

## General Financial Information

### Consolidated Administrative Funds

1. *Does the SEA plan to consolidate state-level administrative funds?*

- *If yes, please provide information and analysis concerning federal and other funding that demonstrates that federal funds constitute less than half of the funds used to support the SEA.*

Illinois intends to use funds across ESEA for personnel and leadership. The functioning of the agency, focusing on standards, assessment and accountability, is across many of the agency's divisions and thus would need cross-cutting support. ISBE is proposing the consolidation of *NCLB* state-level administrative funds in accordance with Title IX, Section 9201 for the programs listed below.

Title I

- Part A, Improving Basic Programs Operated by Local Educational Agencies
- Part A, School Improvement
- Part B, Reading First
- Part B, Even Start
- Part C, Education of Migratory Children
- Part D, Prevention & Intervention Programs for Children & Youth Who Are Neglected, Delinquent, or At-Risk
- Part F, Comprehensive School Reform

Title II

- Part A, Teacher/Principal Training/Recruiting Fund
- Part D, Enhancing Education Through Technology

Title III

- Part A, English Language Acquisition

Title IV

- Part A, Safe & Drug-Free Schools & Communities
- Part B, 21st Century Community Learning Centers

Title V

- Part A, Innovative Programs

Title VI

- Part B, Rural Education Initiative

For the prior fiscal year, the latest state data available, state administrative funds accounted for **63%** of the funds used to support ISBE operations. In FY02 it is projected that state funds will support approximately the same percentage of the total as in FY01.

- *If yes, are there any programs whose funds are available for administration that the SEA will not consolidate?*

The consolidation of administrative funds will not include state-level administrative funds allotted to Illinois Board of Higher for administrative costs.

*2. Please describe your plans for any additional uses of funds.*

Illinois plans to use funds across ESEA for a major link between and across all programs. As Illinois works with a standards, assessment and accountability overview and incorporates a standards-led approach to education, a missing component is a student identifier system. Over a three year period, Illinois intends to use \$5 million to \$10 million in leadership funds across ESEA to enhance data collection and analysis. The exploration and planning of such an identifier system is beginning and needs to be in place in order to assure high-quality decision-making at the local and state level.

Additionally, funds will be used to target the gaps outlined in the preface to this application -- academic achievement gap and educator gap. Illinois will take advantage of these federal financial opportunities for leadership support statewide. When possible and appropriate, funding will be targeted to support reading, mathematics and science as initial priorities. Funds will be targeted for required activities (e.g., assessment, accountability, system of support, professional development, serving specific populations, choice, supplemental services).

### ***TRANSFERABILITY***

*Does the state plan to transfer non-administrative state-level ESEA funds under the provisions of the state and Local Transferability Act (sections 6121 to 6123 of the ESEA)? If so, please list the funds and the amounts and percentages to be transferred, the program from which funds are to be transferred, and the program into which funds are to be transferred. Note: If the state elects to notify the Department of the transfer in this document, the state's responses to the application's requests for information should reflect the state's comprehensive plan after the transfer. If the state has not elected to transfer funds at this time, it may do so at a later date. To do so, the state must (1) establish an effective date for the transfer, (2) notify the Department (at least 30 days before the effective date of the transfer) of its intention to transfer funds, and (3) submit the resulting changes to the information previously submitted in the state's consolidated application by 30 days after the effective date of the transfer.)*

No transfers are anticipated at this time.