## 1. Superintendent Blast with the link to the budget spreadsheet from August 11, 2020:

## Structured Literacy/Dyslexia

For PED guidance on structured literacy and dyslexia screening, please see this memo from Dr. Gwen Perea Warniment. PED is also pleased to announce two professional development opportunities for educators, especially first-grade teachers:

- A free eight-module professional education course titled "Structured Literacy and Dyslexia 101-Kickoff" (required for first grade teachers and available to all educators in NM). Click here for course details. And click here for instructions to access the course.
- For first grade teachers (required): A free, eight-module professional learning experience about the science of reading from Language Essentials for Teaching of Reading and Spelling (LETRS). <u>View the flier here</u>. Details on phase 1 and phase 2 release of this series are listed in the attached memo.

Additionally, <u>this spreadsheet indicates</u> how much money each district has in SEG to support this work.

## 2. Superintendent Blast from October 6, 2020:

### **Structured Literacy Update**

Curriculum and instruction directors will be receiving an email today from Director Jacqueline Costales with four key updates in Structured Literacy:

- 1. A survey to support signing up first grade teachers in either Phase II or III of the LETRS professional learning series. C&I Directors have been asked to consult district leadership and principals and submit the survey by Oct. 19.
- Guidance on the Structured Literacy and Dyslexia 101 PD on the Mr. Owl platform, required for all first-grade teachers, prior to administering Dyslexia screening, and highly recommended for all elementary staff and administrators.
- 3. The Additional Screener Guidance for Districts document, originally shared with superintendents on Sept. 15.
- 4. Guidance on Literacy Plans, including a template and the window for submission, Nov. 13-Jan. 29.

Please direct any questions regarding this information to Holly.Duffy@state.nm.us.

# 3. Superintendent Blast from October 29, 2020:

#### Structured Literacy Update

The window for school districts and charter schools to submit Literacy Plans will be **Nov. 13 to Jan. 29.** 

As a reminder, the PED has developed a comprehensive support structure and guidance for school districts and charter schools as they implement requirements specified in §22-13-32 NMSA 1978 on structured literacy and dyslexia. Here is a <u>link to the original memo</u> that went out Aug. 11. And here is <u>information about how to get technical assistance from PED in completing your plan.</u> To receive the funding allocated via the State Equalization Guarantee, LEAs are required to submit a literacy plan with assurances signature by Jan. 29.

Please use these templates: <u>Number 1</u> and <u>Number 2</u>, <u>as well as this survey link</u> to submit these plans. Questions? Please contact Severo Martinez: <u>Severo.Martinez@state.nm.us</u> or Holly <u>Duffy@state.nm.us</u>.