

Title V, Part A Innovative Programs

Purpose:

This is a state-administered formula grant program designed to improve student academic achievement and the quality of education for all students. The program provides funding for 27 allowable program areas, including instructional and educational materials, technology, school improvement, school and education reform, and meeting the education needs of at-risk students.

How Funding is Distributed to Schools:

State educational agencies apply to the Department for funds using the Consolidated State Application process through which States submit a single application for funds for a number of Federal education formula grant programs. Applications are submitted at the beginning of each reauthorization cycle and remain in effect until the next reauthorization.

Funded programs must be: (1) tied to promoting challenging academic achievement standards; (2) used to improve student academic achievement; and (3) part of an overall education reform strategy.

How Funds May Be Spent:

Funding may be used to support local education reform efforts; provide funding to enable SEAs and LEAs to implement promising education reform programs and school improvement programs that rely on scientifically based research; provide a continuing source of innovation and education improvement, including support programs that provide library services and instructional and media materials to meet the education needs of all students, including at-risk youths; and to develop and implement education programs to improve school, student, and teacher performance, including professional development activities and class-size reduction programs.

Allocations:

The US Department of Education provides tables showing state allocations for Title V Grants for Innovative Programs at

<http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/08stbystate.pdf>

and for the program nationwide at

<http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/08stbyprogram.pdf>

US Department of Education Web site:

<http://www.ed.gov/programs/innovative/index.html>