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PARENTS AS TEACHERS AUDIT GUIDE

2017-18 EXPENDITURES, audited in FY19 Revised August 2018

PURPOSE OF AUDIT

Parents as Teachers (P.A.T.) is a program developed for the purpose of providing parents of children prenatal through age 72 months (6 years old) with information, assistance, resource material, guidance and learning experiences regarding parenting skills.

KSDE provides funds to districts that have applied for PAT grants. For every state dollar received, the program must match with **65** cents of local funds. Audits are to ensure that all funds were received and that the district matched those funds.

Because 2017-18 PAT grants were funded with Children's Initiative Fund, no special conditions were required.

Local funds may be used to serve any family, including those who do not meet PAT risk criteria.

AUDIT STEPS

The Parents-As-Teachers Expenditure report and grant award available in the audit write-up. Verify expenditures listed on the Parents As Teachers Final Expenditure report. These expenditures should be found in the Parent Education Fund.

Be aware of the following special items concerning the Parents As Teachers Program:

1. Included in the audit material is the grant award amount, if this figure varies from the claimed "State Grant" amount, investigate to determine the reason for the variance.

- 2. District must match the state grant at the rate of <u>65%</u>, meaning for every \$100 of state grant the district must spend an additional \$65. If the district does not spend an amount equal to or greater than <u>65%</u> of the state grant, the state grant is to be reduced. Taking the individual line item amounts and dividing by 1.65 to get the state grant amount. For example, if a total of \$16,500 was expended for salary, 16,500 divided by 1.65 equals \$10,000, the amount of the state grant. Matching money would equal the difference of the total minus state grant (16,500 10,000 = 6,500).
- 3. For 2017-18, PAT Programs may count as local match all local expenditures that directly support the Program. For example, this may include costs such as transportation, supplies, and rental space costs that are necessary to the Program.
- 4. The audited state grant amount can never exceed the State Grant amount shown at the top of the page.
- 5. The final expenditure report for Parents As Teachers is due to School Finance on or about June 8. This means that the district may have had to make estimates of June expenses.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

In the current USD audit write-up, find the PAT tab. The claimed amounts will be preloaded in the write-up. Record the audited expenditures.

The total amount in the "State Grant" column cannot exceed the original state grant amount. If the district spends more than 165% of state grant, the overage always goes to the local match column.

In the NOTES section of the audit write-up, explain any changes made to any item above. Be specific, as this information will be critical in the event of an audit appeal.

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