

Title I Waiver

Approving An Identified School or LEA as an SES Provider

Nebraska is requesting a one-year waiver of the Title I, Part A regulatory provision that prohibits a State from approving as providers of supplemental educational services (SES) schools identified for improvement, corrective action, or restructuring and local educational agencies (LEAs) identified for improvement or corrective action (34 C.F.R. § 200.47(b)(1)(iv)(A), (B)).

Under the law, Nebraska may approve as an SES provider only an entity that has demonstrated record of effectiveness in increasing student academic achievement. Nebraska believes that identified schools and LEAs may be able to establish that they have an effective program that can help improve academic achievement of students and should not be prevented automatically from gaining approval simply because of their improvement status.

If Nebraska is granted the requested waiver, Nebraska will ensure that only those LEAs and schools that meet Nebraska's requirements for SES providers are approved to be on Nebraska's list of approved SES providers for the 2010-2011 school year.

The application process requires public notice and an opportunity for members of the public to comment. The USDE Guidance on School Improvement Grants and the ARRA School Improvement Grant Application can be found at the following link:

[http://www.nde.state.ne.us/ARRA/School Improvement Grants.html](http://www.nde.state.ne.us/ARRA/School%20Improvement%20Grants.html)

Comments are encouraged and should be submitted via email to Randy.McIntyre@nebraska.gov by 5:00 p.m. (Central Daylight) on or before May 3, 2010.