

## Title I Part C, Education of Migratory Children 2018-2019 Consolidation of Funds Guidance

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965, reauthorized by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015 includes a special rule addressing the consolidation of Title I, Part C funds in a Title I schoolwide school:

A school must meet the following requirements if the school consolidates and uses funds from the Title I Part C, Education of Migratory Children program in its schoolwide program:

(1) Migrant education. Before the school chooses to consolidate in its schoolwide program funds received under part C of Title I of the ESEA, the school must –

(i) Use these funds, in consultation with parents of migratory children or organizations representing those parents, or both, first to meet the unique educational needs of migratory students that result from the effects of their migratory lifestyle, and those other needs that are necessary to permit these students to participate effectively in school, as identified through the comprehensive Statewide needs assessment under § 200.83 and

(ii) Document that these needs have been met.

(ESEA section 1306(b)(4); 34 C.F.R. § 200.29(c)(1)) as amended by ESSA

Considering these special rule conditions, there are precautions that the state must implement to ensure that, prior to consolidation of Title I, Part C funds, the unique educational needs of students in the Title I schoolwide school are documented as met and provisions are in place to also ensure that Title I, Part C funds remain available to meet the identified needs of students, children, and youth not enrolled in the Title I schoolwide school. The state will utilize and require the following steps:

1. The LEA's annual Title I, Part C formula allocation will be calculated into three categories: *preschool, K-12 enrolled, and out-of-school youth (OSY)/dropout (DO)*. Consolidation will be limited to the *K-12 enrolled* category amount only, which will include a further calculation down to the school levels. (Funds not permitted to be consolidated are the *preschool and OSY/DO* allocations.)
2. Having annually identified the Title I schoolwide school(s) participating in the consolidation of funds initiative, the LEA will establish a Title I, Part C amount to be consolidated at each participating school that does not exceed the participating school's funding under the *K-12 enrolled* amount as defined in the preceding step.
3. The balances of the LEA's Title I, Part C funds will be held at the district level to provide for Title I, Part C services and supports such as recruitment, interstate and intrastate coordination, serving preschool children, serving OSY/DO, meeting the needs of migratory children enrolling during the year including students enrolling in schools consolidating funds, or, in the case of remaining *K-12 enrolled* funds, used in the remaining schools that are not participating in the consolidation of funds initiative.
4. Within each Title I schoolwide school participating in the consolidation of funds initiative, the school will complete an assurance that, at the time of consolidation, all of the unique educational needs of its migratory children are met and that the school shall continue to address all newly identified needs of its migratory students through the signing of program intents and purposes.

5. The LEA will submit a plan for meeting the ESSA requirements for consolidating Title I, Part C Funds in a schoolwide school (ESSA Sec. 1306). See appendix X.