

# Federal Programs & Grants

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Lorain City Schools

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# Purpose of Federal Programs & Grants

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The U.S. Department of Education gives funding to school districts to provide a variety of programming aimed at helping children succeed academically including:

- Tutoring
- Mentoring
- Summer School/Camps
- Field Trips
- Family Events
- After School Programming
- Health & Wellness (Clinics)
- Counseling
- Computers
- Software
- Professional Development for Staff
- Educational Materials
- College Visits
- Career Exploration
- Preschool
- Clothing and School Supplies

# Strategic Plan & Funding Alignment

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The spending of Federal Funds & Grants must be aligned to the district's strategic plan. All spending is aligned to support the following goal:

*By spring 2025 and beyond, all LCS students PK-12 will be on track for colleges and careers upon graduation from our district. This means that within six months of graduation, our graduates will be ready to either be enrolled in a post-secondary education, secure employment, enroll in an apprenticeship, or enlist in the military.*

*We will do this by challenging each child to discover and learn, prepared to pursue a fulfilling post-high school path and empowered to become a resilient, lifelong learner who contributes to society.*

Explore the Strategic Plan at <https://www.lorainschools.org/webelieve>

# Types of Federal Funds

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**Title I** – funds to provide interventions to support struggling students and family engagement activities.

During 2021-22 and 2022-23, Lorain City Schools has used these funds for the following programs:

- Title I Reading Teacher at each elementary school
- Title I Reading and Math Teacher at each middle school and LHS
- Summer Programming
- Educational Software
- Family Engagement Nights – 3 events at each school

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**Title II-A** – funds to provide professional development for teachers, paraprofessionals, and administrators.

During 2021-22 and 2022-23 Lorain City Schools has used these funds for the following training programs:

- Use of Educational Technology
- Equity & Inclusion
- Instructional strategies designed for English Learners
- Support for students on Individual Education Plans (special education)
- Mental Health & Counseling
- Academic Coaching for teachers

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**Title III** – funds to support language instruction for English Learners.

During 2021-22 and 2022-23, Lorain City Schools has used these funds for the following staff positions:

- Bilingual Paraprofessionals

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**Title IV-A** – funds to provide academic support and student enrichment

During 2021-22 and 2022-23, Lorain City Schools has used these funds for the following programs:

- Educational & College Field Trips
- Mentoring & Social Emotional Learning Programs
- Instructional Materials in Reading
- ACT Testing Fees

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**Title IDEA-B and IDEA Early Childhood Special Education**– funds to support students with disabilities PK-12 (special education).

During 2021-22 and 2022-23, Lorain City Schools has used these funds for the following programs:

- Paraprofessionals (salary and benefits)
- Instructional Materials
- Professional Development for staff



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**Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER)**– funds to help schools respond to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

During 2020-21, 2021-22 & 2022-23, Lorain City Schools has used these funds for the following programs:

- Technology – laptops, software, and internet access for students and staff
- Summer Camps & Programming
- Arts Expansion
- Roofing & Maintenance – to ensure air quality
- School Supplies
- Masks & Cleaning Supplies
- Community Engagement Events
- Wrap Around Services – mental health supports, clothing, medical needs
- After School Programming
- Learning Loss Recovery – tutoring and academic interventions

# District-Wide Title I Policy

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Lorain City Schools believes that family involvement is critical to the success of its Title I and educational programs. To build a partnership between the home and school the district :

- Informs families of the Title I program, the reason for their children's participation and educational goals.
- Trains teachers, families, and other staff to work together to support participating students.
- Consults with parents and provides opportunities for families to be involved in the design, operation, and evaluation of the Title I program.
- Provides opportunities for families to participate who lack literacy skills or whose native language is not English.

# Parent Promise (School/Parent Compact)

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- Lorain City Schools is committed to partnering with students, parents/families, teachers and staff to ensure the success of all students.
- The Parent Promise or school/parent compact outlines how we will share the responsibility of helping our children reach high academic standards.
- Together, we will ensure our students succeed in school, and in life.
- Copies are available at <https://www.lorainschools.org/federalprograms>.

# Feedback

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We value your input and invite you to complete a Federal Programs Feedback form to let us know how federal funds and grants can better support you and your child and ensure their success in school.

- Feedback forms are available on the website: [Parent Feedback Form](#)
- Please contact me at any time with questions or concerns:

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