

Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Section 1003 [20 U.S.C. 63031] School Improvement - Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) Schools

Program Description: The mission of the Utah State Board of Education’s (USBE) School Improvement Process is to help build capacity for schools and local education agencies (LEAs) to engage in continuous efforts to improve student achievement and provide educational excellence for each Utah student. Section 1003 of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requires the state to identify and provide support to schools identified for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) through the State’s Accountability System.

In 2018-2019, 18 Title I CSI schools were identified in the lowest-performing 5% of Title I schools in the state averaged over three years. An additional 15 public high schools (both Title I and non-Title I) were identified as CSI due to average three-year graduation rates of 67% or less.

Funding: FY 2018 ESSA Title I 1003(a) funds must be expended no later than **September 30, 2019**.

Eligibility: LEAs may apply on behalf of the 18 CSI Title I schools identified in 2018-2019 and 15 CSI Graduation Rate schools identified in 2018-2019.

Allowable Uses of 1003(a) Funds	Unallowable Uses of 1003(a) Funds
Stipends to teachers for engaging in professional learning and collaborative planning outside of regular contract hours	Property/equipment (e.g., no computers, tablets, software)
Summer school	Out of state travel
School Improvement Planning (SIP) activities held during off-contract hours (e.g., SIP plan development)	FTE
Home visits/parent engagement/academic instruction for parents and families	Core materials used for Tier 1 instruction
Evidence-based curriculum materials/programs for intervention (Tiers 2 and 3)	No food, beverages, or snacks for school staff or students <i>*Food is allowable only if it is for a parent/family engagement meeting.</i>
Purchased professional services (e.g., consultants to provide professional learning opportunities)	Incentives for parents or students
Recruitment and/or retention of effective teachers or school leaders	Upgrades to facilities, furniture, etc.

Application: Application for funds will be through Utah Grants. More information will be forthcoming.