

Getting the Most Bang for the Buck with Title V, Part B Funds

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Purpose

To provide a brief overview of Title V, Part B and to highlight different funding options and methods used by a sampling of rural districts so that participants can determine how to get the most bang for the buck with Title V, Part B funds in their own local districts.

Agenda

- Purpose
- Overview
- Budget Basics
- Funding Options for Federal Funds
 - Traditional Funding
 - Consolidation of Funds
 - Transferability
- District Examples of Funding Methods

Purpose and Overview

What is the purpose of Title V, Part B?

The purpose of the Title V, Part B Rural Education Initiative is to address the unique needs of rural districts that frequently:

1. Lack the personnel and resources needed to compete effectively for federal competitive grants; and
2. Receive formula grant allocations in amounts too small to be effective in meeting their intended purposes.

Overview of Title V, Part B

The RLIS Program targets rural LEAs that serve large numbers of low-income students.

- The United States Department of Education (USED) makes allocations to the State, who in turn makes sub-grants to eligible LEAs.

The SRSA Program provides funds to very small, rural LEAs.

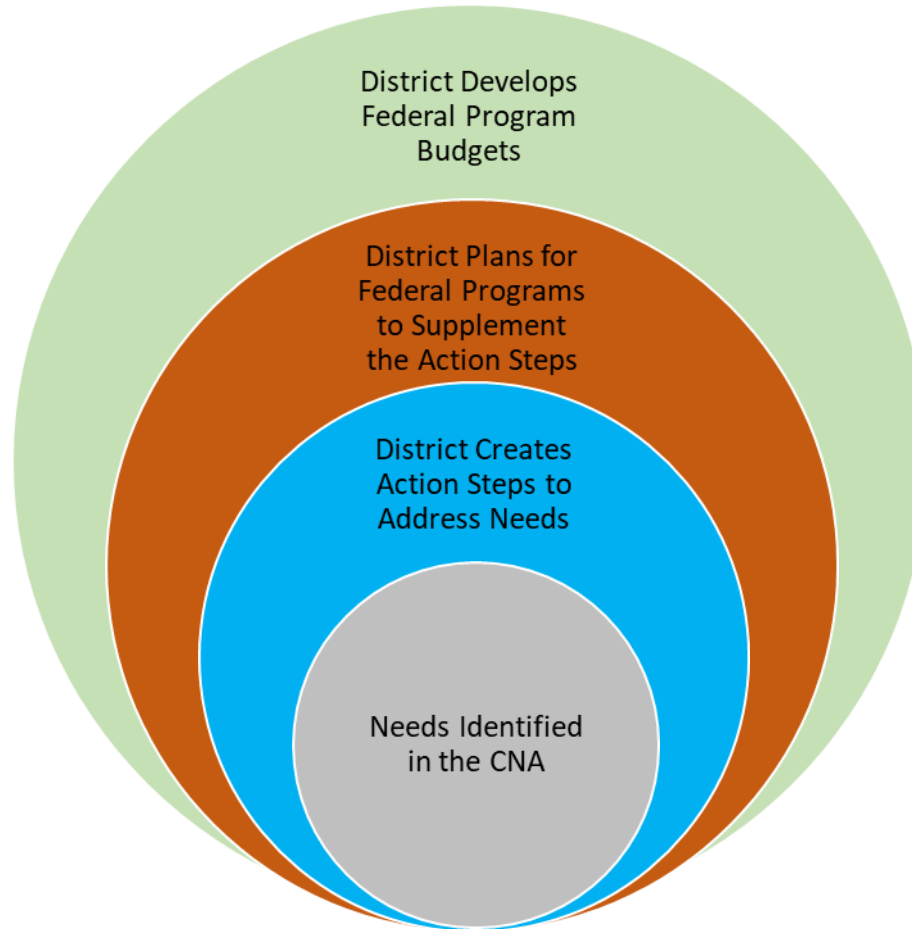
- USED awards these grants directly to eligible LEAs.
- SRSA-eligible LEAs also qualify for Alternative Fund Use Authority [Section 5221(a)&(c)] that provides additional flexibility in how they can expend federal education funds.

How can the funds be used?

