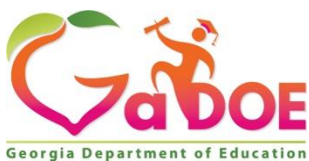


# ESEA: Title I, Part A 2019-2020 Annual Report

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## Grant Implementation Overview

In Georgia, the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) sets policy, develops guidance and provides training and technical assistance for each Georgia Local Education Agency (LEA). Fourteen Title I, Part A Education Specialists provide technical assistance by assigned region, currently organized mostly by Regional Educational Service Agency (RESA) regions. Training is coordinated at a state level and delivered through (a) an annual federal programs conference, (b) collaborative federal programs regional sessions and webinars, and (c) Title I, Part A specific regional webinars. The GaDOE publishes an annual LEA Title I, Part A Handbook and maintains a public website.

During the 2019-2020 school year, Georgia's governor issued an executive order to close schools on 03.16.20 due to a global pandemic (COVID-19). LEAs continued providing instruction to students through distance learning for the remainder of the school year. The GaDOE continued to provide technical assistance to LEAs during the school closures through FAQs, updates, webinars, and online professional development courses including guidance on Covid-19 responses, CARES Act funding, distance learning strategies and FY21 ESEA funds.

The Federal grant (15-month grant cycle) is cyclical in nature, beginning in July and ending September of the following year. In Georgia, LEAs begin by completing an internal Comprehensive Needs Assessment and consolidated federal grant application called the

Consolidated LEA Improvement Plan (CLIP). The application is maintained in Georgia's Statewide Longitudinal Data System (SLDS) and is supported by regional Continuous Improvement Teams (CITs). Through the Georgia Systems of Continuous Improvement framework (see graphic to the right), LEAs will coordinate their federal programs' initiatives/funds to complete their CLIP. Once approved, LEAs submit a budget based on their formula-based allocation via MyGaDOE portal. Then LEAs administer the grant, submitting budget adjustments/amendments, as needed. Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), permits LEAs to carry over, to the next fiscal year, not more than 15 percent of Title I, Part A funds not expended within the fiscal year awarded.



It is expected that LEAs, in the best interests of teachers and students, draw down funds regularly throughout the year and expend all funds as budgeted. LEAs' work is supported by assigned specialists, however, LEAs requiring targeted support may be further assisted by Continuous Improvement Teams (CIT) comprised of staff across three GaDOE Divisions (Federal Programs, School and District Effectiveness, and Teaching and Learning).

LEAs are formally monitored for compliance through GaDOE Cross-functional Monitoring (CFM) every four years, and/or depending on annual risk assessment results more frequently. Title I, Part A Education Program Specialists are scheduled to monitor outside of their assigned LEAs; a practice which encourages objectivity and fosters a stronger alignment of expectations and technical assistance. Generally, CFM visits may include onsite or desktop, however, in FY20

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Title I, Part A Education Program Specialists provided timely technical assistance to LEAs as necessary to ensure LEA compliance with State and Federal laws and guidance. In addition to technical assistance sessions, Education Program Specialists provided professional learning opportunities via individual LEA trainings, regional trainings, and state conferences.

In Georgia, LEAs are required to have an external audit each year. Any audits from prior fiscal years that require program review are reported by the Georgia Department of Audits to GaDOE

and GaDOE program staff resolve these audit findings. GaDOE program staff resolve these audits directly with the LEAs.

LEAs conclude the federal fiscal year with a completion report, finalized in the Grants Accounting Online Reporting System (GAORS).

## 2019-2020 Local Education Agencies (LEAs)

Total Local Education Agency Grantees	216
Traditional School District	180
State Schools (3)	1
Charter Schools (State Level)	33
Special LEAs <i>Dept. of Corrections, Dept. of Juvenile Justice</i>	2



As of July 2019, there were changes to the status of several charter LEAs:

### NEWLY OPENED STATE CHARTERS:

- Academy of Classical Education (ACE)
- Baconton Community Charter School
- Ethos Classical
- Spring Creek Charter Academy

### DID NOT OPEN:

- Harriett Tubman School of Science and Technology

## 2019-2020 State Education Agency (SEA) Allocation

FY20 Allocation Information	
FY20 Total Title I, Part A Allocation to GaDOE from USED	\$538,160,235
FY20 Title I, Part A Set-aside for School Improvement (1003a)	\$37,671,217
FY20 Title I, Part A Set-aside for Grant Administration Activities	\$4,612,729
FY20 Title I, Part A Set-aside for Neglected and Delinquent Subpart 2	\$232,221
FY20 Title I Part A Allocation for LEAs	\$495,664,068

### Georgia Title I, Part A – Grant Administration Activities at the State Level for 2019-2020 (\$4,612,729)

- Supported GaDOE Title I staff
- Supported GaDOE IT department in the development and maintenance of Federal Programs' platforms, such as the Consolidated Application
- Supported the Academic Achievement Programs
  - Identified and acknowledged 2020 Academic Achievement Programs
  - 2020 Title I Distinguished and Reward Schools
  - Conducted the 2020 Georgia National Distinguished Schools competition where two Title I Distinguished Schools were identified and awarded
  - Supported Georgia's National Distinguished Schools with \$20,000 to attend the National Association of ESEA State Program Administrators (NAESPA) Conference where each received national recognition
- Joined all Federal Programs Trainings and Annual Conference
  - Annual Federal Programs Budget Training
  - Annual Federal Programs Cross-Functional Monitoring Training
  - Annual Consolidated LEA Improvement Plan (CLIP) Submission Training Webinars
  - Annual Georgia Compensatory Educational Leaders (GCEL) Conference
  - Consolidation of Funds – Cohort 1-4 Support, Cohort 5 Recruitment
  - Consolidation of Administrative Funds
  - Ombudsman-led Equitable Services Consultation
- Attended the National Association of ESEA State Program Administrators (NAESPA) summer meeting in Washington DC and the national conference in Atlanta
- Attended the Georgia Education Leadership Institute (GELI) in Atlanta
- Led program-specific trainings and technical assistance sessions:
  - Fall Regional Meetings/Trainings: Budget, New Coordinator, Veteran Coordinator Updates, Monitoring, LEA Monitoring Demonstration
  - Spring Regional Trainings: CLIP, In-Field Webinars
  - Annual Conferences or Trainings: Georgia Association of School Business Officials (GASBO), Data Collections, State Charter School Commission, P-20s,
  - Quarterly webinars on Professional Qualifications, In-field, and Equity
- Collaborated with the Georgia Professional Standards Commission (GaPSC) on data related to in-field, out-of-field, provisional, and emergency certified teachers
- Collaborated with the State Charter School Commission (SCSC) on state charter LEAs
- Collaborated and researched other states with the Ombudsman to begin discussion on the possibility of "pooling" Title I funds among LEAs for private schools' equitable services
- Received and completed 19 Title I Audit Investigations against LEAs from the Department of Accounting and Audits
- Investigated four formal Title I complaints
- Completed an annual Maintenance of Effort (MOE) report for each LEA
- Completed an annual Title I Comparability report for each LEA and assisted LEAs to become comparable
- Determined LEAs who are below 95% participation on the English Language Proficiency (ELP) assessment
- Supported through ongoing LEA Technical Assistance
  - Updated existing resources, revised existing resources, and created new resources
  - Monitored the submission of required plans and reports
  - Reviewed and approved CLIPs (including Equity, Parent and Family Engagement and Foster Care Plans), Budgets and Budget Amendments

- Conducted onsite monitoring visits -including writing monitoring reports and reviewing and approving corrective action plans.
- Provided technical assistance and consultation to Georgia LEAs
- Consulted on online software updates – In-Field Portal, Equity Data Dashboard
- Conducted annual risk assessments of LEAs
- Planned and attended scheduled team meetings and LEA conferences
- Maintained program files

## 2019-2020 LEA Allocations

Title I, Part A is a formula allocation. The U.S. Department of Education (US ED) follows the allocation process outlined under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESEA) to allocate funds to the SEA. The process:

- US ED uses the Census data from each district to determine the Title I, Part A allocation for each Local Educational Agency (LEA) based upon four formulas written in ESEA:
  - Basic Grants
  - Concentrated Grants
  - Targeted Grants
  - Education Finance Incentive Grant (EFIG)
- LEAs are given an opportunity each December through March to review their annual Census and non-Census data updates and submit questions to the Census Bureau.
- US ED then adjusts the allocations if needed because of the updates received during the review.
- GaDOE receives the state allocation based on this methodology.

State Education Agencies (SEAs) then reserve a portion of the grant for required set-asides at the state level:

- 7% set-aside for School Improvement 1003a (SI) which is used to assist identified Comprehensive Improvement Schools (CSI) and Targeted Improvement Schools (TSI).
- GaDOE adjusts LEAs' allocations to allow for state charter schools, which do not have geographic boundaries and were included in the Title I, Part A allocation from US ED.
- Funds for State Charter Schools come from the districts in which students are transferring from to attend the state charter school. Initial allocations for new charter districts and charter districts with significant growth (enrollment increasing 33% or adding a grade level) are based on projected poverty and enrollment data.

Allocation adjustments for charter districts and the affected districts are made during the school year following a review of the projected enrollment data to actual data from October Full-Time-Equivalent (FTE).

Hold Harmless (HH) provision protects an LEA from receiving a decrease in the current year allocation based on the previous year's allocation. The HH provision (based on 85%, 90% or 95% condition for an LEA) applies to the Basic, Concentration, Targeted and EFIG final calculations at the state level.

Grant Award Notices (GAN) are uploaded for each LEA into the current FY Attachment tab in the Consolidated Application Portal.

LEAs are required to use the funds in the following categories:

- Required Set-asides:
  - 1% Family and Parent Engagement for allocations greater than \$500,000
  - Homeless
  - Neglected and Delinquent (if applicable)
  - Private School Equitable Services (if applicable)
- Optional Set-asides to include districtwide initiatives, such as administrative, professional learning and instruction.
- Title I school allocations
  - LEA's eligible Title I schools' allocation are based on poverty thresholds and academic needs
  - All schools must be served in rank order of poverty percentage
  - Schools with a poverty percentage above 75% must be served first, followed by others in rank order of percentages. Grade-span grouping option may be utilized.
  - Each school's allocation is determined by multiplying the number of poverty students by the per pupil amount (PPA).

