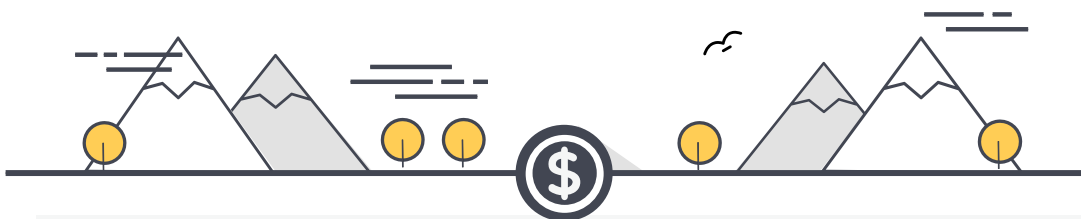




# FUNDING for SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

## 2018

ESSA brings many changes to the School Improvement process-- from how schools are identified to how the programs are funded. Here, you'll find key buckets of funding that can be used for improvement efforts for persistently low-performing schools.



### KEY FUNDS

SOURCE	PURPOSE & USE	FY18 APPROPRIATION
<b>Title I</b>	Title I, Part A - Under ESSA, a 7% set-aside is required to be spent on school improvement activities. Districts work with identified schools on improvement plans and tasks. This is the only allocation of federal funding earmarked specifically for improvement efforts.	\$15.8 billion (\$300 million increase over FY17)
<b>Title II</b>	Title II- Professional development for highly-qualified and effective teachers and leaders is a component of all school improvement efforts. This funding can support those goals.	\$2.1 billion (flat-funded from FY17)
<b>Title IV</b>	Title IV, Part A- These funds support a well-rounded education including school climate, which is crucial to successful improvement efforts.	\$1.1 billion (\$700 million increase over FY17)
<b>Perkins</b>	CTE/Perkins State Grants- Providing pathways for success for all students is a key strategy of most improvement plans. These funds can support these efforts.	\$401 million (\$75 million increase over FY17)
<b>SEED</b>	Supporting Effective Educator Development (SEED) grants offer funding for evidence-based practices to increase the number of high-quality teachers and leaders. This program complements the goals of many school improvement plans.	\$75 million (\$10 million increase over FY17)
<b>GEAR-UP</b>	Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP) offers programming to help students be prepared for postsecondary success-- another hallmark of good improvement efforts. This program engages students starting in the 7th grade as they move along the education continuum.	\$350 million (\$10 million increase over FY17)