

RE: Title IV SDFSC and Non-public Schools

Based upon communication on file in the State Department of Education, Prevention and Support Services Section guidelines are as follows:

- Title IV funds are never directly set-aside for non-public schools.
- Title IV funds should never be paid directly to non-public schools.
- Non-public schools are only entitled to receive services.
 - The type of services that a non-public school receives is to be determined through the public school and non-public school(s) in their consultation meeting. This is the only way to clearly determine the needs of the non-public school.
 - **If the non-public school needs differ from the public schools, then the non-public school is required to develop a separate plan.**
- Through consultation, once a non-public school determines the type of services needed to meet identified needs, **the Local Education Agency (LEA) is responsible for determining the delivery of services.**
- The LEA must not give funds to the private school to pay for services. **The funds should at all times remain under the control of the Local Education Agency.**
- The non-public schools must also comply with the Title IV requirements (i.e., goals, objectives, principles of effectiveness, etc). **All entities receiving Title IV funds must comply with the Title IV program requirements.**
 - Non-public schools must measure and report the outcomes and/or impact of the programs and services provided.
- LEAs and their non-public schools must be able to account for all Title IV funds for auditing purposes, internal and external.