



State and Federal Title IV Allowable and Unallowable Costs

Purpose of Title IV Funds:

Title IV funds are part of the Student Support and Academic Enrichment (SSAE) program, designed to improve academic achievement and provide all students with access to a well-rounded education, safe and healthy schools, and effective technology. The following are examples of allowable expenses and services under Title IV:

1. Well-Rounded Educational Opportunities

- Programs to improve access to music, arts, and STEM education.
- Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), or dual-enrollment programs.
- College and career counseling services.

2. Safe and Healthy Schools

- Mental health services and supports.
- Training for staff on school safety practices and emergency preparedness.
- Bullying prevention programs and initiatives to support student well-being.

3. Effective Use of Technology

- Professional development for educators on the effective use of technology in the classroom.
- Technology tools to improve student learning and digital literacy.
- Activities to protect student privacy and promote responsible digital citizenship.

4. Professional Development and Training

- Training programs for teachers and staff that align with the goals of Title IV.
- Leadership development initiatives for school administrators.

5. Community Engagement and Collaboration

- Initiatives to involve families and communities in supporting academic and personal growth.
- Partnerships with local organizations to enhance educational opportunities.



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Unallowable Costs

Title IV funds cannot be used for expenses that are not directly aligned with the program's objectives. The following are examples of unallowable costs:

- 1. General Operational Costs**
 - Salaries for administrative staff not directly related to Title IV activities.
 - Facility maintenance, construction, or rent.
- 2. Non-Educational Expenses**
 - Food, beverages, or entertainment costs.
 - Gifts, awards, or incentives not directly tied to educational outcomes.
- 3. Supplanting Other Funds**
 - Using Title IV funds to replace state or local funding for programs or services.
 - Covering expenses required under other federal laws or programs.
- 4. Capital Outlay**
 - Purchasing large-scale equipment or infrastructure not tied directly to Title IV objectives.
 - Vehicle purchases or facility upgrades.
- 5. Unrelated Programs or Services**
 - Programs not aligned with the intent and purpose of Title IV.
 - Training, resources, or services unrelated to well-rounded education, safe schools, or technology.

Important Note: All expenditures must meet the intent and purpose of Title IV and comply with federal, state, and local guidelines. For questions about specific costs, consult your grant administrator or refer to the [TEA's guidelines](#).