

RSU 22 Application Process for Title I and Title IIA  
**ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act) application process in RSU 22  
(previously known as NCLB – No Child Left Behind)**

All through the school year, our staff reviews student achievement data and professional development needs of our educators.

Every year RSU #22 and other Maine school districts may apply for federal money to support their Title I programs. In RSU 22, most of our allocation is used for personnel salaries. If we have any additional money, it is used for tutoring and some supplies.

We write our application toward the end of a school year and into the summer. We strive to start each school year with all personnel in place to support our students. In RSU #22's case, both Winterport Schools meet the requirements to warrant the additional funds. The current law reads that 35% or higher of the student population must be eligible for free/reduced lunch status. Both Wagner and Smith schools have additional personnel who support reading, writing and mathematics through extra help. The additional academic support may happen during the school day and/or after school day hours.

Title IIA is federal money allocated to our district to support professional development for our teachers. Each spring we provide a survey to our educators requesting professional development needs of RSU 22 faculty. Factored into the application and professional development planning are state and federal expectations as well. Currently our projects are focused on: proficiency-based education, reading interventions, technology, new teacher support, curriculum work and teacher effectiveness initiatives.