



WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF Public Instruction

Title IV-A Allocations Questions to Consider

1. Does the activity meet basic requirements under Title IV-A?
 - Is the cost allowable to the project?
 - Does the activity align with outcomes under Title IV-A?
 - What stakeholder feedback was received regarding the activity?
 - If monitored for ESEA, what documentation would you provide around Title IV-A (page 42) <https://dpi.wi.gov/esea/esea-monitoring-process/how-should-leas-prepare-monitoring> including diverse stakeholder feedback, alignment with outcomes under Title IV-A and evaluation of the activity?
 - Is it best practice? <https://www2.ed.gov/policy/elsec/leg/essa/guidanceuseinvestment.pdf>
 - What academic standards or competencies align with the strategy or if an enrichment activity, how does it enhance current programming?
2. Does the activity align with identified need?
 - How does the activity align with the District's identified needs? <https://statesupportnetwork.ed.gov/resources/needs-assessment-guidebook>
 - What data is driving the funding decision?
 - Are funds being directed to students of highest need (Title IV-A assurance)?
3. Is it supplanting? If "yes" to any of the following, contact a DPI Consultant
 - In the absence of federal funds, would the district be required to cover the cost to meet state or local requirements?
 - Is it an established activity and not considered an enhancement of an activity or strategy?
 - Were local dollars previously used to cover the cost?
4. Is this a reasonable use of federal funds?
 - Would the cost be considered reasonable (prudent person test) and necessary?
 - Is the activity considered entertainment (cost of activities where the primary purpose is amusement, diversion or social activities, and any costs directly associated with such costs, such as tickets to shows or sports events, meals, lodging, rentals, transportation, gratuities, etc.)? Entertainment costs are not allowable.
 - How many students benefit given the cost?
5. Does the cost align with district policy and written procedures for determining allowable costs?
 - Is the cost accorded consistent treatment regardless of funding source?
 - Does the cost meet the remaining criteria for allowable costs for federal grants https://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/cte/allowable_costs_checklist_final_3-12-18.pdf