



NCLB Making a Difference in Nevada

- President Bush's 2005 budget proposal increases federal education funding for Nevada to more than \$434.7 million – 67% more than when the President took office.
- President Bush's 2005 budget proposal increases Title I funding to \$72.2 million – \$39 million over 2001 levels – to help Nevada's neediest children.
- Nevada has received \$15.6 million in reading grants to help schools and districts improve children's reading achievement through scientifically proven methods of instruction since 2002. President Bush's proposed budget includes an additional \$6.7 million for Nevada. In total, over six years, Nevada is set to receive approximately \$26 million in Reading First funds.
- "The Clark County School District is expected to receive an extra \$9.5 million, a record 24.5 percent increase, in federal dollars for its poorest schools, U.S. Education officials announced. Based on the Education Department's calculations, Clark County's share will increase the district's take to \$48.6 million for 2004. Nevada's overall Title I funding will be more than \$63 million, an increase of 19 percent from 2003. 'This is great step forward in our efforts to improve the education system in Nevada and across the country,' Senator John Ensign said in a prepared statement. 'These grant awards reflect recognition of the unique demands on Nevada's schools because of our state's growth.'" (*Las Vegas Sun*, 3/16/04)
- "Anderson Elementary School, underachieving a few years ago, recently became Washoe County's first poverty-area school to earn high-achievement status under the federal *No Child Left Behind Act*. It shows that students in poor neighborhoods can succeed in school as well as any, Principal Peter Hall said. 'Every Title I school can do this, but you have to be willing to change and not just do what you have done,' said Sue Kay, a second-grade teacher." (*Reno Gazette-Journal*, 7/26/04)