	LEA Name	FY20 Allocation (July 2019)	FY19 Carryover (Beginning Dec. 2020)	FY20 Additional Allocation (Feb. 2020)	FY20 Reallocation (Feb. 2020)
	TOTAL	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	Appling County	1,286,233	176,697	26,000	1,287,750
2	Atkinson County	793,534	61,901	16,028	793,859
3	Atlanta Public Schools	27,634,036	3,800,244	558,073	27,640,969
4	Bacon County	863,368	59,352	17,482	865,887
5	Baker County	228,873	37,919	4,624	229,042
6	Baldwin County	2,425,912	113,990	49,012	2,427,524
7	Banks County	651,254	0	13,169	652,260
8	Barrow County	2,837,242	153,128	57,321	2,839,059
9	Bartow County	3,099,166	454,796	62,629	3,101,968
10	Ben Hill County	1,788,183	92,562	36,129	1,789,446
11	Berrien County	1,171,498	72,527	23,661	1,171,937
12	Bibb County	12,817,176	1,549,071	258,977	12,826,941
13	Bleckley County	586,770	65,417	11,859	587,367
14	Brantley County	1,044,239	37,106	21,099	1,044,998
15	Bremen City	277,943	58,139	5,621	278,399
16	Brooks County	1,137,303	208,480	22,988	1,138,604
17	Bryan County	960,497	143,014	19,414	961,542
18	Buford City	579,378	57,250	11,713	580,146
19	Bulloch County	3,099,228	225,498	62,611	3,101,101
20	Burke County	2,147,225	304,821	43,385	2,148,835
21	Butts County	971,520	147,931	19,637	972,627
22	Calhoun City	871,107	106,041	17,607	872,058



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	TOTAL	\$	\$	\$	\$
23	Calhoun County	350,822	67,648	7,086	350,978
24	Camden County	1,745,452	289,194	35,288	1,747,781
25	Candler County	908,018	136,257	18,349	908,669
26	Carroll County	4,482,258	351,856	90,597	4,487,223
27	Carrollton City	1,211,091	128,431	24,463	1,211,616
28	Cartersville City	876,660	38,957	17,737	878,521
29	Catoosa County	1,988,720	162,186	40,193	1,990,721
30	Charlton County	671,531	95,336	13,569	672,051
31	Chatham County	13,131,534	1,526,929	265,457	13,147,930
32	Chattahoochee County	248,608	14,115	5,024	248,860
33	Chattooga County	988,568	83,897	19,967	988,934
34	Cherokee County	4,422,879	465,404	89,577	4,436,690
35	Chickamauga City	118,444	275	2,404	119,063
36	Clarke County	6,973,883	290,903	140,852	6,976,318
37	Clay County	269,091	39,587	5,433	269,091
38	Clayton County	20,994,261	2,831,391	424,265	21,013,545
39	Clinch County	542,263	65,263	10,954	542,529
40	Cobb County	19,238,057	1,984,081	389,141	19,273,906
41	Coffee County	3,181,389	433,545	64,292	3,184,338
42	Colquitt County	3,537,228	333,006	71,461	3,539,424
43	Columbia County	2,260,041	245,646	45,743	2,265,605
44	Commerce City	355,071	34,758	7,175	355,366
45	Cook County	1,190,543	174,676	24,061	1,191,720
46	Coweta County	3,885,038	318,053	78,485	3,887,290
47	Crawford County	553,426	35,815	11,189	554,163
48	Crisp County	2,337,307	441,662	47,239	2,339,696
49	Dade County	432,622	39,679	8,744	433,076
50	Dalton City	2,391,798	185,392	48,346	2,394,523
51	Dawson County	503,737	15,641	10,176	504,008
52	Decatur City	408,238	56,736	8,263	409,249
53	Decatur County	2,537,087	287,164	51,243	2,538,037
54	DeKalb County	40,367,890	5,671,564	815,835	40,407,739
55	Dodge County	1,188,388	167,818	24,013	1,189,353
56	Dooly County	963,823	481,344	19,476	964,619

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	TOTAL	\$	\$	\$	\$
57	Dougherty County	8,558,374	919,942	172,893	8,563,276
58	Douglas County	5,934,338	481,542	119,906	5,938,871
59	Dublin City	1,650,908	8,219	33,354	1,652,024
60	Early County	1,072,068	33,045	21,653	1,072,443
61	Echols County	346,258	19,660	6,992	346,326
62	Effingham County	1,433,411	98,793	28,991	1,435,902
63	Elbert County	1,115,503	75,218	22,541	1,116,449
64	Emanuel County	2,040,452	278,914	41,232	2,042,170
65	Evans County	987,924	75,404	19,970	989,078
66	Fannin County	869,465	56,813	17,563	869,896
67	Fayette County	1,401,453	107,685	28,340	1,403,683
68	Floyd County	2,407,083	300,488	48,674	2,410,790
69	Forsyth County	2,054,231	191,688	41,475	2,054,231
70	Franklin County	1,004,681	121,466	20,300	1,005,422
71	Fulton County	22,013,989	1,482,767	445,053	22,043,178
72	Gainesville City	2,551,025	401,561	51,505	2,551,025
73	Gilmer County	1,235,541	79,679	24,956	1,236,056
74	Glascock County	109,163	7,036	2,206	109,280
75	Glynn County	4,151,572	264,136	83,933	4,157,134
76	Gordon County	1,548,973	162,278	31,322	1,551,353
77	Grady County	1,815,199	278,038	36,681	1,816,786
78	Greene County	857,136	79,757	17,312	857,471
79	Griffin-Spalding County	4,470,732	566,904	90,331	4,474,041
80	Gwinnett County	38,754,585	3,550,185	783,466	38,804,594
81	Habersham County	1,470,477	124,554	29,699	1,470,984
82	Hall County	6,210,172	622,028	125,474	6,214,644
83	Hancock County	585,787	176,316	11,836	586,231
84	Haralson County	988,121	150,979	19,957	988,458
85	Harris County	539,444	51,661	10,905	540,097
86	Hart County	1,078,114	106,430	21,792	1,079,349
87	Heard County	535,334	83,207	10,823	536,040
88	Henry County	7,093,294	992,406	143,366	7,100,835
89	Houston County	6,505,330	359,228	131,515	6,513,868
90	Irwin County	606,807	89,446	12,256	607,023

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91	Jackson County	1,236,692	97,191	24,993	1,237,890
92	Jasper County	643,405	52,685	13,000	643,865
93	Jeff Davis County	1,079,092	155,866	21,799	1,079,679
94	Jefferson City	217,358	3,593	4,396	217,748
95	Jefferson County	1,207,825	46,269	24,395	1,208,282
96	Jenkins County	753,171	81,575	15,209	753,316
97	Johnson County	543,927	94,103	10,986	544,142
98	Jones County	876,414	65,366	17,716	877,459
99	Lamar County	767,291	101,478	15,511	768,228
100	Lanier County	679,635	64,038	13,728	679,926
101	Laurens County	1,788,517	148,781	36,151	1,790,549
102	Lee County	765,311	81,729	15,470	766,199
103	Liberty County	2,724,781	231,459	55,059	2,727,037
104	Lincoln County	331,423	47,527	6,698	331,726
105	Long County	992,759	46,831	20,072	994,168
106	Lowndes County	2,267,035	227,026	45,834	2,270,140
107	Lumpkin County	855,062	14,839	17,275	855,596
108	Macon County	977,449	136,354	19,747	978,050
109	Madison County	1,076,234	83,526	21,752	1,077,367
110	Marietta City	1,993,326	221,856	40,277	1,994,905
111	Marion County	585,421	40,055	11,831	585,974
112	McDuffie County	1,606,030	190,820	32,447	1,607,102
113	McIntosh County	721,318	65,294	14,569	721,594
114	Meriwether County	1,417,055	209,812	28,627	1,417,855
115	Miller County	468,533	32,401	9,468	468,939
116	Mitchell County	1,303,416	0	26,348	1,305,023
117	Monroe County	690,192	44,019	13,951	690,992
118	Montgomery County	444,123	3,382	8,974	444,475
119	Morgan County	602,478	0	12,176	603,068
120	Murray County	1,796,442	174,179	36,329	1,799,337
121	Muscogee County	12,159,385	2,987,554	245,906	12,179,580
122	Newton County	5,457,632	617,271	110,273	5,461,753
123	Oconee County	427,958	49,440	8,658	428,832
124	Oglethorpe County	507,573	41,920	10,257	508,040

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125	Paulding County	3,627,086	371,201	73,299	3,630,442
126	Peach County	1,395,078	56,427	28,174	1,395,431
127	Pelham City	398,942	40,989	8,058	399,108
128	Pickens County	895,485	74,845	18,104	896,679
129	Pierce County	992,144	145,951	20,052	993,174
130	Pike County	434,159	43,947	8,780	434,850
131	Polk County	2,492,760	483,172	50,364	2,494,507
132	Pulaski County	524,722	42,706	10,601	525,057
133	Putnam County	1,051,503	165,835	21,242	1,052,107
134	Quitman County	191,565	21,709	3,871	191,731
135	Rabun County	573,784	60,253	11,591	574,107
136	Randolph County	545,790	10,195	11,022	545,910
137	Richmond County	15,426,035	2,208,180	311,741	15,440,332
138	Rockdale County	4,138,466	594,988	83,614	4,141,333
139	Rome City	2,422,349	392,371	48,955	2,424,722
140	Schley County	259,274	6,576	5,241	259,587
141	Screven County	1,019,020	128,587	20,596	1,020,114
142	Seminole County	704,141	2,680	14,234	704,996
143	Social Circle City	219,946	6,411	4,443	220,061
144	Stephens County	1,168,260	126,884	23,619	1,169,842
145	Stewart County	329,713	23,500	6,657	329,713
146	Sumter County	3,401,445	233,492	68,707	3,402,997
147	Talbot County	385,470	25,153	7,785	385,563
148	Taliaferro County	142,470	3,647	2,878	142,536
149	Tattnall County	1,540,079	58,052	31,140	1,542,322
150	Taylor County	540,624	24,533	10,917	540,702
151	Telfair County	1,002,200	0	20,248	1,002,888
152	Terrell County	1,082,660	130,686	21,868	1,083,087
153	Thomas County	1,194,965	62,631	24,144	1,195,857
154	Thomaston-Upson County	1,639,764	152,252	33,112	1,640,018
155	Thomasville City	1,372,834	126,057	27,735	1,373,700
156	Tift County	3,259,020	425,253	65,843	3,261,168
157	Toombs County	1,499,540	52,276	30,302	1,500,851
158	Towns County	277,077	17,410	5,598	277,255

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159	Treutlen County	521,870	13,965	10,543	522,170
160	Trion City	210,441	40,225	4,251	210,534
161	Troup County	3,628,139	350,366	73,338	3,632,378
162	Turner County	835,485	124,964	16,878	835,936
163	Twiggs County	481,262	27,952	9,724	481,607
164	Union County	637,104	88,562	12,877	637,801
165	Valdosta City	4,116,912	548,831	83,182	4,119,959
166	Vidalia City	799,801	26,969	16,158	800,316
167	Walker County	2,680,243	125,974	54,135	2,681,255
168	Walton County	3,032,997	317,472	61,313	3,036,768
169	Ware County	2,919,176	309,030	58,979	2,921,195
170	Warren County	444,714	129,677	8,989	445,206
171	Washington County	1,380,507	63,238	27,887	1,381,239
172	Wayne County	1,859,452	247,586	37,583	1,861,461
173	Webster County	124,546	12,188	2,517	124,671
174	Wheeler County	442,945	42,986	8,955	443,531
175	White County	894,111	83,545	18,059	894,459
176	Whitfield County	3,283,045	448,051	66,450	3,291,231
177	Wilcox County	538,650	26,596	10,891	539,444
178	Wilkes County	630,925	23,475	12,753	631,634
179	Wilkinson County	574,752	43,358	11,615	575,272
180	Worth County	1,302,270	75,371	26,318	1,303,516
<b>STATE CHARTER SCHOOL LEAS</b>					
1	Academy of Classical Education (ACE)	545,297	0	0	0
2	Atlanta Heights Charter School	502,423	35,697	10,105	502,730
3	Baconton Community Charter School	726,568	0	0	726,191
4	Brookhaven Innovation Academy	33,897	4,605	686	33,969
5	Cherokee Charter Academy	64,095	8,113	1,299	64,324
6	Cirrus Charter Academy	243,061	6,667	4,915	243,427
7	Coastal Plains Education Charter HS	215,766	30,370	4,370	216,437

