
West Ottawa Public Schools

1. What was the total amount of the district's Section 31a allocation for the 2025–26 school year?

The Estimated Initial Allocation for the 25–26 School year was \$6,802,723.58

2. Describe the district's methodology and decision-making for distributing Section 31a At-risk grant funds to target the buildings with the highest needs.

West Ottawa Public Schools utilizes a data-driven approach to identify student needs and distribute Section 31a funds across the district's buildings (including elementary, middle, and high schools). Decisions are based on the concentration of economically disadvantaged students, multi-tiered systems of support (MTSS) screening data, literacy and math proficiency benchmarks, and English Learner (EL) populations. Buildings demonstrating the highest multi-tiered academic risk receive targeted allocations for personnel, such as instructional educational assistants and core support interventions, ensuring resources directly support high-need learning environments.

3. What evidence-based interventions and services were implemented with the Section 31a At-risk grant funds during the 2025–26 grant cycle?

The district implemented the following evidence-based interventions and services:

Academic Interventionist (6–12): Deployed in classrooms to provide small-group academic intervention and targeted instructional support in reading and mathematics. Several positions provide targeted interventions for students in alternative education settings to ensure high school graduation (WO Prep, Dunes Teacher, Odyssey Ware)

PBIS Specialists/Behavior Intervention: Provided mentoring, behavioral support, coaching, and attendance

English Learner (EL) Academic Support: Provided specialized instructional materials and support assistants to reduce language barriers and improve core content comprehension for at-risk EL students.

4. In what ways has the district collected feedback from parents or legal guardians on these interventions and services provided this year?

Feedback was collected through multiple channels, including:

- Annual district-wide parent engagement surveys administered electronically.
- Feedback sessions conducted during Annual Title I meeting Parent-Teacher Conferences



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5. Describe the method parents or legal guardians may use to provide feedback on the use of these funds.

Parents and legal guardians may provide ongoing feedback by attending regular Board of Education meetings during public comment segments, or by directly contacting their student's building principal or District Administration office via email or phone.

For more information about Section 31a interventions and services available for your child(ren), contact:

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