

Professional Development Funding through Title IIA*

Title II, Part A Funds

Funding for professional development may be obtained through Title II, Part A, which is part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). Allowable expenses within Title II, Part A include professional development events, certain online courses, and other educational workshops. In the past couple of years, a number of teachers who have attended CSI events and other PD opportunities have utilized Title II, Part A funds.

About Title II, Part A Funds

The federal government allocates Title II, Part A funds to each state, and then each school district receives these supplemental funds, based on a per pupil basis. While Title II, Part A is federal funding, the money designated for Title II, Part A can be used by private schools. School districts with private schools in their districts are provided funding because they assume if private school students did not attend these schools, the students would be attending a public school in the district.

How to Obtain Possible Funding

At the beginning of the school year, your school administration should have received a letter from the school district communicating your school's Title II, Part A allocation. Talk with your school superintendent, head of school, or principal about the school's plan for utilizing Title II, Part A funds and ask if these funds are available to cover professional development participation costs. Next, a request must be made to the school district for Title II, Part A funds to cover your participation at a professional development event. While opportunities may fall under the parameters of the ESEA, you might have to provide additional details about these events to the school district.

Please note that while private schools are allowed to use these funds, they must meet the criteria set in the ESEA, Title II, Part A, and however their school and administration allows. Schools may choose to use the funds for professional development events and other schools may not.

**Christian Schools International does not guarantee funding through Title IIA, as it is determined by states and school districts. This Title IIA information is a resource to schools to help apply for funding.*