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## **New Initiative Targets Rapid English Acquisition**

McClellan, CA—Twin Rivers rolled out a new initiative for the 2015-16 school. The Newcomer Digital Initiative (NDI) will place 150 laptops in the hands of students who are relatively new to the country with hopes to rapidly improve their English acquisition.

Students receiving laptops have been assessed using the California English Language Development Test. The computers come with programs designed to provide daily individual English instruction and practice.

"The long term expectation is that students will bring these laptops to school every single day," says Dr. Jacquelyn Moore, Director of the English Learner Services Department. "When they go to a computer lab or a cart of computers is brought to their classroom, they already have these programs on their laptop and will pull it out."

Twin Rivers Unified School District serves approximately 28,000 preschool through adult education students in northern Sacramento County.

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