# SALEM SCHOOL DISTRICT Arkansas Comprehensive School Improvement Plan REVIEW COPY ONLY 2012-2013

It is the mission of the Salem Schools to educate all students in a safe environment. Our school will provide a challenging curriculum promoting higher-order thinking skills, technology skills, and problem-solving abilities through relevant and engaging acitvities. We will provide the experiences necessary for all students to become responsible citizens.

Grade Span: Title I: Not Applicable School Improvement:

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- 1 **Priority 1:** To provide administrative support using state and federal funds.
- 1.1 **Goal:** To improve academic achievement and school environment for all students, including students that are considered from a low socio-economic background.

**Benchmark:** To meet state AYP targets and to improve secondary indicators. Salem Schools will provide the resources and professional development necessary to maintain current levels of student achievement. Our district will strive to improve instruction to reach all students and help them succeed. In 2012 - 13, teachers will continue to emphasize methods to attack open-response items in mathematics and literacy. There will also be an emphasis on project-based learning and ensuring that students are learning all state frameworks and common core state standards to a deeper level. Teachers will be implementing the use of many different instructional technology devices/programs into student lessons to provide visual examples and strategies to students and to bring in electronic resources to our students.

Intervention Administrative Support					
Scientific Based Research					
Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds	
Federal program requirements (welfare). The district based this amount on previous years expenditures and the fact that the district has 10 homeless students listed in the APSCN software for the 2012-13 school year.  Action Type: Collaboration	Corey Johnson	Start: 07/01/2012 End: 06/30/2013	Administrative Staff		\$3,001.41 \$3,001.41
Employ a federal programs coordinator (.20 FTE).  Action Type: Title I Schoolwide	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012 End: 06/30/2013	Administrative Staff	Title I Employee Benefits:	\$13,494.00 \$3,455.60 \$16,949.60
PEER REVIEW: The district and building team members will work together to perform a peer review of District and Building ACSIP plans. The review will focus on the professional development plan and the instructional programs, and support for those programs, that are detailed in each plan.  Action Type: Collaboration	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012 End: 06/30/2013	Administrative Staff District Staff Teachers	ACTION BUDGET:	_
PROGRAM EVALUATION: The success of the ACSIP plans and the administrative support will be evaluated throughout the year by team members. In addition, all employees will complete a survey each year to help evaluate the success of the program.  Action Type: Program Evaluation	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012 End: 06/30/2013		ACTION BUDGET:	_

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Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds
Transition/coordination services with local preschool programs. The Salem	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012	Administrative Staff	ACTION BUDGET:
School District works with local preschools to provide a smooth transition of services as the students enter the public school district. The district provides		End: 06/30/2013	Community Leaders District Staff	TRETION BEDGET.
special education services for those 3 and 4 year old students that require services. The district hosts the local preschool children for a campus visit			Teachers	
each spring the make sure students are familiar with the school campus and certain routines. The district also meets with the director of each local				
preschool to discuss ways to improve the transition process for students that are entering the Salem School District.  Action Type: Alignment				
Action Type: Collaboration  Transition/coordination services with local preschool programs. The Salem	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012	Administrative Staff	
School District works with local preschools to provide a smooth transition of services as the students enter the public school district. The district provides		End: 06/30/2013	Community Leaders District Staff	ACTION BUDGET:
special education services for those 3 and 4 year old students that require services. The district hosts the local preschool children for a campus visit			Teachers	
each spring the make sure students are familiar with the school campus and certain routines. The district also meets with the director of each local				
preschool to discuss ways to improve the transition process for students that are entering the Salem School District.				
Action Type: Alignment Action Type: Collaboration				
			Total Budget	\$19,951.01

# **Intervention** To provide staff development.

# Scientific Based Research

Steven C. Russell (1994). Teachers Teaching Teachers: The Art of Working Together and Sharing, 249-260.Laura M. Desimone; Andrew C. Porter; Michael S. Garet; Kwang Suk Yoon; Beatrice F. Birman - Effects of Professional Development on Teachers' Instruction: Results from a Three-Year Longitudinal Study; Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis, Vol. 24, No. 2 (Summer 2002), pp. 81-112.

Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds	
The administration will work in coordination with the educational	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012	Administrative Staff	Title I	
cooperative and outside consultants to provide all staff development for the		End: 06/30/2013	Outside Consultants	Purchased Services: \$7,0	00.00
school district. Title I purchased service money will be used to provide staff				Title I	
development above the 60 mandated hours. Title I materials and supplies				Materials & Supplies: \$3,7	50.00
money will be used to provide materials for professional development				ACTION BUDGET: \$10,7	50.00
opportunities above the 60 mandated hours. Materials will include books for					
professional reading, Master Teacher pamphlets, etc.					
Action Type: Collaboration					
Action Type: Professional Development					
PEER REVIEW: The district and building team members will work together	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012	Administrative Staff		
to perform a peer review of District and Building ACSIP plans. The review		End: 06/30/2013	District Staff	ACTION BUDGET:	
will focus on the professional development plan and the instructional			Teachers		
programs, and support for those programs, that are detailed in each plan.					
Action Type: Collaboration					
PROGRAM EVALUATION: The success of the ACSIP plans and the	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012			
administrative support will be evaluated throughout the year by team		End: 06/30/2013		ACTION BUDGET:	
members. In addition, all employees will complete a survey each year to help					
evaluate the success of the program.					
Action Type: Program Evaluation					
Needs Assessment: All teachers complete a survey each year to assess the	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012	Administrative Staff		
professional needs of the district. Data from the survey indicated the		End: 06/30/2013	Teachers	ACTION BUDGET:	
following as a priority for the 2012-13 school year: 1. Implementing the					
Common Core 2. Implementing the use of high order thinking skills in					
classroom instruction 3. Instructional strategies that engage students					
Action Type: Alignment					
Action Type: Collaboration					
Action Type: Professional Development					

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Intervention To provide staff development.							
Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds			
The district will create a Professional Development Center in the	Shaun Windsor	Start: 07/01/2012		Title I			
administration building. The center will include a LCD television, wall		End: 06/30/2013		Materials & Supplies: \$1,250.00			
mount, cables, and apple TV. The center will be used to attend online or				ACTION BUDGET: \$1,250.00			
webinar trainings for staff. In addition, the center will be used for local							
professional development trainings for small groups.							
Action Type: Professional Development							
			Total Budget	\$12,000.00			

**Intervention** The Salem School District will provide the technology infrastructure, software, and peripheral devices to provide the support necessary to implement supplemental educational initiatives for Title I students in the school district.

## Scientific Based Research

Renaissance Learning, Inc., March 2002, Summary of Research. p. 1-56.Using the technology of today,in the classroom todayEric Klopfer, Scot Osterweil, Jennifer Groff, Jason Haas http://education.mit.edu/papers/GamesSimsSocNets\_EdArcade.pdf

Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds	
Purchase a Mac Mini to monitor, distribute, and manage mobile devices and	Shaun Windsor	Start: 07/01/2012		Title I	
instructional apps throughout the district. The devices and apps are used to		End: 06/30/2013		Materials & Supplies:	\$800.00
provide and/or enhance supplemental instruction for Title I students				ACTION BUDGET:	\$800.00
throughout the district. The use of this technology allows the district to teach					
above and beyond the required state curriculum.					
Action Type: Technology Inclusion					
Action Type: Title I Schoolwide					
Program Evaluation: District staff will review the effectiveness of the use of	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012			
technology to enhance and supplement classroom instruction. This review		End: 06/30/2013		ACTION BUDGET:	
will take place in teacher meetings with principals and through a staff survey.					
Action Type: Program Evaluation					
The district will purchase a new core switch to increase functionality and	Shaun Windsor	Start: 07/01/2012		Title I	
productivity of the school Local Area Network (LAN). The device is used to		End: 06/30/2013		Capital Outlay:	\$2,100.00
provide and/or enhance supplemental instruction for Title I students				ACTION BUDGET:	\$2,100.00
throughout the district. The use of this technology allows the district to teach					
beyond the required state curriculum.					
Action Type: Technology Inclusion					
The district will purchase an Apple laptop to monitor and manage mobile	Shaun Windsor	Start: 07/01/2012		Title I	
devices and instructional apps throughout the district. The devices and apps		End: 06/30/2013		Capital Outlay:	\$1,257.00
are used to provide and/or enhance supplemental instruction for Title I				ACTION BUDGET:	\$1,257.00
students throughout the district. The use of this technology allows the district					
to teach above and beyond the required state curriculum.					
Action Type: Technology Inclusion					
The district will purchase software to manage, monitor, and distribute mobile	Shaun Windsor	Start: 07/01/2012		Title I	
devices and instructional apps throughout the district. The devices and apps		End: 06/30/2013		Purchased Services:	\$2,300.00
are used to provide and/or enhance supplemental instruction for Title I				ACTION BUDGET:	\$2,300.00
students throughout the district. The use of this technology allows the district					
to teach above and beyond the required state curriculum.					
Action Type: Technology Inclusion					

