Bilingual Program Funds Sought By Iberia Parish

School Board To Outline French Program For Public

NEW IBERIA — A public meeting will be held at 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 18, in the Iberia Parish Educational Center to give interested persons a preview of a bilingual program for which the school board is applying for federal funds.

The board is applying for some $30,000 in Emergency School Assistance Act funds to help finance a special teacher training program at USL. The program would enable French-speaking teachers from Iberia Parish to learn to teach subjects such as physical education, science, math, etc., in French.

Others To Apply

School boards in St. Martin and Lafayette Parishes have also made application for funds under the program.

In compliance with guidelines established by the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, the school board has appointed a biracial advisory committee to help steer the program to its goal. The committee members are Arnold Benjamin Jr., Charles Cyr III, Danny Davis, Dr. James Henderson, Rev. C.V. Jackson, Mrs. Joseph L. Jefferson, Gaston Mestayer, Mrs. Joyce Myers, Mrs. Curry Oubre and Mrs. Camille Syrie.

The meeting will enable committee members and other interested persons to review the proposed program and make comments prior to the submission of the application.

PEP TALK — USL art instructor Elmore Morgan gives a pep talk to Kaplan High School students interested in art. "Two or three of you may wind up in art," he said, "but unless the rest of you study it, you may never develop that side of you, become truly well-rounded, and that's a real shame." (Advertiser Staff Photo)