	LEA Name	FY20 Allocation (July 2019)	FY19 Carryover (Beginning Dec. 2020)	FY20 Additional Allocation (Feb. 2020)	FY20 Reallocation (Feb. 2020)
	TOTAL	\$	\$	\$	\$
8	Coweta Charter Academy	55,237	0	1,118	55,366
9	Dubois Integrity Academy	254,342	0	5,144	254,795
10	Ethos Classical	125,610	0	0	125,544
11	Foothills Charter High School	252,467	974	5,110	253,076
12	Fulton Leadership Academy	108,745	8,425	2,194	108,680
13	Genesis Academy for Boys	91,377	13,376	1,844	91,325
14	Genesis Academy for Girls	86,982	6,397	1,757	87,032
15	Georgia Connections Academy	906,285	7,975	18,319	907,311
16	Georgia Cyber Academy	3,906,685	268,211	78,839	3,904,836
17	Georgia School for Innovation and Classics	0	0	0	0
18	International Academy of Smyrna	154,990	19,428	3,130	155,005
19	International Charter Academy of GA	8,427	1,007	170	8,421
20	International Charter School of Atlanta	42,164	0	854	42,319
21	Ivy Preparatory Academy, Inc	167,450	11,705	3,394	168,106
22	Liberty Tech Charter Academy	0	0	0	0
23	Mountain Education Charter HS	432,069	46,217	8,723	432,069
24	Odyssey School	1,149,978	681,187	23,218	1,149,978
25	Pataula Charter Academy	236,421	12,075	4,783	236,898
26	Resurgence Hall	78,460	0	1,584	78,460
27	School for Arts-Infused Learning (SAIL)	69,821	6,848	1,410	69,821
28	Scintilla Charter Academy	106,265	461	2,146	106,303
29	SLAM Academy	109,739	13,3620	2,216	109,739

	LEA Name	FY20 Allocation (July 2019)	FY19 Carryover (Beginning Dec. 2020)	FY20 Additional Allocation (Feb. 2020)	FY20 Reallocation (Feb. 2020)
	TOTAL	\$	\$	\$	\$
30	Spring Creek Charter Academy	150,927	0	0	150,850
31	SWGA S.T.E.M. Charter Academy	218,719	0	4,416	218,719
32	Statesboro STEAM Academy	41,593	0	843	41,741
33	Utopian Academy for the Arts	107,979	7,192	2,180	107,997
<b>SPECIAL LEAS</b>					
1	Dept. of Corrections	0			0
2	Dept. of Juvenile Justice	423,707	0	8,555	423,707
3	State Schools	111,816	7,142	2,257	111,767

## Maintenance of Effort

*Source: FY20 Title I, Part A Consolidated Application*

ESEA addresses the LEA's responsibility to maintain local funding. If a LEA fails to maintain fiscal effort, the State Education Agency may be required to reduce the current year allocation.

ESEA Section 8521 states that a local educational agency may receive funds under a covered program for any fiscal year only if the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) finds that either the combined fiscal effort per student or the aggregate expenditures of the agency and the State with respect to the provision of free public education by the agency for the preceding fiscal year was not less than 90 percent of the combined fiscal effort or aggregate expenditures for the second preceding fiscal year, subject to the requirements of subsection (b). In FY2020, one LEA did not meet Maintenance of Effort (MOE). However, the LEA had not failed to meet MOE over the last five years, therefore it met the ESEA MOE requirements as outlined below.

(b) REDUCTION IN CASE OF FAILURE TO MEET — (1) IN GENERAL —The state educational agency shall reduce the amount of the allocation of funds under a covered program in any fiscal year in the exact proportion by which a local educational agency fails to meet the requirement of subsection(a) of this section by falling below 90 percent of both the combined fiscal effort per student and aggregate expenditures (using the measure most favorable to the local agency), if such local educational agency has also failed to meet such requirement (as determined using the measure most favorable to the local agency) for 1 or more of the 5 immediately preceding fiscal years. Covered Programs: Title I, Part A; Title I, Part D; Title II, Part A; Title III, Part A; Title V, Part B; and Title IX, Part A, McKinney-Vento Act.

When notified by the GaDOE Finance Division that an LEA has failed to maintain effort, GaDOE Title I, Part A program staff completes the necessary waiver on behalf of the LEA. One LEA did

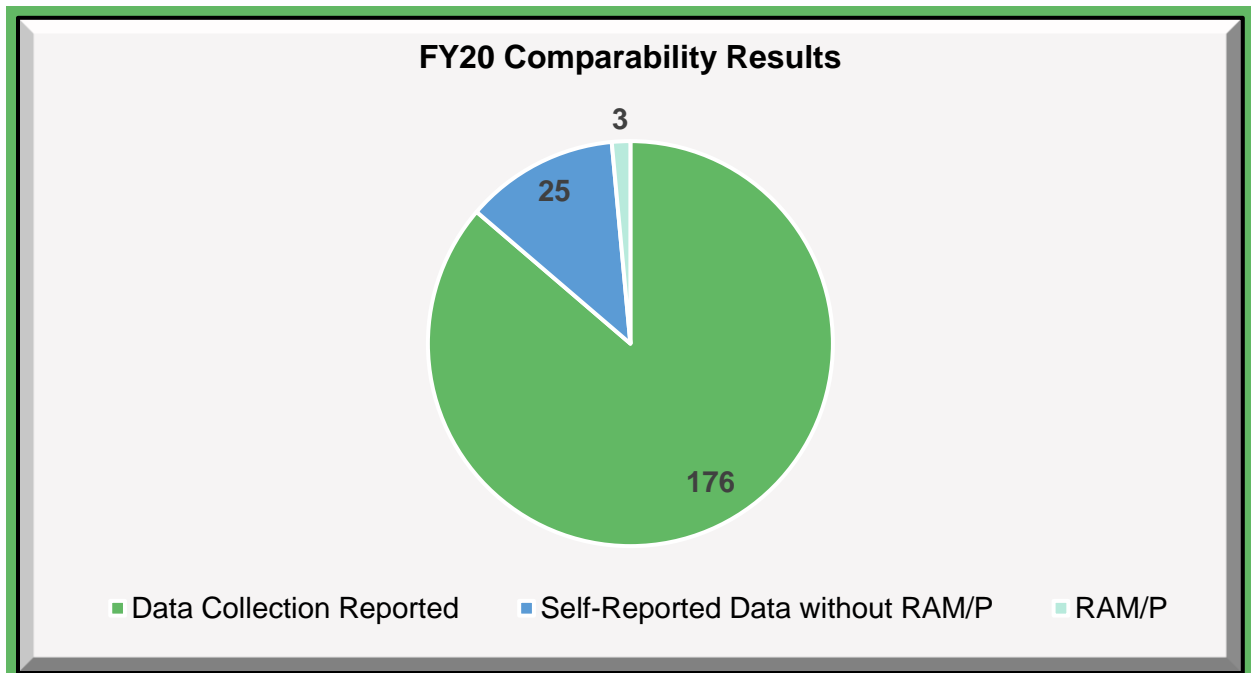
not initially meet MOE for FY20 school year; however, the LEA has not failed to meet MOE over the last five years, therefore it follows ESEA requirements.

## Comparability

ESEA Section 1118(c)(1)(A) provides that an LEA may receive Title I, Part A funds only if it uses state and local funds to provide services in Title I schools that are at least comparable to the services provided in schools that are not receiving Title I funds.

If the LEA serves all schools with Title I funds, the LEA must use state and local funds to provide services that are substantially comparable in each Title I school.

Demonstrating comparability is a prerequisite for receiving Title I, Part A funds. Because Title I, Part A allocations are made annually; comparability is an **annual** requirement.



Source: FY20 Comparability Status Report Consolidated Application

- 176 LEAs were able to demonstrate comparability with data collection (FTE and CPI) reported.
- 25 LEAs used self-reported data (corrections to CPI) to demonstrate comparability.
- 3 LEAs used the Resource Allocation Methodology Plan to demonstrate comparability.

## Private School Equitable Participation

ESEA Section 1117 requires participating LEAs, in consultation with appropriate private school officials, to provide eligible children attending private non-profit elementary and secondary schools, their teachers, and their families with Title I, Part A services or other benefits that are equitable to those provided to eligible public-school students, their teachers, and their families. Eligible private school children are children who reside in a participating Title I public school



attendance area and who are failing, or are most at risk of failing, to meet challenging academic achievement standards.

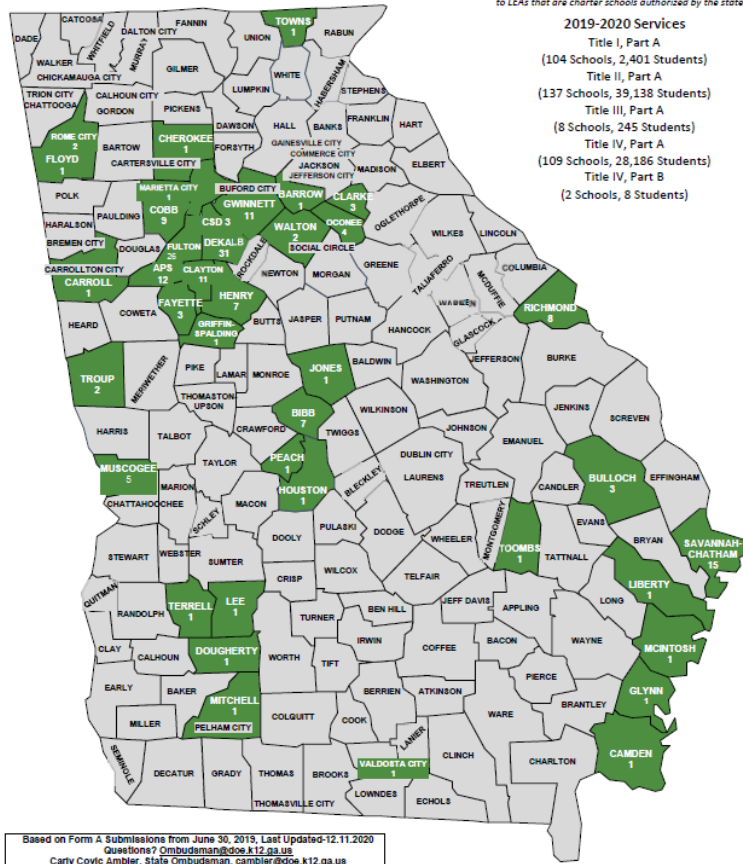
ESEA also requires an LEA to ensure that its expenditures for equitable services are equal to the proportion of funds allocated to participating public school attendance areas based on the number of children from low-income families who reside in those attendance areas and attend private schools. LEAs must determine the proportional share of Title I, Part A funds available for equitable services based on the total amount of Title I funds received by the LEA prior to any allowable expenditures or transfers of funds. *(Implementing Title I in Georgia – Handbook for Implementing Title I, Part A, p.4)* [Add hyperlink](#)



