

# Federal K-12 funding sources quick reference chart



Funding source & purpose	How are funds distributed?	What can be purchased*?
<p><b><a href="#">Title I—Improving Basic Programs</a></b></p> <p>Provides additional academic support and learning opportunities for low-achieving, disadvantaged youth</p> <p>Largest source of federal K–12 funds</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formula funds based on the percentage of students from low-income families</li> <li>• 85% of funds must be spent in the first 15 months; up to 15% of remaining funds can be carried over in the last 12 months of the 27-month federal timeline.</li> </ul> <p><b>Schoolwide vs. Targeted Assistance Programs</b></p> <p>Schools with a 40%+ low-income student population can operate a Schoolwide Program to upgrade the instructional program for the whole school. Under ESSA, states may grant waivers to allow schools with less than 40% to operate a schoolwide program. Targeted Assistance Programs provide services and support to students who are failing or at risk of failing.</p> <p><b>School Improvement Funds</b></p> <p>A state set-aside of 7% of Title I funds is earmarked for school improvement efforts for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) or Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) identified schools.</p>	<p>Intervention Programs Supplemental Materials Assessment/Progress Monitoring Solutions Educational Technology (including software to support student instruction) Professional Development Well-rounded Education* Programs</p> <p>*As defined by ESSA: courses, activities, and programming in subjects such as English, reading or language arts, writing, science, technology, engineering, math, foreign languages, civics and government, economics, arts, history, geography, computer science, music, career and technical education, health, physical education, and any other subject as determined by the SEA or LEA, with the purpose of providing all students access to an enriched curriculum and educational experience</p>
<p><b><a href="#">Title II—Preparing, Training, &amp; Recruiting Teachers and Principals, or Other School Leaders</a></b></p> <p>Supports for teachers and leaders</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formula funds; at least 95% is for district and school sub-grants</li> <li>• 100% of funds can be used throughout the 27-month cycle. No program spending limits apply.</li> <li>• States may reserve up to 3% for district sub-grants for state-level principal/leader support.</li> <li>• States can blend Title II Part A funds with other ESSA funds.</li> </ul>	<p>Professional Development Evaluation and Support Systems Educator Equity Preparation, Recruitment, Induction, and Retention Strategies</p>
<p><b><a href="#">Title III—Language Instruction for English Learners &amp; Immigrant Students</a></b></p> <p>Helps English learners attain English proficiency and develop high levels of academic achievement</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formula funds based on the number of English learners and immigrant children and youth in the state</li> <li>• 100% of funds can be used throughout the 27-month cycle. No program spending limits apply.</li> <li>• States establish and implement standardized, statewide entrance and exit criteria for English learners</li> </ul>	<p>Language Instruction Programs Assessment/Progress Monitoring Solutions Professional Development Personnel Educational Technology (including software to support student instruction) Community/Family Literacy Engagement Developing or Implementing Language Instruction Programs in Preschools (that are coordinated with other relevant programs and services)</p>
<p>Title IV—21st Century Schools</p> <p>Provides students with access to a well-rounded education and to improve school conditions for student learning</p>	<p>There are two block-grants under Title IV:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><a href="#">Part A—Student Support &amp; Academic Enrichment</a></b> (formula, based on Title I state allocations that can be used throughout the 27-month federal cycle)</li> <li>• <b><a href="#">Part B—21st Century Community Learning Centers</a></b> (formula to states; competitive sub-grant to LEAs)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Part A:</b> Personalized Learning Well-rounded Education Programs Professional Development</p> <p><b>Part B:</b> Activities, Services, and Programs Focused on Academic Enrichment (designed to reinforce and complement the regular academic program of participating students)</p>
<p><b><a href="#">IDEA—Individuals with Disabilities Education Act</a></b></p> <p>Ensures that children with disabilities have access to a free, appropriate public education designed to meet their unique needs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formula funds that include students with individualized education plans as well as children living in poverty</li> <li>• 100% of funds can be used throughout the 27-month cycle. No program spending limits apply.</li> </ul> <p>There are three basic grants under IDEA:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. IDEA Part B, Grants to States (children ages 3–21)</li> <li>2. IDEA Part B, Preschool Grants (children ages 3–5)</li> <li>3. IDEA Part C, Grants for Infants/Families (children ages 0–2 and their families)</li> </ol>	<p>Special Education Teachers/Administrators Intervention Programs Supplemental Materials Assessment/Progress Monitoring Solutions Educational Technology (including software to support student instruction) Professional Development Specialized Equipment and Devices</p>

\* This is not an exhaustive list; additional goods/services may be allowed.