



FISCAL RESOURCES

*Competitive,
Entitlement,
and
ARRA Funding*



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Purpose:

- The *competitive* and *entitlement resources* outlined in the following pages are to be **aligned** to the *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA)*.
- This document should serve as information regarding six of the major federal resources supported by the *ARRA*.
- For a comprehensive review of the programs, contact Louisiana State Department of Education staff listed in each section.

Key Terms:

- *Competitive Awards* – Recipients must submit an application that must be read, reviewed and ranked. The applications are scored in order to meet criteria for reward.
- *Entitlement (Formula) Awards* – Federal/State governments allocate grants with specific directions for which recipients qualify for the allocation and how much each recipient should receive.
- *Stimulus* – the overall goal of the ARRA funds are to stimulate the economy in the short term and invest in education and other essential public services to ensure the long-term economic health of our nation.
 - Four *ARRA* Principles:
 - Spend funds quickly to save and create jobs
 - Improve student achievement through school improvement and reform
 - Ensure transparency, reporting, and accountability
 - Invest one-time ARRA funds thoughtfully to minimize the “funding cliff”

Current COMPETITIVE FISCAL RESOURCES

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1	<p>Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act</p> <p>Fifteen LEAs are currently in Year 1 (2008-09) of a 3-year funding cycle.</p>	To ensure that homelessness does not cause children to be left behind in school	<p>Assist homeless children and youth in enrolling, attending, and succeeding in school</p> <p>Tutoring, supplemental instruction</p> <p>Homeless Awareness programs and activities for educators and pupil appraisal personnel</p> <p>Developmentally appropriate early childhood education programs</p> <p>Services and assistance to attract, engage, and retain homeless and unaccompanied youth</p> <p>Before and after school programs, mentoring and summer programs</p> <p>Education and training programs for parents</p> <p>Providing school supplies to eligible students at shelters, temporary housing facilities and other locations as appropriate</p>	<p>Construction</p> <p>Utility bills</p> <p>Grocery food for the whole family</p> <p>Insurance</p> <p>Rental assistance</p> <p>Personal car items</p> <p>Rental deposits or utility deposits</p>	Division of Dropout Prevention, Adult and Family Services, (225) 342-3031	

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2	Title II, Part D Technology	To improve student academic achievement through the use of technology in elementary and secondary schools and to assist every student in becoming technologically literate by the end of the eighth grade	<p>Implementing proven and effective courses and curricula that include integrated technology and that are designed to help students reach challenging academic standards</p> <p>Using technology to promote parental involvement and foster communication</p> <p>Preparing teachers as technology leaders, and providing bonus payments to the technology leaders</p> <p>Enhancing new and existing technology to support education reforms and to improve student achievement</p> <p>Acquiring connectivity linkages, resources, and services</p>	<p>Drill & Practice Software programs</p> <p>Electrical wiring</p> <p>Paying to rent building space</p>	Division of Leadership and Technology (225) 763-5583	

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1	Title II, Part D Technology	To improve student academic achievement through the use of technology in elementary and secondary schools and to assist every student in becoming technologically literate by the end of the eighth grade	<p>Implementing proven and effective courses and curricula that include integrated technology and that are designed to help students reach challenging academic standards</p> <p>Using technology to promote parental involvement and foster communication</p> <p>Preparing teachers as technology leaders, and providing bonus payments to the technology leaders</p> <p>Enhancing new and existing technology to support education reforms and to improve student achievement</p> <p>Acquiring connectivity linkages, resources, and services</p>	<p>Drill & Practice Software programs</p> <p>Electrical wiring</p> <p>Paying to rent building space</p>	Division of Leadership and Technology (225) 763-5583	

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2	IDEA, Part B 611 (ages 3-21) 619 (ages 3-5)	To provide special education and related services for children ages 3 through 21	Special Equipment Assistive Technology, i.e., Braille Screening and Assessment Services (not appraisal services) Contracts for Related Services Staff Development Technical Assistance Support staff UDL Certification for staff Paraprofessionals and aides Professional Development Family Involvement Activities	Security officers School buses Capital improvements Minor renovations Wiring for computer labs Construction w/o approval from the USDOE	Division of Educational Improvement and Assistance (225) 342-3513	

