

Guidance for Out-of-District Private Schools Participating in Title I, Part A and Title IV, Part B

The Elementary Secondary Education Act (ESEA) requires equitable federal program services be made available to eligible students, teachers, and families of students who attend private schools.

Each year, after the Private Participation in Federal Program application closes, the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction provides districts with a list of private schools that have chosen to participate in Title I, Part A and Title IV, Part B. This list identifies private schools that indicated they may have students from a district outside of their “home” district. Districts should review the list to identify and contact private schools and districts that may have eligible students for equitable services.

Serving Students in Title I, Part A

Title I, Part A requires districts to provide equitable services to eligible students outside district boundaries. Communication strategies for districts to identify eligible students with private schools outside a district’s boundaries may vary and can include:

- Direct contact with the out-of-district private school.
- Contacting neighboring districts where the private schools are located to establish a process in which the “home” district works with the private schools to identify eligible students.
- A district may encourage private schools located within their boundaries to reach out to other districts where eligible private school students may reside.

If a private school has eligible students from more than one district, the districts may pursue an interlocal agreement to arrange for one district to provide Title I, Part A services to all eligible private school students. Determining who and how the services are provided is based on the agreement between the districts and the private school. When a district provides services on behalf of another district, an interlocal agreement outlining the period of performance, program requirements including services, funding, payments, reporting, and records maintenance is established. See sample interlocal agreements on the [private school webpage](#). For further guidance, contact the Title I program office at 360-725-6100.

Serving Students in Title IV, Part B

The Title IV, Part B program grant awards include grantees that are a single school district, a consortium of districts, or a community-based organization that serves multiple districts or



schools. Eligible students, teachers, and families of students who attend private schools in these catchment areas are entitled to equitable services.

A district, school, or other public or private organization that receives a Title IV, Part B grant award must provide comparable equitable services to private school students in the area served by the grant. Grantees must consult with private schools from these catchment areas during the design and development of the 21st CCLC program. Consultation should include how the children's needs will be identified, and what services will be offered. For further guidance, contact 21st CCLC program office at 360-725-6049.

