

2261 - **TITLE I SERVICES**

The Board elects to augment the educational program of educationally disadvantaged students by the use of Federal funds and in accordance with Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended.

The Administrator shall prepare and present to the Department of Public Instruction a plan for the delivery of services which meets the requirements of the law, including those described below. The plan shall be developed by appropriate staff members and parents of students who will be served by the plan. The District will periodically review and revise the plan, as necessary.

A. **Assessment**

The District shall annually assess the educational needs of eligible children, as determined by Federal and State criteria. Such assessment shall include performance measures mandated by the Department of Public Instruction as well as those determined by the District professional staff, that will assist in the diagnosis, teaching, and learning of the participating students.

B. **Scope**

Each school shall determine whether the funds will be used to upgrade the educational program of an entire school, in Title I schools that qualify as schoolwide schools, and/or to establish or improve programs that provide services only for eligible students in greatest need of assistance. The schoolwide program, for an entire school and/or a Targeted Assistance School, shall include the components required by law as well as those agreed upon by participating staff and parents.

C. **Participation**

The Title I program shall be developed and evaluated in consultation with parents and professional staff members, including teachers, principals, other school leaders, paraprofessionals, specialized instructional support personnel, administrators, and other appropriate school personnel involved in its implementation.

Appropriate training will be provided to staff members who provide Title I services. Parent participation shall be in accord with Board Policy 2261.01 and shall meet the requirements of Section 1116 of the Act.

D. **Supplement Not Supplant and Comparability of Services**

Title I funds will be used only to supplement, not supplant, State and local funds. The District will document its compliance with the supplement not supplant provisions by using a written methodology that ensures State and local funds are allocated to each school on the same basis, regardless of whether a school receives Title I funding.

The Administrator shall use State and local funds to provide educational services in schools

receiving Title I assistance that, taken as a whole, are at least comparable to services being provided in schools that are not receiving Title I assistance. The determination of the comparability of services may exclude State and local funds expended for language instruction educational programs and the excess costs of providing services to children with disabilities as determined by the District. The determination of comparability of services will not take into account unpredictable changes in student enrollments or personnel assignments that occur after the beginning of a school year.

In order to achieve comparability of services, the Administrator shall assign teachers, administrators, and auxiliary personnel and provide curriculum materials and instructional supplies in such a manner as to ensure equivalence throughout the District.

E. Professional Development

Members of the professional staff participate in the design and implementation of staff development activities that:

1. involve parents in the training, when appropriate;
2. combine and consolidate other available Federal and District funds;
3. foster cooperative training with institutions of higher learning and other educational organizations including other school districts;
4. allocate part of the staff development to the following types of strategies:
 - a. fostering gender-equitable education;
 - b. meeting children's special needs;
 - c. early childhood education;
 - d. working effectively with parents;
 - e. use of technology;
 - f. performance-based student assessment;
5. provide opportunities for paraprofessionals to work toward certification as professional educators.

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20 U.S.C. 2701 et seq., Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965

34 C.F.R. Part 200, et seq.

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