



June 30, 2017

Dear Colleague:

Please review these updates from the Office of Federal Programs:

- Thank you to everyone who attended the 2017 Federal Programs Conference. If you were in attendance or unable to attend, please remember that presentation materials are available to everyone on the conference website: <https://eventmobi.com/federalprograms2017/>
- **Title IV, Part A – DUE Monday, July 31, 2017.** Since the Federal Programs Conference last week, we have received increased interest in Title IV, Part A allocations, particularly as it relates to private schools. We have been informed that Title IV, Part A was not always included in all LEA invitation/consultation sessions and LEAs would like to know how they should address this allocation with private schools. If your LEA has not extended the opportunity to participate in Title IV, Part A in FY18 to private schools within the LEAs geographic boundaries, please do so at this time. Please refer to the flowchart in the attachment for next steps.
- The FY18 Consolidated Application is now open on the MyGaDOE portal and is accepting your Comprehensive LEA Improvement Plan (CLIP) documents. When preparing your files for uploading, please use these file names:
 1. XXXXXX School District Comprehensive Needs Assessment FY18
 2. XXXXXX School District Improvement Plan FY18
 3. XXXXXX School District Parent Involvement Policy FY18
 4. XXXXXX School District Foster Care Transportation Plan FY18
 5. XXXXXX School District Title I, Part C Identification and Recruitment Plan FY18

As you load each document, you will see a description box. Please use this box to identify the document and to provide other details, if needed.

Submission and review dates remain as follows:

- Submissions by July 31, 2017 will be included in the August 1-4, 2017 review window
- Submissions after July 31, 2017 and before August 28, 2017 will be included in the August 29-30, 2017 review window

For additional information on the submission process, please review the May 5 webinar recording posted here: <http://www.gadoe.org/School-Improvement/Federal-Programs/Pages/default.aspx>

- New under the ESSA are a number of requirements related to parent and family engagement. Both Title I and Title III have responsibilities to engage and communicate with parents of English learners. The Department has created Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) to help your federal programs staff navigate the requirements related to establishing comprehensive and effective parent engagement activities for parents of English learners in your district. The FAQ document is found here: <http://www.gadoe.org/School-Improvement/Federal-Programs/Partnerships/Pages/Parents-of-English-Learners.aspx>
- FY18 allocations for Federal Programs will be reviewed by the State Board of Education on July 20, 2017. Following SBOE approval, program managers will email grant award notices (GAN) to



Superintendents and copy the district contact. By August 1, 2017, you should receive grant award notices for Title I, Part A; Title I, Part C; Title I, Part D; Title II, Part A; Homeless Education; Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA); IDEA Preschool; Title IV, Part A – Student Support and Academic Enrichment; and Title IV, Part B – 21st Century Community Learning Centers. As a reminder, allocations for Title III – Language Instruction for English Learners and Immigrant Students and Title V, Part B – Rural Education Initiative will be presented to the SBOE in August with GANs delivered to districts by September 1, 2017.

- The Office of Federal Programs welcomes two new staff members:
 - Dr. Kim Ezekiel is our new Title I, Part A Area Specialist in Southwest GA.
 - Ms. Mary Clare Tarpley is our new Title I, Part C Resource Specialist in Southwest GA.

Should you have any questions, please contact us at federalprograms@doe.k12.ga.us.

Sincerely,

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