

FEDERAL PROGRAM GUIDANCE

CORE ACADEMIC SUBJECTS²

The term “core academic subjects” referred to in [Section 9101(11)] includes:

- English
- Reading or Language Arts
- Mathematics
- Science
- Foreign languages (languages other than English)
- Civics and Government
- Economics
- Arts
- History
- Geography

While the statute includes “arts” in the core academic subjects, it does not specifically define “arts”; therefore, states must make this determination. TEA has defined “arts” as:

- Music (including band and choir directors)
- Art
- Theatre
- Dance

The LEA, HISD, has determined that academic subjects including reading, ELA, math, science, etc. are priority subjects for the Title I and Title II, Part A federal programs. Therefore, those subjects will be the primary focus for the use of Title I and Title II funds. Professional development for foreign language as a core academic language must focus on instruction in that subject area.

CAPITAL OUTLAY

Due to the difficulty in tracking and monitoring the equipment acquired for non-HISD campuses, Title I programs at PNP schools will not be supported by equipment or capital outlay items.