Federal Grant Programs 2025-2026

Stakeholders Engagement & Feedback

July 30, 2025

Stakeholder Engagement is the process of communicating to, learning from, and partnering with stakeholders that acknowledges the unique needs and strengths of the stakeholders involved.

Stakeholder Meeting #2

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Upper Merion Area School District

Purpose: Learn about these grants and gain an understanding of how our District allocates these funds to help ensure an equitable education for all of our students.

The Upper Merion Area School District receives Federal funding categorized as:

Title I,

Title II,

Title III and

Title IV

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Title I, Part A Program

Title I, Part A (Title I) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) provides financial assistance to local educational agencies (LEAs) and schools with high numbers or high percentages of children from low-income families to help ensure that all children meet challenging state academic standards.

- **Eligibility based on Free and Reduced Lunch Percentages**
- **Proposed: Serve one school due to current funding allocation: *$724,929.00***
  (reduction of $8,239.00 from 2024-2025 School Year)
  - **Bridgeport Elementary School**
    - **Two Reading Specialists, Two ESL Teachers, & One Counselor**
    - **Materials for Parent and Family Engagement**

UMASD Equity Plan

LEAs that choose to accept Title I funding are required by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015 to develop an equity plan to ensure that their poor and minority students in Title I schools are not being taught at a disproportionate rate by teachers who are ineffective, inexperienced, or who are teaching out of field.

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