

R. TITLE I ALLOCATIONS

TITLE I SCHOOL TARGETING

A school will be targeted to receive Title I resources if its poverty percentage is at or above the cutoff rate (described below). The poverty rate is the number of Free Lunch Eligible pupils divided by the student enrollment. Pupils are deemed free lunch eligible if there is a completed free lunch form for the child or the student is receiving public assistance that has the same or lower income requirement as free lunch (TANF and Food Stamps).

The Human Resources Administration (HRA) provides child specific information for the public assistance categories. Child data is matched to the Department of Education's pupil data base, ATS, which already contains free lunch data. All data is as of October 31, 2003. From ATS, a school register and an unduplicated free lunch eligible count is produced. Dividing poverty by enrollment yields the school's poverty rate.

This measure focuses on a school's actual student population and is unburdened by issues of attendance zones in a school system with school choice and un-zoned schools.

The County Provision requires Title I funds to be allocated among the five boroughs in proportion to each county's share of poverty counts in the federal census. Separate Title I poverty cutoffs are established for each borough (county). The cutoff is the lower of the city-wide cutoff or the county's average poverty percentage. The city-wide rate is 60%. Additionally, by Federal law the lowest poverty rate for designating a school Title I eligible is 35.00%. The Title I poverty cutoff rate by borough is:

	<u>City-Wide</u>	<u>Manhattan</u>	<u>Bronx</u>	<u>Brooklyn</u>	<u>Queens</u>	<u>Staten Island</u>
County Average Poverty	65.24%	67.78%	80.35%	67.42%	55.46%	34.50%
City-Wide Cutoff	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%
County Title I Cutoff	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%	55.46%	35.00%

Schools designated Title I in FY04 that have poverty rates below their respective county cutoff will be grandfathered in FY05. Affected schools will receive a Title I allocation reduced in proportion to their poverty rate divided by the citywide cutoff of 60%. **Federal law permits grandfathering for one year only.**

The Title I per capitas by county are:

	<u>City-Wide</u>	<u>Manhattan</u>	<u>Bronx</u>	<u>Brooklyn</u>	<u>Queens</u>	<u>Staten Island</u>
Gross Per Capita	\$1,262.09	\$1,077.36	\$1,155.43	\$1,422.07	\$1,319.51	\$1,223.53

New Schools, Program Conversions. In FY05, several school-programs (sub-schools) will break away from their “parent” school to become independent schools. For the 2004-5 school year, the parent school and the conversion school will share the poverty rate calculated for the previously combined school. The number of low income students for the combined school will be prorated between the parent and new school in proportion to their projected registers.

New Small Schools. New small schools drawing from high-poverty feeder schools have been designated Title I schools. **These schools will be designated Title I for FY05 only. Continued designation will be dependent upon the actual number of low income students as of October, 2004. These schools will not qualify for grandfather status in FY06.** A poverty rate equal to its respective county’s cutoff rate is established for each new school. The estimated poverty count is not added to the overall NYC count. Title I funding will come from the public school share after apportioning the NYC amount among non-public schools, neglected children, and public schools.

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**NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN APPROPRIATION**

The law requires use of comparable criteria to distribute Title I funds to public and non-public school students. This mandate is satisfied by identifying free lunch eligible non-public school students who reside in the attendance areas of Title I designated public schools (see below).

Title I funds are divided among each borough's Title I eligible student population to yield the borough's Title I per capita. The eligible population includes public school, non-public school and neglected children (count provided by the State). The per capita multiplied by the respective non-public eligible pupil count becomes the Non-Public School share of the Title I appropriation. Likewise, the Neglected Children Title I appropriation is calculated by multiplying the county per capita by the respective count of neglected children.

The Neglected Children programs are administered by both Alternative High Schools Programs and City-Wide Special Education.

