

## Supplemental Educational Services in Florida

- **What are Supplemental Educational Services?**

Extra academic help in reading and mathematics for economically disadvantaged students in certain schools, provided before or after school or on weekends.

- **Which students are targeted?**

Low-income students from Title I schools designated as not making Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for three consecutive years.

- **How many Florida schools *might* qualify for these services in 2004-2005?**

46 schools in 14 districts *MAY* qualify if they do not meet AYP standards in 2004.

- **How will these extra services be paid for?**

Costs of the services may be taken from each district's existing Title I funds. Additional funding may be provided through state and local resources. [ef](#) | The state may also provide additional assistance through Title I School Improvement funds or through Title V, Part A.

- **Who are the providers of these services?**

Providers will be identified through a uniform application process that will begin in November. Provider entities could include community-based organizations, faith-based organizations, libraries, institutions of higher education, for-profit groups and school districts.

- **Who is designing the application for the state?**

Staff in the Office of Community and Family Outreach and various partners within the Department and throughout the districts are designing the procedures patterned after applications developed by other states that have already implemented the process.

- **What challenges does Florida face in implementing the program?**

A well-articulated plan will need to be coordinated among the state, districts, schools and parents. Clear communication needs to occur with parents to empower them to make the right choices regarding providers for their children.

- **How long will providers stay on the approved state list?**

Three years, unless the provider fails to perform adequately, meet the terms of agreements, or experiences poor feedback from parents.

- **What is the timeframe for implementing Supplemental Educational Services in Florida?**

The Request for Applications (RFA) is scheduled for release in November with applications due in January. The list of providers will be available in the spring followed by planning meetings for implementation occurring before final determination of AYP.

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