



PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR TEENS

FEDERAL FUNDING GUIDE FOR PURCHASING

KEY:

SEL = Social-Emotional Learning

SEA= State Education Agency

LEA = Local Education Agency

MTSS = Multi-tiered System of Supports

MTSS Tiers:

Tier 1: Universal

Tier 2: Targeted

Tier 3: Intensive

CASEL Competencies:

- 1) Self-awareness,
- 2) Self-management
- 3) Social-awareness
- 4) Relationship skills
- 5) Responsible decision-making

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PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	LEVEL	FORMULA OR COMPETITIVE	PROGRAM	ACCOUNTABLE ME ACADEMY PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY
IDEA – Special Education Grants to States	The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) ensures that the educational needs of children with disabilities are served. The goal is to enable children with special needs to receive a free and appropriate education and to meet the same academic standards that all students are expected to meet.	Ages 3-21	Formula from SEAs to LEAs	LINK https://www2.ed.gov/fund/data/award/idea/index.html	IDEA-B funds may be used to pay for contract services for programs involving students with disabilities. Professional development for the ACCOUNTABLE ME ACADEMY program for teens would apply. Funds can also be used to purchase supplies and materials needed to implement IEPs or administer and operate programs for students with disabilities. The ACCOUNTABLE ME ACADEMY program for teens may qualify for purchase with these funds, especially when our whole-campus approach is used.
Title I, Part A – Improving Basic Programs Operated by Local Education Agencies	<p>Title I provides financial assistance through SEAs and LEAs and public schools with high numbers or percentages of poor children to help ensure that all children meet challenging state academic content and student academic achievement standards.</p> <p>LEAs funnel the Title I funds they receive to public schools with the highest percentages of children from low-income families. Unless a participating school is operating a schoolwide program, the school must focus Title I services on children who are failing to meet state academic standards. Schools enrolling at least 40% of students from poor families are eligible to use Title I funds for school-wide programs that serve all children in the school. Title I funds are most often used for reading/language arts and mathematics support, which includes professional development for school personnel working with children receiving the Title I-funded services.</p>	K-12	Formula	https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grant/s/school-support-and-accountability/title-i-part-a-program/	<p>Title I funds are intended to help close the achievement gap between high- and low-performing students. Although social-emotional learning (SEL) is not an explicit focus of the Title I program, research has shown that social-emotional competencies contribute to higher academic achievement.</p> <p>Sec. 1114, Schoolwide Programs: Activities that may be supported include:</p> <p>(A) counseling, school-based mental health programs, specialized instructional support services, mentoring services, and other strategies to improve students' skills outside the academic subject areas; and, (B) implementation of a school wide tiered model to prevent and address problem behaviors and support early intervention services, coordinated with similar activities and services as carried out under IDEA.</p> <p>Sec. 1115, Targeted Assistance Schools: Activities that may be supported include:</p> <p>(A) a school wide tiered model to prevent and address problem behaviors and support early intervention services, coordinated with similar activities and services as carried out under IDEA; (B) violence prevention programs; (C) integrated student supports; and (D) professional development necessary to assist teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, other staff, and parents in identifying and meeting the comprehensive needs of eligible children. The ACCOUNTABLE ME ACADEMY has a school wide tiered system of interventions and supports (MTSS) and so qualifies as an allowable use of Title 1, Part A funds.</p> <p>"Building Resilience Through a Trauma-Informed Lens" both fall under allowable uses of Title I, Part A funds, when supplemented with Tier 3 SEL interventions such as smaller group work or individual lessons with a counselor. Our program and online course provide Tier 1 (universal or whole-campus support) as well as Tier 2 (targeted interventions in detention). We include in our program Tier 1, 2, and 3 targeted interventions, such as smaller group work or individual lessons with a counselor or existing behavioral interventions. Our program aligns with each section to support SEL for both students and education.</p>
In Title I, Part C – Migrant Education	Migrant education funds support high-quality education programs that meet the special needs of migratory children to help them succeed academically in a regular school program, meet the same academic and content standards that all children are expected to meet, and graduate from high school.	K-12	Formula	https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-migrant-education/migrant-education-program/	<p>Migrant Education Program funds may be combined with other federal program funds, including Title I, Part A; Title III, Part A (ELL); Title IV, Part B (21st CCLC); Title VI, Part B (Rural Education); IDEA; and McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance.</p> <p>Title I, Part C includes helping migratory children overcome disruption to their education, cultural and language barriers, social isolation, health-related problems, and other factors that get in the way of their academic success.</p> <p>The ACCOUNTABLE ME ACADEMY program for teens is an allowable purchase with Title I, Part C funds if it helps migratory students acclimate successfully into the school environment and teachers are prepared to address their specific needs.</p>