The Non-Public School Title I per capita appropriation is administered by the Bureau of Non-Public Schools Reimbursable Services.

|                                 | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>Manhattan</u> | <u>Bronx</u> | <u>Brooklyn</u> | <u>Queens</u> | <u>Staten Island</u> |
|---------------------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------|
| <u>Neglected and Delinquent</u> |              |                  |              |                 |               |                      |
| Title I Eligible Pupils         | 1,627        | 304              | 477          | 341             | 302           | 203                  |
| FY04 Allocation                 | \$2,010,456  | \$327,519        | \$551,142    | \$484,927       | \$398,491     | \$248,377            |
| <u>Non-Public Schools</u>       |              |                  |              |                 |               |                      |
| Title I Eligible Pupils         | 34,345       | 6,618            | 10,215       | 12,910          | 3,905         | 697                  |

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| FY04 Allocation | \$43,297,177 | \$7,129,995 | \$11,802,758 | \$18,358,952 | \$5,152,671 | \$852,801 |
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The measure of poverty for non-public school children uses the same data described above for public school students. The difference is that non-public schools provide free lunch information through an on-line database.

To identify a non-public school Title I eligible pupil, the following procedure is used.

- S Low income non-public school pupils are identified using the same measure as public school,
- S A NPS low income pupil's address is mapped to a public school attendance zone for the appropriate age and instructional level,
- S If the attendance zone is that of a Title I public school, the NPS student is Title I eligible; if the attendance zone is that of a Non-Title I public school, the NPS student is not Title I eligible.

The public school attendance zones include both Title I schools that meet the established cutoffs, and grandfathered schools.

## **PUBLIC SCHOOL ALLOCATIONS**

Title I funds remaining after deducting the Non-Public School and Neglected Children shares of each borough's appropriation, are available for public school allocation. A portion of this amount is committed to programs such as No Child Left Behind school choice (transportation) and supplemental educational services, prekindergarten program, support for low performing schools, and bilingual paraprofessional training. These are either allocated separately to schools or administered centrally. The Title I budget, net of these adjustments, is allocated to elementary, middle and high schools on a per capita basis using the number of poor children attending those Title I designated schools. As described above, allocations for grandfathered schools are prorated.

See Section R1 for School Designation Changes with Grandfathering

[http://www.nycenet.edu/offices/d\\_chanc\\_oper/budget/dbor/allocationmemo/fy04-05/datafiles/r1.pdf](http://www.nycenet.edu/offices/d_chanc_oper/budget/dbor/allocationmemo/fy04-05/datafiles/r1.pdf) .

See Section R2 for Title I Data by County

[http://www.nycenet.edu/offices/d\\_chanc\\_oper/budget/dbor/allocationmemo/fy04-05/datafiles/r2.pdf](http://www.nycenet.edu/offices/d_chanc_oper/budget/dbor/allocationmemo/fy04-05/datafiles/r2.pdf)

The organization of citywide special education classes, with the delivery to each pupil of services prescribed in their Individual Education Program (IEP), reduces the need for supplemental Title I services. As a result, Citywide Special Education Title I resources will be used to enhance supplementary Title I programs in elementary, middle and high schools. This policy has been in effect since FY1994.

The public school Title I county per capitass are:

|                                     | <u>City-Wide</u> | <u>Manhattan</u> | <u>Bronx</u> | <u>Brooklyn</u> | <u>Queens</u> | <u>Staten Island</u> |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Public School Allocation Per Capita | \$897.15         | \$765.44         | \$821.86     | \$1007.51       | \$944.51      | \$867.73             |

Federal law requires all students residing in temporary shelters, STH, to be Title I eligible regardless of the school they attend. Consequently, a Non-Title I school will receive a Title I allocation based on the number of STH children enrolled times their respective county per capita amount.

Federal law requires that a minimum of 1% of a school's allocation be committed to support parent involvement programs addressing the needs of parents of Title I participants. These programs must be designed in collaboration with parents of Title I participants.

A School-wide program is based on a comprehensive school-wide program plan designed collaboratively at the school level to improve instruction, with a special focus on the needs of academically at-risk students. In addition to challenging content, the plan incorporates intensive professional development for staff and parents and collaboration, where appropriate, with community organizations to strengthen the school's program.

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School Title I Allocations

Please see Section R3 for detailed data on school Title I allocations
http://www.nycenet.edu/offices/d_chanc_oper/budget/dbor/allocationmemo/fy04-05/datafiles/r3.xls