SRSA	RLIS
Title I, Part A (Improving Basic Programs Operated by LEAs)	Title I, Part A (Improving Basic Programs Operated by LEAs)
Title II, Part A (Improving Teacher Quality)	Title II, Part A (Improving Teacher Quality)
Title III (Language Instruction for English Learners and Immigrant Students)	Title III (Language Instruction for English Learners and Immigrant Students)
Title IV, Part A (Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants)	Title IV, Part A (Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants)
Title IV, Part B (21 st Century Community Learning Centers)	Parent Involvement Activities
Under the Alternative Use of Funds authority, LEAs may consolidate any and all Title II-A and Title IV-A funding for allowable activities permissible under REAP-eligible Title programs. [ESEA, Title V, Part B Section 5211)	

Budget Basics

Budget Basics



Identified needs are the core of the budget development and approval process

Consolidated Application

Plan must be APPROVED

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FY	System ID	System Name	Plan Status	FLP Plan Status
2022	650	Echols County	Approved	

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Budgeting Title V, Part B Funds

- LEAs must submit a budget for Title V, Part B in the consolidated application for FY22.
- The budget must be approved by the Title V specialist, and Grants Accounting before funds are available through Georgia's Grants Accounting Online Report System (GAORS).
- Budgets should be submitted as soon as the LEA CLIP is approved and no later than October 1.
- Timely submission and approval of the budget ensures the LEA implements its supplemental support services for children when, or very soon after, the school year begins.
- Amendments to original budgets are allowed throughout the year.

Allowable Activities for Budgeting in Title V, Part B Funds

- **Title I, Part A** (Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged)
- **Title II, Part A** (Supporting Effective Instruction)
- **Title III, Part A** (English Language Acquisition, Language Enhancement and Academic Achievement Act)
- **Title IV, Part A** (Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants)
- **Parental Involvement activities**

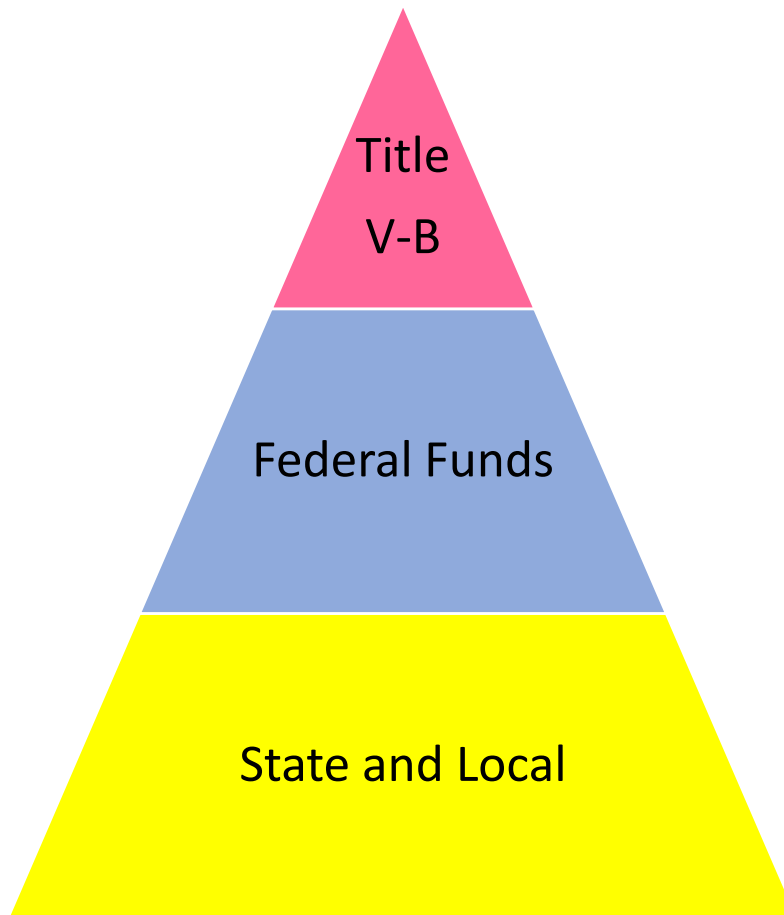
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Part B Rural Education Initiative

Funds made available under subpart 1 or subpart 2 shall be used to supplement, and not supplant, any other federal, state or local education funds.

*Elementary and Secondary Education Act
Section 5232*

Title V, Part B must be supplemental to all other funds



Creating the Budget

Budget Items and Descriptions

- Expenditures must have a direct link to identified needs in the Comprehensive Needs Assessment (CNA) and District Improvement Plan (DIP).
- Detailed, specific but concise, budget descriptions.
- Descriptions cannot be general in nature so that it is unclear how the funds will be used.
- Open-ended statements or the words “such as” or “etc.” are not allowable.
- Budget for audit costs if applicable.

