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## Funding for Response to Instruction/Intervention (RTI) – Considerations in Title I Schools



- ◆ Title I Funds must Supplement, Not Supplant state and local funds or services
  1. Title I, Part A funding is always supplemental to state and local funds. Services provided must be in addition to, not in place of, services that would otherwise be provided by state and local funds.
  2. In a *Schoolwide* Title I program, where Title I funds are used to upgrade the entire school program, the Title I funds are *in addition to* state and local funds that are comparable to those provided to non-Title I schools.
  3. In a *Targeted Assistance* Title I program, eligible students receive services from Title I funds that are *in addition to* those services provided to all children through comparable state and local funds.
  4. Students must be selected for Title I services through multiple, educationally related criteria.
  5. Title I funds can be used in collaboration with other Federal funds such as IDEA, Indian Education, Title III, etc. to provide services to students with academic need. Funds must be used to meet individual program requirements.
  
- ◆ Considerations for RTI in Targeted Assistance Title I Schools
  1. RTI model must be clearly defined – it's a framework, not a specific intervention.
  2. What is the core program for all students, including entire class, small groups, and differentiated instruction in Tier I.
  3. What are the interventions at which tiers?
  4. What is the criteria for entering & exiting each tier (how are students selected?)
  5. What is the criteria for selection for Title I services? What is the criteria for exiting Title I services?
  6. Title I students can move in and out of Title I services as determined by criteria; more students may be able to be served.
  7. Title I cannot be used for universal screening for all students.
  8. Title I could be used to provide interventions at Tier 2 or Tier 3 as additional services to eligible students.
  9. Find the overlaps in Title I and RTI services so that Title I funds can be used to support appropriate professional development.

### *More information*

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