

# Defining Persistently Lowest Achieving Schools

**TIER I TEST:**  
Is the school a Title I SINA school in 2010-11 with 30 or more full academic year students tested in the 2009-2010 school year?

No ↓

Is it a secondary school eligible for Title I but not receiving funds?

Yes ↓

Go to TIER II Test

Yes → Is the graduation rate less than 60% over the last three years?

Yes ↓

**LOWEST ACHIEVING SCHOOL TIER I**

No →

Does the school fall in the lowest ten percent of Title I SINA schools for all students proficient and average less than 67 percent proficient for the last three years in reading and math combined, from 2007-08 to 2009-10?

No ↓

**Not Persistently Lowest Achieving Tier I**

Yes →

Does the school rank in the bottom 5% of Title I SINA schools based on combined rank in (a) the three year average of percent proficient in reading and math combined, and (b) the rank in percent change of percent proficient from 2007-08 to 2009-10?

Yes ↓

**LOWEST ACHIEVING SCHOOL TIER I**

No →

**Not Persistently Lowest Achieving Tier I**

