WAC 392-172A-06085  Coordinated early intervening services.  

(1) A school district may not use more than fifteen percent of the amount the school district receives under Part B of the act for any fiscal year, less any amount reduced by the school district pursuant to WAC 392-172A-06015 if any, in combination with other amounts (which may include amounts other than education funds), to develop and implement coordinated early intervening services, which may include interagency financing structures. Those services are for students in kindergarten through grade twelve, with a particular emphasis on students in kindergarten through grade three, who are not currently identified as needing special education or related services, but who need additional academic and behavioral support to succeed in a general education environment.

(2) In implementing coordinated early intervening services under this section, a school district may carry out activities that include:

(a) Professional development, which may be provided by entities other than the school district, for teachers and other school staff to enable such personnel to deliver scientifically based academic and behavioral interventions, including scientifically based literacy instruction, and, where appropriate, instruction on the use of adaptive and instructional software; and

(b) Providing educational and behavioral evaluations, services, and supports, including scientifically based literacy instruction.

(3) Nothing in this section shall be construed to either limit or create a right to FAPE under Part B of the act or to delay appropriate evaluation of a student suspected of having a disability.

(4) Each school district that develops and maintains coordinated early intervening services under this section must annually report to the OSPI on:

(a) The number of students served under this section who received coordinated early intervening services; and

(b) The number of students served under this section who received coordinated early intervening services and later receive special education and related services within the following two year period.

(5) Funds made available to carry out this section may be used to carry out coordinated early intervening services aligned with activities funded by, and carried out under the ESEA if those funds are used to supplement, and not supplant, funds made available under the ESEA for the activities and services assisted under this section.

(6) Districts who have been determined to have significant disproportionality will be required to reserve the maximum amount of coordinated early intervening funds for students, in accordance with WAC 392-172A-07040.