### Participating Private Schools (2019-2020)

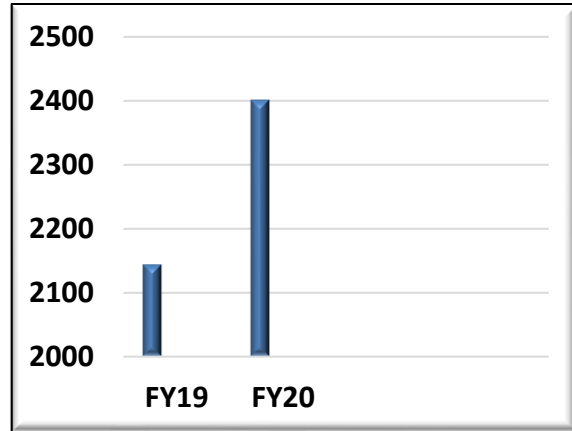
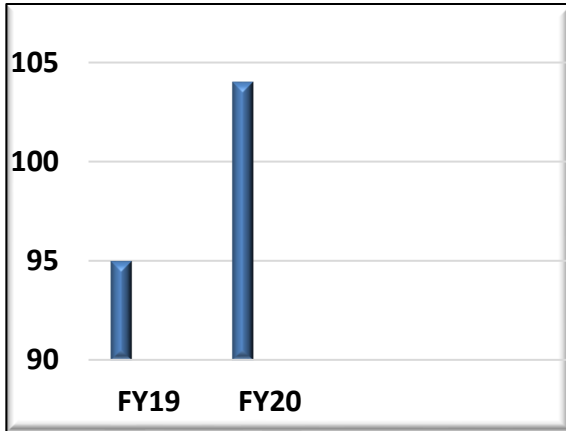
LEAs with participating private schools in and/or across boundaries.

*In Georgia, the provision of equitable services is not applicable to LEAs that are charter schools authorized by the state.*



**Private Schools Participating in Title I Services**

**Private Schools Students Participating in Title I Services**



Over the last two years there has been an increase in the number of participating private schools and the number of private school students that were served through Title I, Part A funds.

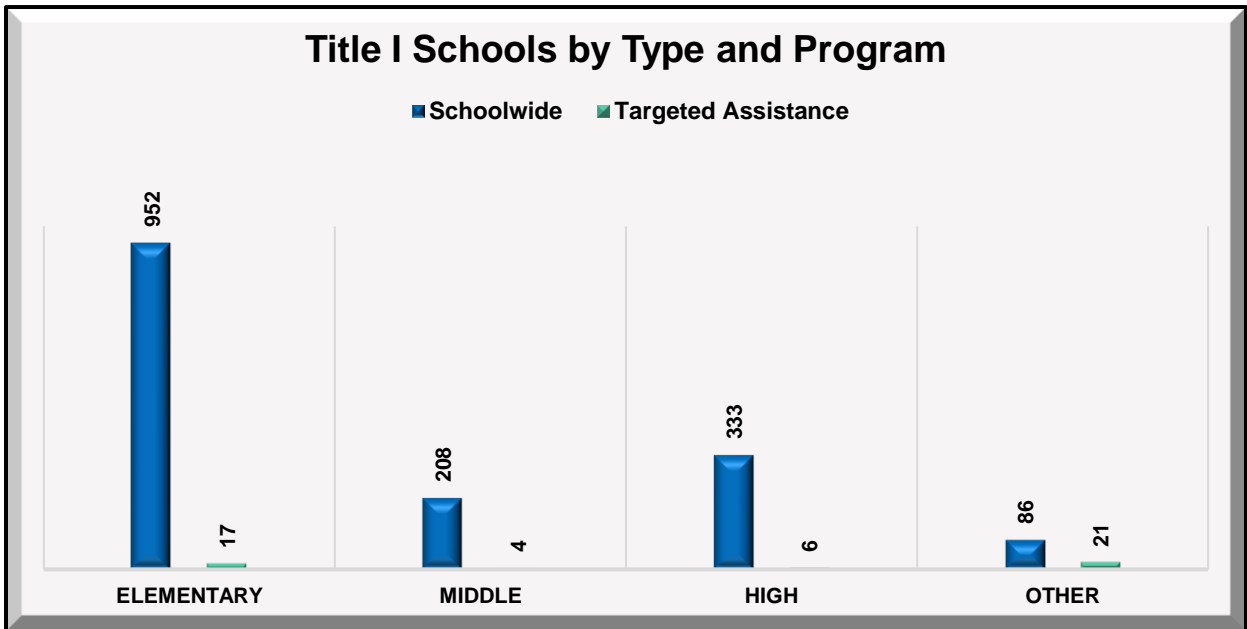
LEAs with Participating Private Schools	*FY19 (95)	**FY20 (104)
	# Participating Schools	# Participating Schools
Atlanta Public Schools	8	9
Bibb County	3	3
Bulloch County	1	1
Camden County	1	1
Chatham County	8	9
Cherokee County	0	1
Clarke County	2	3
Clayton County	9	11
Cobb County	5	5
Coweta County	1	0
DeKalb County	21	24
Dougherty County	1	1
Fayette County	1	0
Floyd County	1	1
Fulton County	9	7
Glynn County	1	1
Griffin-Spalding County	1	1
Gwinnett County	8	8
Henry County	2	2
Jones County	1	1
Lee County	1	1
Marietta City	1	1
McIntosh County	0	1

LEAs with Participating Private Schools	*FY19 (95)	**FY20 (104)
	# Participating Schools	# Participating Schools
Muscogee County	3	2
Oconee County	1	1
Peach County	0	1
Richmond County	2	4
Rome City	2	2
Terrell County	1	1
Walton County	0	1

Source: \*FY19 ESSA Allocation Methodology and Equitable Services Break Out, pp 2-7  
 Source: \*\*FY20 ESSA Allocation Methodology and Equitable Services Break Out, pp 14-18  
[Add hyperlinks](#)

## Title I, Part A Programs, Schools and Students

There are two types of Title I programs: targeted assistance programs and schoolwide programs. In FY20 a total of 1,003,091 students were supported with Title I funds through either a targeted assistance or schoolwide program. The chart provides information for the breakdown of Title I programs by type and by grade spans.



Source: FY20 Title I, Part A Eligible Attendance Area Report

## Title I, Part A Use of Funds Flexibility

Under ESEA, LEAs are granted flexibility in determining how to best meet the needs of their students and stakeholders. This includes the ability to allocate funds through traditional methods, consolidation of federal funds, consolidation of federal, state, and local funds, consolidation of administrative funds and the ability to transfer funds into Title I, Part A from other allowable federal programs. The LEAs complete a needs assessment and develop an annual plan with input from stakeholders; this plan drives the budget and use of federal funds. LEAs have the flexibility to focus expenditures on the identified areas of school improvement regardless of the funding methods. For example, an action step with Title I funds could be a reading intervention teacher, professional learning for math differentiation or after-school tutoring. The use of funds is determined by the identified needs of the LEA and all funding sources afford the flexibility to use effectiveness data to drive the continued implementation of evidence-based interventions.

### **Consolidation of Administrative Funds**

Consolidation of Administrative Funds may provide LEAs with greater flexibility in the administration of Federal ESEA programs by allowing LEAs to charge administrative costs to an administrative pool of federal funds instead of assigning specific costs to specific programs. If the cost is an allowable administrative activity under any of the consolidating programs, the cost may be charged to the administrative budget pool. An LEA is then no longer required to maintain separate records, by individual program, to account for costs related to administering the programs included in the consolidation.

**There were 16 LEAs that took advantage of the consolidation of Administrative Funds option for FY20.**

### **Consolidation of Funds (COF)**

The Georgia Department of Education and school districts across Georgia are implementing the Consolidation of Funds Initiative to fully consolidate federal, state, and local funds in specific Title I schools that operate schoolwide programs. Once these funds are consolidated, the federal funds lose their identity as federal funds, and expenditures of those funds are no longer limited to the federal requirements for individual programs. A schoolwide program school that consolidates federal program funds is not required to meet most statutory or regulatory requirements of the program applicable at the school level but must meet the intent and purposes of that program to ensure that the needs of the intended beneficiaries are met.

<b>Consolidation of Funds LEAs</b>	<b>Cohorts 1 – 5 for FY20</b>
Atkinson County	Griffin-Spalding County
Atlanta Public Schools	Lamar County
Barrow County	Long County
Ben Hill County	Madison County
Berrien County	Marietta City
Bryan County	Miller County
Calhoun City	Mitchell County
Cartersville City	Montgomery County
Clarke County	Muscogee County
Coweta County	Oglethorpe County
Dougherty County	Richmond County
DuBois Integrity Academy	Scintilla Charter
Effingham County	Stephens County

Foothills Charter HS	Tattnall County
Fulton County	Terrell County
Gainesville City	Walker County

### Fund 400

The Fund 400 budgeting option is the consolidation of federal funds. With this method federal funds are consolidated which may allow LEAs greater flexibility to carry out initiatives and interventions.

**In FY20, there was one LEA in the state that used Fund 400 option for Title I funds.**

### Transferability

Transferability is a flexibility authority which allows LEAs to transfer funding under certain Federal programs to other Federal programs to address identified needs more effectively. LEAs may transfer funds out of only the two following programs (ESEA Section 5103(a)):

- Title II, Part A: Supporting Effective Instruction
- Title IV, Part A: Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants

### LEAs Transferring Funds into Title I, Part A

Number of LEAS	Federal Program Transferred From	Total Amount of Transferred Funds
58	Title II, Part A	\$6,248,528
64	Title IV, Part A	\$4,729,028

Total amount of funds transferred into Title I, Part - \$10,977,556.