Creating the Budget

Rural Education Initiative Tab

- Rural Education Initiative tab must be completed with the original budget.
- The figures on this page must align with the budget and represent the LEA's anticipated expenditures for FY22.
- Enter the anticipated expenditures for each activity the LEA will implement.
- This page must be updated with each amendment.

Title V, Part B Required Annual Reporting

Annual Evaluation Report—Due October 30

- Complete via Data Collection tab within Program Information tab.
- Must reflect FY21 actual expenditures as reported on Program Completion Report.
- Select “Yes” or “No” for each of the seven activities.
- Report actual expenditures for each program activity the LEA participated in and for which “Yes” was chosen.

Title V, Part B Required Annual Reporting continued..

- Program Completion Report is the official source document for this report.
- Performance data will be collected and aggregated by the Department.
- Requires coordinator and superintendent submit.
- Status can be viewed under Audit Trail by selecting Data Collection Audit Trail tab.

Federal Funding Options

Flexible Funding Options

Traditional Funding

- Traditional funding keeps Title V, Part B funds separate from other funds when budgeting. Funds can be pushed down to schools or can be budgeted for a district initiative in accordance with the district's identified needs.

Consolidation of Funds

- Consolidation of Funds initiative allows a Title I schoolwide school to operate a schoolwide program and to consolidate local, state and federal funds.

Transferability

- Transferability is a flexibility authority that permits districts to transfer all or a portion of the funding they receive by formula under Title II, Part A or Title IV, Part A to Title V, Part B so they can address more effectively their unique needs.

Traditional Funding



Title V, Part B

Traditional Funding

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Consolidated Application

Budget Application > Programs

District Name : Bulloch County **District Code :** 616
Fiscal Year : 2021 **Program :** Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools - Original
Status : Approved (Date: 08/17/2020 07:25:58) **Superintendent Sign off date :** 08/14/2020 11:40:40

Program Information | **Budget** | Comments | Audit Trail | Assurances | Programs

Program : Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools

Current FY Allocation : \$206,408.00
Additional Allocation : \$0.00
Carry Over : \$0.00
Total Grant Award : \$206,408.00
Transfer Amount : \$0.00
Total Amount to be Budgeted : \$206,408.00 **Not Budgeted Funds :** \$0.00

Budget Detail Show ALL

Fiscal Year	From Program	School	To Program	Function	Object	Units	Price	Amount	Description
2021	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools		Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	1000	199	1	\$100,000	\$100,000	
2021	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools		Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	1000	220	1	\$1,750	\$1,750	
2021	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools		Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	1000	530	1	\$2,500	\$2,500	
2021	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools		Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	1000	615	1	\$2,500	\$2,500	
2021	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools		Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	2100	199	1	\$92,719	\$92,719	

Consolidation of Funds



Consolidation of Funds

Consolidated Application

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Consolidated Application

Application > Programs

Budget

District Name : Lamar County District Code : 685
 Fiscal Year : 2021 Program : Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools - Original
 Status : Approved (Date: 10/23/2020 10:20:04) Superintendent Sign off date : 10/01/2020 08:42:16

Program Information **Budget** Comments Audit Trail Assurances Programs

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Program : Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools

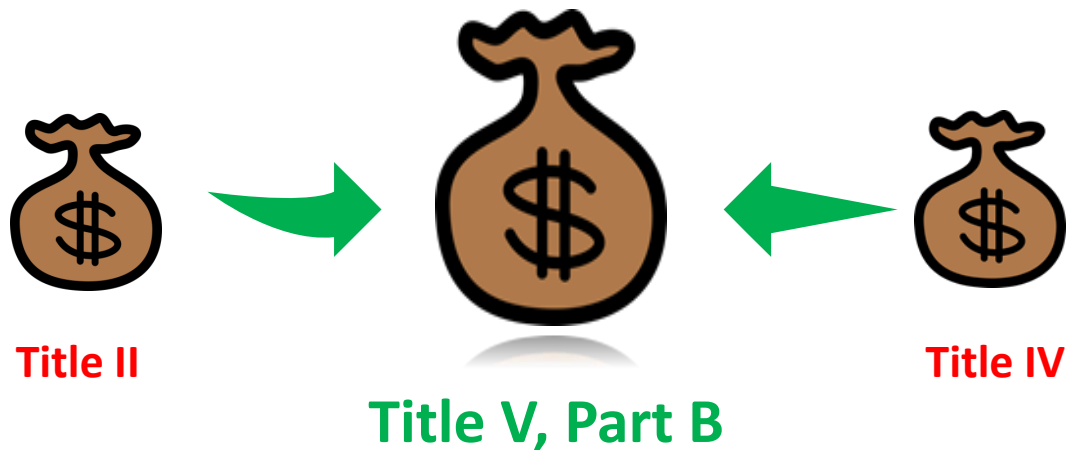
Current FY Allocation :	\$51,612.00	
Additional Allocation :	\$0.00	
Carry Over :	\$0.00	
Total Grant Award :	\$51,612.00	
Transfer Amount :	\$0.00	
Total Amount to be Budgeted :	\$51,612.00	Not Budgeted Funds \$0.00

