



Arizona Department of Education
Office of English Language Acquisition Services

August 25, 2015

Dear Superintendent / Title III Coordinator / ELL Coordinator / ELL Main Contact:

Subject: FY 2016 Title III Allocation

This is formal notification of your Local Educational Agency's (LEA's) allocation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 under Title III of the *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB)*. The FY 2016 Title III Allocation Amount for eligible LEAs was calculated using the FY 2015 Total ELL ADM 100th Day Counts as reported on the School Finance Student Counts ELLS28-1 Student ELL Counts for 40th Day and 100th Day (2015) Report as of 7/29/2015. The FY 2015 (School Year 2014-2015) Counts were verified via the Arizona Department of Education's Student Accountability Information System (SAIS).

Please note that if your LEA reported LEP Private School Counts to ADE OELAS, this count has been added to your FY 2015 Total ELL ADM 100th Day Counts for funding purposes.

To view your LEA's FY 2016 Title III Allocation Amount [click here](#)

LEAs that receive a Title III allocation amount of less than \$10,000.00 must join a consortium in order to receive these funds. The United States Department of Education requires States to hold consortia, like all other eligible LEAs, accountable under Title III. In Arizona, members of a consortium are treated as separate entities for Title III accountability. The accountability determinations are applied separately to each member of the consortia and the final AMAO determinations are reported for individual entities.

Title III funds should be expended to supplement the LEA's current ELL program. Please ensure funds are used to support your Continuous Improvement Plan (in ALEAT) to maintain/improve your Annual Measurable Achievement Objective (AMAO) status. The LEA's plan must be submitted in ALEAT prior to grant submission. Additional instructions regarding plan requirements are included below and also available on the "Title III Assurances" page in the Grants Management Enterprise (GME) System. **It is recommended that you apply for these funds by Friday, November 20, 2015.**

For questions regarding how to submit your fiscal application in the GME System, please contact Mary Ricci-Marriott at Mary.Ricci-Marriott@azed.gov or at 602-542-0794.

For questions regarding your FY 2015 Total ELL ADM 100th Day Counts or your FY 2016 Title III Allocation Amount, please contact Micky Gutier at Micky.Gutier@azed.gov or at 602-542-7469.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kelly A. Koenig".

Kelly Koenig, Deputy Associate Superintendent
Office of English Language Acquisition Services
Arizona Department of Education

Arizona Local Education Agency Tracker (ALEAT)

Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP)

Title III Requirements

LEAs applying for Title III funds must submit a plan to the Arizona Department of Education that identifies how the LEA will use these funds to meet all Annual Measurable Achievement Objectives (AMAOs). This plan will consist of strategies and action steps in the LEA's CIP submitted to the Arizona Local Education Agency Tracker.

Prior to the LEA's Title III grant being submitted, a plan that clearly addresses the following items must be submitted in ALEAT:

- How the LEA will use Title III funds to increase the English proficiency of limited English proficient children while providing a high-quality language instruction educational program
- Personnel (job title only) paid with Title III funds and all capital purchased with Title III funds must be identified in action steps
- The type(s) of high-quality professional development provided to teachers of English language learners that supports the LEA's language instruction educational program

Strategies and action steps may be positioned under any standard; however, placement should be based on the LEA's needs assessment results. Tag all action steps with the Title III tag.