

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

Title I ARRA Carryover

The grant period for the Title I ARRA funds is from the date the application is approved through September 30, 2010. At that time, districts will need to complete a Title I Final Financial Report and report the amount of Title I ARRA funds spent to date. These remaining funds will then be issued as carryover to districts to use from October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011.

Title I Part A ARRA funds are FY 2009 funds. Accordingly, their initial period of availability ends on September 30, 2010, and all unobligated Title I Part A ARRA funds become carryover as of that date. Subject to the limitation described in C-17, an LEA may carry over any unobligated Title I Part A ARRA funds to the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011.

“Title I law states that school districts may only carryover a certain percentage of the current school year allocation based on the amount of the allocation.”

If your allocation for the current school year is	Your maximum carryover percent of the current year’s allocation	Example of how to figure carryover
Over \$50,000	15%	If your allocation was \$36,432 X 30% = \$10,929.60 maximum carryover. Anything over \$10,929.60 would be considered excess carryover.
Over \$45,000	20%	
Over \$40,000	25%	
Over \$35,000	30%	
Over \$30,000	35%	
Over \$25,000	40%	
Over \$20,000	45%	
\$20,000 or Less	50%	

An SEA may waive the 15% carryover limitation for an LEA once every three years if it determines that the LEA’s request is reasonable and necessary.

If a school district has more carryover than allowed for a school year, the school district has a waiver option: A school district can opt to request a waiver to keep the excess carryover funds once every three years. If the school district decides to keep the funds, the excess carryover is then added to the current year’s allocation for that school district and they can spend the funds during the following school year.

A district’s carryover is determined when the Final Financial Report is processed. The state Title I office takes the total amount of funds available for the current school year and subtracts the total expenditures (column two of the Final Financial Report). Keep in mind that if a school district had unobligated Title I funds, those funds are included in the carryover amount. The carryover amount is listed at the bottom of the Title I Financial Report – SFN 7822. A copy of the approved Title I Financial Report is sent to both the Title I authorized representative and the business manager.

The USDE Secretary will consider waiving the provision in section 1127(b) of the ESEA prohibiting an SEA from granting a waiver of the carryover limitation more than once every three years.

The USDE is currently generating guidance on waiver options under the ARRA Act. Information on applying for a waiver will be available at www.dpi.state.nd.us/title1/Legislative/index.shtm on the Title I ARRA website.