## **Suggested** Consultation Timeline for Equitable Services for LEA and Private Schools

Month	LEA Activity	Legal Basis
November/December in preparation for the next school year	Obtain complete list of all private schools with students who are residents of the LEA.  Meet with private school officials to review the timeline and consultation process. Establish a consultation calendar and procedures for collecting poverty data (i.e. data on low-income families).	LEA uses a list to ask all private school officials if they want their eligible students to participate in Title I the next school year.  See §1120(a) of the Elementary and Secondary School Act.
December through February in preparation for the next school year	Obtain from principals or a central office serving a group of private schools the following poverty data (as appropriate) on private school students:  • Same poverty measure used to count public school students, which is usually free and reduced-priced lunch;  • Survey of private school parents asking for income data, address, and grade level of children from which the LEA must extrapolate these data;  • Alternative poverty data such as scholarships, Temporary Aid to Needy families, Medicaid, etc.  ~or~  • Decide through consultation to use proportionality.	Private school students from low-income families who live in Title I participating public school attendance areas generate funds for instructional services.  See §1120(c)(1) & §200.78(a)(2) of the Title I regulation
February/March in preparation for the next school year	Determine the multiple, educationally related, objective criteria to be used to select eligible students (educationally needy students who reside in Title I attendance areas) in consultation with private school officials.  Obtain from private school officials lists of names, addresses, and grades of private school students who meet the criteria.  From these lists, select for Title I services, those students most at-risk of failing, as decided in consultation.  Discuss with private school officials the needs of selected students, appropriate Title I services to serve those needs, and location of services.  Design services that meet participants' needs	See §1120(b)(1)(f) & (2) and §200.64(a).

based on consultation, using the estimated amount of funds generated by private school students from low-income families, and the equitable share of funds reserved for districtwide instructional activities.

Determine with private school officials the standards and annual assessments for measuring progress of the Title I program.

Define annual progress. Determine criteria for making program modifications when annual progress is not achieved.

Assess the achievement of the current **year's** program using the standards previously agreed upon last year.

After appropriate consultation, make modifications to next year's Title I program, if annual progress has not been met.

Complete and submit the Affirmation of Consultation form in the Related Docs section of ESEA Consolidated grant application.

Match addresses of private school students from low-income families to participating public school attendance areas.

Estimate the amount of funds generated for instruction using the same estimated per-pupil amount as that used for public school students in participating public school attendance areas.

Meet with private school officials to discuss poverty data collected, amount of estimated instructional funds generated, and determine if funds will be pooled, not pooled, or a combination of both options.

## March/April in preparation for the next school year

Determine the multiple, educationally related, objective criteria to be used to select eligible students (educationally needy students who reside in Title I attendance areas) in consultation with private school officials.

Obtain from private school officials lists of names, addresses, and grades of private school students who meet the criteria.

Multiple, educationally related, objective criteria required under §1115(b). See §200.62(b).

See §1120(b).

From these lists, select for Title I services those students most at-risk of failing, as decided in consultation.

Discuss with private school officials the needs of selected students, appropriate Title I services to serve those needs, and location of services.

Design services that meet participants' needs based on consultation, using the estimated amount of funds generated by private school students from low-income families, and the equitable share of funds reserved for districtwide instructional activities.

Determine with private school officials the standards and annual assessments for measuring progress of the Title I program.

Define annual progress. Determine criteria for making program modifications when annual progress is not achieved.

Assess the achievement of current year's program using the standards previously agreed upon last year.

After appropriate consultation, make modifications to next year's Title I program, if annual progress has not been met. See §200.62(b)(2).

See §1120(b)(1) and §200.63(a) and (b).

See §200.64.

LEA must assess the quality and effectiveness of the Title I program each year. LEA modifies the design of services if annual progress is not met.

See §1120(b)(1)(D) and §200.63(b)(5

## April/June in preparation for the next school year

Determine in consultation with private school officials the professional development and parent involvement needs of private school teachers and families of private school participants.

Design activities that LEA will implement the next school year (independently or in conjunction with LEA activities) for teachers and families of participants.

Inform private school officials of tentative program designs, service delivery models, number of Title I participants, allocations, location of services, and estimated costs. Provide opportunities for private school officials to comment.

Update private school officials if there are any changes. Generate a list of students who will

Equitable services for teachers and families of participants apply to funds reserved under §§1118 and 1119. See §1120(a) and §200.65

LEAs must provide opportunities for consultation with private school officials if program is modified or private school officials request more discussion. See §1120(b) and §200.63.

See §1120(b)(4) and §200.63(e).

	receive Title I services beginning in September of the next school year.  Obtain written affirmation from private school officials or their representatives that timely and meaningful consultation has occurred.  Consultation must be ongoing, however, and should continue throughout the school year.  Complete all necessary reports, contract negotiations, ordering of materials, hiring of teachers, etc.  Consultation should be completed for the next school year prior to LEA submitting its Title I application to the SEA.	These actions ensure that programs will begin at the start of the school year.  See §1120(a)(3) and §200.62(a)(1).
August in preparation for the beginning of school year	Report on readiness of Title I program for private school participants to private school officials.	Private school officials should be aware how LEA will implement the program in September, including staffing, number of students to be served, location, etc.  See §1120(b)(2) and §200.63(c).
August/ September of school year	LEA begins Title I services for students identified the previous spring as participants and provides private school officials with their names, services to be provided, and names of Title I teachers.  Obtain a list of newly enrolled students who meet eligibility criteria. Consult with private school officials on how new students might be accommodated in the program.  Initiate professional development and parent involvement activities based on previous spring's consultation.	See §1120(a)(1) and §200.62(a)(1). See §200.65.

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	LEA provides information about possible adjustments and program changes to private school officials.	See §1120(b)(2) and §200.63(c).
	Start planning for the next school year's consultation cycle.	
	Monthly visits by LEA supervisor to Title I classrooms and regular communications with private school teachers and officials about student progress and program compliance.	
October of school year - Ongoing	Assess student progress and evaluate program effectiveness.	
	Conduct professional development and parental involvement activities.	
	LEA provides information about possible adjustments and program changes to private school officials. Start planning for the next school year's consultation cycle.	