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Title I, Part D – Prevention and Intervention Programs for Children and Youth Who Are Neglected, Delinquent, or At-Risk	The purpose of Title I, Part D is to prevent at-risk youth from dropping out of school, and provide dropouts, as well children and youth, with a support system to ensure their continued education and the involvement of their families and communities.	K-12	Formula from SEAs to LEAs	https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grants/school-support-and-accountability/prevention-intervention-programs-children-youth-neglected-delinquent-risk/	Eligible activities include dropout prevention programs for at-risk; providing dropouts, as well as youth returning from correctional facilities or institutions for neglected or delinquent children and youth with a support system to ensure their continued education; and the coordination of health and social services for such children, including daycare, drug and alcohol counseling, and mental health services. The ACCOUNTABLE ME ACADEMY program is an allowable purchase when used to address the needs of neglected, delinquent or at-risk children, and particularly when addressing coping mechanisms, mental health, and overall student resilience.
Title II, Part A– Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	The purpose of Title II is to prepare, train, and recruit high-quality teachers and principals with the goal of improving student success. This includes teacher preparation, and new teacher qualifications, recruitment and hiring, induction, professional development, and retention. It also includes improving the skills and knowledge of principals for effective school leadership.	K-12	Formula	https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grant/s/school-support-and-accountability/instruction-state-grants-title-ii-part-a/	Title II, Part A funds may be used to provide in-service training for school personnel in the techniques and supports needed to help educators understand when and how to refer to students affected by trauma or students with or at-risk of mental illness. Because funds can also be used to carry out in-service training for school personnel in addressing issues related to school conditions for student learning, such as safety, peer interaction, drug and alcohol abuse, chronic absenteeism, and sexual abuse (ESEA Section 2103(b)(3)(I)(iv)). The ACCOUNTABLE ME ACADEMY program for teens is allowable based on our strong trauma and mental health focus. When using our whole campus approach, educational leaders, teachers, AND students will receive the same information. In-service training using our Program Guide video, and viewing the lessons in advance (10 hours of professional development) allow for teachers to have a thorough understanding of trauma and various coping strategies, before ever sharing the program with students.
Title IV, Part A– Student Support and Academic Enrichment (SSAE) Grants	Title IV, Part A supports LEAs in offering well-rounded education and fostering safe, healthy, supportive, and drug-free environments; helps LEAs implement mental-health awareness training programs; and supports LEAs in expanding access to or coordinating for school-based counseling and mental health programs, such as through school-based partnership programs for mental health services.	K-12	Formula	https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grant/s/safe-supportive-schools/student-support-and-academic-enrichment-program/	Per Title IV, Part A funding guidance, an LEA may use funds for social-emotional learning activities, including interventions that build resilience, self-control, empathy, persistence, and other social and behavioral skills. LEAs can also use funds to implement school wide behavioral interventions and supports (PBIS). Activities for which The ACCOUNTABLE ME ACADEMY program for teens may be purchased are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programs that help prevent bullying and harassment. • Programs or activities that improve instructional practices for developing relationship-building skills (such as effective communication) and improve safety through the recognition and prevention of coercion, violence, or abuse. • Mentoring and school counseling for all students, including children who are at risk of academic failure, dropping out of school, involvement in criminal or delinquent activities, or drug use and abuse. • Designing and implementing a locally tailored plan to reduce exclusionary discipline practices. • Implementing schoolwide PBIS, including coordination with similar activities carried out under IDEA.
Title VI, Part B— Rural Education Achievement Program: Subpart 1 – Small, Rural, School Grant Program Subpart 2 – Rural and Low-Income School Program	The Rural Education Achievement Program (REAP) is designed to help small, rural districts use federal resources more effectively. Title VI, Part B funds two programs: the Small, Rural School Grant Program and the Rural and Low-Income School Program.	K-12	Formula	https://www.ed.gov/grants-and-programs/formula-grants/rural-education-achievement-program	The REAP Alternative Uses of Funds Authority (REAP Flex) allows REAP funds to be combined with funds from other federal programs for greater latitude in spending to impact student achievement. Sec. 5211, Use of Applicable Funding: LEAs that receive funds under this part may use those funds for any activities authorized under Title I, Part A; Title II, Part A; Title III; and Title IV, Part A or B. Since The ACCOUNTABLE ME ACADEMY program is an allowable purchase under most of those programs, especially when using our Tier 2 and Tier 3 SEL interventions such as smaller group work, opportunities for individual lessons, or counseling support, REAP funds may also be used to purchase our program..

