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EMERGENCY IMMIGRANT EDUCATION PROGRAM

Goal: Help offset cost of supplementary services to recent immigrant students.	Funding History (\$ in millions)			
	Fiscal Year	Appropriation	Fiscal Year	Appropriation
Legislation: The Emergency Immigrant Education Act (EIEA), Title VII, Part C of the	1985	\$30	2000	\$150
Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as amended (20 U.S.C. 7541-7549).	1990	\$30	2001	\$150
	1995	\$50	2002 (Requested)	\$0

Program Description

This program is designed to help local education agencies (LEAs) provide supplementary educational services and offset costs for immigrant children enrolled in elementary and secondary public and nonpublic schools. The eligible recipients are the states, which then distribute the funds to LEAs within the state, according to the number of immigrant children.

The Emergency Immigrant Education Program makes grants to State education agencies (SEAs) which make subgrants to LEAs to enhance instructional opportunities for immigrant children. Authorized activities include: family literacy and parent outreach, salaries of personnel that are trained or being trained to serve immigrant children, tutorials and mentoring, the identification and acquisition of curricular materials, and the costs of basic instructional services that are "directly attributable to the presence of eligible children" (i.e., supplies, overhead costs, construction costs, and acquisition or rental of space).

For more information, please visit the program Web site at: http://www.ed.gov/offices/OBEMLA/

Program Performance

OBJECTIVE 1: PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SCHOOLS THAT SERVE LARGE NUMBERS OF RECENTLY ARRIVED IMMIGRANT STUDENTS.

Indicator 1.1 Use of funds: Ninety percent of program funds will be used for direct services to students by FY 2000.						
Targets and Performance Data		Assessment of Progress	Sources and Data Quality			
Year	Actual Performance	Performance Targets	Status: Unable to judge.	Source: SEA Biennial Report, 2001.		
1995-96:	Baseline: 88.6%			Frequency: Biennially.		
1997-98:	Data Collected Biennially	Continuing increase	Explanation: Data source reports are required	Next collection update: 2000-2001.		
1998-99:	Data Available 4/30	Continuing increase	every 2 years; the most recent reports are due in	Date to be reported: November 1, 2001.		
1999-00:	Data Collected Biennially	90%	November 2001. Currently raw data for Biennial			
2000-01:		Continuing increase	Report (1996-97 and 1997-98) from grantees	Validation Procedure: ED attestation process.		
2001-02:		_	(SEAs) are being analyzed and compiled by the			
			NCBE contractor. The projected date for final	Limitations of Data and Planned		
			draft is February 28, 2001. The final draft will	Improvements: Limitations: LEAs and SEAs		
			be circulated for the Departmental review after	have some latitude for interpretation of key		
			March 5, 2001. The projected date for its	terms. School districts often use these funds to		
			publication is April 30, 2001. The next data	support whatever program they have for limited		
			source report for (1998-99 and 1999-2000) from	English proficient students, regardless of their		
			grantees are due in November 2001.	immigration status (1991 GAO Study). Because		
				districts use these funds in a variety of ways, an		
				impact evaluation is virtually impossible.		
				Planned improvements: Continue to refine		
				existing procedures for followup, verification,		
				and validation.		