SUPPORTING SCHOOLS AND STUDENTS TO ACHIEVE

General Update

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2016 Post Legislative Tour
Leadership Awards

• SDE will redo report for clarity

• Be sure your Board has signed off on your report

• The intent is not for everyone to receive an award, but there is no magic percentage
Evaluations

• This is hitting you because of comments made last year

• This is now an OSBE responsibility

• IHL have been tasked with this

• I believe it will eventually impact on the career ladder
Operational Funding

• There are conversations ongoing that may work to line item some parts of this (think health insurance)
Other Issues

• Career Ladder
  o Will come under increased scrutiny with mastery coming on line in the next few years

• Public School Funding Formula
  o This will probably take at least two sessions

• Accountability Instrument
  o Impacted by ESSA
  o The Assessment Oversight Committee is trying to figure this out

• Literacy
  o Do not lose sight of the K-3 focus of this money

• Standards
  o Negotiated rule making will begin on April 18th
College and Career Readiness

Legislative changes in this area include:

• HB 458 - this legislation streamlines the Advanced Opportunities programs into one for easier implementation.

• HB 629 - this legislation provides formula funding for college advisors and career mentors.

• HB 477 - this legislation provides scholarships tied to dual credits earned.
Advanced Opportunities, Consolidated Programs

Three programs have been consolidated into one:

• $4,125.00 for students in grades 7-12
• All students start with a ‘clean slate’ regardless of previous use
• Funds can be used for
  • Overload courses
  • Dual credits ($75.00 max)
  • Examinations
• Districts are able to create mechanisms for students to challenge courses, without risk of losing ADA funding
• Early graduation scholarships are available for students who graduate at least one year early; equal to 35% of their ADA, and districts receive an equivalent amount
Advanced Opportunities, Consolidated Programs

The SDE will provide training and support for school districts to facilitate the implementation of the new program parameters

- Advanced Opportunities Conference will be held August 8th & 9th, 2016 in Boise
- Webinars will be available on the SDE website
- Advanced Opportunities portal user guides are available
- Regional support specialists will continue to provide local training on demand
- Advanced Opportunities updates will continue to go out to portal users
- Text Alert Reminders are available by texting “@sdeschool” to 81010
- Updated print material will be sent to each middle and high school (i.e., flyers, posters)
Funding can be used for:

- Academic advising personnel (non-certificated allowed)
- Research-based practices such as
  - Near peer/college student mentors
  - Student Ambassadors
  - Virtual Coaching
  - Collaborative programs
- Professional Development required for all staff serving as mentors and advisors
- Schools / public charter schools shall develop a plan for advising students in grades 8-12
- Parents and students must be notified of advising / mentoring services
- Annual report required in concert with Continuous Improvement Plans (type of program utilized and student outcomes)
- Funding formula (Tim Hill to address)
Implementation considerations:

- This funding is a targeted line item and must be used for dedicated purposes
- Districts may pool together funds to form cooperatives
- Personnel hired to work in this area are required to have training and professional development specifically in the area of advising
- Resources to support implementation:
  - www.nextstepsidaho.org
  - https://boardofed.idaho.gov
- The State Board of Education will be promulgating rules that further clarify the requirements of the College and Career Advising Plan and the training requirements for personnel
Dual Credit Post-Secondary Scholarship (HB 477)

- Students who earn dual credits in high school may be eligible for a scholarship to an institution in Idaho, as follows:

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- To be eligible, student scholarships must be *matched by another merit-based, post-secondary scholarship* award
- Scholarships are paid out over a two year period
- Students must continuously pass at least 12 credit each semester
- $1,000,000.00 distribution cap will require an application process for FY 17
- Scholarship will be distributed by the State Board of Education
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