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Title VIII-- Impact Aid	Impact Aid provides formula and competitive grants directly to eligible school districts serving federally connected children on military bases, Indian lands, and in subsidized housing. Special additional payments made to LEAs related to enrollments of federally connected children with disabilities must be used for programs and projects designed to meet the special educational and related needs of these children.	K-12	Formula	LINK https://impactaid.ed.gov/	Impact Aid funds do not go directly to federally connected children, but rather support the district as a whole. Districts may use the funds in whatever manner they choose in accordance with their local and state requirements. Therefore, an LEA may use the funds to purchase the ACCOUNTABLE ME ACADEMY program.
McKinney-- Vento Homeless Assistance Act	States must make competitive subgrants to LEAs to facilitate the enrollment, attendance, and success in school of homeless children and youth. LEAs can use funds to provide tutoring and other supplemental education services as well as out-of-school time programming, professional development to educators and staff around the rights of homeless children and youth, paying fees and other costs associated with record-keeping, and counseling, and other behavioral health services.	K-12	Formula to SEAs Competitive to LEAs or community organizations	https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grants/school-support-and-accountability/education-for-homeless-children-and-youth-grants-for-state-and-local-activities/	The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act provides grants to support the education of homeless children and youth. These grants can be used for social-emotional learning (SEL) programs that address the specific needs and challenges of homeless students, such as trauma, stress, anxiety, and isolation. The ACCOUNTABLE ME ACADEMY program for teens is highly effective in helping homeless students develop self-awareness, self-management, social-awareness, relationship skills and responsible decision-making which are essential for academic success and well-being. In addition, our program addresses how to heal and overcome trauma and develop mental and physical resilience. By implementing our SEL program, schools can foster a positive and supportive learning environment for homeless students, which can greatly impact school enrollment, attendance, stability and achievement. We have a special video lesson and tiered intervention strategies especially for homeless students.
Project AWARE	The purpose of Project AWARE, (Advancing Wellness and Resiliency in Education) is to develop a sustainable infrastructure for school-based mental health programs and services. AWARE grantees build collaborative partnerships with the state educational agency (SEA), local education agency (LEA), tribal education agency (TEA), state mental health agency (SMHA), community-based providers of behavioral health care services, school personnel, community organizations, families, and school-aged youth.	K-12	Competitive	https://www.samhsa.gov/school-campus-health/project-aware	Grantees leverage partnership to implement mental-health related promotion, awareness, prevention, intervention and resilience activities to ensure that school-age youth have access and are connected to appropriate and effective behavioral health services. With this program, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHS) aims to promote the healthy social and emotional development of school-aged youth and prevent youth violence in school settings. The ACCOUNTABLE ME ACADEMY program for teens fully aligns with all of these goals.
Bipartisan Safer Communities Act Stronger Connections Grant Program	The Bipartisan Safer Communities Act (BSCA) of 2022 provides historic funding to support state educational agencies (SEAs), local educational agencies (LEAs), and schools in establishing safe, healthy, and supportive learning opportunities and environments. This includes \$1 billion through Title IV, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) for SEAs to competitively award subgrants to high-need LEAs to establish safer and healthier learning environments and to prevent and respond to acts of bullying, violence, and hate that impact our school communities at individual and systemic levels, among other programs and activities.	K-12	Competitive	https://oese.ed.gov/files/2023/10/23-0083_BSCA-FAQs-approved-April-Final-Updated-October-2023.pdf	Stronger Connections funds may be used to support a schoolwide implementation of strategies to meet students social, emotional, and academic needs. This includes evidence-based strategies that focus on building trusting relationships and strategies that improve academic outcomes through teaching methods that provide relevant and engaging learning opportunities, consistent classroom and other routines and practices, to provide stability, and culturally and linguistically responsive practices that create personalized and inclusive learning environments. The ACCOUNTABLE ME ACADEMY program for teens fully aligns with all of these goals.