Budget Detail

Fiscal Year	From Program	School	To Program	Function	Object	Units	Price	Amount	Description
2021	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	Lamar County Primary School	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	1000	881	1	\$12,903	\$12,903	
2021	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	Lamar County Elementary School	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	1000	881	1	\$12,903	\$12,903	
2021	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	Lamar County Middle School	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	1000	881	1	\$12,903	\$12,903	
2021	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	Lamar County High School	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	1000	881	1	\$12,903	\$12,903	
Total :								\$51,612	

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Transferability



Transferability

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Consolidated Application

District Name : Laurens County **District Code :** 687
Fiscal Year : 2021 **Program :** Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools - Original
Status : Approved (Date: 12/04/2020 14:53:05) **Superintendent Sign off date :** 12/04/2020 14:06:49

Program Information | **Budget** | **Comments** | **Audit Trail** | **Assurances** | **Programs**

Program : Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools

Current FY Allocation :	\$127,362.00
Additional Allocation :	\$0.00
Carry Over :	\$0.00
Total Grant Award :	\$127,362.00
Transfer Amount :	\$409,609.00
Total Amount to be Budgeted :	\$536,971.00

Not Budgeted Funds : \$0.00

Budget Detail [Show ALL](#)

Fiscal Year	From Program	School	To Program	Function	Object	Units	Price	Amount	Description
2021	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	Northwest Laurens Elementary	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	1000	110	1	\$47,332	\$47,332	
2021	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	Northwest Laurens Elementary	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	1000	113	1	\$1,000	\$1,000	
2021	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	Northwest Laurens Elementary	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	1000	210	1	\$11,340	\$11,340	
2021	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	Northwest Laurens	Title V-B, Rural and Low Income Schools	1000	220	1	\$3,698	\$3,698	

District Examples of Funding Methods

District Examples

Bulloch County

- Traditional Funding for Evening Program

Laurens County

- Transferred Funds into Title V, Part B

Seminole County

- Traditional Funding for Innovative Program

Echols County

- Transferred and Consolidated

Bulloch County

- Bulloch County is in southeastern Georgia
- PK-12 Student population is 10,902
- 9 elementary schools
- 3 middle schools
- 1 middle / high school combination
- 2 high schools
- 4 alternative learning centers/programs

