyze a variety of data, including student academic achievement data, attendance data, discipline data, and perception data such as student, parent, and staff surveys. Principals discuss best practices and formatively monitor the progress of their goals. The superintendent meets monthly with individual principals to support them and provide formative feedback. By focusing upon specific metrics, and with ongoing feedback and collaborative data analysis, this system promotes professional growth and ensures improvement.

+Supporting principals from the beginning of their careers, throughout their careers, and through advancement opportunities+

The superintendent mentors principals from the beginning of their careers. The superintendent meets with principals monthly to provide support and guidance. Principals meet in monthly PLC meetings to collaborate and learn from each other. New principals are encouraged to participate in the ACSA Institute for New & Aspiring Principals, with the district paying for the cost of the institute. Principals with 3 or more years of experience are encouraged to participate in the ACSA Principals' Summer Institute. Veteran principals have growth opportunities by leading ad hoc district committees and advancement opportunities to work in the district office or for other school districts. Principals are also encouraged to participate as WASC Visiting Committee members and chairs to learn from visiting other high schools in the area.

+Evaluating the system of professional growth and improvement and making adjustments to ensure continuous improvement+

The LUHSD Executive Cabinet (superintendent, associate superintendent, and assistant superintendents) and other district administrators visit classrooms on all school sites once per quarter. These visits give district administrators a site-level view of progress on site and district goals. General feedback from these visits is shared with site principals. Annually, the Executive Cabinet meets to evaluate district progress on the goals for the year. In this evaluation process, the Executive Cabinet reviews the level of attainment of the district goals. The Executive Cabinet reviews all policies and practices to ensure that they support the goals of the district. If any policies or practices are seen as barriers to the attainment of district goals, those policies and practices are modified to better support continuous improvement. The Executive Cabinet also reviews new laws and changes to collective bargaining agreements affecting the schools for the upcoming year, and develops or modifies district goals based upon these changes. Specific examples of changes include new laws regarding homeless and foster youth, new guidelines for determining CTE pathways, and refined evaluation procedures in the collective bargaining agreement. The Executive Cabinet communicates the goals for the year.

Teachers-

+Promoting professional growth and ensuring improvement, including how the LUHSD measures growth and improvement+

In LUHSD, teachers have a robust system of professional development fostering growth and improvement. The teacher evaluation process was jointly developed in collaboration with The Liberty Education Association (the certificated collective bargaining unit) and is based upon the California Standards for the Teaching Profession (CSTP). Teachers complete self-

evaluations and develop goals that are mutually agreed upon by site administrators. Site administrators provide teachers regular support and feedback on their progress. All teachers have opportunities for professional development, including conferences, workshops, webinars, university coursework, and professional development provided by consultants. LUHSD provides significant staff development opportunities through summer institutes. Specific examples of staff development include McREL training on lesson design and universal access, World Trust training on equity, co-teaching training to support students with disabilities, Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) training, and Common Core State Standards (CCSS) training, and technology training. LUHSD provides content coaches at each of the sites in the areas of English Language Arts, Mathematics, and science to give teachers support and feedback in the transition to the CCSS and NGSS. Additionally, teachers have dedicated professional development time provided on Late Start Wednesdays" twice per month. In these professional development times, teachers work in collaborative groups using a PLC process to identify essential learnings, develop common assessments, analyze student assessment data, discuss best practices, and create strategies for targeted remediation. Assessment data is disaggregated by student group, and particular attention is paid to ensuring students receive an equitable education.

+Supporting teachers from the beginning of their careers, throughout their careers, and through advancement opportunities+

Beginning teachers are provided induction mentors through the Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment Program (BTSA). The specific goals of the BTSA program are: to direct support toward improving student achievement; to ensure intensive individualized support and assistance for each participating teacher; to ensure that participating teachers continuously examine their effectiveness and document evidence for professional growth; to ensure the success of participating teachers; and to assist the participating teacher to meet the requirements of a Clear Credential. Mentors give new teachers support and feedback on a regular basis. Additionally, sites assign "Buddy" teachers to help the new teachers in their first year on the campus.

