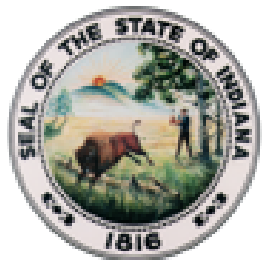


Turnaround Academy Funding Update

August 1, 2018

SBOE Business Meeting



INDIANA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

KEY POINTS

- **Overview of Board Action**
- **Indiana law re Allocation of SIG Funds**
- **Response from USED**



Overview of Board Action

IC 20-31-9.5-3

Allocation of state tuition support and federal funds;
eligibility for other funds

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Present recommendations for state tuition support and federal funding amounts to the SBOE

Recommendations must be received before the start of each fiscal year, at a schedule determined by SBOE

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Determine the amount of state tuition support and federal funds necessary to fund options for improvement.

Funding supports options for improvement implemented by the SBOE with respect to each turnaround academy



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Overview of Board Action

Two-Step Process for Allocating SIG Funds to Turnaround Academies

STEP 1: Determination of Funds

SBOE determined the amount of federal funds necessary to support each intervention

SBOE made determinations prior to the beginning of the next fiscal year as required by statute

Approved amounts fit within the universe of options under ESSA and Indiana's ESSA plan

STEP 2: Distribution of Funds

IDOE administers federal program - responsible for ensuring appropriate distribution

Will only distribute SBOE-approved amounts to qualifying schools

Indiana's ESSA Plan outlines a process that will finalize eligibility in late fall*

*This applies to all Title I Schools in Indiana, not just Turnaround Academies



Response from USED

Eligibility for 1003 SIG Under ESSA

ESSA Provides States with Significant Flexibility to Define Comprehensive or Targeted Support Schools.

EX) “The statute [ESSA] does not limit a State to identifying for comprehensive support and improvement only the lowest-performing 5 percent of Title I schools...” As such, a State could choose to identify, for example, the lowest-performing 6 or 7 or 10 percent of Title I schools, and thereby capture additional schools.”

- Thursday, July 5 email from USED



Response from USED

Eligibility for 1003 SIG Under ESSA

EX) Indiana has chosen to limit the award of section 1003 funds to schools identified for comprehensive support and improvement. Should Indiana wish to expand the list of schools that are eligible to receive section 1003 school improvement funds to include schools identified for targeted support and improvement, it may do so consistent with the statute, but would need to submit an amendment to its State plan before doing so.”

- Thursday, July 5 email from USED

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ESSA Definitions of Comprehensive or Targeted Support

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Indiana's Approved ESSA Plan



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Response from USED

Eligibility for 1003 SIG Under ESSA

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ESSA Definitions of Comprehensive or Targeted Support

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Indiana's Approved ESSA Plan

SBOE staff confirmed the determinations the SBOE made are consistent with ESSA criteria for 1003 SIG eligibility.

SBOE staff acknowledges, as USED has confirmed, Indiana may need to amend its approved ESSA plan to reflect the Board's action.

Ultimately, Indiana must distribute funds in accordance with its approved ESSA plan.



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