

Tacoma Public Schools

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Public School Districts that receive Title I, Part A funds are required to set-aside one- percent (1%) of each year's total awarded allocation to support non-public schools in areas of teacher professional development, parent and family engagement, and supplemental resources and materials for students. Fund distributions are calculated each year based off the number of qualifying non-public schools who have requested to participate in Equitable Services and the number of eligible students at each non-public school who resides within a Tacoma School District Title I catchment zone.

Non-public schools will receive an allocation letter in September that details their budget for the current school year. Funds are available to the non-public schools through August 31 of the current school year.

Allowable Expenses

Non-public school choosing to participate in Equitable Services, ongoing consultation must be conducted throughout the development of the written plan and the implementation of the provision of Title I, Part A services.

Funds are never paid directly to the non-public school. If funds are not sufficient to provide instructional services directly to students, the district may provide Title I services other than direct instruction such as:

- Counseling
- Staff development
- Parental engagement

Instructional services may include:

- Instructional services during the school day
- Extended day services
- Family literacy programs
- Counseling programs
- Computer-assisted instruction
- Home tutoring instruction using take-home computers

Professional Development:

Title I funds may be used to provide professional development is provided for the non-public school teachers. Professional development must address how those teachers can better serve Title I students. Substitutes for non-public school teachers participating in professional development may not be paid from Title I funds.

Non-Allowable Federal Expenses

Federal grant funding cannot support entertainment, celebrations, or rewards

- Personal items
- Gift cards, gifts, door prizes, donations
- Gratuity (tips for delivery of food)
- Fundraisers
- Promotional items, memorabilia
- Student recruitment items
- General purpose classroom/building equipment supplies
- Office equipment, printers, ink cartridges
- Entertainment costs
- Purchase, rental, maintenance, repair of building/ vehicles
- Audit costs
- Movie tickets, t-shirts, bags, lapel pins, caps, trinkets of any kind
- Food, trophies, plaques for award ceremonies
- Full meals for parents or students
- Decorations, party supplies
- Membership fees
- Supplies for PE, Music, Art
- Field Trips, Carnivals, Fairs
- Appliances
- Athletic equipment
- Furniture
- Yearbooks, school calendars, and school merchandise
- Alcoholic beverages
- Student activity costs