Veteran teachers are given the opportunity to hone their skills by continuing to participate in ongoing staff development and PLC work. Veteran teachers share their expertise by leading staff development activities, PLC groups, developing district common assessments, and as BTSA induction mentors. Veteran teachers also serve in a variety of meaningful leadership roles, including department chairs, academy coordinators, WASC Focus Group leaders, and as district content coaches. Veteran teachers also participate in the development of district common assessments. LUHSD and The Liberty Education Association jointly developed an Independent Evaluation Action Research Project for those long-time employees with the highest level of satisfactory performance. Teachers needing additional support participate in the Peer Assistance and Review program.

+Evaluating the system of professional growth and improvement and making adjustments to ensure continuous improvement+

Site principals meet with a variety of teacher leadership groups to discuss site needs in the area of professional growth. Examples of these groups include Department Chairs, Instructional Leadership Team, Academy Coordinators, and School Site Council. Principals lead groups in the analysis of district and site goals, identifying strengths and areas for improvement. Working collaboratively, site goals are modified to ensure continuous improvement. Principals share new and revised goals with stakeholder groups at the beginning of each school year. At the district level, LUHSD consults with Liberty Education Association and negotiates changes to the collective bargaining agreement as prescribed by law.

#### Other School Leaders-

+Promoting professional growth and ensuring improvement, including how the LUHSD measures growth and improvement+

LUHSD promotes professional growth for all other school leaders, including assistant principals, counselors, and psychologists. Assistant principals collaborate with site principals to develop goals aligned to the California Professional Standards for Education Leaders (CPSEL) and congruent with district and site goals. Counselors and psychologists meet with their supervising assistant principals to develop goals in a similar manner. Principals work with other school leaders to develop metrics based upon standards addressed in the CPSEL and state and local school performance indicators included in the California School Dashboard. Site and district sponsored professional development opportunities are provided to other school leaders to promote their professional growth and improvement. Examples of these staff development opportunities include conferences, workshops, webinars, university coursework, ACSA academies, to work with consultants.

+Supporting other school leaders from the beginning of their careers, throughout their careers, and through advancement opportunities+

LUHSD supports the growth of other school leaders in a variety of ways. New administrators are mentored by the Associate Superintendent. All administrators who hold a preliminary Administrative Services Credential participate in a two-year induction program of professional learning and development that is site-based and job embedded, as specified by the Commission for Teacher Credentialing. Additionally, the Associate Superintendent of Personnel Services holds monthly professional development meetings for assistant principals. Counselors and psychologists receive professional development through quarterly district meetings. Veteran site leaders have the opportunity to develop their leadership skills by running committees at the site level and by participating on district-level committees. Principals change organizational responsibilities for assistant principals to give them experience in a wide variety of areas of school leadership. Additionally, veteran site leaders have the opportunity to gain further administrative experience by serving as an administrator in Summer School. Promotional opportunities are available to assistant principals, and all of the current principals in LUHSD have served as other site leaders in LUHSD earlier in their careers.

+Evaluating the system of professional growth and improvement and making adjustments to ensure continuous improvement+

Assistant principals, counselors, and psychologists give feedback to their site principals and district administrators on the system of professional growth. Principals and district administrators make adjustments to the system of professional growth and in support of district goals, based upon that feedback. LUHSD values the feedback of the other site leaders, as they are the people in the organization working with students on a daily basis. Future staff development activities are provided to other site leaders based upon their feedback. Specific examples examples of new professional development include suicide prevention, curriculum and lesson plan development, and active shooter training.

