

GADSDEN CITY SCHOOLS

CURRENTLY FUNDED FEDERAL PROGRAMS

2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

FUNDING YEAR 2021 (FY21) – BEGINNING YEAR ALLOCATIONS

TITLE I – Improving Academic Achievement: Disadvantaged Students

- \$2,922,676 allocation, an increase in funding of \$49,951 from FY20
- Money can be used in and for Title I schools only to supplement, not supplant
- There are 8 Title I schools in Gadsden City School System during FY21: 6 elementary and 2 middle schools
- Funding is based on poverty rate – percentage of free and reduced meal qualifiers
- Maintenance of Effort ranking “spirals down from highest to lowest poverty”
- Contains several “subparts” – minimum of 40% poverty rate required
- Has 588 regulations; must serve schools with 75% poverty rate
- Most of this grant is used for salary and benefits for teachers and teaching assistants
- Title I currently fully or partially funds salaries and benefits for 8 teachers, 17 paraprofessionals, 5 nurses, and 10 instructional facilitators and resource personnel
- Provides supplemental supplies, materials, plus computer software and hardware
- Provides professional development for teachers and tutoring for at-risk students
- Provides parental involvement money on a per pupil basis for students in poverty attending Title I schools
- Provides support for homeless students
- Provides equitable services’ funding to one private school

TITLE II – Preparing, Training, and Recruiting High Quality Teachers and Principals

- \$335,922 allocation, a decrease in funding of \$3,058 from FY20
- Pays salary and benefits for class size reduction units
- Pays for district staff for professional development
- Pays for staff development programs based on school system data
- Pays for conferences, workshops, and travel for ongoing, evidence-based training in core academic subjects
- Pays stipends for mentoring advisor to support mentors of new teachers
- Provides equitable services funding to private schools within district

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TITLE III – Language Instruction: Limited English Proficient / Immigrant Students

- \$60,997 grant for English Learners (ELs), an increase in funding of \$14,197 from FY20
- May not be used for required ESL teacher or teaching assistants salaries and benefits
- Used for instructional equipment, supplies, and professional development
- ESL instruction currently delivered at all of our 12 schools
- Seven teachers currently deliver instruction to more than 475 English Learners system wide

TITLE IV – Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grant

- \$215,989 allocation, an increase in funding of \$64,673 from FY20
- Grant tied to Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)
- Title IV currently partially funds salaries and benefits for one promotion coach and three elementary school counselors

TITLE IX – McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance

- \$26,000 has been allocated for this year
- The services listed below will be adjusted accordingly
- Pays for 13% of the salary and benefits for our local Homeless Liaison
- Pays for transportation to the school of origin
- Pays for reasonable, allowable, and necessary school supplies
- Pays for enrichment field trips

Consolidated Administration

- \$215,284 set aside
- Cost to administer all Federal Programs is limited to no more than 20% of each grant (except for Title III which is limited to 2%)
- Gadsden City will only use 8.35% of our total allocation (8.19% from Title I, 0.09% from Title II, 0.02% from Title III, and 0.06% from Title IV) for all administrative costs, a total of \$295,284

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21st CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNIG CENTERS

- \$500,000 has been allocated for this year
- Provides extended learning programs at one elementary school, two middle schools, and the high school
- A minimum of 12 hours per week of programming is required in before and after school activities
- Programs do not replicate the school day
- Students are referred based on academic, social and / or emotional need
- Programming includes science, technology, engineering, arts, and math activities
- Students are highly encouraged to participate for 30 consecutive days or longer
- Academic and behavioral gains are quantified
- Pays stipends and benefits for 40 employees and 4 site coordinators