

MAINTENANCE OF FISCAL EFFORT (TITLE I PROGRAMS)

A Local Educational Agency (LEA) may receive its full allocation of Title I funds if the combined fiscal effort per student or the aggregate expenditures of state and local funds with respect to the provision of a free public education in the LEA for the preceding fiscal year was not less than ninety percent (90%) of the combined fiscal effort per student or the aggregate expenditures for the second preceding fiscal year.

In determining the LEA's (District's) compliance with the maintenance of effort requirement, the State Educational Agency (SEA) shall consider the District's expenditures from state and local funds for free public education. These include expenditures for administration, instruction, attendance, health services, student transportation services, plan operation and maintenance, fixed charges, and net expenditures to cover deficits for food services and student body activities.

The SEA shall not consider the following expenditures in determining the District's compliance with the maintenance of effort requirements:

- a. Any expenditure for community services, capital outlay, and debt service.
- b. Any expenditure made from funds provided by the federal government for which the LEA is required to account to the federal government directly or through the SEA.

The Board of Education assigns the Business Official the responsibility of reviewing, as part of the budget process, combined fiscal effort so that expenditures of state and local funds with respect to the provision of a free public education per student and in the aggregate for any fiscal year are not budgeted at less than ninety percent (90%) of the combined fiscal effort per student or the aggregate of expenditures for the preceding fiscal year.

Ref: Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (34 CFR Part 200)

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