

Public Schools of North Carolina

# ARRA Provisions


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## I. Existing Appropriation Streams

### 1. Education for the Disadvantaged

- Part 1 and 2: Title 1-A Targeted Grants and Education Finance Incentive Grants
- Part 3: School Improvement Grants



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## I. Existing Appropriation Streams

### 2. Students with Disabilities


- Part 1: IDEA, Part B
- Part 2: IDEA Preschool Grants under Part B
- Part 3: Part C, IDEA – Infant and Toddlers



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## I. Existing Appropriation Streams

3. Education Technology (Title II-D, ESEA)
4. Title VII-B of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act
5. Impact Aid
6. Teacher Incentive Fund
7. State Longitudinal Data Systems




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## II. Stabilization Funding

### Purpose

To prevent reductions in critical education and other services (competitive)



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## II. Stabilization Funding

- Basic stabilization funds
- State incentive grants
- Local education agency innovation grants



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## 1. Basic Stabilization Funds Grant Application Assurances

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- Maintenance of state effort
- Teacher effectiveness and distribution
- Data systems
- Academic assessments
- Standards
- School improvement

## 2. Incentive Grants

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- Governor must submit application to the Secretary of Education; some items are
  - State's status in each area addressed in the assurances
  - Achievement and graduation rates
  - How grant will be used to improve student academic achievement

## 3. Local Innovation Fund

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- Direct grants to LEAs or partnerships

## 3. Local Innovation Fund

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### *Uses*

- Significantly closing achievement gaps or increasing student achievement
- Exceeding the state's measurable objectives for performance on state assessments
- Significant improvements in other areas such as graduation rate
- Demonstrated established partnerships

## Guiding Principles

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- Deliver funds quickly
- Save and create jobs
- Ensure transparency and accountability
- Advance reforms

## Plans of the U.S. Department of Education

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- Initial guidance—week of March 2, 2009
- Funds—announcement the week of March 2, 2009 with additional time lines for awards at the end of March

## Communication and Outreach

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- Chief State School Officers—first point of contact and coordination
- [www.ed.gov](http://www.ed.gov) and [www.recovery.gov](http://www.recovery.gov)

## Accountability and Transparency

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- Detailed description of uses of funds
- Quarterly reports—financial and program outcomes/results
- Estimated number of jobs created and retained
- Compliance of subcontracts and subgrants

Note: All reports on [www.recovery.gov](http://www.recovery.gov)

## Innovation and Reform

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- Standards and assessments
- Data systems
- Teacher quality
- School improvement

## Expectations

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- No more of the same when results are not produced
- Transparency
- Reform platform

## Funding Range

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- **Title I-A**  
\$27 million to \$130,000
- **IDEA, Part B**  
\$28.9 million to \$146,000