Intervention The Salem School District will provide the technology infrastructure, software, and peripheral devices to provide the support necessary						
to implement supplemental educational initiatives for Title I students in the school district.						
Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds		
Total Budget \$6,457.00						

# Intervention Parental Involvement

# Scientific Based Research

Emma McDonald (2005). Developing Positive Parent Partnerships, 1-4.Diane Debrovner (August 2004). Parents: Get Set For School, 144-152.Kathleen Cotton & Karen Reed Wikelund (1989). Parent Involvement in Education, 1-17.

Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds
The Salem School District Parental Involvement Program will include the	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012	Administrative Staff	
following activities: (1) Provide joint collaboration with parents, community		End: 06/30/2013	District Staff	ACTION BUDGET:
stakeholders, teachers, etc; (ensuring that parents and community members			Teachers	
are actively engaged in contributing to the development of ACSIP); (2)				
Provide support for schools to develop policies/programs to improve student				
achievement; (3) Provide parental involvement strategies for public and				
private preschool programs; (4) Conduct annual assessments of the				
effectiveness of Parental Involvement Programs and the efficient use of				
academic and non-academic activities; (7) Provide assistance to parents in				
understanding content how to monitor a child's progress; standards,				
academic assessments, (8) Provide materials and training to help parents				
work with their children to improve academic achievement; (9) Educate				
teachers, principals and other staff in the importance of effective				
communication, value and utility of contributions of parents; (10) Coordinate				
and integrate parent involvement programs and activities; (11) Ensure that				
information related to schools and parent programs is sent to parents to the				
extent practical in a language parents (including disabled parents) can				
understand; (12) Provide other reasonable support for parental involvement				
activities as parents may request.				
Action Type: Parental Engagement				
The Salem School District will require the following professional	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012	Outside Consultants	
development activities to support the parental involvement plan:		End: 06/30/2013		ACTION BUDGET:
(1) The district will provide no fewer than 2 hours for professional				
development opportunities for teachers; (2) The district will provide no fewer				
than 3 hours of professional development opportunities for administrators.				
Action Type: Professional Development				
			Total Budget	\$0.00

2 **Priority 2:** The Salem School District will provide a learning environment that is safe and drug free. Students will be exposed to a curriculum regarding the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse.

2.1 **Goal:** To reduce the percentage of Salem students using tobacco products (in all forms) and alcohol; to make students aware of choices that they have regarding any drug usage.

Benchmark: There will be a 1.5% decrease in the number of students suspended for drug, alcohol, or tobacco use in the Salem School District.

Scientific Based Research				
Monitor on Psychology, Volume 32, No. 5, June 2001, p. 1-	13.			
Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds
All health courses will emphasize the negative consequences of drug use.	Wayne Guiltner	Start: 07/01/2012 End: 06/30/2013	Teachers	ACTION BUDGET:
An anti-drug curriculum will be presented to students at Salem Schools. In the elementary school, the curriculum will be presented through the guidance classes for all grade levels. In the high school, the Life Skills Training Program will be used in the health classes. In additional, supplement of the Life Skills Program will be placed in the Parent Center for parents. Materials and supplies will be purchased to support the anti-drug curriculum.  Action Type: Parental Engagement	Wayne Guiltner	Start: 07/01/2012 End: 06/30/2013	District Staff Teachers	ACTION BUDGET:
The district will use the Arkansas Prevention Needs Assessment (APNA)  Student Survey and district suspension records to evaluate the effectiveness of the anti-drug curriculum and programs.  Action Type: Program Evaluation	L.A. Lindsey	Start: 07/01/2012 End: 06/30/2013	Administrative Staff Central Office Community Leaders Teachers	ACTION BUDGET:
Professional development will be provided each year concerning making healthy choices versus unhealthy choices. Consequences of drug use, healthy habits, and the food pyramid are examples of the program emphasis.  Action Type: Collaboration  Action Type: Professional Development	Melinda Coffman	Start: 07/01/2012 End: 06/30/2013	Administrative Staff Outside Consultants Teachers	ACTION BUDGET:
Salem schools will also try make students in kindergarten and first grade aware of possible problems on the bus, such as taking things offered to them from other students.	Corey Johnson	Start: 07/01/2012 End: 06/30/2013	Teachers	ACTION BUDGET:
			Total Budget	\$0.00

