

## INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** April 7, 2004

**TO:** MEMBERS, STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

**FROM:** Sue Stickel, Deputy Superintendent  
Curriculum and Instruction Branch

**SUBJECT:** Immediate Intervention/Underperforming Schools Program (II/USP)  
reversal of State Board decision to deem Morningside High School state-monitored

### **FORTHCOMING RECOMMENDATION**

At the May 2004 meeting, CDE staff will recommend that the State Board of Education (SBE) reverse its previous action to deem Morningside High School a state monitored school.

### **SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

At the March 2004 SBE meeting, based on the information provided, the SBE deemed Morningside High School in Inglewood Unified School District a state-monitored school.

### **SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES**

Morningside High School was deemed state-monitored based on corrected API data. At the time of the March 2004 SBE meeting, the corrected API data were not yet available electronically. Therefore, staff had to manually determine if Morningside was subject to state sanctions. In the process, an inadvertent mistake was made. Once the data were received electronically and standard protocols run, the mistake was discovered. Morningside, which is funded jointly by II/USP and High Priority, is not eligible (by law) for sanctions until 2004-05. In the future, special care will be taken to ensure that the same mistake does not occur again.

### **FISCAL ANALYSIS (AS APPROPRIATE)**

If the SBE reverses its action (as will be recommended), Morningside High School will not receive the following amounts of Title I funds:

\$100,000 to contract with a School Assistance and Intervention Team (SAIT) Provider  
\$252,150 to implement the corrective actions