

SUMMER CONFERENCE
OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Federal Programs and the ESEA Flexibility Waiver

Titles I, II, VI and X

What do you know about the Waiver? True or False

- 1. Districts will not be required to be 100% highly qualified.
- 2. Districts may transfer up to 100% of Title II, Part A funds to Title I, Part A.
- 3. Districts must still consult with private schools and maintain sufficient funds in Title II, Part A if any choose to participate in that program.



What do you know about the Waiver? True or False

- 4. Districts that do not meet AYP are limited in how they may use SRSA or RLIS funds.
- 5. Any school may become schoolwide by completing the WISE tool.
- 6. Districts need not serve schools in rank order.
- 7. Supplement not supplant rules still apply.

Highly Qualified Teacher Requirements

- Districts are still required to meet expectations set in section 1119 of the ESEA. All teachers are required to be highly qualified in the subject they are teaching.
- Districts will not be required to set aside 5% of Title I, Part A allocations for professional development or submit corrective action plans to SDE.

Highly Qualified Teacher Requirements

- Local education agencies are still required to notify the parents of children who have been assigned to or have been taught for four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not highly qualified. [Section 1111(h)(6)(B)(ii)]
- Oklahoma's Teacher and Leader Effectiveness System will eventually replace Highly Qualified, barring any changes caused by reauthorization of the ESEA or other federal mandate.

Federal Funds Transferability

- All districts may transfer up to 100 percent of the funds received in a given fiscal year under Title II, Part A to Title I, Part A.
- Districts may not transfer funds <u>out</u> of Title I, Part A.
- Notice requirements under *ESEA* section 6123 (d) do not apply; however, districts must keep records to document each transfer.
- Equitable participation requirements have not changed in regards to private school consultation and participation in programs.



Rural Schools

• Districts that receive Small, Rural School Achievement Program (SRSA) funds or Rural and Low-Income School Program (RLIS) funds have flexibility under ESEAsections 6213(b) and 6224(e) to use those funds for any authorized purpose regardless of the district's adequate yearly performance status.



Schoolwide Planning

- The waiver only addresses changes to schoolwide planning for <u>Priority</u> and <u>Focus</u> schools.
- Priority and Focus schools <u>may</u> become schoolwide by completing the WISE tool on the SDE website, even Priority and Focus sites with less than 40% poverty.
- Schools not on the Priority or Focus lists must still pursue the established method for becoming schoolwide.
- <u>All</u> other ESEA statutory provisions still apply.

Rank Order and Supplement not Supplant

- Districts are required to serve school sites in rank order. [ESEA 1113 (a)(3)]
- The requirement for supplement not supplant still applies to the use of all Title I, Part A funds. This includes Priority Schools that may have never previously participated in receiving federal program funds. [ESEA Section 1120A(b)]

Title I, Part A Set-Asides

- Districts must continue to set-aside Title I, Part A funds for homeless students (1%) and parent involvement (1% if current year allocation is over \$500,000).
- Set-aside amounts will be calculated based upon current year allocation only, transferred and carryover funds are not included when calculating set-asides.

Title I, Part A Set-Asides (Priority and Focus Schools)

• Districts with Priority or Focus Schools are required to set aside an amount, not to exceed 20% of the LEA's current year Title I, Part A allocation for intervention services. Inclusive of this set-aside is an amount of at least 5% of the LEA's current year Title I, Part A allocation for School Choice services. This amount for School Choice may be greater based upon demand.



Title I, Part A Set-Asides (Targeted Intervention Schools)

- Districts with Targeted Intervention Schools may choose to set aside a percentage of the local education agency's Title I, Part A allocation, not to exceed 10%, to serve these schools directly, or the LEA may choose to spend site allocations on targeted interventions.
- Priority, Focus and Targeted Intervention setasides will be determined on a sliding scale as defined by the School Support/School Improvement Office.



Self-Assessment True of False

- 1. Districts will not be required to be 100% highly qualified.
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