



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA  
Department of Education

**DATE:** August 25, 2017  
**TO:** Division Superintendents  
**FROM:** Steven R. Staples, Superintendent of Public Instruction  
**SUBJECT:** **2017-2018 Title IV, Part A, Allocations under Provisions of the *Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965* (ESEA)**

The *Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965* (ESEA), as amended by the *Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015* (ESSA), authorizes funding under the new Title IV, Part A, Student Support and Academic Enrichment (SSAE) grants program. Allocations are based on the Title I formulas applied by the U.S. Department of Education, and reflect adjustments made by the Virginia Department of Education to account for state-level set-asides. Under section 4105(a) of ESSA, no school division may receive an allocation that is less than \$10,000, and a ratable reduction process must be applied to ensure that the minimum award is at least \$10,000. The 2017-2018 Title IV, Part A, federal allocations for each division are provided in Attachment A.

The purpose of the SSAE grants program is to improve students' academic achievement by increasing the capacity of states, school divisions, schools, and local communities to:

- provide all students with access to a well-rounded education;
- improve school conditions for student learning; and
- improve the use of technology in order to improve the academic achievement and digital literacy of all students.

Additional information about the SSAE program, including a recorded overview of program requirements and uses of funds, may be accessed on the [Title IV, Part A, webpage](#). The terms of the grant award are provided in Attachment B.

The procedures and forms for submitting an application for Title IV, Part A, funds are available at: [http://www.doe.virginia.gov/federal\\_programs/esea/applications/index.shtml](http://www.doe.virginia.gov/federal_programs/esea/applications/index.shtml). Applications are due on November 1, 2017. Questions about the Title IV, Part A, allocations or application process should be directed to Diane Jay, Associate Director, at [Diane.Jay@doe.virginia.gov](mailto:Diane.Jay@doe.virginia.gov) or (804) 225-2905.

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**Attachments:**

- A. [Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, Title IV, Part A, 2017-2018 Grant Allocations](#) (PDF)
- B. [Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, Title IV, Part A, Terms of Grant Award](#) (PDF)

Links:

[Non-Regulatory Guidance - Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants](#)

[Non-Regulatory Guidance - Subgranting FY 2017 Title IV-A Funds to LEAs: Questions and Answers](#)

