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*An annual report of district information regarding State and Federal Grants including:  
Title I, Title IIA, Title III, Early Childhood Special Education, and IDEA Part B,*

During the upcoming school year, Mad River will receive state and federal grant money in the following areas: Title I, Title IIA, Title III, Early Childhood Special Education, and IDEA Part B.

Title I is a federally sponsored program intended to allow all children a fair, equal, and significant opportunity for success. This program is targeted toward students who are economically and academically at risk and supports intervention instruction in reading and math. Mad River will receive approximately \$945,598.68 in Title I funds for the 2015-16 school year. District Title I dollars will primarily be used to pay salaries of nine and one half teachers at the district's four elementary buildings as well as a shared academic coach at the middle school and high school level. Additionally, the Title I funds will allow for funding to support supplemental intervention staff while also providing materials and research based training for district staff and parents.

District funds received as part of the Title IIA grant will be targeted toward improving teacher and principal quality along with class size reduction at one of our elementary buildings. The \$108,942.29 received from this grant is a source of support for high quality, professional development in our district. Among other aspects of professional learning, this grant will support improving mathematics and language arts instruction, use of classroom technology, the effective use of assessments, and overall improving instructional practices.

In 2015-2016, Mad River will receive \$16,043.04 in Title III funding. Title III funds are used specifically for supporting identified ESL students within the district. Although this is a comparatively small grant, Mad River will use these funds to focus on reading with our students identified as ESL while providing support for our staff who provide direct instruction to our ESL students.

Our district will receive approximately \$19,684.54 to support Early Childhood Special Education next school year. These funds will be used to pay a portion of a teacher's salary in our district sponsored preschool.

Finally, Mad River will receive approximately \$819,074.27 in IDEA Part B funds. These dollars are federal monies which are intended to supplement and/or increase performance of disabled students. During the 2015-16 school year, the district plans will use these funds to employ special education staff.

District residents are encouraged to direct any comments, questions and suggestions relating to IDEA Part B and Early Childhood Special Education (Preschool) to Brent Speas, Director of Student Services at 259-6603. Please contact Krista Wagner, Director of Curriculum and Instruction at 259-6600, regarding questions concerning Title I, Title IIA, or Title III.