## 2019-2020 Title I, Part A Budgeted Funds

*Source: FY20 Cube Financial Review Budgeted Funds*

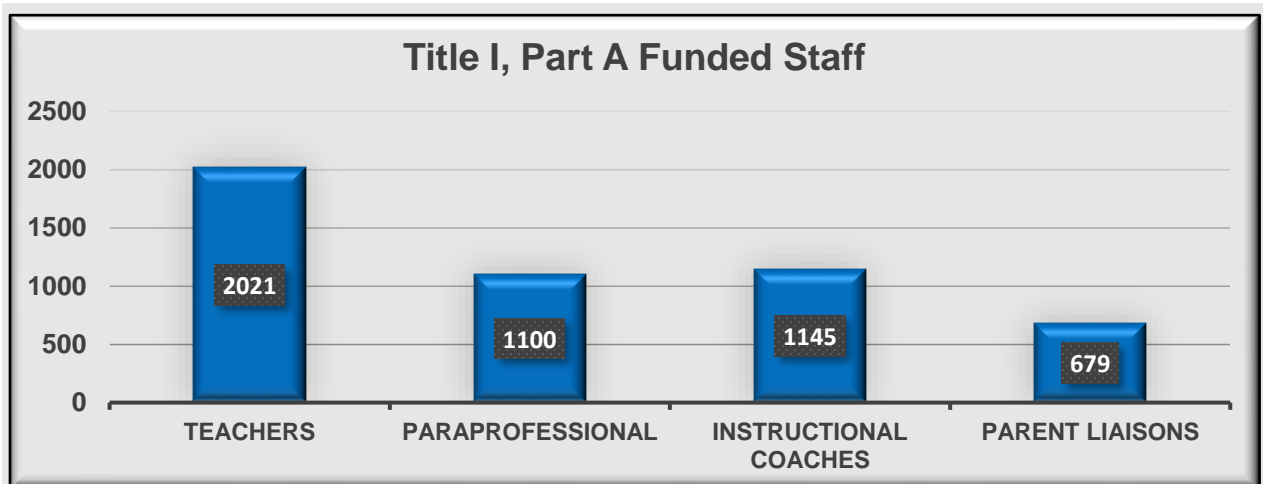
The LEAs budgeted funds into the following Function Code categories for a total of **\$571,562,296** which includes funds from the FY20 Title I, Part A Allocation, FY19 Title I, Part A Carryover, Additional Allocation and Transferred Funds:

Function	Function Name	How Funds Can be Used	Amount	Percent of Total
1000	Instruction	Salaries/benefits for teachers, paraprofessionals and substitutes, software, technology, travel, supplies, equipment, etc.	\$337,354,323	59%
2100	Pupil Services	Family engagement staff and supplies, counselors, purchased professional services, books, dues/fees, equipment, etc.	\$45,227,602	8%
2210	Improvement of Instructional Services	Substitutes for professional learning, stipends, extended year, professional services, travel, supplies, technology, books, etc.	\$23,515,755	4%

2213	Instructional Staff Training	Substitutes for professional learning, academic coaches, travel, dues/fees, supplies, etc.	\$113,061,187	20%
2220	Educational Media Services	Books other than texts, media staff, etc.	\$507,311	<.01%
2230	Federal Grant Administration	Salary/benefits, travel, supplies, technology, equipment, books, federal administrative consolidation program	\$30,934,515	5%
2300	General Administration	Audit fees and indirect costs	\$15,336,448	3%
2400	School Administration	Clerical staff	\$2,294,013	<.01%
2600	Maintenance and Operation of Plant Services	Maintenance personnel salary/benefits and supplies	\$280,445	<.01%
2700	Student Transportation	Activities concerned with the conveyance of students to and from school and trips to school activities.	\$3,045,129	.54%
2900	Other Support Services	Computer software, dues/fees	\$5,568	<.01%

## Title I, Part A Funded Staff

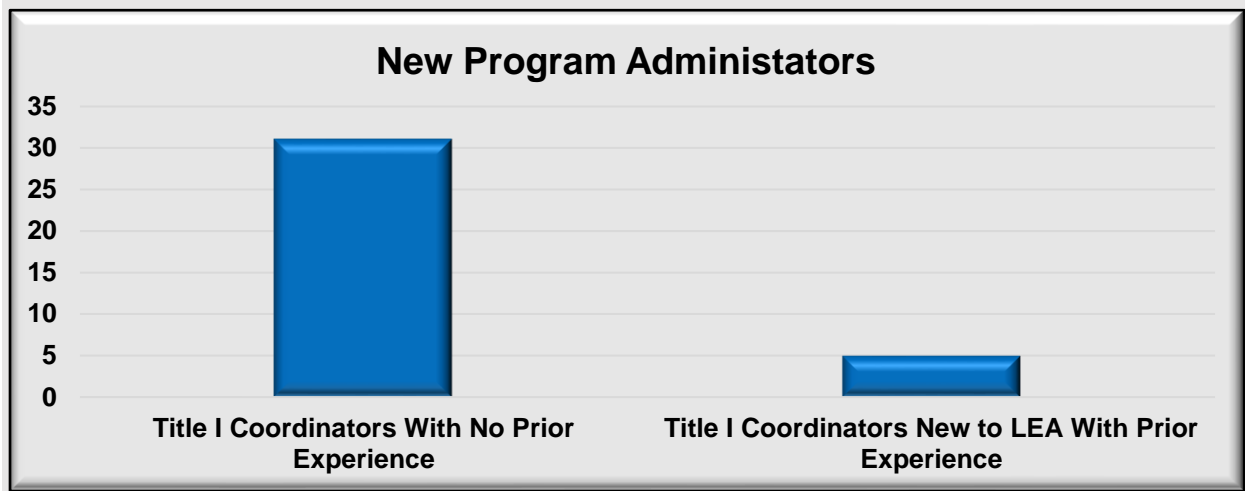
The chart below illustrates the variety of staff positions funded with Title I, Part A funds in FY20.



*Source: FY20 Consolidated Application*

## Title I, Part A Program Administration

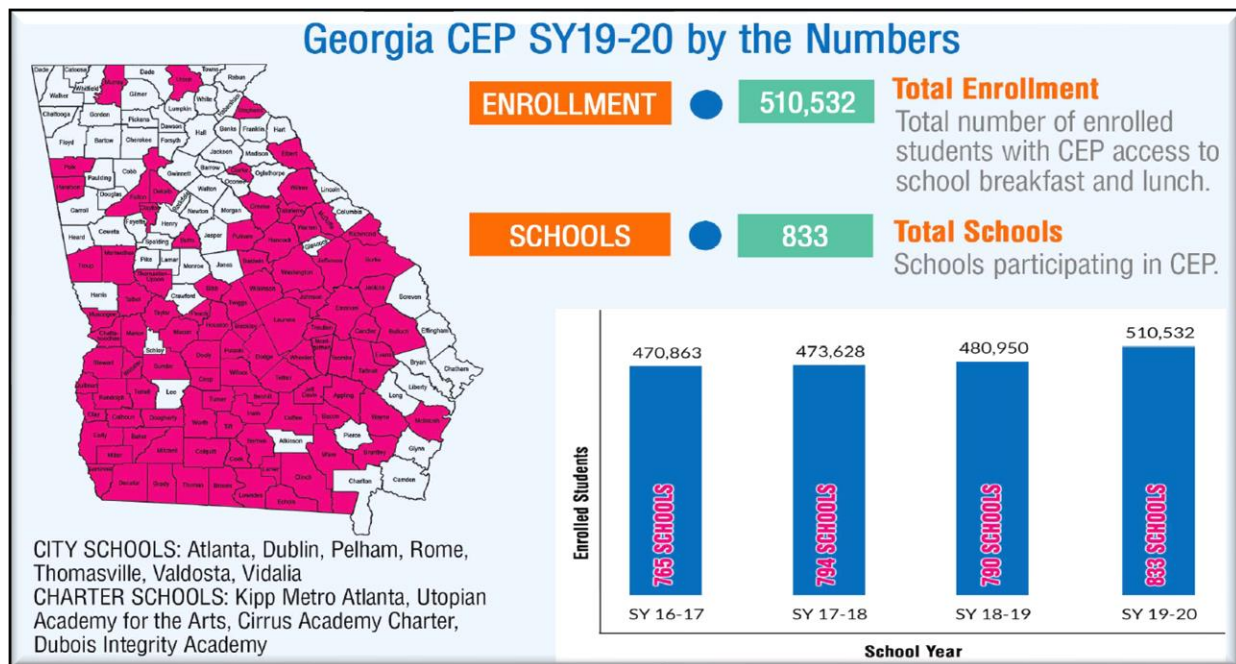
Extra technical assistance is provided to support first year district program coordinators. This chart reveals that out of the 212 LEAs, there were 30 coordinators with no prior experience in Title I.



Source: FY20 Profile Sheets Completed by each LEA

## Title I, Part A Poverty Information

Poverty information is provided from the School Nutrition Program to determine Title I eligible schools. A local educational agency (LEA) will use funds received under Title I, Part A only in eligible school attendance areas. Each district may choose to use **Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) numbers** and/or **Free/Reduced Lunch data**.



Source: GaDOE School Food Nutrition

## FY20 Free/Reduced Lunch Data

Number of Schools in Georgia	2,320
Number of Schools using Free/Reduced Meals to Determine Title I Eligibility	1,535
Percentage of Schools using Free/Reduced Meals to Determine Title I Eligibility	66.16%
Total Enrollment of K-12 Students in Georgia	1,721,480
Total Number of K-12 Students Receiving Free/Reduced Meals	607,670
Percentage of K-12 Students Receiving Free/Reduced Lunch Meals	35.30%

Source: FY20 Title I Eligible Attendance Area Report

## EL ACCESS Participation Rate

Under the ESEA Section 1111(b)(2)(B)(ix) and 1111(b)(2)(G), Title I, Part A is charged with ensuring that all English Learners (ELs) are administered the English Language Proficiency (ELP) assessment annually (WIDA’s ACCESS for ELLs® 2.0 and Alternate ACCESS in GA), including EL students whose parents have waived English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) language program services or may not be receiving ESOL services for other reasons.

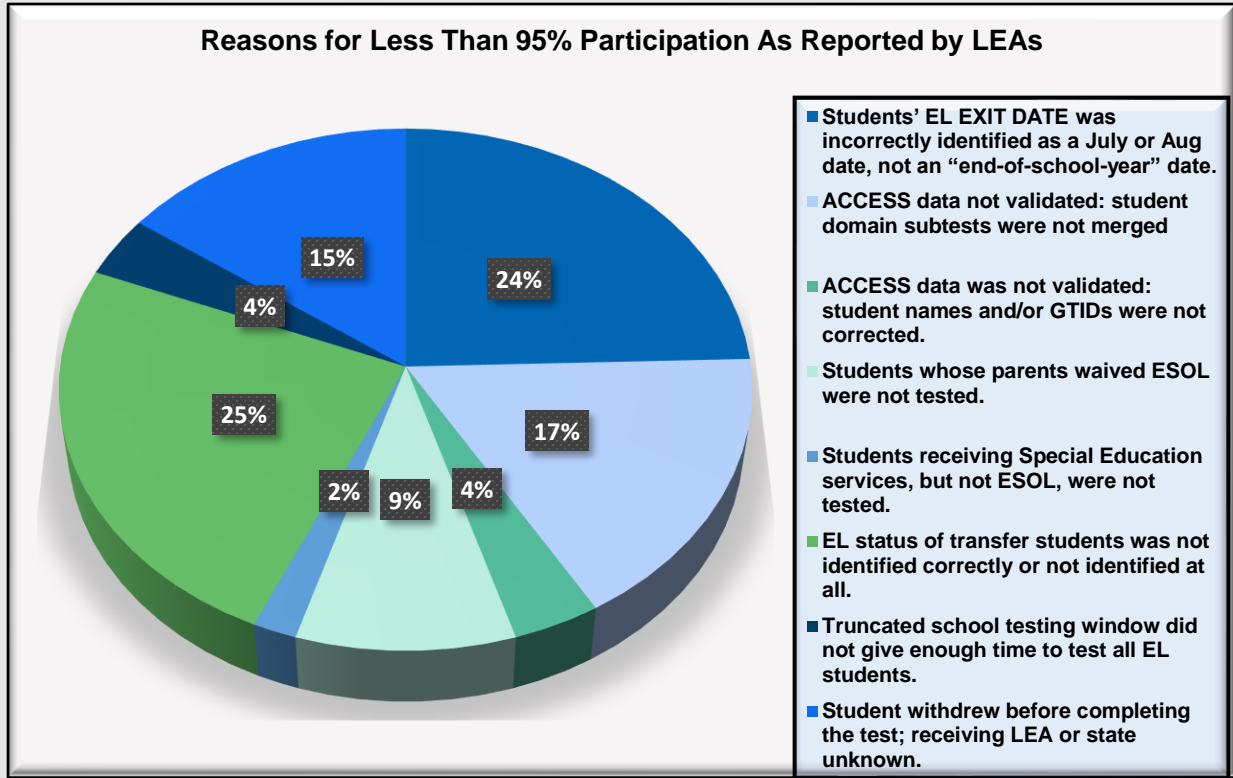
The Georgia Department of Education Title I Part A program has established a 95% ELP Participation rate threshold. The following table contains a summary of the LEA’s FY20 ELP Assessment Participation Rate.

