

2024 Title I School Improvement Grant (SIG) 1003 Resource Allocation Review (RAR) Pilot

Project Purpose

For the 2024-25 school year, the New York State Education Department (NYSED or “the Department”) is providing a pilot program to eligible Target Districts to promote the equitable distribution of resources and support the Department’s understanding of how best to support districts with fulfilling federal requirements regarding resource equity.

The 2024 Title I School Improvement Grant (SIG) 1003 Resource Allocation Review (RAR) funds will be provided to support school improvement in districts that have a significant number of schools identified for receiving additional supports: (Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI), Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) and Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI). These funds will be separate from the Title I SIG 1003 BASIC funds that districts are currently using to advance their improvement initiatives.

Eligibility

Target Districts must have completed the Notice of Intent by March 31, 2024, **AND** meet the following criteria to be eligible for participation in the pilot program:

1. The district has at least five schools; AND
2. At least 20% of the schools are identified for CSI, ATSI, or TSI; AND
3. **Either:**
 - a. The percent of students classified as “Economically Disadvantaged” in at least one of the schools identified for CSI, ATSI, and TSI is 10 percentage points or more than the percent of students classified as “Economically Disadvantaged” for the entire district; OR
 - b. At least eighty percent of students in the district are classified as “Economically Disadvantaged.”

A full list of eligible Target Districts can be found in Attachment A – Title I SIG Resource Allocation Review Eligible Districts.

Funding

The Department is providing \$20,000 in 2024 Title I SIG RAR Planning funds to support team participation in the Phase 1 and Phase 2 required activities.

Allowable Uses of Funds

The Department has established guidance and parameters for districts regarding the use of these funds:

- **CATEGORY 1:** The funds must directly connect to support team participation in RAR required activities that begin in April 2024 and are expected through December 2024.
- **CATEGORY 2:** Support a district-identified facilitator that will lead the team discussions and ensure the protocols are followed.

Each eligible Target District must complete an FS-10 as a single LEA application. Districts should ensure that the submitted FS-10 aligns with the pilot program activities and participation needs. These include the following:

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- Travel Costs and any participation costs associated with the following NYSED RAR Events:
 - April 30th In-Person Kickoff (Albany)
 - Team Meetings to complete the Resource Diagnostic Tool
 - July 11th In-Person Dimension 1 Guidebook Event (Albany)
 - 1 or 2 additional In-Person Fall Dimension Guidebook Events (site TBD) and
 - Team Meetings to write the District's Implementation Plan
- Use of a third-party vendor, which can be a consultant and/or representative from a BOCES.

As part of the application review, NYSED will be looking for alignment between pilot expectations and the FS-10 budget costs.

SIG Resource Allocation Review funds cannot be used to support any supplies, equipment, and/or food/refreshments within the district. If the district wishes to fund an expense that would support schools in the CSI, ATSI, or TSI support models, SIG BASIC funds could only be used for the portion that will go toward eligible schools. Any portion that will support non-eligible schools must be covered by a different funding source.

Project Period

April 15, 2024 to December 31, 2024

Application Deadline

Completed FS-10s are due by **May 1, 2024**, and will be reviewed on a rolling basis. LEAs are encouraged to submit as soon as possible to expedite the review and approval process.

Submission Instructions

To receive 2024 Title I SIG 1003 (Resource Allocation Review) funding, eligible Districts must submit one **blue ink signed** original and two hard copies of the District's FS-10 budget form. LEAs are required to send the submission to:

**NYS Education Department - Office of Accountability
Attn: 2024 Title I SIG 1003 (Resource Allocation Review)
89 Washington Avenue – Room 320 EB
Albany, New York 12234**

In addition, eligible Target Districts must submit one electronic copy of the FS-10 to fieldsupport@nysed.gov and SIGA@nysed.gov.

Budget Amendment Deadline

All budget amendments should be discussed with the program office prior to the submission of an FS-10A. Amendments must be submitted with sufficient time for review and be postmarked no later than December 1, 2024.

For additional information or assistance please contact: fieldsupport@nysed.gov.

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Attachment A: Resource Allocation Review Eligible Districts

District BEDS	District Name	Project Code	
010100010000	ALBANY CITY SD	0011-24-	3010
270100010000	AMSTERDAM CITY SD	0011-24-	3016
050100010000	AUBURN CITY SD	0011-24-	3018
140600010000	BUFFALO CITY SD	0011-24-	3002
010500010000	COHOES CITY SD	0011-24-	3038
070600010000	ELMIRA CITY SD	0011-24-	3050
610600010000	ITHACA CITY SD	0011-24-	3072
061700010000	JAMESTOWN CITY SD	0011-24-	3074
620600010000	KINGSTON CITY SD	0011-24-	3078
591401060000	MONTICELLO CSD	0011-24-	3098
261600010000	ROCHESTER CITY SD	0011-24-	3004
411800010000	ROME CITY SD	0011-24-	3126
530600010000	SCHENECTADY CITY SD	0011-24-	3130
421800010000	SYRACUSE CITY SD	0011-24-	3006