

Methods for Serving Title I Funds Based on Selected Poverty Measure

Method	Who Must Be Served	Who May Be Served	Other Considerations
Administrative Option	n/a	Any school may be served	LEA enrollment count must be less than 1,000 students
LEA-Wide Average Poverty Rate	Schools whose poverty rate is above 75%	Schools whose poverty rate is above the LEA's poverty rate	Schools must be served in rank order regardless of grade span
35% Rule LEA-Wide	Schools whose poverty rate is above 75%	Schools whose poverty rate is above 35%	Schools must be served in rank order regardless of grade span
Grade Span Grouping + LEA-Wide Average Poverty Rate	Schools whose poverty rate is above 75% (regardless of grade span)	Schools within the prioritized grade span(s) whose poverty rate is above the LEA's poverty rate	A grade span must be prioritized (can be more than one) and school must be served in rank order within the prioritized grade span(s)
Grade Span Grouping + Grade Span Average Poverty Rate	Schools whose poverty rate is above 75% (regardless of grade span)	Schools within the prioritized grade span(s) whose poverty rate is above that of the applicable grade span	A grade span must be prioritized (can be more than one) and school must be served in rank order within the prioritized grade span(s)
Grade Span Grouping + 35% Rule	Schools whose poverty rate is above 75% (regardless of grade span)	Schools within the prioritized grade span(s) whose poverty rate is above 35%	A grade span must be prioritized (can be more than one) and school must be served in rank order within the prioritized grade span(s)
Grade Span Grouping + One Building Per Grade Span	Schools whose poverty rate is above 75% (regardless of grade span)	Any school may be served	LEA must have building with no overlapping grade spans (one building per grade span)