FY20 Participation Rate	FY20 LEA Participation Percent
<95%	22% (44)
95% - 99%	49% (98)
100%	28% (57)

Note: Only 199 out of 216 LEAs had identified ELs during the assessment window  
Source: 2020 ACCESS/Alt. ACCESS Assessment Data

If the LEA’s ELP Assessment Participation Rate was less than 95%, (44 LEA’s) a corrective action plan (CAP) was required, and the LEA must submit to Title I, Part A reasons for not meeting the 95% threshold.





Source: Responses submitted to GaDOE from LEAs

## Title I Part A Academic Achievement Programs

### Title I Distinguished Schools

A Title I Distinguished School is a Title I school among the top 5% Schoolwide and top 5% Targeted Assisted Title I school in the state that have the **highest absolute performance** based on the College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) for the all-students group on the most current statewide assessment. A school may not be classified as a Title I Distinguished School if it is also identified as a Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI), a Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) or a Promise/Turn-around School.

There were 87 schools identified as Title I Distinguished Schools in FY20.

System Name	Distinguished School Name
Bacon County	Bacon County Primary School
Barrow County	Bramlett Elementary School
Bibb County	Carter Elementary School
Bibb County	Springdale Elementary School
Bleckley County	Bleckley County High School
Bleckley County	Bleckley County Primary School

<b>System Name</b>	<b>Distinguished School Name</b>
Bacon County	Bacon County Primary School
Brantley County	Nahunta Primary School
Brantley County	Waynesville Primary School
Bremen City	Jones Elementary School
Buford City	Buford Middle School
Camden County	Camden County High School
Camden County	David L Rainer Elementary School
Camden County	Kingsland Elementary School
Camden County	Saint Marys Middle School
Carroll County	Central Elementary School
Carroll County	Ithica Elementary
Carroll County	Sharp Creek Elementary School
Carroll County	Whitesburg Elementary School
Cartersville City	Cartersville Primary School
Catoosa County	Ringgold Middle School
Cherokee County	Clark Creek Elementary School
Chickamauga City	Chickamauga Elementary School
City Schools of Decatur	Clairemont Elementary School
City Schools of Decatur	Decatur High School
Clayton County	Elite Scholars Academy School
Clayton County	Martha Ellen Stilwell School for the Performing Arts
Columbia County	Westmont Elementary School
Coweta County	Arnall Middle School
Coweta County	Elm Street Elementary School
Coweta County	Northside Elementary School
Dalton Public Schools	Brookwood Elementary School
Dawson County	Riverview Elementary School
DeKalb County	Chesnut Elementary School
DeKalb County	Dekalb Early College Academy
DeKalb County	Fernbank Elementary School
DeKalb County	Livsey Elementary School
DeKalb County	Smoke Rise Elementary School

<b>System Name</b>	<b>Distinguished School Name</b>
Bacon County	Bacon County Primary School
DeKalb County	Wadsworth Magnet School for High Achievers
DeKalb County	Wynbrooke Elementary School
Dougherty County	Robert A. Cross Middle Magnet
Effingham County	Rincon Elementary School
Fayette County	Bennett's Mill Middle School
Fayette County	Flat Rock Middle School
Fayette County	North Fayette Elementary School
Franklin County	Carnesville Elementary Primary School
Fulton County	Amana Academy School
Fulton County	Elkins Pointe Middle School
Fulton County	Hembree Springs Elementary School
Fulton County	High Point Elementary School
Fulton County	KIPP South Fulton Academy School
Fulton County	Woodland Elementary School
Gilmer County	Ellijay Elementary School
Glynn County	Greer Elementary School
Glynn County	Satilla Marsh Elementary School
Glynn County	St. Simons Elementary School
Gwinnett County	Berkeley Lake Elementary School
Gwinnett County	Harris Elementary School
Gwinnett County	Knight Elementary School
Gwinnett County	McKendree Elementary School
Gwinnett County	Partee Elementary School
Habersham County	South Habersham Middle School
Jefferson City	Jefferson Academy
Jefferson City	Jefferson Elementary School
Laurens County	Northwest Laurens Elementary
Lee County	Lee County High School
Lee County	Lee County Middle School West
Madison County	Colbert Elementary School
Madison County	Danielsville Elementary School

System Name	Distinguished School Name
Bacon County	Bacon County Primary School
Monroe County	Samuel E. Hubbard Elementary School
Monroe County	T.G. Scott Elementary School
Muscogee County	Rainey McCullers School of the Arts
Oconee County	High Shoals Elementary School
Oconee County	Oconee County Middle School
Oconee County	Oconee County Primary School
Peach County	Byron Middle School
Pickens County	Hill City Elementary School
Pierce County	Patterson Elementary School
Rockdale County	General Ray Davis Middle School
State Charter Schools II- R	Resurgence Hall Charter School
State Charter Schools- Int	International Charter School of Atlanta
Trion City	Trion Elementary School
Troup County	Long Cane Elementary School
Walker County	Cherokee Ridge Elementary
Walton County	Walker Park Elementary School
Ware County	Wacona Elementary School
White County	Jack P Nix Elementary School
Whitfield County	Varnell Elementary School

Source: 2019 CCRPI Data

### Title I Reward Schools

A Title I Reward School is a Title I school among the 5% of Title I schools in the state that is making the **most progress in improving the performance of the all-students group** based on the CCRPI score over the most recent two years on the most current statewide assessments. A school may not be classified as a Title I Reward School if it is also identified as a Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI), a Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) or a Promise/Turn-around School.

There were 141 schools identified as Title I Reward Schools in FY20.

System Name	Reward School Name
Atlanta Public Schools	Bolton Academy
Atlanta Public Schools	Garden Hills Elementary School
Atlanta Public Schools	Hutchinson Elementary School

<b>System Name</b>	<b>Reward School Name</b>
Atlanta Public Schools	Bolton Academy
Atlanta Public Schools	KIPP VISION
Atlanta Public Schools	KIPP Vision Primary
Atlanta Public Schools	Kipp WAYS Primary School
Atlanta Public Schools	M. A. Jones Elementary School
Bacon County	Bacon County Middle School
Baldwin County	Baldwin High School
Baldwin County	Lakeview Primary
Barrow County	Auburn Elementary School
Barrow County	Russell Middle School
Bartow County	Euharlee Elementary School
Ben Hill County	Ben Hill County Primary School
Ben Hill County	Ben Hill Elementary School
Berrien County	Berrien Primary School
Bibb County	Brookdale Elementary School
Bibb County	Burdell Elementary School
Bibb County	Miller Magnet Middle School
Brooks County	North Brooks Elementary School
Bryan County	Bryan County Middle School
Bryan County	Lanier Primary School
Bulloch County	Sallie Zetterower Elementary School
Burke County	Burke County Middle School
Burke County	S G A Elementary School
Camden County	Mamie Lou Gross Elementary School
Camden County	Sugarmill Elementary
Carroll County	Bay Springs Middle School
Carroll County	Bowdon Middle School
Carroll County	Temple Middle School
Carroll County	Villa Rica Middle
Carrollton City	Carrollton Elementary School
Catoosa County	Cloud Springs Elementary School
Charlton County	Bethune Middle School
Charlton County	Folkston Elementary School
Charlton County	St. George Elementary School
Clarke County	Judia Jackson Harris Elementary
Clayton County	Kemp Primary
Clayton County	Mount Zion Primary
Clayton County	Suder Elementary School

<b>System Name</b>	<b>Reward School Name</b>
Atlanta Public Schools	Bolton Academy
Cobb County	Barber Middle School
Cobb County	Birney Elementary School
Cobb County	Compton Elementary School
Cobb County	East Cobb Middle School
Cobb County	Garrett Middle School
Cobb County	Green Acres Elementary School
Cobb County	Lindley 6th Grade Academy
Cobb County	McCall Primary School
Cobb County	Milford Elementary School
Cobb County	Norton Park Elementary School
Cobb County	Powder Springs Elementary School
Coffee County	Nicholls Elementary School
Coffee County	Satilla Elementary School
Colquitt County	Hamilton Elementary School
Cook County	Cook Primary School
Coweta County	Glanton Elementary
Coweta County	Ruth Hill Elementary School
Coweta County	Western Elementary School
Decatur County	West Bainbridge Elementary School
DeKalb County	Briar Vista Elementary School
DeKalb County	Chapel Hill Elementary School
DeKalb County	DeKalb Academy of Technology and the Environment Charter School
DeKalb County	Edward L. Bouie, Sr. Elementary School
DeKalb County	Eldridge L. Miller Elementary School
DeKalb County	Idlewood Elementary School
DeKalb County	Indian Creek Elementary School
DeKalb County	Jolly Elementary School
DeKalb County	Narvie Harris Elementary School
DeKalb County	Pine Ridge Elementary School
DeKalb County	Rock Chapel Elementary School
Dublin City	Moore Street Facility
Dublin City	Susie Dasher
Effingham County	Guyton Elementary School
Effingham County	Sand Hill Elementary School
Fayette County	Fayetteville Elementary School
Floyd County	McHenry Primary

<b>System Name</b>	<b>Reward School Name</b>
Atlanta Public Schools	Bolton Academy
Floyd County	Pepperell Primary
Fulton County	Clifftondale Elementary School
Fulton County	E. C. West Elementary School
Fulton County	Hapeville Charter Middle School
Fulton County	Lake Forest Elementary
Fulton County	Liberty Point Elementary School
Fulton County	Palmetto Elementary School
Fulton County	Renaissance ES
Fulton County	Sandtown Middle School
Fulton County	Woodland Middle School
Gilmer County	Ellijay Primary School
Glynn County	Golden Isles Elementary School
Glynn County	Sterling Elementary School
Gordon County	Red Bud Elementary School
Grady County	Northside Elementary School
Griffin-Spalding County	Crescent Road Elementary School
Gwinnett County	Baggett Elementary School
Gwinnett County	Corley Elementary School
Gwinnett County	Lawrenceville Elementary School
Gwinnett County	Lilburn Elementary School
Gwinnett County	Peachtree Elementary School
Gwinnett County	Sweetwater Middle School
Hall County	Lanier Elementary School
Haralson County	Haralson County High School
Harris County	Park Elementary School
Henry County	Austin Road Elementary School
Henry County	Fairview Elementary School
Henry County	Hickory Flat Elementary School
Henry County	Pleasant Grove Elementary School
Henry County	Stockbridge Elementary School
Henry County	Stockbridge Middle School
Houston County	Centerville Elementary School
Houston County	Eagle Springs Elementary
Houston County	Huntington Middle School
Houston County	Morningside Elementary School
Houston County	Shirley Hills Elementary School
Houston County	Tucker Elementary School

