Student Support and Academic Enrichment

What do you need to know?

What is it?

The Student Support and Academic Enrichment (SSAE) is a new Title IV program designed to provide access to a well rounded education, improve school conditions for learning, and increase the effective use of technology.

How will funds be distributed?

SSAE funds will be based on a district's Title I allocation and distributed via formula. All districts awarded funds will receive at least \$10,000.

Districts must submit applications to the State describing how funds will serve schools that:

- are among those with the greatest needs,
- have the highest numbers of students from low-income families,
- are identified for comprehensive support and improvement,
- are implementing targeted support and improvement plans, or
- are identified as a persistently dangerous public school.

How can funds be used?

SSAE has three categories of allowable activities, referred to by section numbers within ESSA. Districts receiving more than \$30,000 are required to use funds according to the minimum percentages outlined below:

Content Areas	Section #	Required % use
Well-rounded educational opportunities	4107	At least 20% of funds
Safe and healthy students	4108	At least 20% of funds
Effective use of technology	4109	"a portion" of funds

What rules apply to technology?

SSAE includes some additional rules regarding technology (section 4109 funds).

- At least 85% of 4109 funds must be used for professional development related to improving use of educational technology.
- No more than 15% of 4109 funds can be used for devices, equipment, software applications, platforms, digital instructional resources, and/or other one-time IT purchases.

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The more Title I allocations a district receives, the more SSAE funds they'll receive.



EXAMPLES OF ALLOWABLE ACTIVITIES:

Well-rounded: foreign language instruction, AP and IB, STEM, music/arts

Safe and Healthy: anti-bullying, mental health initiatives, drug prevention, dropout prevention

Technology: blended learning, digital learning software, infrastructure, professional development, hardware

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EXAMPLE:

If a District received \$100,000 in SSAE funds, here's how the funds might be spent based on the minimum requirements:



- Well-Rounded Education activities
- Safe and Healthy Student initiatives
- Technology-technology related PD
- Technology-devices or software



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