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#### **REQUIREMENTS**

1. District applies on behalf of Decile 1 and 2 schools (2005 base API).
2. By end of 4<sup>th</sup> year of funding, districts must meet the following CSR requirements:
  - Grades K-3: Maintain average CSR ratio of 20:1.
  - Grades 4-8: Self-contained classrooms reduced by 5 students. The average class size has to be 25:1, not to exceed 27 pupils.
  - Grades 4-12: Reduce class size by 5 students for ELA, reading, math, science & history/social science classes. The average class size has to be 25:1, not to exceed 27 pupils.

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## **REQUIREMENTS**

- 3. Maintain 300:1 credentialed counselor ratio in high schools.**
- 4. Ensure teachers/interns are highly qualified.**
- 5. Use a yet-to-be developed Teacher Experience Index to compare participating schools and other schools in the district.**
- 6. Exceed the API growth target for the school averaged over the first 3 full years of funding (2008-09 to 2010-11) and meet annual growth targets thereafter.**

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## **REQUIREMENTS**

- 7. Increase pupil attendance and graduation rates.**
- 8. Provide professional development for teachers and paraprofessionals.**
- 9. Meet all the requirements of the Williams settlement agreement.**

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## **FUNDING**

- **\$3 billion over 7 years, starting in 2007-08.**
- **K-12 schools will receive \$268 million in 2007-08 and \$402 million from 2008-09 to 2013-14.**
- **Funding rates: Based on 2005 CBEDS enrollment -- \$500 for grades K-3; \$900 for grades 4-8; and \$1,000 for grades 9-12.**
- **In the first year, a portion of the funding may be used for facilities necessary to implement CSR requirements of program.**

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## **FUNDING FLEXIBILITY**

- 1. Funding requirements for programs in consolidated application, other than EIA and parent advisory / site councils, may be waived.**
- 2. Districts may use alternative program requirements for some schools. Selected schools may not total more than 15% of the total students served. First priority will go to high schools that have severe facility constraints.**

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## **IMPLEMENTATION CHALLENGES**

- 1. Overcrowded schoolsites.**
- 2. QEIA presents equity issues for decile 1 and 2 schools in the district.**
- 3. Availability of qualified counselors.**
- 4. Equivalent average teacher experience requirement across grade levels is a collective bargaining issue.**
- 5. Teacher shortage/retirements complicates ability of districts to ensure participating schools have HQT during participation period.**