

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 253

BY WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION; AMENDING SECTION 33-1001, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE THE DEFINITIONS OF "INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF," "MEASURABLE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT" AND "PERFORMANCE CRITERIA" AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 33-1001, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

33-1001. DEFINITIONS. The following words and phrases used in this chapter are defined as follows:

(1) "Administrative schools" means and applies to all elementary schools and kindergartens within a district that are situated ten (10) miles or less from both the other elementary schools and the principal administrative office of the district and all secondary schools within a district that are situated fifteen (15) miles or less from other secondary schools of the district.

(2) "Administrative staff" means those who hold an administrator certificate and are employed as a superintendent, an elementary or secondary school principal, or are assigned administrative duties over and above those commonly assigned to teachers.

(3) "Average daily attendance" or "pupils in average daily attendance" means the aggregate number of days enrolled students are present, divided by the number of days of school in the reporting period; provided, however, that students for whom no Idaho school district is a home district shall not be considered in such computation.

(4) "Career ladder" means the compensation table used for determining the allocations districts receive for instructional staff and pupil service staff based on specific performance criteria and is made up of a residency compensation rung and a professional compensation rung.

(5) "Compensation rung" means the rung on the career ladder that corresponds with the compensation level performance criteria.

(6) "Elementary grades" or "elementary average daily attendance" means and applies to students enrolled in grades 1 through 6 inclusive, or any combination thereof.

(7) "Elementary schools" are schools that serve grades 1 through 6 inclusive, or any combination thereof.

(8) "Elementary/secondary schools" are schools that serve grades 1 through 12 inclusive, or any combination thereof.

(9) "Homebound student" means any student who would normally and regularly attend school, but is confined to home or hospital because of an illness or accident for a period of ten (10) or more consecutive days.

(10) "Instructional staff" means those who hold an Idaho certificate issued under section 33-1201, Idaho Code, and who are either involved in the

1 direct instruction of a student or group of students ~~and~~ or who serve in a  
 2 mentor or teacher leader position for individuals who hold an Idaho certifi-  
 3 cate issued under section 33-1201, Idaho Code.

4 (11) "Kindergarten" or "kindergarten average daily attendance" means  
 5 and applies to all students enrolled in a school year, less than a school  
 6 year, or summer kindergarten program.

7 (12) "Measurable student achievement" means the measurement of student  
 8 academic achievement or growth within a given interval of instruction for  
 9 those students who have been enrolled in and attended eighty percent (80%)  
 10 of the interval of instruction. Measures and targets shall be chosen at the  
 11 district level or school level in collaboration with the staff member im-  
 12 pacted by the measures and applicable district staff. Assessment tools that  
 13 may be used for measuring student achievement and growth include:

- 14 (a) Idaho standards achievement test;
- 15 (b) Student learning objectives;
- 16 (c) Formative assessments;
- 17 (d) Teacher-constructed assessments of student growth;
- 18 (e) Pre- and post-tests;
- 19 (f) Performance-based assessments;
- 20 (g) Idaho reading indicator;
- 21 (h) College entrance exams or preliminary college entrance exams such  
 22 as PSAT, SAT and ACT;
- 23 (i) District-adopted assessment;
- 24 (j) End-of-course exams;
- 25 (k) Advanced placement exams; and
- 26 (l) ~~Professional- Career~~ technical exams.

27 (13) "Performance criteria" means the standards specified for instruc-  
 28 tional staff and pupil service staff to demonstrate teaching proficiency  
 29 for a given compensation rung. Each element of the performance criteria, as  
 30 identified in subsection (14) of this section, shall be reported for deter-  
 31 mining movement on the career ladder.

32 (14) "Professional compensation rung performance criteria" means:

- 33 (a) An overall rating of proficient, and no components rated as unsat-  
 34 isfactory on the state framework for teaching evaluation; and
- 35 (b) Demonstrating the majority of their students have met their measur-  
 36 able student achievement targets or student success indicator targets.

37 (15) "Public school district" or "school district" or "district" means  
 38 any public school district organized under the laws of this state, including  
 39 specially chartered school districts.

40 (16) "Pupil service staff" means those who provide services to students  
 41 but are not involved in direct instruction of those students, and hold a  
 42 pupil personnel services certificate.

43 (17) "Secondary grades" or "secondary average daily attendance" means  
 44 and applies to students enrolled in grades 7 through 12 inclusive, or any  
 45 combination thereof.

46 (18) "Secondary schools" are schools that serve grades 7 through 12 in-  
 47 clusive, or any combination thereof.

48 (19) "Separate elementary school" means an elementary school located  
 49 more than ten (10) miles on an all-weather road from both the nearest elemen-  
 50 tary school and elementary/secondary school serving like grades within the

1 same school district and from the location of the office of the superinten-  
2 dent of schools of such district, or from the office of the chief administra-  
3 tive officer of such district if the district employs no superintendent of  
4 schools.

5 (20) "Separate kindergarten" means a kindergarten located more than ten  
6 (10) miles on an all-weather road from both the nearest kindergarten school  
7 within the same school district and from the location of the office of the su-  
8 perintendent of schools of such district, or from the office of the chief ad-  
9 ministrative officer of such district if the district employs no superinten-  
10 dent of schools.

11 (21) "Separate secondary school" means any secondary school located  
12 more than fifteen (15) miles on an all-weather road from any other secondary  
13 school and elementary/secondary school serving like grades operated by the  
14 district.

15 (22) "Student success indicators" means measurable indicators of stu-  
16 dent achievement or growth, other than academic, within a predefined inter-  
17 val of time for a specified group of students. Measures and targets shall be  
18 chosen at the district or school level in collaboration with the pupil ser-  
19 vice staff member impacted by the measures and applicable district staff.  
20 Student success indicators include:

21 (a) Quantifiable goals stated in a student's 504 plan or individualized  
22 education plan.

23 (b) Quantifiable goals stated in a student's behavior improvement  
24 plan.

25 (c) School or district identified measurable student objectives for a  
26 specified student group or population.

27 (23) "Support program" means the educational support program as de-  
28 scribed in section 33-1002, Idaho Code, the transportation support program  
29 described in section 33-1006, Idaho Code, and the exceptional education  
30 support program as described in section 33-1007, Idaho Code.

31 (24) "Support unit" means a function of average daily attendance used  
32 in the calculations to determine financial support provided to the public  
33 school districts.

34 (25) "Teacher" means any person employed in a teaching, instructional,  
35 supervisory, educational administrative or educational and scientific ca-  
36 pacity in any school district. In case of doubt, the state board of educa-  
37 tion shall determine whether any person employed requires certification as a  
38 teacher.