LUHSD, in accordance with §6613(b)(3)(E), uses Title II funds to provide "high-quality, personalized professional development that is evidence-based, to the extent the State (in consultation with local educational agencies in the State) determines that such evidence is reasonably available, for teachers, instructional leadership teams, principals, or other school leaders, that is focused on improving teaching and student learning and achievement, including supporting efforts to train teachers, principals, or other school leaders to- (ii) use data to improve student achievement and understand how to ensure individual student privacy is protected, as required under section 1232g of this title (commonly known as the "Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974") and State and local policies and laws in the use of such data. Title II funds supplement staff development activities for teachers, principals, and other site leaders by providing accurate data from which certificated staff can develop strategies that are research-based and for which there is clear and compelling data that the strategies being implemented have a positive impact on the achievement of qualifying students. Disaggregated data is provided to teachers, principals, and other site leaders in the areas of formative and summative student achievement, attendance, discipline, school/career readiness, UC/CSU a-g completion rates, Advanced Placement results, SBAC results, graduation rates, and the progress of English Learners. Teachers, principals, and other site leaders use this data to inform their work.

### Prioritizing Funding

ESSA SECTION 2102(b)(2)(C)

Provide a description of how the LEA will prioritize funds to schools served by the agency that are implementing comprehensive support and improvement activities and targeted support and improvement activities under Section 1111(d) and have the highest percentage of children counted under Section 1124(c).

LUHSD prioritizes Title II, Part A funds to provide all schools in our district based upon the following factors: 3 of the 5 schools in our district (Freedom HS, Llberty HS, and La Paloma HS) are the schools with the highest percentage of qualifying students (41.9%, 32.6%, and 60.2%, respectively), 1 of the 5 high schools (Independence HS) is an alternative school comprised of students from throughout the district and has a qualifying student population similar to the other sites (31.3%)), the fifth high school (Heritage HS) has a significant population of qualifying students (18.8%). Therefore, the decision was made to provide disaggregated data to all of the schools in our district, paying particular attention to data regarding qualifying students in the areas of academic achievement, attendance, chronic absenteeism, discipline, EL progress, graduation, college/career readiness, and formative and summative assessment data.

LUHSD places a priority on providing data to schools regarding qualifying student groups, including students receiving free/reduced price lunches, foster students, homeless students, and English Learners.

#### **Data and Ongoing Consultation to Support Continuous Improvement** ESSA SECTION 2102(b)(2)(D)

Provide a description of how the LEA will use data and ongoing consultation described in Section 2102(b)(3) to continually update and improve activities supported under this part.

LUHSD uses data to continually update and improve activities supported under Title II, Part A. Data is disaggregated for every student group, with priority given to those groups of students who qualify for supplemental support (students receiving free/reduced price lunches, foster students, homeless students, and English Learners). LUHSD uses a variety of sources of data to monitor and evaluate Title II, Part A activities, including all of the data included in the California Dashboard (Chronic Absenteeism, Suspension Rate, English Learner Progress, Graduation Rate, College/Career Indicator), SBAC results, UC/CSU a-g completion rates, AP enrollment and exam results, and formative and summative assessment results. Stakeholder groups review data and make adjustments to staff development and training activities. As a specific example, LUHSD developed a district-wide Math Action Plan based upon SBAC and district developed assessment results. In the Math Action Plan, there are specific interventions for qualifying students.

At both the site and district levels, this data is analyzed on a weekly basis, as the district student information system (Aeries) has an Analytics Dashboard which can be displayed each time an administrator logs on the software. Additionally, sites are provided quarterly reports on the progress of their students. Teachers receive formative and summative assessment data each time they give an assessment and those results are disaggregated and discussed at Professional Development meetings (Late-start Wednesdays that occur roughly twice per month) and at department meetings. Teachers use assessment results to inform their instruction and to provide targeted interventions to students. Parent meetings are held monthly, including Coffee with the Principal, Breakfast with the Principal, PTO, Parent Club, ELAC and DELAC meetings, and title I Parent Meetings. Data is also provided to parents in monthly newsletters. Parents learn how to support their students at home.

