



ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Title I Directors, please see the following public notice and comment period information for the Title I Part A request for waiver.

Multiple Award Period Title I Part A request for waiver

The Arizona Department of Education (ADE) has applied for a waiver under the ESEA for multiple award periods. This application document serves as the basis for the basis of the waiver application as well as the operation and administration of activities to carry out the requirements of Title I Part A by the waiver. As part of the public participation process outlined in the ESEA Title I Part A regulations at 34 CFR § 300.165 and in Section 427 of the General Education Provisions Act (GEPA) ([20 U.S.C. 1228a](#)), the State must publish its Federal Waiver Request for Title I Part A and allow public comment.

The waiver application document sets forth the request and rationale for the waiver and the policies and procedures that Arizona will undertake:

1. to ensure that all funds from previous years are appropriately used and made available to local education agencies across the state.
2. to ensure that the procedural funding processes are in place
3. to assist local education agencies in providing for the education of all children in schools that qualify for federal funding
4. to assess and ensure the effectiveness of efforts to educate those children

The request addresses two components:

Period of availability of funds in section 421(b) of the General Education Provisions Act (GEPA): to extend the period of availability of Federal Fiscal Year (FY) 2020, 2021, 2022 funds for programs in which the SEA participates under its approved consolidated State plan until September 30, 2025. Regarding Title I, Part A of the ESEA (Improving Basic Programs Operated by Local Education Agencies (LEAs)), Including the portions of the SEA's Title I, Part A award used to carry out section 1003 school improvement, section 1003A direct student services, if applicable, and Title I, Part D, Subpart 2

Carryover limitation in section 1127(b) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) for (FY) 2023 Title I, Part A funds. Regarding Waiving the requirement that limits ADE's ability to grant to its LEAs a waiver of the 15 percent Title I, Part A carryover limitation in section 1127(a) to once every three years.

Note: At this time, Arizona has not yet received a waiver regarding this request from the US Department of Education.

Notice of Public Comment Period



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Any individual or organization may submit written comments. Written comments shall be accepted through September 12, 2024.

The 30-day public comment period for the Title I Part A waiver will be open from August 13, 2024, through September 12, 2024. The State will review and consider all public comments and make any necessary modifications to the waiver as appropriate.

Title I Part A stakeholders may submit comments in writing beginning August 13, 2024 using the following methods:

- Submit electronically via the [ADE/ESEA Public Comment webpage](#)
- Submit electronically to Academic Achievement [via email](#)
- Submit handwritten comments directly to Academic Achievement via the USPS to Arizona Department of Education, 1535 West Jefferson St. Bin #32, Phoenix, AZ 85007.