- 3 Priority 3: It is a priority of the Salem School District to provide an education to all students concerning healthy lifestyle choices.
- 3.1 **Goal:** The district will provide educational opportunities for students in making healthy lifestyle choices by implementing activities to aid in decreasing the average BMI on the annual student screening.

**Benchmark:** By the 2012-2013 school year, there will be a decrease of the average BMI for students in the Salem School District by 1/2% as evaluated by the 2011-2012 results of the annual BMI screening.

## **Intervention** Administrative Support for Wellness

#### Scientific Based Research

Pediatrics, Vol. 117 No. 5: pp. 1834-1842. 2006. Active Healthy Living: Prevention of Childhood Obesity Through Increased Physical Activity. Journal of the American Dietetic Association, 103(7): 887-93. 2003. Position of the American Dietetic Association: Child and Adolescent Food and Nutrition Program. J. Stand, C.T. Bayerl.

Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds
Staff development regarding physical fitness and nutrition will be held for all	Melinda Gray	Start: 07/01/2012	Community Leaders	
district teachers.		End: 06/30/2013	District Staff	ACTION BUDGET:
Action Type: Professional Development			Teachers	
Action Type: Wellness				
The Salem School District has developed district wellness policies in	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012		
collaboration with the district Nutrition and Physical Activity Committee.		End: 06/30/2013		ACTION BUDGET:
Policies have been approved by the district school board. Policies include the				
five federal requirements: Goals for nutrition education, physical activity and				
other school-based activities, nutrition guidelines, guidelines for				
reimbursable school meals, a plan for measuring implementation of the local				
wellness policy, and community involvement.				
Action Type: Collaboration				
Action Type: Wellness				
The Nutrition and Physical Activity Committee will monitor goals and	Wayne Guiltner	Start: 07/01/2012		
evaluate the effectiveness of interventions by reviewing the school health		End: 06/30/2013		ACTION BUDGET:
index modules and the wellness policy checklist each year.				
Action Type: Collaboration				
Action Type: Program Evaluation				
Action Type: Wellness				

Intervention Administrative Support for Wellness				
Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds
Salem Schools will facilitate the alignment and implementation of the Arkansas Nutrition and Physical Education and Physical Activity Standards and Arkansas Curriculum Frameworks. Opportunities for grade level meetings and curriculum meetings will be given to review framework changes and any changes in the health curriculum.  Action Type: Professional Development Action Type: Wellness	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012 End: 06/30/2013	Administrative Staff Teachers	ACTION BUDGET:
The Nutrition and Physical Activity Committee will regulary monitor the goals of the wellness plan and evaluate the effectiveness of the interventions in place by reviewing data results from the School Health Index, the BMI, and the Youth Risk Survey.  Action Type: Collaboration  Action Type: Program Evaluation  Action Type: Wellness	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012 End: 06/30/2013	Administrative Staff Community Leaders Teachers	ACTION BUDGET:
			Total Budget	\$0.00

**Intervention** Salem Schools will provide opportunities for students to practice healthy behaviors at school and encourage them to make healthy food choices and educate them concerning life-long physical activities which will result in higher academic achievement and a healthier life.

#### Scientific Based Research

Guidelines for School Health Programs to Promote Lifelong Healthy Eating, (June 14, 1996/Vol. 45, No. RR-9). Pediatrics, Vol. 105 No. 5, pp. 1156-1157. 2000. Physical Fitness and Activity in Schools. American Academy of Pediatrics.

Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds
All grade levels in the elementary school will have the opportunity to	Melinda Gray	Start: 07/01/2012	Outside Consultants	
implement the Take 10 health curriculum. Teachers and students will		End: 06/30/2013	Teachers	ACTION BUDGET:
dedicate 10 minutes a day to physical activity and health activities. A survey				
will be sent home at the end of the semester to parents to assess the				
program's effectiveness.				
Action Type: Collaboration				
Action Type: Parental Engagement				
Action Type: Wellness				
The elementary school will participate in the Body Walk on a two-year cycle.	Melinda Gray	Start: 07/01/2012	Community Leaders	
Students will walk through a tent structure that resembles the organ systems		End: 06/30/2013	District Staff	ACTION BUDGET:
of the human body. Community members provide brief talks at each body			Teachers	
organ station.				
Action Type: Collaboration				
Action Type: Parental Engagement				
Action Type: Wellness				
Salem Schools will support staff members in making physical activity and	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012	Administrative Staff	
healthy foods widely available in all areas of the school campus and		End: 06/30/2013		ACTION BUDGET:
encourage students to make healthy behavior choices outside of school.				
Action Type: Wellness				
Salem Schools will support the cafeterias in order to offer students healthy	Martha Wood	Start: 07/01/2012	District Staff	
food choices each day. Students will only be offered a variety of low fat and		End: 06/30/2013		ACTION BUDGET:
skim milk with each meal.				
Action Type: Wellness				
The Salem School District will involve parents in physical activity and	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012	Administrative Staff	
nutrition education through homework activities, school menus, and parent		End: 06/30/2013	Central Office	ACTION BUDGET:
meetings.			Teachers	
Action Type: Collaboration				
Action Type: Parental Engagement				
Action Type: Wellness				

**Intervention** Salem Schools will provide opportunities for students to practice healthy behaviors at school and encourage them to make healthy food choices and educate them concerning life-long physical activities which will result in higher academic achievement and a healthier life.

Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds
The Salem School District will promote and support a curriculum emphasizing healthy living and physical activity. The curriculum will be	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012 End: 06/30/2013	District Staff Teachers	ACTION BUDGET:
aligned with the Arkansas Health Frameworks.  Action Type: Alignment  Action Type: Wellness				
Salem Schools will assist the Wellness Committee as the committee evaluates the effectiveness of the Wellness Plan each school year. Changes in the plan will be made accordingly.  Action Type: Collaboration  Action Type: Program Evaluation	Wayne Guiltner	Start: 07/01/2012 End: 06/30/2013	Community Leaders District Staff	ACTION BUDGET:
Action Type: Wellness  The Salem School District will support the computer-based system for	Martha Wood	Start: 07/01/2012	Administrative Staff	ACTION BUDGET:
student meal accounts. Every effort will be made to inform parents of the free and reduced lunch application process and the private lunch account process to ensure student privacy.		End: 06/30/2013	District Staff	ACTION BUDGET:
Action Type: Equity Action Type: Parental Engagement Action Type: Technology Inclusion				
Action Type: Wellness			Total Budget	\$0.00

4 **Priority 4:** 1. To provide staff development 2. Provide an Alternative Learning Environment 3. Use NSLA funds to provide highly qualified teachers in the classroom.

- 2. Provide an Alternative Learning Environment 3. Use NSLA funds to provide highly qualified teachers in the classroom.
- 4.1 **Goal:** To improve academic achievement and school environment for all students, including students that are considered from a low socio-economic background.

**Benchmark:** To meet state AYP targets and to improve secondary indicators. Salem Schools will provide the resources and professional development necessary to maintain current levels of student achievement. Our district will strive to improve instruction to reach all students and help them succeed. In 2012-13, teachers will continue to emphasize methods to attack open-response items in mathematics and literacy. There will also be an emphasis on project-based learning and ensuring that students are learning all state frameworks and common core state standards to a deeper level. Teachers will be implementing the use of many different instructional technology devices/programs into student lessons to provide visual examples and strategies to students and to bring in electronic resources to our students.