Data is shared with stakeholders (including teachers, principals, other school leaders, paraprofessionals, the Liberty Education Association (representing certificated employees) and CSEA (representing classified employees) students, parents, community members, and school and district leaders). This data is shared in a variety of manners, including meetings of the following groups: School Site Council, staff meetings, department chairs, Instructional Leadership Team; Parent Club, PTO, ELAC/DELAC, Liberty Education Association representatives, CSEA representatives, Title I Parent Group, Campus Climate, Student Senate, Campus Climate, Administrative Cabinet, Executive Cabinet, District Advisory, and the Board of Education. LUHSD consults with the various stakeholder groups, and the groups provide feedback on the success of staff development activities, as well as suggestions for future points of emphasis in staff development. Specific examples of staff development implemented based upon this feedback include, McREL training on students engagement and universal access in lesson design, Responsibility-Centered Student Discipline, ALEKS training for students who require additional support to succeed in Algebra, Classified Support Staff and ALICE active shooter training.

LUHSD meaningfully consults with these stakeholders throughout the year, as follows: Principals and other site leaders meet with district administrators monthly and with the superintendent monthly; principals meet with staff members monthly; District and site leaders meeting with bargaining unit representatives monthly; principals meet with parent groups and student groups monthly; district leaders meeting with students on site Campus Climate Committees monthly; teachers meet in PLC groups approximately twice per month; site leaders meet weekly; the Executive Cabinet meets weekly; the Board of Education meets approximately twice per month. Student achievement data is discussed at these meetings and new trainings are developed based upon this feedback.

LUHSD coordinates its Title II, Part A activities with other related strategies, programs, and activities, to align and focus district improvement efforts. Specific areas of alignment include the LCAP (which broadly covers district improvement initiatives), other site improvement activities, and Title I, Title III, and Title IV activities. Special attention is paid to Title II activities to ensure that the professional development provided to employees aligns to the great areas of need of qualifying students. As a specific example, the LUHSD Math Action Plan was based upon the analysis of student achievement data. Specific staff development was provided to staff members on helping struggling students succeed. This training supplements and complements Title I efforts to support qualifying students in mathematics.

### TITLE III, PART A

#### **Title III Professional Development**

ESSA SECTION 3115(c)(2)

Describe how the eligible entity will provide effective professional development to classroom teachers, principals and other school leaders, administrators, and other school or community-based organizational personnel.

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

LUHSD supports teachers and paraprofessionals by providing professional development activities specific to ELs/Title III purposes that are designed to improve the instruction and assessment of English learners. Professional Development Time (Late-Start Wednesdays) is used for teacher to work in collaborative teams in order to meet the needs of their students. This training is supplemented by providing additional training and support in meeting the needs of English Learners. Strategies for instruction and assessment of English Learners are also discussed in the development of unit plans, lesson plans, and formative and summative assessments. Additionally, teachers are trained on how to meet the specific social and emotional needs of high school students who are learning a new language.

Additionally, LUHSD provides professional development designed to enhance the ability of such teachers, principals, and other school leaders to understand and implement curricula, assessment practices and measures, and instructional strategies for English Learners. This staff development occurs at management meetings, staff meetings, counselor meetings, department chair meetings, Instructional Leadership Team meetings, and School Site Council meetings. Specific topics of such meetings include understanding the English Language Development standards, effective instructional strategies for English Learners, support for Reclassified Fluent English Proficient students, scaffolding, the use of regalia, high-interest curricula at the appropriate reading level, teaching vocabulary, and improving reading comprehension. Specific examples of these opportunities include workshops, conferences, and summer institutes. Additionally, these topics are addressed at site department meetings, site leadership meetings, and administrative cabinet meetings.

LUHSD provides professional development specific to ELs/Title III purposes, including activities effective in increasing children's English language proficiency or substantially increasing the subject matter knowledge, teaching knowledge, and teaching skills of such teachers. Specific training occurs on the sites during PLC activities which occur approximately twice per month throughout the year. Teachers are provided disaggregated formative and summative assessment data regarding the performance of English Learners and supplemental training designed to enhance their effectiveness in teaching English Learners. Teachers share best practices and receive supplemental support from lead teachers in the area of English Language Development.

