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Eighty-five school district plans have been submitted for using the funds provided through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). These are now listed by district at the Recovery.Arkansas Web site. These easy-to-read reports, which show exactly how each school district plans to spend its allotted stimulus money, can be found at http://recovery.arkansas.gov/ade/ade_reports.html.

School districts began submitting their proposals for spending stimulus dollars to the Arkansas Department of Education (ADE) in June through an electronic reporting system designed especially for this purpose. Once received by the department, the plans were reviewed by a committee and either accepted, conditionally accepted or returned to the district.

“By and large, the plans submitted by the school districts have shown tremendous thought and effort toward spending these one-time dollars in ways that will have a positive, long-term impact on student achievement,” said Diana Julian, Interim Education Commissioner for ADE.

Each project furthers one or more of four goals set forth by the U.S. Department of Education:

- Making progress toward rigorous **college- and career-ready** standards and high-quality assessments that are valid and reliable for all students, including English language learners and students with disabilities;
- Establishing pre-K to college and career **data systems** that track progress and foster continuous improvement;
- Making improvements in **teacher effectiveness** and in the equitable distribution of qualified teachers for all students, particularly students who are most in need; and
- Providing **intensive support and effective interventions** for the lowest-performing schools.

Additional plans will be posted on a weekly basis as they are accepted by the Arkansas Department of Education.

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