

Buckeye Central Local Schools Seek Input on State and Federal Grants

District administrators are currently seeking input on the spending of specific state and federal program funds for the 2026-2027 school year:

Title I-A Improving Basic Programs - Reading and Math Intervention

Title I-A provides supplemental support for reading and mathematics intervention for at-risk students at qualifying nonpublic and public schools. Fundable evidence-based activities may include employee salaries, professional development, instructional materials, equipment and parental involvement. Buildings must meet eligibility requirements for funding and services.

Title II-A Supporting Effective Instruction

Title II-A funds may be utilized for developing and implementing mechanisms to recruit, train and retain highly qualified teachers. Districts may also use these funds to reduce class size, particularly in the early grades.

Title IV-A Student Support and Academic Enrichment

The purpose of the Title IV-A grant program is to improve students' academic achievement through strategies and activities to support a well-rounded and supportive educational program.

IDEA-B Special Education and IDEA-B Early Childhood Special Education

Allowable expenditures for IDEA-B resources include:

- Salaries and benefits for Intervention Specialists and paraprofessionals;
- Instructional supplies and equipment designed to increase student achievement while increasing access to the general curriculum;
- Substitute costs associated with IEP meetings;
- Professional development;
- Excess costs and
- Specialized instructional supplies.

The school district must submit electronic applications for state and federal programs each year and provide detailed information to the Ohio Department of Education regarding plans for the use of the funds. The Department also requires an annual evaluation of the district's plan which may include an on-site review. Districts must offer a brief explanation to the public of the programming opportunities received and encourage the community to comment on how the specific funds are spent.

Those interested in commenting on spending associated with the individual State and Federal Programs are encouraged to contact Leah Filiater using the following email: lfiliater@bcbucks.org