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3	Title I, Part A	To help ensure that all children have the opportunity to obtain a high-quality education and reach proficiency on challenging state academic standards and assessments	<p>Upgrade educational program</p> <p>Additional instructional staff</p> <p>Salaries</p> <p>Job-embedded Professional development</p> <p>Extended-time programs</p> <p>Conferences and meetings when directly related to the grant program</p> <p>Communication, fax, telephone, postage, messenger service, electronic communications, etc.</p> <p>Displays, demonstrations, and exhibits when directly related to providing information about the grant program</p> <p>Educational field trips when directly related to a teacher's lesson as part of classroom instruction</p>	<p>Fundraising, including financial campaigns and solicitation of gifts donations, contributions, etc.</p> <p>Gifts or items that appear to be gifts</p> <p>Goods and services for personal use</p> <p>Hospitality rooms</p> <p>Lobbying</p> <p>Memorabilia</p> <p>Promotional items</p> <p>Building maintenance</p> <p>Repair</p> <p>Landscaping</p> <p>Custodial Service</p> <p>Infrastructure costs, including construction, capital improvements, minor renovations, wiring for computer labs, phone lines</p>	<p>Division of Educational Improvement and Assistance (225) 342-3513</p>	

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4	Title I, Part A – School Improvement (1003a)	To provide additional academic support and learning opportunities to help low-achieving children master challenging curriculum and meet state standards in core academic subjects. Only districts that have Title I schools in School Improvement qualify for the Title I School Improvement funds.	<p>Based on school’s needs identified in a comprehensive needs assessment</p> <p>High quality professional development to teachers, principals, and other instructional staff</p> <p>Parental involvement communications and activities</p> <p>Educational trips when directly related to a teacher’s lesson plan and SIP objectives</p> <p>Instructional Coaches and Interventionists related to SIP</p>	<p><i>Unallowable Expenses for Title I, Part A are the same for School Improvement.</i></p> <p><i>The following is a continuation of the Title I, Part A list of unallowable expenses.</i></p> <p>Awards and/or student incentives</p> <p>Print technicians, warehouse supervisor</p> <p>Budget specialist</p> <p>Central Office internet usage</p> <p>Computer repair technician</p> <p>Media Specialist</p>	Division of Educational Improvement and Assistance (225) 342-3513	

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5	Title I, Part A – School Improvement grant (1003g)	To increase services needed by students in low-performing schools, to minimize or eliminate weaknesses and gaps in specific achievement areas, i.e. Literacy, English/ language arts and mathematics, and to support innovative professional development and technical assistance designed to increase the quality of instruction in the identified schools. Title I School Improvement (1003g) grant funds are allocated to Title I schools in school improvement.	<p>High quality professional development to teachers, principals, and other instructional staff in Literacy and Numeracy</p> <p>Components of the Literacy and Numeracy Initiative</p> <p>Instructional Coaches and Interventionists for Literacy and Numeracy</p> <p>Materials and technology</p>	<p>Fundraising, including financial campaigns and solicitation of gifts donations, contributions, etc.</p> <p>Gifts or items that appear to be gifts</p> <p>Goods and services for personal use</p> <p>Hospitality rooms</p> <p>Lobbying</p> <p>Memorabilia</p> <p>Promotional items</p> <p>Building maintenance</p> <p>Repair</p> <p>Landscaping</p> <p>Custodial Service</p>	Division of Educational Improvement and Assistance (225) 342-3513	

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1	Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act	To ensure that homelessness does not cause children to be left behind in school	<p>Assist homeless children and youth in enrolling, attending, and succeeding in school</p> <p>Tutoring, supplemental instruction</p> <p>Homeless Awareness programs and activities for educators and pupil appraisal personnel</p> <p>Developmentally appropriate early childhood education programs</p> <p>Services and assistance to attract, engage, and retain homeless and unaccompanied youth</p> <p>Before and after school programs, mentoring and summer programs</p> <p>Education and training programs for parents</p> <p>Providing school supplies to eligible students at shelters, temporary housing facilities and other locations as appropriate</p>	<p>Construction</p> <p>Utility bills</p> <p>Grocery food for the whole family</p> <p>Insurance</p> <p>Rental assistance</p> <p>Personal car items</p> <p>Rental deposits or utility deposits</p>	Division of Dropout Prevention, Adult and Family Services, (225) 342-3031	

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4	Title I, Part A	To help ensure that all children have the opportunity to obtain a high-quality education and reach proficiency on challenging state academic standards and assessments	Identify and train highly effective teachers Modify school schedule Salaries Job-embedded Professional development Extended-time programs Conferences and meetings when directly related to the grant program (partnering with IHE) Communication, fax, telephone, postage, messenger service, electronic communications, etc. Supplemental online courseware for secondary school students for mathematics and science Educational field trips when directly related to a teacher’s lesson as part of classroom instruction	Fundraising, including financial campaigns and solicitation of gifts donations, contributions, etc. Gifts or items that appear to be gifts Goods and services for personal use Hospitality rooms Lobbying Memorabilia Promotional items Building maintenance Repair Landscaping Custodial Service Infrastructure costs, including construction, capital improvements, minor renovations, wiring for computer labs, phone lines	Division of Educational Improvement and Assistance (225) 342-3513	

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