LUHSD provides supplemental professional development of sufficient intensity and duration (which shall not include activities such as one-day or short-term workshops and conferences) to have a positive and lasting impact on the teachers' performance in the classroom. Specific examples of such training include a year long series on Explicit Direct Instruction including strategies for meeting the needs of English Learners, a year-long series of staff development workshops on lesson planning and design for teachers of English Learners, and a workshop series on the English Language Development Standards and how to infuse them into the core curriculum.

The professional development specific to ELs and for Title III purposes provided is supplemental to all other funding sources for which LUHSD is eligible. Base staff development is provided to all staff, using LCAP base funds as the funding source. Additional professional development is provided to staff members working with disadvantaged students using LCAP supplemental funds as the source of funding. Title II funds are used to provide staff development to employees and Title III funds are used to provide staff development to employees of English Learners. Additionally, Title III is the source of funding for the bi-lingual instructional aide who works with English Learners at Liberty High School. Liberty High School houses a special program for all EL Level I and Level II students in the district.

# Enhanced Instructional Opportunities

ESSA SECTIONS 3115(e)(1) and 3116

Describe how the eligible entity will provide enhanced instructional opportunities for immigrant children and youth.

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

LUHSD provides enhanced instructional opportunities for immigrant children and youth, including:

- Providing professional development opportunities to teachers and staff on providing services to immigrant children.
- Hiring bilingual paraprofessionals that work closely with the immigrant children to help them with language development and academic achievement.
- Hiring target assistance counselors work closely with immigrant families to educate them on our educational system, requirements for graduation and preparing their students to be college and career ready.
- Hosting a variety of events (see above) to engage parents in becoming an active participant in their child's
  education, topics of these events specifically designed with our immigrant families in mind include Importance
  of Attendance, Graduation Requirements, workshops about filling out college applications, financial aid, etc.
- Offering adult education courses the provide immigrant parents with opportunities for English Language Development.

#### **Title III Programs and Activities**

ESSA SECTIONS 3116(b)(1)

Describe the effective programs and activities, including language instruction educational programs, proposed to be developed, implemented, and administered under the subgrant that will help English learners increase their English language proficiency and meet the challenging State academic standards.

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

LUHSD has many programs in place to improve language proficiency, while also supporting students' needs to meet the challenging academic standards.

- Based upon an evaluation of each student's needs, LUHSD places students in a double block every day for 190
  minutes that is designated to language development. Students can move up within our ELD program, from ELD
  1 (Beginning) through Designated English 1, at the end of each semester.
- Students completing ELD 3 and Designated English 1 receive two years of English credit (A-G approved). This design keeps our students on track for graduation and supports their ability to be college and career ready.
- The curriculum that our designated ELD courses have adopted is "Edge." This program was specifically written for high school English Learners to provide core material for language development. This curriculum has substantial support materials including a leveled library, various workbooks and interactive computer programs.
- LUHSD uses Kate Kinsella's "Academic Vocabulary Toolkit," which has been a strong tool for our teachers in building academic vocabulary.
- LUHSD offers Scholastic's Read 180 and System 44, computer-based programs to support language development within our designated classes.
- LUHSD offers ALEKS within the designated Algebra class. ALEKS is a computer-based program to provide a foundational understanding in math for those that need to build skills prior to Algebra content.

Combining all of the programs and activities listed above have resulted in an increase in their English Language proficiency and enable English Learners to meet the challenging California academic standards.

### **English Proficiency and Academic Achievement**

ESSA SECTIONS 3116(b)(2)(A-B)

Describe how the eligible entity will ensure that elementary schools and secondary schools receiving funds under Subpart 1 assist English learners in:

- (C) achieving English proficiency based on the State's English language proficiency assessment under Section 1111(b)(2)(G), consistent with the State's long-term goals, as described in Section 1111(c)(4)(A)(ii); and
- (D) meeting the challenging State academic standards.

