Disadvantaged Student Supplemental Funding (DSSF) and Low Wealth (LW) Initiatives 2006-07

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Original DSSF Districts

Public Schools of North Carolina

1. Edgecombe 10. Elizabeth City-

2. Franklin Pasquotank

3. Halifax 11. Robeson

4. Hertford 12. Thomasville City

5. Hoke 13. Vance

6. Hyde 14. Warren

7. Lexington City 15. Washington

8. Montgomery 16. Weldon City

9. Northampton

In 2006-07, ALL (115) districts received DSSF funding

DPI's Technical Assistance

- School Improvement Planning
- DSSF/LW Process a document outlining how to deliver an action plan
- Direct assistance, i.e., memos, phone support, email

Evaluation of DSSF Strategies implemented in 2004-05 and 2005-06

- Focused on 16 original districts
- Findings presented in appendix
- Established context for further funding and reference point for current reporting

2006-07 Funding (\$)

| | Instructional Salary (Teacher) | Instructional Support (Salary) | Other Salaries | Other (Non- salary) |
|------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| DSSF | 16,984,313 | 1,433,766 | 6,437,058 | 3,255,374 |
| LW | 64,245,946 | 2,739,732 | 51,506,246 | 4,244,707 |



2006-07 Funding (cont'd.)

Staff Dev.

Supplies, Equip. and Software **Benefits**

DSSF 3

3,473,754

10,988,805

4,953,975

LW

1,511,225

23,575,278

28,630,764

2006-07 Funding (cont'd.)

TOTALS

DSSF LW \$47,527,045

\$176,453,900

Low Wealth (LW) Funds

- 1. Intent and structure do not allow for evaluation of impact on achievement
- 2. Flexible spending and numerous variables

Examples of combining DSSF and LW to impact achievement:

- 1. Hiring additional instructional staff
 - -To reduce class size
 - Provide ESL teachers
 - -Instructional coaches
 - -Dropout prevention counselors

Examples of combining LW and DSSF to impact achievement, (cont'd.)

- 2. Support existing staff development initiatives
 - -Curriculum revisions
 - -Literacy and math
 - -Writing across the curriculum

Examples of combining LW and DSSF to impact achievement, (cont'd.)

- 3. Formative assessments and benchmarking
- 4. Approx. 25% of DSSF used to increase teacher supplements, bonuses, scholarships for continuing ed., and incentives for hard to fill areas

Findings – 2006-07

DSSF and LW Funds:

- 1. Provided resources for lowperforming students
- 2. Were used for large categorical expenditures
- 3. Targeted areas of need identified in 2004-05 and 05-06 evaluation
- 4. Consistently targeted math and literacy performance

Questions?