Ranking and Allocations

- A Local Education Agency (LEA) must rank all attendance centers by poverty.
- Districts of fewer than 1,000-student enrollment or with one school per grade span (e.g., K-5, 6-8, 9-12) are exempt from ranking their attendance centers.
- An LEA must serve all attendance centers with a poverty rate above 75 percent.
- LEAs have the option to serve lower-ranked areas as (1) districtwide ranking or (2) grade span groupings.
- If the LEA serves any attendance centers below 35 percent poverty, the LEA must allocate at least 125 percent of its allotment per low-income child to all of its participating areas. (This minimum per pupil amount will be generated by the application.)
- Attendance centers with higher poverty must have a greater per pupil allocation than attendance centers with lower poverty.
- Allocations to attendance centers are based on per pupil amounts and should be budgeted accordingly.

Ranking Methods

(Schools must choose one of the following.)

1. **EXEMPT:** District enrollment is fewer than 1,000 students.
   - District may serve ANY school.

2. **EXEMPT:** District has one school per grade span (e.g., K-5, 6-8, 9-12).
   - District may serve ANY school.

3. Areas with low income greater than or equal to the average of same or similar grade spans.
   - Grouped based on attendance center category.
     - Any school at or above group-wide poverty rate.

4. Areas with low income greater than or equal to the district average.
   - Ranking within the entire district.
     - Schools at or above districtwide average.
     -(OR)-
     - Ranking by same or similar grade spans.

5. Areas with low income greater than or equal to 35 percent.
   - Ranking within the entire district.
     - All schools at or above 35 percent.
     -(OR)-
     - Ranking by same or similar grade spans.