



Title Meeting

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What is Title I?

- Title I is a federally funded program that provides financial assistance to local educational agencies to improve educational opportunities for children. Title I programs are designed to help children meet the state content and performance standards in reading, language arts, and mathematics.

Which schools qualify for Title I funding?

- Based on the federal funding formula, Karns City Area Elementary is eligible to receive Title I funds, as we have a School-wide Title I program. The School-wide Plans are reviewed annually and provide a clear plan for addressing the academic needs of all students.

How are Title I funds used in my school?

- The Title I funds provide additional support in reading instruction to students in grades K-6. There is a strong emphasis on developing collaborative intervention plans to address student needs as measured by district assessments, commercial and standardized tests, and the PSSA. Title I provides support through funding the salaries and benefits of:
 - Title I Reading Specialist Teachers & Title I Paraprofessional at KCAES

Where can I find more information about Title I?

- Visit our website for more information and resources: www.kcasdk12.org
- Go to your school page and click on the Title I Program link. Here you will find:
 - District Parent Involvement Policy
 - Your School's School-wide Title I Policy
 - School-Parent Compact
 - Title I Parent/Guardian Notices
 - Title I Parent Resources
 - Title I Staff Information
 - News, Events, & Other Helpful Information
- You can also learn more about Title I at these links:
 - Pennsylvania State Parent Advisory Council
 - www.spac.k12.pa.us
 - Pennsylvania Department of Education
 - www.education.state.pa.us
 - United States Department of Education
 - www.ed.gov

What is Title II Part A?

- The purpose of Title II Part A funding is to provide grants and subgrants to local education agencies (Schools) to:
 - Increase student student achievement consistent with the challenging state academic standards.
 - Improve the quality and effectiveness of teachers, principals, and other school leaders.
 - Provide low-income and minority students greater access to effective teachers, principals, and other school leaders.

Allowable uses of Title II Part A funds:

- Supplemental teacher/principal evaluation
- Recruitment and retention efforts
- Class size reduction
- Supplemental induction/mentoring programs
- Library programs
- Programs to identify students with trauma, mental illness, and appropriate intervention
- Programs to improve school climate including school safety, drug & alcohol

- abuse, chronic absenteeism
- Support for gifted learning
- Sex abuse prevention
- Expansion of access to and opportunities for STEM
- Career/tech education integration and work-based learning to prepare for workforce or post-secondary transition
- Support for principals/school leaders
- Selecting/implementing assessments
- Improved staff working conditions (feedback)
- The following professional development activities:
 - Technology integration
 - Use of data
 - Parent and family engagement
 - IEP's
 - English Learners
 - Early learning

How are Title II Part A funds used in my school?

- The Title II Part A funds are used to offset some of the salary and benefits of a staff member for class size reduction. There is a strong correlation between small class size and learning. Overall, research shows that students in smaller classes perform better in all subjects and on all assessments when compared to their peers in larger classes.
 - Class size reduction

What is Title IV Part A?

- The purpose of Title IV Part A funding is to provide all students access to a well rounded education; to improve the conditions for student learning; and to improve the use of technology to improve the academic achievement and digital literacy of all students.

Allowable uses of Title IV Part A funds:

- **Well Rounded Educational Opportunities**
 - College and Career Guidance and Counseling Programs
 - Music and Arts Programs
 - STEM Supplies
 - Accelerated Learning (AP)

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- History
 - Foreign Language
 - Environmental Education
 - Promoting Volunteerism
 - **Safe and Healthy Students**
 - Drug and Violence Prevention
 - School-based Mental Health Services
 - Supporting a Healthy, Active Lifestyle
 - Preventing Bullying and Harassment
 - Mentoring and School Counseling
 - School Drop Out and Re-entry Programs
 - Schoolwide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports
 - **Effective Use of Technology**
 - Building Technological Capacity and Infrastructure
 - Providing School Personnel with Professional Learning Tools
 - Innovative Strategies for Delivering Specialized or rigorous Academic Courses through the use of Technology blended Learning Projects
 - Professional Development in the Use of Technology in STEM Subjects
 - Providing Students in Rural, Remote, and Underserved Areas with Resources to take Advantage of High Quality Digital Learning Experiences
 - *The Title IV law limits the amount spent on "infrastructure" (including devices) to 15% of the amount budgeted for Effective Use of Technology.*

How are Title IVA funds used in my school?

- **Class Size Reduction**
 - KCASD is part of a consortium of districts with the Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV
 - We have the choice to put our Title IV funds into the consortium and the funds will be divided and used equally by all consortium members based on the most pressing universal need. Or.....
 - We can transfer our Title IV funds to our Title II funds for the 2024-2025 school year.
 - We will transfer Title IV funds to Title II funds for class size reduction in the 2024-2025 school year.