

What is Title I ?

Purpose

The purpose of Title I is to provide all children “significant opportunity to receive a fair, equitable, and high-quality education, and to close educational achievement gaps.” To achieve that, states must develop accountability systems to identify and support schools with academically struggling students, and LEAs and schools must use their Title I funds to improve student outcomes, including academic achievement.

USING TITLE IA FUNDS

As a condition of receiving Title I, Part A funds, LEAs and schools have specific responsibilities. Examples of these responsibilities include:

Developing and implementing plans to support and improve low-performing schools identified by the state through its accountability system;

Reporting student achievement and other data to the SEA and the public;

Notifying parents about issues such as teacher qualifications, assessments and identification of students as English learners;

Collaborating with child welfare agencies to ensure the educational stability of children in foster care;

Providing services to homeless students that do not attend Title I schools;

Providing services to children in local institutions for neglected children and, if appropriate, to children in local institutions for delinquent children and neglected or delinquent children in community day programs;

Allocating Title I funds to eligible schools through a poverty-based procedure known as “ranking and serving”;

Developing policies and providing services to engage parents and families;

Providing services to eligible private school students; and

Overseeing Title I activities in Title I schools.