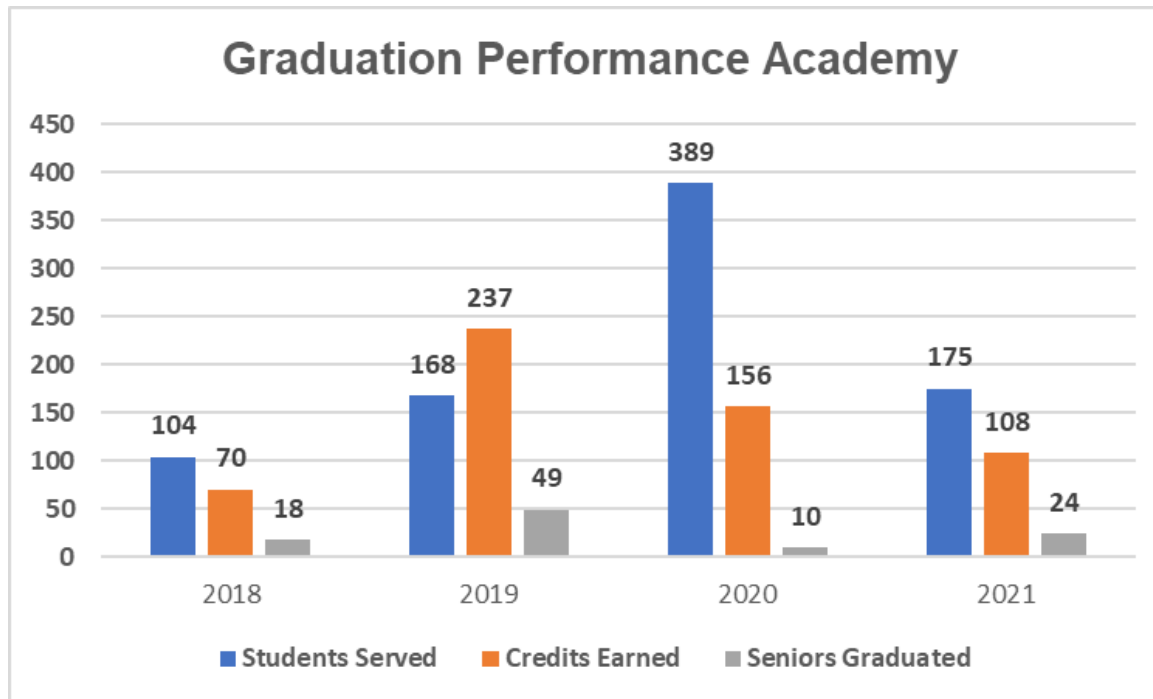


Bulloch County used traditional funding for Title V, Part B and funded the innovative Graduation Performance Academy.



Bulloch County

The Graduation Performance Academy is an alternative learning program providing high school students the opportunity to earn required high school credits toward graduation. Students can work at their own pace toward their goals of credit recovery or acceleration.



Laurens County

- Laurens County is in middle Georgia
- PK-12 Student population is 6420
- 4 elementary/primary schools
- 2 middle schools
- 2 high schools



Laurens County increased the Title V, Part B budget by Transferring Title II funds and Title IV funds into Title V, Part B.

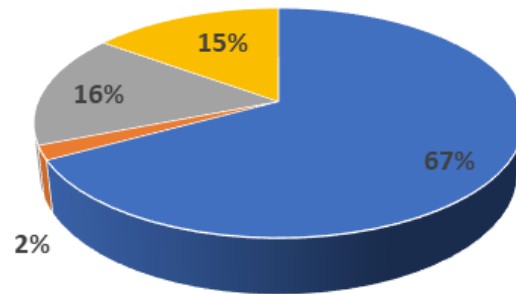


Laurens County

- Interventionist
- School based mental health counselors
- Instructional coach at non-Title I school
- Web based software subscriptions
- Professional development
- Supplies and equipment



**Laurens County
Title V, Part B Budget**



■ Salaries and Benefits ■ Software Subscriptions
■ Professional Development ■ Supplies and Equipment

Seminole County

- Seminole County is in southwestern Georgia
- PK-12 Student population is 1350
- 1 elementary school
- 1 middle /high school

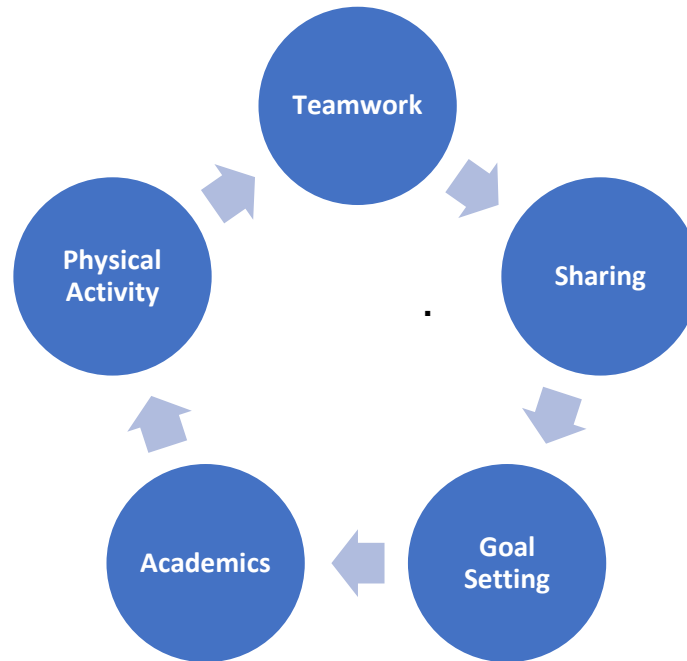


Seminole County used traditional funding for Title V, Part B and funded an interactive technology gym system to link academics with physical education.



