

## Coordination with other Federal Programs

The LEA's plan for use of Title I, Part A funds will need to describe how coordination and integration of Title I services will be handled with other federal programs.

### Even Start

- Title I funds could be the full or part provider of the early child hood component
- Title I funds could support parent involvement including family literacy
- Title I funds or in-kind contribution could be used as the local share requirement
- Activities must meet both Title I, Part A and Even Start requirements

### Head Start

- Title I funds could be used to complement or extend the program
- Title I funds could provide education services for children who are eligible for Title I and Head Start permitting Head Start to provide other services
- For students who do not meet the Head Start income requirement or who cannot be served because of capacity may, in some cases, be eligible for Title I services.



## Resources

*Missed Opportunities? The Possibilities and Challenges of Funding High-Quality Preschool through Title I of the No child Left Behind Act;* Center for Law and Social Policy; March 2005

Guidance: Serving Preschool Children Under Title I

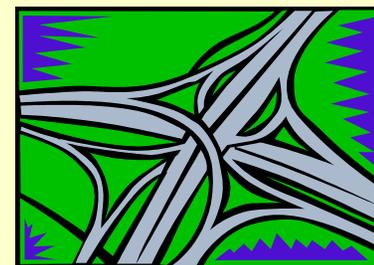
<http://www.ed.gov/policy/elsec/guid/preschoolguidance.pdf>

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# Title I, Part A & Preschool



## Exploring the Intersection



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Title I, Part A funds may be used for preschool education under some circumstances. This brochure provides an outline of the intersection of these two programs.

## Use of Title I-A Funds

Title I-A funds may be used to

- Create a new preschool program
- Expand a current program
- Improve the quality of a current program by providing
  - Teacher salaries
  - Professional development
  - Counseling services
  - Minor remodeling
  - Leasing or renting space in privately-owned facilities

Title I-A funds that support preschool programs are subject to requirements and regulations as outlined in federal statute.



## Program Design

Title I-A funds may be used in several program designs that must, at a minimum, comply with the achievement standards of the Head Start Act. [Section 1112(c)(1)(G)] Additionally, students must be identified as most in need regardless of the program design.

- Targeted Assistance: Title I-A funds for a targeted assistance preschool program can only be used to provide assistance to eligible identified students in the school.
- Schoolwide: Title I-A funds can be used to enhance the entire education program of the schoolwide school, including preschool children even though they are below the age of established school entry.
- Models
  - Supplement State-funded preschool programs
  - Supplement Head Start programs
  - Supplement Even Start Family Literacy programs

## Parent Involvement

- All provisions in Section 1118 apply to Title I-A preschools except for requirement for parent-compact discussions at parent-teacher conferences
- To the extent feasible and appropriate, parent involvement policies should be coordinated with other programs such as Head Start and Even Start.



## Staff Qualifications

- Since preschool is not considered to be part of public education in Colorado, preschool teachers in Title I programs do not have to meet Title I teacher qualification requirements.
- Paraprofessionals, paid with Title I-A funds, who provide instructional support, must meet the standard Title I, Part A requirements for paraprofessionals in an elementary program.