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**Division of Student Support Services** 

## Title III Federal Funding Under ESSA

The Office of Supplemental Educational Programs has prepared the document, <u>Title III and Title III Immigrant Federal Funding</u>, to assist Local Education Agencies in implementing New Jersey's <u>Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)</u> state plan for schools with English language learners (ELLs). The document provides guidance regarding changes that went into effect during the 2017-18 school year, the first full year of <u>ESSA</u> implementation. Specifically, <u>Title III and Title III Immigrant Federal Funding</u> provides an overview of who is eligible to be served by the entitlement funds, how federal funding is allocated, and which expenses are allowable.

School-level and district-level staff must take necessary steps to ensure federal funds are used to support the academic and English language proficiency growth of English language learners and immigrant children and youth.

For technical questions or assistance, please email the NJDOE at ell@doe.nj.gov.

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