Intervention To provide staff development.						
Scientific Based Research						
Steven C. Russell (1994). Teachers Teaching Teachers: The	Steven C. Russell (1994). Teachers Teaching Teachers: The Art of Working Together and Sharing, 249-260.					
Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds		
State professional development funds will be used to provide the mandated	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012	Administrative Staff	PD (State-223)		
60 hours of professional development. In addition the district will provide		End: 06/30/2013	Outside Consultants	Purchased Services:	\$24,862.00	
professional development activities for classified staff as needed.			Teachers	PD (State-223)		
Purchased Services 24,862.00 - Workshops 11,612. Lodging 7,500 Meals				Materials & Supplies:	\$500.00	
2,750 Travel 3,000 Materials and Supplies 500.00 for supplies at local				PD (State-223)		
inservice Employee salaries 1,100.00 to substitutes for 20 days at \$55.00 per				Employee Benefits:	\$239.70	
day to cover for teachers that are in workshops Employee benefits 239.70 to				PD (State-223)		
substitutes for 20 days at \$55.00 per day to cover for teachers that are in				Employee Salaries:	\$1,100.00	
workshops.				ACTION BUDGET:	\$26,701.70	
Action Type: Professional Development						

Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds
Needs Assessment: All teachers complete a survey each year to assess the	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012		
professional needs of the district. Data from the survey indicated the		End: 06/30/2013		ACTION BUDGET:
following as a priority for the 2012-13 school year: 1. Implementing the				
Common Core 2. Implementing the use of high order thinking skills in				
classroom instruction 3. Instructional strategies that engage students				
Action Type: Alignment				
Action Type: Collaboration				
Action Type: Professional Development				
PEER REVIEW: The district and building team members will work together	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012	Administrative Staff	
to perform a peer review of District and Building ACSIP plans. The review		End: 06/30/2013	District Staff	ACTION BUDGET:
will focus on the professional development plan and the instructional			Teachers	
programs, and support for those programs, that are detailed in each plan.				
Action Type: Collaboration				
PROGRAM EVALUATION: The success of the ACSIP plans and the	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012	Administrative Staff	
administrative support will be evaluated throughout the year by team		End: 06/30/2013	Teachers	ACTION BUDGET:
members. In addition, all employees will complete a survey each year to help				
evaluate the success of the program.				
Action Type: Program Evaluation				
			Total Budget	\$26,701.70

Priority 4: State Support

# **Intervention** Alternative Learning Environment

# Scientific Based Research

Steven C. Russell (1994). Teachers Teaching Teachers: The Art of Working Together and Sharing, 249-260.

Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds	
The Salem District will provide an alternative learning environment for	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012	Administrative Staff	ALE (State-275)	
students that qualify under the guidelines provided by the Arkansas		End: 06/30/2013	Teachers	Materials & Supplies:	\$5,720.00
Department of Education. The school will consist of 15 or less students and				ALE (State-275)	
one (1)teacher (1 FTE). Don Carithers is the teacher for the alternative school				Employee Benefits:	\$14,016.35
program. The alternative program will use of the Arkansas Virtual High				ALE (State-275)	
School for some course offerings. In addition, the program will use APEX				Employee Salaries:	\$56,100.00
software as a supplement to teacher instruction. In order to qualify for the				ACTION BUDGET:	\$75,836.35
program, a student must be behind academically and have at least two					
additional situations that prevent them from succeeding in school. The goal					
of the program is to return the student to the regular classroom as soon as					
possible. If this is not possible, a student can graduate by obtaining all					
courses required for graduation while attending the Salem Alternative school.					
If it is not possible for a student to meet academic requirements to graduate,					
the alternative school will provide training for the GED exam. Students that					
return to the regular education setting are monitored closely by teachers, the					
counselor and the principal. This group will meet, if necessary, to provide					
support or re-visit academic progress goals for students that return to the					
regular educational setting. State categorical funding for ALE will not meet					
all funding needs to provide an ALE program for the district. Therefore,					
$\$20,\!000$ will be transferred from the NSLA fund to the Alternative Learning					
Environment fund and \$10,000 will be transferred into ALE from					
Professional Development funds.					
Don Carithers: ALE Teacher (1 FTE) Salary \$56,100; Benefits \$14,016.35					
Materials & Supplies: \$5,720.00 Classroom Supplies,textbooks, SAT online					
testing software, APEX Digital Learning Curriculum.					
Action Type: Collaboration					
Action Type: Equity					

Intervention Alternative Learning Environment				
Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds
Each year the administrative staff will evaluate the effectiveness of the ALE program and determine what, if any, changes that will occur. Several students have graduated from Salem High School that were enrolled in the alternative program. District personnel are pleased with the fact that these students overcame several obstacle to complete their high school education.  Action Type: Professional Development	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012 End: 06/30/2013	Administrative Staff Outside Consultants	ACTION BUDGET:
Action Type: Program Evaluation				
			Total Budget	\$75,836.35

# Intervention National School Lunch Act Funding

## Scientific Based Research

National Institute on Student Achievement, Curriculum, and Assessment (1999). Reducing Class Size, What Do We Know, 1-11. Janelle Young (2003). The Examination of Low Socioeconomic Students and Effective Educational Motivational Strategies, 1-5.

Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds	
Funds will be used as an incentive to increase salaries above the minimum	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012	Administrative Staff	NSLA (State-281)	
salary schedule. The Salem School District has used NSLA funds in this		End: 06/30/2013	Central Office	Employee Benefits:	\$6,620.00
manner since the inception of NSLA funding. The district is in compliance				NSLA (State-281)	
with state law that requires a yearly 20% reduction in funds used for salaries				Employee Salaries:	\$28,800.00
above the minimum until no more than $20\%$ of NSLA funds are used for this				ACTION BUDGET:	\$35,420.00
expenditure. The district has received approval from the commissioner of					
education to use funds in this manner as required by law. The Salem School					
District uses funds to increase salary above the minimum to ensure that we					
can attract highly qualified teachers to teach in our district. A quality teacher					
in the classroom is the most important commodity the district can purchase to					
ensure student success. Teachers that receive salary above the minimum					
through NSLA are: Melodye Aldridge, Kara Boyd, David Cone, Linda					
DuBois, Cassie Knight, Denise Fowler.					
Each year the administrative staff will evaluate the use of the NSLA funds	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012	Administrative Staff		
and the effectiveness of the district's use of those funds.		End: 06/30/2013	Central Office	ACTION BUDGET:	
Action Type: Program Evaluation					
A technology coordinator (0.5 FTE) will be employed to provide instruction,	Ken Rich	Start: 07/01/2012		NSLA (State-281)	
training, and support for all academic technology initiatives.		End: 06/30/2013		Employee Benefits:	\$5,666.42
Action Type: Professional Development				NSLA (State-281)	
Action Type: Technology Inclusion				Employee Salaries:	\$21,132.00
				ACTION BUDGET:	\$26,798.42
Technology supplies, software, and materials will be purchased to support	Shaun Windsor	Start: 07/01/2012		NSLA (State-281)	
instructional programs and infrastructure within the district.		End: 06/30/2013		Materials & Supplies:	\$600.00
Action Type: Technology Inclusion				NSLA (State-281)	
				Purchased Services:	\$200.00
				ACTION BUDGET:	\$800.00
A rackmount KVM console will be purchased to manage and coordinate all	Shaun Windsor	Start: 07/01/2012		NSLA (State-281)	
school servers. This equipment will allow the district to more efficiently		End: 06/30/2013		Capital Outlay:	\$2,200.00
manage school-wide literacy programs.				ACTION BUDGET:	\$2,200.00
Action Type: Technology Inclusion					

Intervention National School Lunch Act Funding				
Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Resources	Source of Funds
			Total Budget	\$65,218.42

# A School Improvement Planning Team

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING TEAM MEMBERS					
Classification	Name	Position	Committee		
Classroom Teacher	Lynn Maguffee	5th Grade Teacher	Title I and Title V		
Classroom Teacher	Rachel Foster	English Teacher	Title I and Title V		
Non-Classroom Professional Staff	Anna Sutherland	Title I and Title V	Title I and Title V		
Non-Classroom Professional Staff	Brandi Sanderson	School Nurse	Title I and Title V		
Non-Classroom Professional Staff	Kim Smith-Harber	High School Librarian	Title I and Title V		
Non-Classroom Professional Staff	L.A. Lindsey	High School Counselor	Title I and Title V		
Non-Classroom Professional Staff	Vicki Ragan	Elementary Librarian	Title I and Title V		
Non-Classroom Professional Staff	Vicky Rossitto	Elementary Counselor	Title I and Title V		
Parent	Melanie Stone	Parent	Title I and Title V		
Principal	Corey Johnson	Elemenary Principal	Title I and Title V		
Principal	Wayne Guiltner	High School Principal	Title I and Title V		