<b>System Name</b>	<b>Reward School Name</b>
Atlanta Public Schools	Bolton Academy
Jasper County	Jasper County Primary School
Jenkins County	Jenkins County High School
Johnson County	Johnson County Elementary School
Jones County	Jones County High School
Laurens County	East Laurens Middle School
Laurens County	East Laurens Primary School
Lincoln County	Lincoln County Middle School
Lumpkin County	Blackburn Elementary School
Lumpkin County	Long Branch Elementary School
Macon County	Macon County High School
Marietta City	Hickory Hills Elementary School
Marietta City	Sawyer Road Elementary School
Marion County	L. K. Moss Elementary School
Meriwether County	Mountain View Elementary School
Miller County	Miller County Elementary School
Montgomery County	Montgomery County Middle School
Muscogee County	Wynnton Elementary School
Newton County	Fairview Elementary
Oglethorpe County	Oglethorpe County Elementary School
Paulding County	New Georgia Elementary School
Pulaski County	Pulaski County Elementary School
Rome City	Elm Street Elementary
Schley County	Schley County Elementary School
State Charter Schools II- G	Genesis Innovation Academy for Boys
State Charter Schools II- G	Genesis Innovation Academy for Girls
State Charter Schools II- S	Statesboro STEAM Academy
Tattnall County	Collins Elementary School
Thomas County	Garrison-Pilcher Elementary School
Thomaston-Upson County	Upson-Lee Elementary School
Tift County	Len Lastinger Elementary School
Towns County	Towns County High School
Troup County	Franklin Forest Elementary
Troup County	Rosemont Elementary School
Valdosta City	Valdosta Middle School
Vidalia City	J. D. Dickerson Primary School
Walker County	LaFayette Middle School
Walker County	North LaFayette Elementary School




System Name	Reward School Name
Atlanta Public Schools	Bolton Academy
Walker County	Rossville Elementary School
Walker County	Stone Creek Elementary School
Walton County	Bay Creek Elementary School
Walton County	Youth Middle School
Whitfield County	New Hope Elementary School
Whitfield County	Tunnel Hill Elementary School
Wilkes County	Washington-Wilkes Primary School

Source: 2018 and 2019 CCRPI Data

## National ESEA Distinguished Schools

A National ESEA Distinguished School is one of two schools selected from the schoolwide Title I Schools identified Title I Distinguished Schools. All schoolwide Title I Distinguished Schools are invited to apply for the National recognition.

### FY20 Georgia's National ESEA Distinguished Schools



**St. Simons Elementary**  
Glynn County Schools

**2018 CCRPI – 92.8**  
**2019 CCRPI – 92.9**  
**Poverty – 48.62%**

**Successfully Implemented Initiatives:**

- Parent Engagement
- EL Students & Parents
- Ocean Lab

**Elm Street Elementary School**  
Coweta County Schools

**2018 CCRPI – 81.8**  
**2019 CCRPI – 91.9**  
**Poverty – 45.38%**

**Successfully Implemented Initiatives:**

- Brainy Tuesday
- Student Ownership of Data
- Rigorous Spiral Assessments

## Professional Qualifications Data

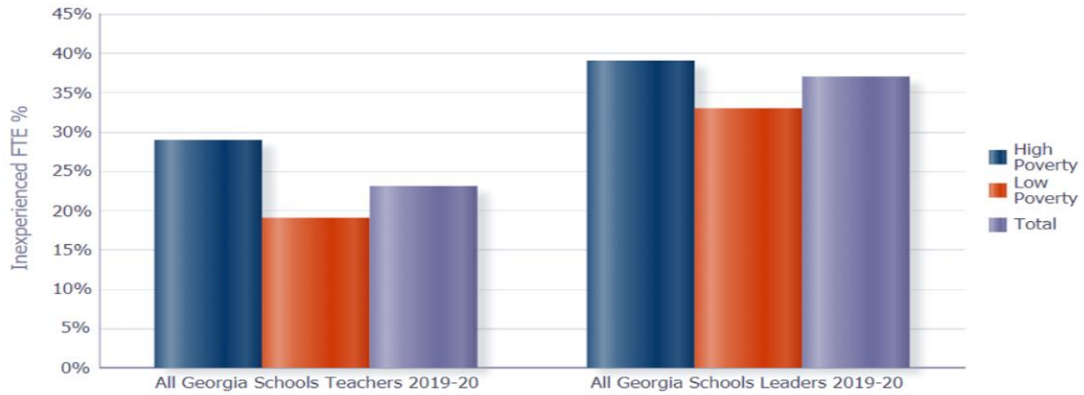
According to ESEA, State Education Agencies (SEAs) and Local Education Agencies (LEAs) must ensure and report annually the applicable state certification and licensure requirements for teachers, principals, and other school leaders. The report details information on the number and percentage of inexperienced teachers, principals, other school leaders, teachers teaching with emergency or provisional credentials, and teachers who are not teaching in the subject or field for which the teacher is certified or licensed.

**Inexperienced Teachers and/or Leaders**

Displays the number and percent of unique and full-time equivalent teachers/leaders

2019-20	State of Georgia	All Georgia Schools	Teachers	Total FTE			Inexperienced FTE			Inexperienced FTE %		
				Low Poverty	High Poverty	Total	Low Poverty	High Poverty	Total	Low Poverty	High Poverty	Total
				36,138.3	21,720.4	110,800.8	6,842.9	6,234.3	25,767.0	19%	29%	23%
			Leaders	1,809.2	1,374.8	6,451.4	597.2	536.4	2,392.7	33%	39%	37%

**Inexperienced FTE %**



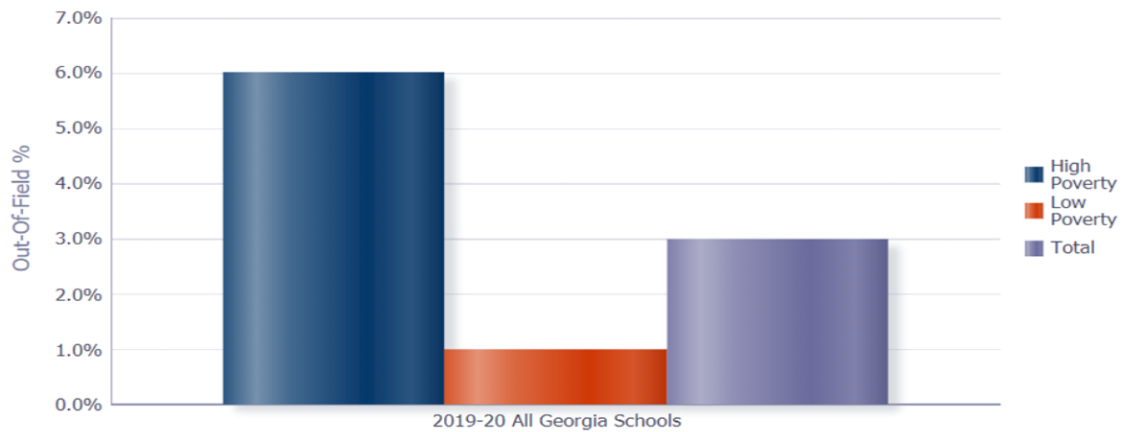
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**Teachers teaching out of field**

Teachers who are not teaching in the subject or field for which the teacher is certified or licensed

2019-20	State of Georgia	All Georgia Schools	Teachers	Total FTE			Out-of-field FTE			Out-Of-Field %		
				Total	High Poverty	Low Poverty	Total	High Poverty	Low Poverty	Total	High Poverty	Low Poverty
				110,801	21,720	36,138	3,180	1,356	479	3.0%	6.0%	1.0%

**Out-Of-Field %**



Source: <https://gosa.georgia.gov>

# Title I, Part A Committee of Practitioners

*Source: Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Section 1903.*

The Georgia Title I, Part A Committee of Practitioners as Established under Section 1903 of Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESEA).

State administration of the Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) is directed to be substantially involved in the review of and comment on any proposed or final state rules, regulations and policies relating to Title I prior to publication.

Committee members are provided with an update on national education reform activities, changes in Title I, Part A legislation and regulations, and other pertinent state and federal information.

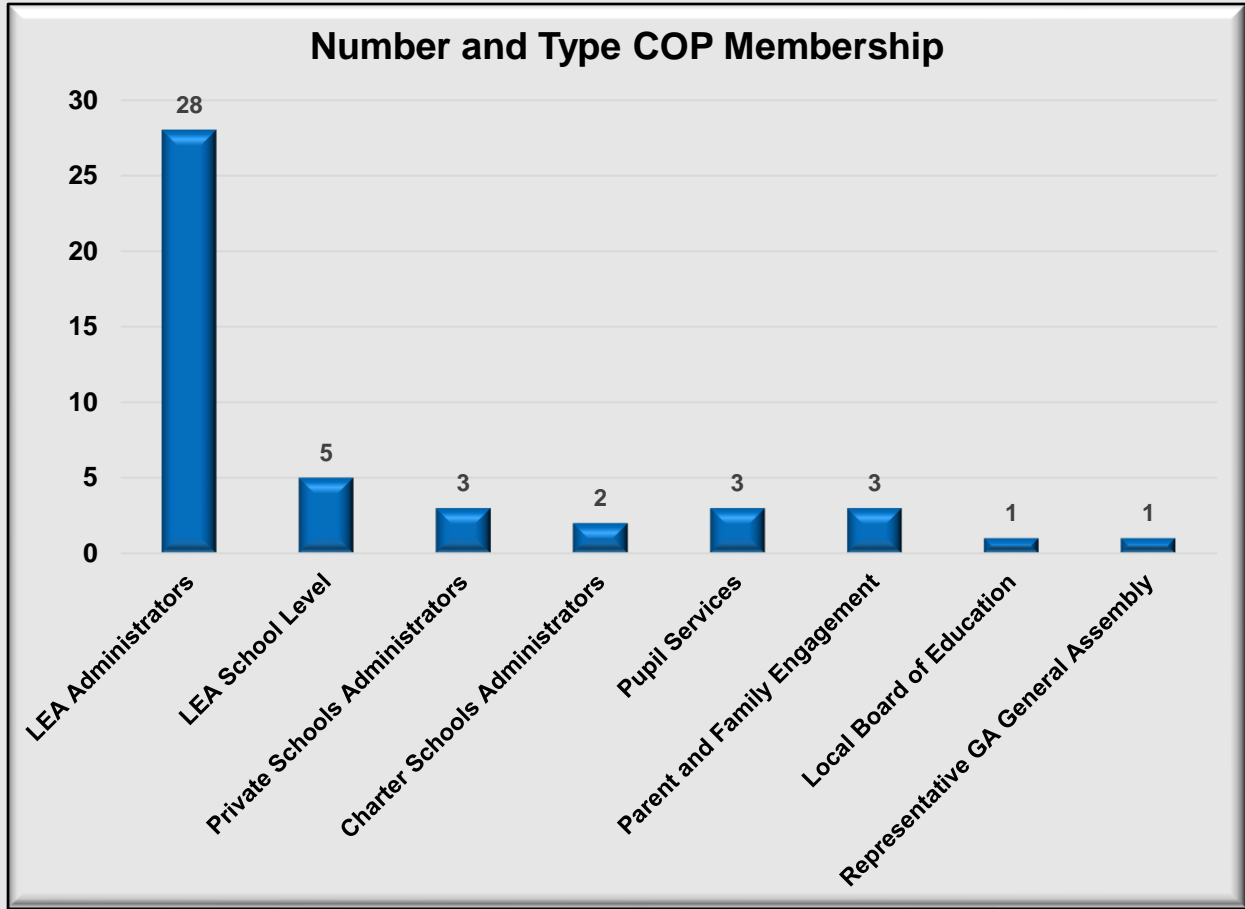
Presently, the 46-member COP includes representatives from local educational agencies (LEA) administrators; teachers, including vocational educators; parents; members of local boards of education; representatives of private school children; representatives of charter schools; and representative of pupil services personnel.