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

LUHSD continues to monitor student progress in language and academics in order to provide quality resources and instruction to support English Learners in English proficiency and academic achievement by:

- Implementing a number of effective programs and activities that support student growth in language and academics (see above).
- Providing targeted counselors at each site that have all Beginning through Intermediate English Learners on their caseload. These counselors work closely with the English Learner Coordinator and the families to ensure that students are given the necessary language development courses, including designated core classes as needed,

while still working to be college and career ready.

- Hiring bilingual paraprofessionals that are scheduled to support the language development courses and help
  provide differentiation and individualized support for the students within those classes to help each student work
  towards language proficiency and academic achievement.
- Providing professional development time for the ELD teachers to meet and discuss students' growth and placement. The ELD courses are scheduled in a way that students can move fluidly through the program without a disruption to the remainder of the schedule to ensure proper placement for each student.
- Using achievement data from state and local assessments to plan targeted lessons, adjust instructional strategies, plan additional staff development, and develop curriculum knowledge. An annual review of ongoing summative and formative data assists in the adjustment of instruction as well as enables administration and teachers to

identify, group, and target students.

• Providing academic and emotional/social supports to English Learners after they have transitioned to college preparatory coursework to ensure they meet California's challenging academic standards.

### TITLE IV, PART A

#### **Title IV, Part A Activities and Programs**

ESSA SECTION 4106(e)(1)

Describe the activities and programming that the LEA, or consortium of such agencies, will carry out under Subpart 1, including a description of:

- (A) any partnership with an institution of higher education, business, nonprofit organization, community-based organization, or other public or private entity with a demonstrated record of success in implementing activities under this subpart;
- (B) if applicable, how funds will be used for activities related to supporting well-rounded education under Section 4107;
- (C) if applicable, how funds will be used for activities related to supporting safe and healthy students under Section 4108;
- (D) if applicable, how funds will be used for activities related to supporting the effective use of technology in schools under Section 4109; and
- (E) the program objectives and intended outcomes for activities under Subpart 1, and how the LEA, or consortium of such agencies, will periodically evaluate the effectiveness of the activities carried out under this section based on such objectives and outcomes.

#### THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

LUHSD uses funding provided by Title IV, Part A of ESEA in accordance with federal guidelines to: 1) provide all students with access to a well-rounded education, 2) improve school conditions for student learning, and 3) improve the use of technology in order to improve the academic achievement and digital literacy of all students. This year Title IV funds are being used in two different content areas:

- 1. Well-Rounded Educational Opportunities (ESEA section 4107)
  - Providing staff development to improve Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) instruction to increase student engagement in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Science teachers participated in facilitated staff development sessions throughout the school year. One of the areas of focus was to increase access to the curriculum for underrepresented groups. Additionally, staff development focused upon hands-on learning experiences aligned to NGSS, through exploration, inquiry, problem solving, and involving real-world applications.
  - Providing staff development to strengthen instruction in American history, civics, economics, geography, government education, and environmental education. Social science teachers participate in facilitated staff development sessions throughout the school year. Staff development focused upon creating meaningful and engaging lessons designed to promote civic engagement and understanding, particularly for students from underrepresented groups. Lessons help students develop and use critical thinking skills while exploring thematic-based units.
- 2. Effective Use of Technology (ESEA section 4109)
  - Some funds were used to build technological capacity and infrastructure. This increase in technology allowed teachers to amplify, and expand the impact of effective practices that support student learning, increase community engagement, foster safe and healthy environments, and enable well-rounded educational opportunities. Technology expanded growth opportunities for all students while affording historically disadvantaged students greater equity of access to high-quality learning materials, field experts, personalized learning, and tools for planning for future education. Teachers created blended learning opportunities for their students.

In accordance with federal guidelines, no more than 15 percent of Title IV, Part A funds were used for activities to support the effective use of technology.