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:

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<td>Well-rounded educational opportunities</td>
<td>4107</td>
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<td>Safe and healthy students</td>
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<td>Effective use of technology</td>
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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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