

TITLE I, Part A: Homeless Set-aside

Guidance on Allowable and Unallowable Expenditures

Title I, Part A funds may be used to provide a wide variety of services to homeless students. In addition to providing services to assist homeless students in meeting the State’s challenging academic standards, Title I, Part A funds may be used to provide services to homeless children and youths, including those in Title I schools, that may not ordinarily be provided to other Title I students. To help homeless students effectively take advantage of educational opportunities, an LEA may use Title I, Part A funds to provide, where appropriate, items or services including, but not limited to the examples in the chart below.

Note: Two principles govern the use of Title I, Part A funds to provide services to homeless students.

- First, the services must be reasonable and necessary to assist homeless students to take advantage of educational opportunities.
- Second, Title I, Part A funds must be used only as a last resort when funds or services are not available from other public or private sources, such as public health clinics, or local discretionary funds (sometimes provided by the PTA) used to provide similar services for economically disadvantaged students.

Allowable Expenditures	Unallowable Expenditures
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Items of clothing and shoes necessary for participation in classes • Student fees that are necessary to participate in the general education program • Personal school supplies such as backpacks, notebooks, and remote learning devices such as internet and/or laptop/tablet • The acquisition of birth certificates • Immunizations • Food • Medical and dental services • Eyeglasses and hearing aids • Counseling services related to homeless issues that are impeding learning • Outreach services • Extended learning time (before and after school, Saturday, summer) • Extra-curricular activity fees • Tutoring services, especially in shelters or other locations where homeless students are residing • Parental involvement • Fees for AP, IB, SAT/ACT, GED testing (for students’ ineligible for the waiver) • College Entrance Exam Fees • Fund all or part of the homeless liaison's salary even if that person has no Title I duties. • Transporting students in temporary housing to and from their school of origin. Title I funds may not, however, be used to pay for transportation expenses that are reimbursed by the State. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rent or temporary lodgings • Class ring • Cost of drivers’ test fees • Prom gowns or tuxedos