

Allowable Use of Funds for the Planning Year

Title I, Part A, Section 1003 School Improvement FY 2024

Grant funds are allocated on a formula basis to Local Education Agencies (LEAs) serving schools that are implementing intensive, comprehensive, or targeted support and improvement activities. LEAs must use School Improvement funding to develop School Improvement Plans (SIPs). The purpose of the funding is to build the capacity of school leaders to implement effective school improvement practices, and the goal is to enable schools in improvement status to improve student achievement and performance outcomes and to exit status. As such, Planning Year school Improvement Grant funds may be used for the following types of activities:

- ✓ Paying school personnel to collaborate and complete the requirements of the planning year.
- ✓ Analyzing data to complete the school-level needs assessment.
- ✓ Identifying resource inequities.
- ✓ Researching evidence-based practices.
- ✓ Developing a School Improvement Plan with all required components.
- ✓ Paying for services from the state identified vendor to complete the school-level needs assessment (comprehensive and intensive schools only).

This document is a fiscal framework resource outlining allowable use of funds under the School Improvement Grant, funded by Title I, Part A, Section 1003 School Improvement. Funds for this grant are designed to gradually diminish as the grant progresses through a planning year and three consecutive years of implementation. The framework below provides examples of where allowable expenses under this program should be coded on the FY 2024 grant application. Darkened cells are not allowable under this program. Further information about state and federal grant administration policies, fiscal requirements, and procedures can be found in the [ISBE State and Federal Grant Administration Policy, Fiscal Requirements, and Procedures](#) document.



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Function	Function description	Salaries (Include the FTE of any paid salaries)	Employee benefits	Purchased services	Supplies and materials	Capital outlay (>\$500)	Other objects	Non-capitalized equipment	Termination benefits
2210	Improvement of Instruction Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional pay for school staff to work beyond the contractual workday or year to complete the requirements of the planning year, including participation in needs assessment work with the designated vendor. • Substitute pay for teachers and paraprofessionals to complete the requirements of the planning year, including participation in needs assessment work with the designated vendor. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retirement contributions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ TRS, including applicable federal TRS ✓ IMRF • Health, vision, dental, and life insurance • Health, vision, dental, and life insurance • Benefits for teachers to attend PD • Benefits for paraprofessionals to attend PD 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registration fees for State ESSA Conference • Benefits for workers comp and unemployment • Professional services from the ISBE identified School-Level Needs Assessment vendor 	Professional learning materials specific to building the capacity of the School Leadership Team to effectively lead the work of continuous school improvement.				

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2300	General Administration (maximum of 5% between Functions 2300 and 2400)	Additional pay for district-level administrators and support staff to work to complete the requirements of the planning year, including participation in needs assessment work with the designated vendor.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retirement contributions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ TRS ✓ IMRF Health, vision, dental, and life insurance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Benefits for workers comp 					
2400	School administration (maximum of 5% between Functions 2300 and 2400)	Additional pay for school-level administrators to work beyond the contractual workday or year to complete the requirements of the planning year, including participation in needs assessment work with the designated vendor.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retirement contributions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ TRS ✓ IMRF Health, vision, dental, and life insurance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Benefits for workers comp and unemployment 					