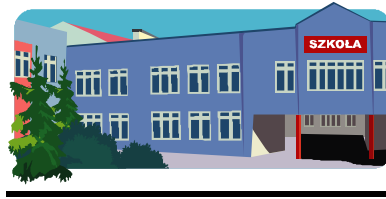


Maine Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Act Program

End of Year Report

School Year 2010-2011



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I. PROGRAM STATUS

Fiscal year 2010 was the last year Congress authorized money for this formula grant program. In State Fiscal Year 2011, Maine received an award of \$0 under this Act.

II. PERSONNEL

Linda Phillips retired as State Coordinator at the end of June, 2010. Peter Brough has remained as SDFS Program staff for State Fiscal Year 2011 in order to process performance reports, carry-over reports and close out the program. His position is funded with carryover funds remaining in the SDFS Formula Grant Program and with funds from the Building State Capacity “Bridge” Grant. His position is scheduled to end on September 30, 2011.

III. FEDERAL REPORTS

Annual U.S. Department of Education Consolidated Report:

The Consolidated State Performance Report for State Formula Grant Programs under ESEA / NCLB covering school year 2009-10 was submitted to the United States Education Department (USED) in two parts this year – Part I due in December, 2010 and Part II due in February 2011. This report included information on the Unsafe School Choice Option for Maine; and the Title IV-A, Safe and Drug Schools and Communities Program. The full report was submitted electronically through the EDEN System to the USED by the Maine Department of Education by the deadlines. *(Copies of the reports are available upon request).*

Governor’s Program Report:

The USED did not request any information on the Governor’s Program in the Consolidated Performance Report for 2009-010.

Gun Free Schools Report:

During 2009-10, Local Educational Agencies in Maine reported that two (2) firearms were brought into K-12 public schools or onto school grounds. This figure represents a decrease from the three (3) that were reported for 2008-09 and the six (6) that were reported for 2007-08. The table below presents the number of reported violations of the GFS Act since 1995-96. *(Copies of the reports are available upon request).*

School Year	Guns Reported
1995-1996	23
1996-1997	13
1997-1998	5
1998-1999	6
1999-2000	3
2000-2001	1
2001-2002	2
2002-2003	2
2003-2004	1
2004-2005	3
2005-2006	4
2006-2007	5
2007-2008	6
2008-2009	3
2009-2010	2

Gun free data for the 2010-11 academic year will be collected this summer and reported to the USED at their request, most likely in December 2011.

Source: Local Education Agency, NCLB Annual Consolidated Performance Reports.

IV. ANNUAL PROGRAMS:

No direct funding was received for either the SDFS Regular Grants Program or the SDFS Governor’s Program for State Fiscal Year 2011. However, under the “transfer” provision* of the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLBA), Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) retained the option to transfer funds from Title II-A into the Safe & Drug-Free Schools Regular Program (Title IV-A). The following nine (9) LEAS took advantage of this option and transferred a total of \$113,063 into Title IV-A for substance abuse and/or violence prevention projects. These projects are scheduled to end no later than September 15, 2011. Beginning with the 2011-12 school year, LEAS will no longer have the option to transfer funds from Title II-A into the Title IV-A.

- Auburn = \$15,618 (Prejudice/Intolerance Prevention)
- RSU 16 Poland = \$2,410 (Substance Abuse and/or Violence Prevention Activities – Camp Kieve)
- RSU 34 Old Town = \$9,000 (Service Learning, Substance Abuse Counseling)
- RSU 54 Skowhegan = \$12,358 (LifeSkills Program, Substance Abuse Counseling)
- RSU 57 Waterboro = \$2,500 (Second Step Program)
- South Portland = \$12,000 (LifeSkills Program, Tobacco Prevention Program, Prejudice/Intolerance Prevention, Child Abuse Response)

- AOS 92 Waterville = \$42,870 (Substance Abuse Counseling, Conflict Resolution, Professional Development, Substance Abuse and/or Violence Prevention Awareness Activities)
- AOS 92 Winslow = \$12,507 (Substance Abuse and/or Violence Prevention Awareness Activities, Substance Abuse Counseling, Professional Development, Security Equipment)
- AOS 98 Boothbay = \$3,800 (Substance Abuse and/or Violence Prevention Awareness Activities)

**The TRANSFER provision allows LEAs to transfer up to 50% of certain Title funds to support projects that are allowable under other Titles.*

Source: Local Education Agency, NCLB Annual Consolidated Applications.

V. SCHOOL VIOLENCE

For 2009-10, there were 18 reported bomb threats compared to 40 reported for 2008-09*. Data for school year 2010-11 is currently being collected.

*Source: School bomb threat incidence data collected by the Maine Department of Education for school years 2008-09 and 2009-10. These data have not been verified for accuracy during the time that this report was being prepared.

Unsafe School Choice Option (USCO):

As required by the Elementary and Secondary Education Act as amended by Title IX Section 9532 of the No Child Left Behind Act, each state receiving funds under this Title was required to implement an Unsafe School Choice Option Policy (USCO). Maine’s Policy was formally adopted and forwarded to USDE in the Fall of 2003 and the Maine Department of Education and Office of Substance Abuse has collected and analyzed the required data. **Since 2003, no Maine school has met or exceeded the criterion threshold for designation as a “persistently dangerous school.”** Another section of this policy requires LEAs experiencing a violent criminal offense to offer victims of such an offense an opportunity to transfer to another school within the district provided that LEA has more than one school serving students of the victims grade level. Because Maine schools

generally are located in relatively small districts which have only one school serving students in a given grade, students who are victims of a violent criminal offense, particularly at the secondary level, are not likely to be given a transfer option unless by superintendent arrangement. Consequently, data on the number of such transfers is not being collected.

SDFSCA Incidence of Prohibited Behavior Data Collection:

LEAs were required to report school year 2009-10 incidence data into the Maine Education Data Management System (MEDMS), operated and managed by the Maine Department of Education. Here is a link to the *2009-10 Maine Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Program Report on Incidence of Prohibited Behavior and Drug and Violence Prevention:*
<http://www.mainesdfscsca.org/pdf/lobster0910.doc>

VI. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND WORKSHOPS

During School Year 2010-2011, Peter Brough participated in the following on-site monitoring visits as part of the NCLBA Team:
RSU 34 Old Town, Hermon, RSU 22 Hampden, RSU 23 Carmel,

No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) Teleconferences and Regional Workshops

On May 17, 2011, the NCLB Team conducted a webinar designed to assist school personnel with submission of the 2010-11 NCLB Consolidated Performance Report and the 2011-12 NCLB Consolidated Application. Peter Brough prepared Title IV-A-related slides and presented same during the webinar.