

**KINDERGARTEN SUPPLEMENTAL ENRICHMENT PROGRAM**

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STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: V. Lowry Snow**

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill establishes the kindergarten supplemental enrichment program.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ establishes the kindergarten supplemental enrichment program;
- ▶ requires the State Board of Education to:
  - develop kindergarten entry and exist assessments for use in a kindergarten supplemental enrichment program; and
  - administer a grant program to support certain kindergarten supplemental enrichment programs; and
- ▶ gives rulemaking authority.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

This bill appropriates:

- ▶ to the State Board of Education -- Initiative Programs, as an ongoing appropriation:
  - from the Education Fund, \$20,000;
- ▶ to the State Board of Education -- Initiative Programs, as a one-time appropriation:
  - from the Education Fund, \$186,600;
- ▶ to the State Board of Education -- Initiative Programs, as a one-time appropriation:

- 29 • from the Revenue Transfer -- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families,
- 30 \$2,880,000; and
- 31 ▶ to Department of Workforce Services -- Operations and Policy, as a one-time
- 32 appropriation:
- 33 • from Federal Funds, \$2,880,000.

34 **Other Special Clauses:**

35 None

36 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

37 ENACTS:

38 [53A-15-2001](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953

39 [53A-15-2002](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953

40 [53A-15-2003](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953



42 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

43 Section 1. Section **53A-15-2001** is enacted to read:

44 **Part 20. Kindergarten Supplemental Enrichment Program**

45 **53A-15-2001. Title.**

46 This part is known as "Kindergarten Supplemental Enrichment Program."

47 Section 2. Section **53A-15-2002** is enacted to read:

48 **53A-15-2002. Definitions.**

49 As used in this part:

50 (1) "Board" means the State Board of Education.

51 (2) "Eligible school" means a charter or school district school in which:

52 (a) at least 10% of the students experience intergenerational poverty; or

53 (b) 50% of students were eligible to receive free or reduced lunch in the previous

54 school year.

55 (3) "Intergenerational poverty" means the same as that term is defined in Section

56 [35A-9-102](#).

57 (4) "Kindergarten supplemental enrichment program" means a program to improve the  
58 academic competency of kindergarten students that:

- 59 (a) meets the criteria described in Section [53A-15-2003](#);
- 60 (b) receives funding from a grant program described in Section [53A-15-2003](#); and
- 61 (c) is administered by an eligible school.

62 Section 3. Section **53A-15-2003** is enacted to read:

63 **53A-15-2003. Grant funding for kindergarten supplemental enrichment**  
64 **programs.**

65 (1) (a) In accordance with this section, the board shall distribute funds appropriated  
66 under this section to support kindergarten supplemental enrichment programs, giving priority  
67 first to awarding funds to an eligible school with at least 10% of the students experiencing  
68 intergenerational poverty and second priority to an eligible school in which 50% of students  
69 were eligible to receive free or reduced lunch in the previous school year.

70 (b) The board shall develop kindergarten entry and exit assessments for use by a  
71 kindergarten supplemental enrichment program.

72 (2) (a) The board shall administer a qualifying grant program as described in this  
73 Subsection (2) to distribute funds described in Subsection (1)(a) to an eligible school:

- 74 (i) that applies for a grant;
- 75 (ii) that offers a kindergarten supplemental enrichment program that meets the  
76 requirements described in Subsection (3);
- 77 (iii) that has an overall need for a kindergarten supplemental enrichment program,  
78 based on the results of the eligible school's kindergarten entry and exit assessments described  
79 in Subsection (3)(b)(ii);
- 80 (iv) if the eligible school has previously established a kindergarten supplemental  
81 enrichment program under this section, that shows success of the eligible school's kindergarten  
82 supplemental enrichment program, based on the results of the eligible school's kindergarten  
83 entry and exit assessments described in Subsection (3)(b)(ii); and
- 84 (v) that proposes a kindergarten supplemental enrichment program that addresses the

85 particular needs of students at risk of experiencing intergenerational poverty.

86 (b) An eligible school shall include in a grant application a letter from the principal of  
87 the eligible school certifying that the eligible school's proposed kindergarten supplemental  
88 enrichment program will meet the needs of either children in intergenerational poverty or  
89 children who are eligible to receive free or reduced lunch as appropriate for the eligible school.

90 (3) An eligible school that receives a grant as described in Subsection (2) shall:

91 (a) use the grant money to offer a kindergarten supplemental enrichment program to:

92 (i) target kindergarten students at risk for not meeting grade 3 core standards for Utah  
93 public schools, established by the board under Section [53A-1-402.6](#), by the end of each  
94 student's grade 3 year;

95 (ii) use an evidence-based early intervention model;

96 (iii) focus on academically improving age-appropriate literacy and numeracy skills;

97 (iv) emphasize the use of live instruction;

98 (v) administer the kindergarten entry and exit assessments described in Subsection

99 (1)(c); and

100 (vi) deliver the kindergarten supplemental enrichment program through additional  
101 hours or other means; and

102 (b) report to the board annually regarding:

103 (i) how the eligible school used grant money received under Subsection (2);

104 (ii) the results of the eligible school's kindergarten entry and exit assessments for the  
105 prior year;

106 (iii) with assistance from board employees, the number of students served, including  
107 the number of students who are eligible for free or reduced lunch; and

108 (iv) with assistance from board employees, student performance outcomes achieved by  
109 the eligible school's kindergarten supplemental enrichment program, disaggregated by  
110 economic and ethnic subgroups.

111 (4) An eligible school that receives a grant as described in Subsection (2) may not  
112 receive funds appropriated under Section [53A-17a-167](#).

113 (5) A parent or legal guardian may decline participation of the parent or legal  
114 guardian's kindergarten student in an eligible school's kindergarten supplemental enrichment  
115 program.

116 (6) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the  
117 board shall make rules to establish reporting procedures and administer this section.

118 Section 4. **Appropriation.**

119 The following sums of money are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
120 2017, and ending June 30, 2018. These are additions to amounts previously appropriated for  
121 fiscal year 2018. Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures  
122 Act, the Legislature appropriates the following sums of money from the funds or accounts  
123 indicated for the use and support of the government of the state of Utah.

124 ITEM 1

125 To State Board of Education - Initiative Programs

126	<u>From Education Fund</u>	<u>\$20,000</u>
127	<u>From Education Fund, One-time</u>	<u>\$186,600</u>
128	<u>From Revenue Transfer - Temporary Assistance for Needy Families,</u>	
129	<u>One-time</u>	<u>\$2,880,000</u>

130 Schedule of Programs:

131	<u>Kindergarten Supplement</u>	
132	<u>Enrichment Program</u>	<u>\$3,086,600</u>

133 ITEM 2

134 To Department of Workforce Services - Operations and Policy

135	<u>From Federal Funds, One-time</u>	<u>\$2,880,000</u>
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136 Schedule of Programs:

137	<u>Temporary Assistance for</u>	
138	<u>Needy Families</u>	<u>\$2,880,000</u>

139 The Legislature intends that the Department of Workforce Services (DWS) authorize  
140 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) for three years for the Kindergarten

141 Supplemental Enrichment Program (\$2,880,000 per year). This TANF funding is dependent  
142 upon availability of TANF funding and expenditures meeting the necessary requirements to  
143 qualify for the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program. The Legislature  
144 further intends that DWS report to the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst no later than  
145 September 1, 2017, regarding the status of these efforts.