

Title I Comparability Report

P.L. 107-110, Section 1120A(c)

An LEA may receive Part A, Title I funds only if it uses State and local funds to provide services in Title I schools that are at least comparable to the services provided in non-Title I schools. If all schools in an LEA are Title I schools, the LEA must use State and local funds to provide services that are substantially comparable in each school. Because Title I allocations are made annually, this is an annual requirement. Title I schools must receive comparable services each year. LEAs must maintain records and evidence of procedures for compliance of comparability. Records must be kept on file in the district for five years and made available, upon request, to local, state, and federal authorities for auditing and/or program review purposes.

- ◆ The LEA may exclude schools that have fewer than 100 students (use official enrollment date).
- ◆ A district that has only one school per grade span, with no overlapping grades between schools, does not need to complete a comparability report.
- ◆ Only grade spans that contain more than one school and at least one Title I school need to have comparability computed.

Because the SEA is ultimately responsible for ensuring that LEAs comply with the comparability requirement, the SEA may establish the method a district uses to determine comparability.

Iowa school districts that are required to report on comparability will be notified by the state Title I office. Approximately 17% of Iowa school districts are currently required to report on comparability.

Comparability Report Forms will be sent to districts that must report on comparability. LEAs will use the October 1st enrollment date. The Comparability Report is due November 15.

Questions regarding comparability may be directed to Sandy Johnson at (515) 281-3965; or sandra.johnson@iowa.gov.

Districts required to report Title I Comparability in 2012-13

Ames	Fort Dodge	MOC-Floyd Valley	Wapsie Valley
Ankeny	Fort Madison	Mount Pleasant	Waterloo
Bettendorf	Grinnell-Newburg	Muscatine	Waukee
Boone	Griswold	Newton	Waverly-Shell Rock
Burlington	Highland	North Cedar	West Central Valley
Cedar Falls	Indianola	North Linn	West Des Moines
Cedar Rapids	Iowa City	North Polk	Western Dubuque
Charles City	Johnston	North Scott	
Clear Creek-Amana	Keokuk	Ottumwa	
Clinton	LeMars	PCM	
College	Linn-Mar	Pella	
Council Bluffs	Maquoketa Valley	Pleasant Valley	
Davenport	Marion Ind	Sioux City	
Des Moines	Marshalltown	Southeast Polk	
Dubuque	Mason City	Spencer	
East Mills	Mid-Prairie	Union	
Eddyville-Blakesburg		Urbandale	
Fairfield			