

Title IV, Part A: Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grant

Authorized in December 2015, the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) introduced a new block formula grant under Title IV, Part A with a wide range of allowable uses. Title IV, Part A, Student Support and Academic Enrichment (SSAE) grants are intended to improve students' academic achievement by increasing the capacity of States, LEAs, schools, and local communities to:

1. provide all students with access to a well-rounded education;
2. improve school conditions for student learning; and
3. improve the use of technology in order to improve the academic achievement and digital literacy of all students. (*ESEA* section 4101)

The amount an LEA must reserve to provide equitable services for private school teachers and other educational personnel for Title IV, Part A services is based on the LEA's total Title IV, Part A allocation, less administrative costs. The LEA's administrative costs cannot exceed 2% of the total allocation. The LEA determines the amount of funds available for Title IV, Part A equitable services for private school teachers and other educational personnel by calculating, on a per-pupil basis, the amount available for all public and private school students enrolled in participating private elementary and secondary schools in areas served by the LEA (regardless of a student's residency), taking into consideration the number and needs of the children, their teachers and other educational personnel to be served.

Example of Formula to Determine the Equitable Share of Title IV, Part A for Equitable Services	
A. Number of Students	
A1: LEA Enrollment	900
A2: Participating Private School Enrollment	100
A3: Total Enrollment = A1 + A2	1,000
B. Title IV, Part A Allocation	
B1: Total LEA Allocation	\$100,000
B2: Administrative Costs (for public and private school programs)	\$2,000
B3: LEA Allocation Minus Admin Costs = B1 - B2	\$98,000
C. Per Pupil Rate	
C1: B3 divided by A3 ($\$98,000/1,000 = \98)	\$98
D. Equitable Share	
Amount LEA must reserve for equitable services for private school teachers and other educational personnel = A2 x C1 ($100 \times \$98 = \$9,800$)	\$9,800

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