Seminole County

Seminole County funded an initiative to intentionally get students more active and engaged while simultaneously addressing academic and interpersonal skills.



Seminole County

What are students, parents and administrators saying about the new interactive system after only a few months?



“I like throwing at the rabbits and sharing with my friends!”

“I like throwing at the animals, and they get bigger and bigger until they pop.”



“The first thing my child tells me about school when I pick her up is what happened at PE. Most every day it involves what she did on the LU.”

“My child loves the LU. He likes to play sports and likes that there are sports related applications that can be adjusted to his skill level.”

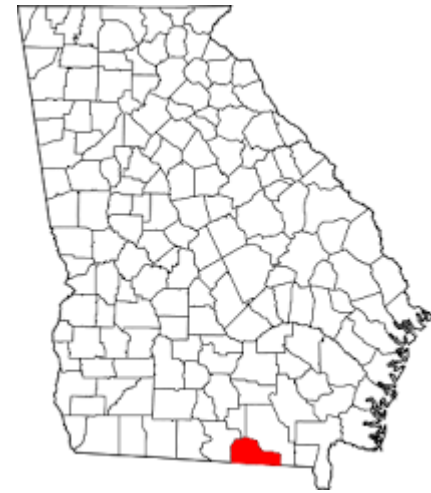


“Their teachers ought to love the coaches for this!”

Comment made by the school principal after observing the students in a relay race yelling, screaming, cheering and helping each other solve math problems.

Echols County

- Echols County is in south Georgia
- PK-12 Student population is 865
- 1 elementary school (PK-8)
- 1 high school (9-12)



Echols County is dual eligible for both RLIS and SRSA. After participating in SRSA, they discovered they would get the most bang for the buck to participate in RLIS. They transferred Title II and Title IV into Title V and THEN consolidated funds.

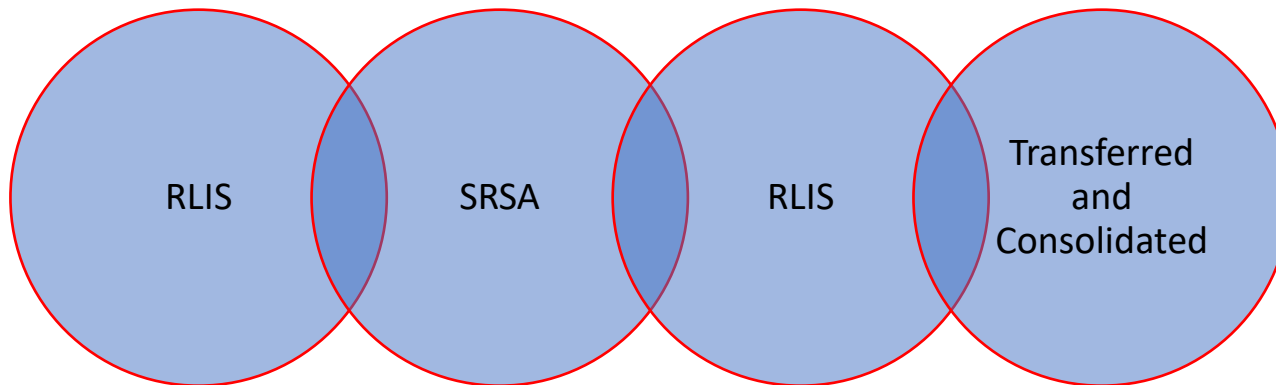
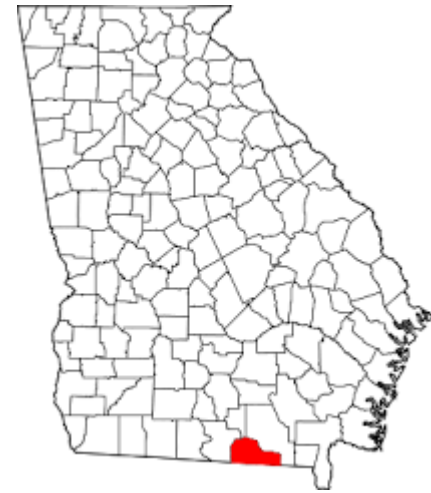


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Echols County

Echols County Schools faces the obstacles of poverty and language barriers among students. Industry in the county consists mostly of farming and timber. The school population is 48% Hispanic and 100% of the students eat school meals at no cost. In recent years, the district has celebrated a **100% graduation rate** and has consistently received a competitive CCRPI score!



Make the best decision for your district!



Traditional



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Questions



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