



## FUNDING RESOURCES FOR SCHOOLS

*Together, we can prevent child abuse and child sexual exploitation.*

### TITLE FUNDING I

#### Title I-A: Improving Basic Programs

##### **Purpose:**

Title I-A is the largest federal aid program for K-12 education. Its purpose is to provide all children with a fair, equitable, and high-quality education, especially those in high-poverty schools, and to close achievement gaps.

#### Allowable Uses of Title I-A Funds

##### **Direct Student Services (Primary Use)**

##### **Instructional Staff (Certified & Non-Certified):**

- Push-in support during core instruction: A trained body safety educator or counselor joins regular classroom lessons to teach personal safety, boundaries, and recognizing unsafe situations without disrupting the academic schedule.
- Extended learning time (e.g., after-school/summer body safety programming)
- Preschool instruction (e.g., age-appropriate body safety education)

##### **Instructional Materials:**

- Curriculum kits, student handouts, reinforcements
- A school or district license for safety curriculum, educational apps and general supplies
- Materials must benefit all Title I schools if funded at the district level; otherwise, use school-level budgets.

##### **Professional Development (Optional Use)**

- Training for educators must directly benefit Title I students
- May include body safety training if it supports school or district goals
- Outside trainers or professional consultants are allowable expenses

##### **Parent Engagement (Optional Use)**

- Light snacks for parent nights (no full meals)
- Contracted speakers and materials for parent outreach
- Printing and mailing information to families



#### **IMPORTANT NOTE FOR TITLE I-A APPLICATIONS THE FOLLOWING VERBIAGE MUST BE USED:**

“GIVEN THE DATA SHOWING A CORRELATION BETWEEN HIGH RATES OF LOW-INCOME STUDENTS AND INCREASED RISK OF CHILD ABUSE, RELATED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND CURRICULUM MAY BE ALLOWABLE EXPENSES UNDER TITLE I FUNDING. IF THE SCHOOL OR DISTRICT HAS AN EXISTING GOAL RELATED TO CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION, THAT ALIGNMENT SHOULD BE CLEARLY REFLECTED IN THE APPLICATION SUBMISSION.”

#### **Resources:**

- [IDOE Title I-A Appendix](#)
- [U.S. Department of Education Title I Guidance](#)

## TITLE FUNDING II

### Title II-A: Supporting Effective Instruction

#### **Purpose:**

To increase student achievement by improving the quality and effectiveness of teachers, principals, and other school leaders.

#### **Allowable Uses of Title II-A Funds**

##### **Professional Development**

The purpose of this funding category is to provide high-quality, personalized development that is evidence-based and focused on improving teaching, student learning, and student achievement.

#### **Examples of Allowable PD Activities:**

- How to recognize signs of trauma or mental health concerns
- Referral systems: Knowing how and when to connect students with appropriate school or community-based services
- Building partnerships between schools and mental health providers
- How to prevent, recognize, and respond to child sexual abuse
- Supporting the implementation of body safety programs. This training also supports staff who are implementing body safety programs.

#### **Training Recipients May Include:**

- Teachers, principals, administrators, paraprofessionals, and district leaders.

#### **Resources:**

- [IDOE Title II-A Guidance](#)

## TITLE FUNDING IV

Title IV funding is available for schools to support prevention education facilitators and curriculum. Funds are available to all schools within all public school districts and charter schools that receive Title I funding. The three focus areas of Title IV are intended to:

- (A) support a well-rounded education
- (B) create safe and healthy schools
- (C) effectively utilize technology for underserved students.

Prevention education, or body safety, falls under focus area B. Schools who apply and qualify for Title IV funding receive a minimum of \$10,000. The grant is awarded annually for a 27-month period, but funds can be amended at any point during the cycle.

**If your school receives Title IV funding, you can amend your application to include prevention education.**

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