Members are nominated for three years by the Office of School Improvement's Federal Programs Division and approved by the State Board of Education (SBOE). Nominated candidates represent the required representative groups and each congressional district in the state. Vacancies are replaced with individuals from similar representative groups and regions of the state.

## Membership

Section 1903 of Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requires representatives from the following categories:

- A majority of its members, representatives from local educational agencies,
- Administrators, including the administrators of programs described in other parts of this title,
- Teachers from traditional public schools and charter schools (if there are charter schools in the State) and career and technical educators,
- Principals and other school leaders,
- Parents,
- Members of local school boards,
- Representatives of private school children,
- Specialized instructional support personnel and paraprofessionals,
- Representatives of authorized public chartering agencies (if there are charter schools in the State), and
- Charter school leaders (if there are charter schools in the State).



## Monitoring of Title I, Part A

As the state pass through entity, GaDOE is responsible for overseeing the successful implementation of Title I, Part A in LEAs (including LEA provision of Equitable Services). According to the Uniform Grants Guidance (2 CFR 200.328), monitoring by the non-federal entity must cover each program, function, or activity.

LEAs are monitored on a four-year cycle. Approximately one-fourth of the LEAs are monitored each year. As part of the annual review process in determining which LEAs are to be monitored, the Division of Federal Programs conducts a risk assessment using a combination of elements defined by GaDOE. An LEA's risk assessment rating is determined by using both its risk rating, based on a set of established High-Risk Elements developed by the Division of Federal Programs and a risk rating from GaDOE's Financial Review Division. For FY20, eight LEAs were identified as high risk for Title I, Part A based on their FY19 actions.

During the summer of each year, the Division of Federal Programs completes a risk assessment to determine if an LEA falls into the high-risk category. The results of the risk assessment determine which LEAs may be added to the regular CFM cycle for that year. The SEA has the responsibility to monitor high-risk LEAs (§ 200.331(b)(1-4)). The Division of Federal Programs defines high-risk as:

- LEAs showing evidence of serious or chronic compliance problem/s.
- LEAs with financial monitoring/audit findings; and/or LEAs with a high number of complaints from parents and other stakeholders about program implementation.
- Other elements that may cause an LEA to be determined high-risk include size of allocation and new federal programs for fiscal management personnel in the LEA.
- High-risk does not necessarily mean an LEA is not meeting the requirements of the program, federal regulations, or administrative procedures. It does mean that an LEA may be at a higher risk of having program elements that could cause it to not meet requirements associated with federal rules, regulations, and administrative procedures.

## Title I, Part A FY20 Monitoring Findings

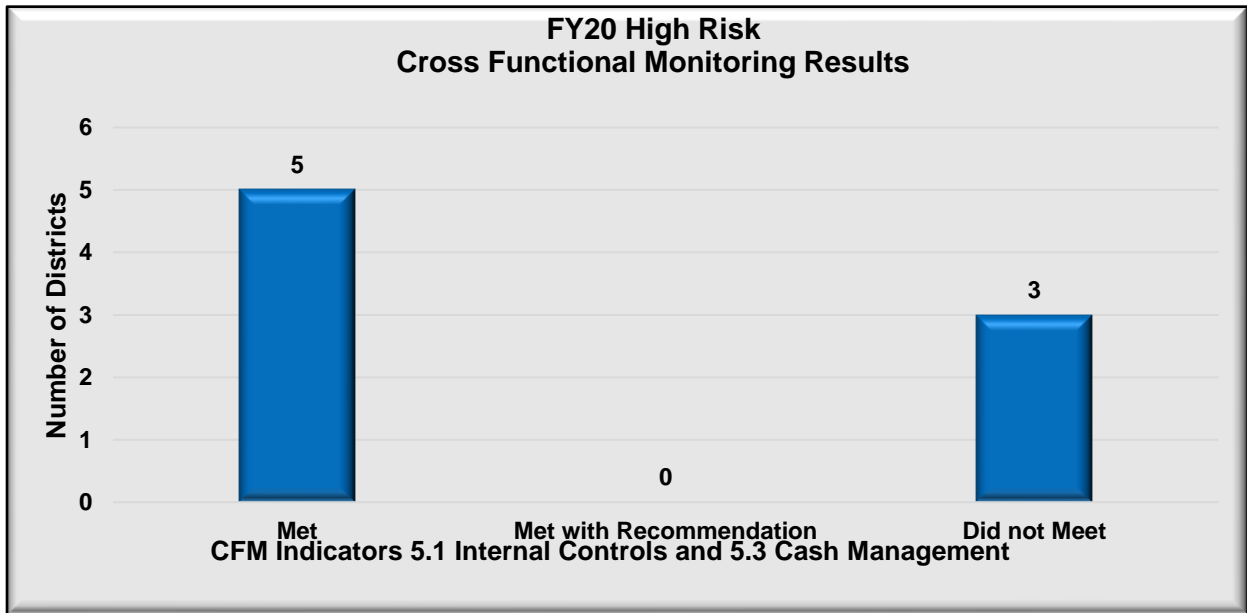
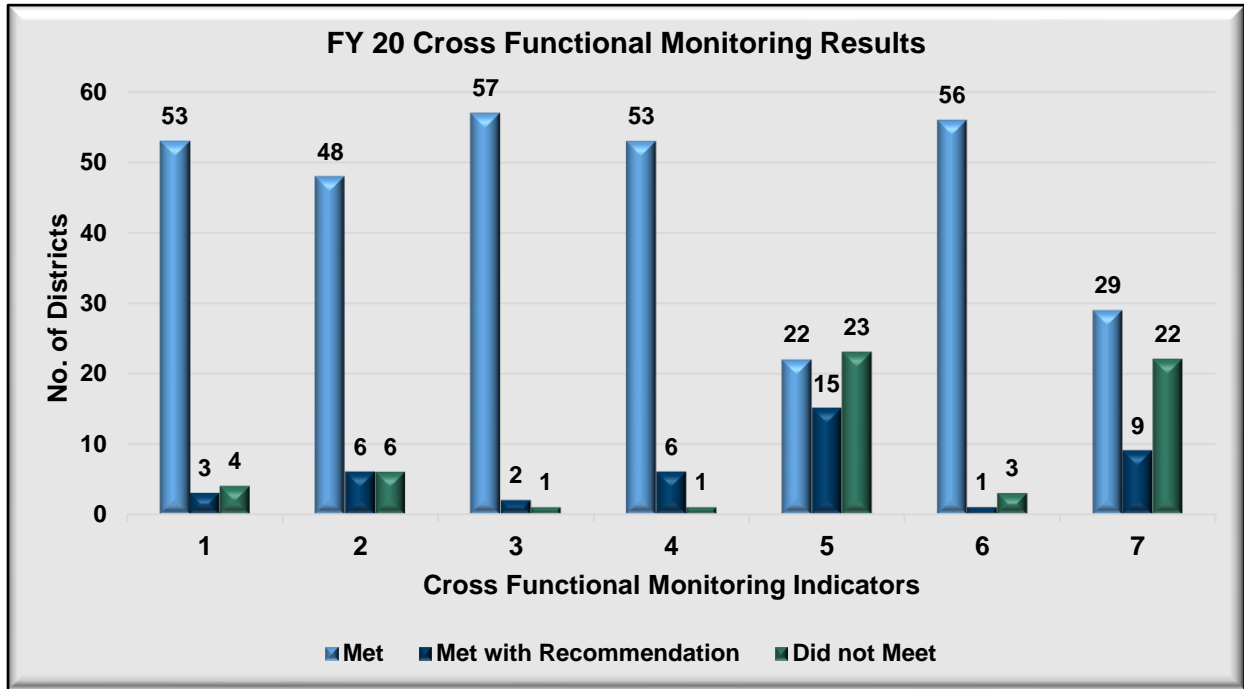
### 60 Monitoring Visits Conducted January - November 2020

GaDOE monitors on a 4-year cycle and adds LEAs who are High Risk according to the annual risk assessment. The most common areas for findings are in expenditures and professional qualifications. GaDOE staff commonly find errors in internal controls and lack of supporting documentation that illustrate compliance with statute and applicable regulations. A total monetary value of **\$182,091.38** was returned to the Georgia Department of Education by thirteen districts for unallowable expenditures. Two districts identified as high risk had to return a total **\$173.39** to the Georgia Department of Education for unallowable expenditures. The following indicators are monitored by Title I, Part A during Cross Functional Monitoring:

- Indicator 1 - LEA Monitoring of Schools
- Indicator 2 - Consolidated LEA Improvement Plan (CLIP) and Schoolwide/Targeted Assistance Plan(s) (SWP/TA)
- Indicator 3 - Services to Eligible Private School Children
- Indicator 4 - Maintenance of Effort (MOE) and Comparability, Assessment Security, Reporting, EL Participation
- Indicator 5 - Internal Controls, Expenditures, Inventory, Drawdowns, Cost Principles
- Indicator 6 - Within District Allocation Procedures
- Indicator 7 - Professional Qualifications

## Monitoring Analysis

Twenty two of the 60 districts monitored in FY20 had no findings. The chart below breaks down the number of findings by indicator as outlined in the Cross Functional Monitoring Document.



## FY20 Equitable Services Cross Functional Monitoring Results

Program	Total LEAs	Total Number and Percentage Met		Total Number and Percentage Met With Recommendation		Total Number and Percentage Did Not Meet	
Title IA	51	48	94%	2	4%	1	2%

Source: 2020 Federal Programs Cross Functional Monitoring Findings Report  
(Title I-A, ESSA – Services to Eligible Private School Children)

### Recommendation/Finding Issues:

- Lack of invitations, initial consultation, ongoing consultation, and program oversight.
- Incomplete consultation or quality of consultation, including quality of documentation.

FY20 Equitable Services Statistics	Title I, Part A
# LEAs Providing Equitable Services in FY20	28
# LEAs w Completed Carryover Forms	28
# LEAs w Carryover Forms in Process	0
# Private Schools Receiving Equitable Services in FY20	104
# Private Schools Declining Services During 2019-2020	2
# Private Schools Receiving Carryover	62
# Private Schools Not Receiving Carryover - Spent	14
# Private Schools Not Receiving Carryover - Declined	0
# Private Schools Not Receiving Carryover - Closed	2

## Audit Resolutions/Financial Reviews Completed

### Audit Resolutions/Financial Reviews

- Number of Financial Reviews Conducted: 19
- Number of Reviews Resulting in Return of Funds: 4
- Total Amount of Funds Returned to GaDOE: \$96,719.36

### Complaint Reviews

- Number of Complaints Related to Title I, Part A: 1