



FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IN THE FY26 PRESIDENTIAL BUDGET REQUEST

This document provides information about the Trump Administration's FY2026 budget proposal and spotlights issues most relevant to the family, school, and community engagement field. For more detail, you can see the full proposal's [technical supplement](#) or the [summary of the U.S. Department of Education budget request](#).

K-12 Simplified Funding Plan: Consolidation and Cuts

Through the proposed K-12 Simplified Funding Plan (K-12 SFP), the Trump Administration wants to create a new single block grant that it says can be used more flexibly. However, as the table below shows, the block grant also proposes significant cuts to funding. Whereas these 18 programs represented \$6.53 billion in funding in fiscal year 2024, the proposed 2026 budget sets K-12 SFP funding at \$2 billion, representing a 69.4% (\$4.53 billion) cut in 2026 alone.

Program <i>(Trump Administration 2026 Budget Request in thousands of dollars)</i>	FY2024 Final	FY2026 Request
Comprehensive literacy state development grants (ESEA II-B-2, section 2222)	194,000	0
Innovative approaches to literacy (ESEA II-B-2, section 2226)	30,000	0
Neglected, delinquent and at-risk children and youth (ESEA I-D)	49,239	0
Supporting effective instruction State grants (ESEA II-A)	2,190,080	0
21st century community learning centers (ESEA IV-B)	1,329,673	0
State assessments (ESEA I-B, section 1201-1203)	380,000	0
Education for homeless children and youths (MVHAA Title VII-B)	129,000	0
Native Hawaiian education (ESEA VI-B)	45,897	0
Alaska Native education (ESEA VI-C)	44,953	0
Rural education (ESEA V-B)	220,000	0
Student support and academic enrichment grants (ESEA IV-A)	1,380,000	0
American history and civics education (ESEA II-B-3)	23,000	0
Magnet schools assistance (ESEA IV-D)	139,000	0
Arts in education (ESEA IV-F-4, section 4642)	36,500	0
Javits gifted and talented education (ESEA IV-F-4, section 4644)	16,500	0
Statewide family engagement centers (ESEA IV-E)	20,000	0
School safety national activities (ESEA IV-F-3, section 4631)	216,000	0
Promise neighborhoods (ESEA IV-F-2, section 4624)	91,000	0
Total, FY24 appropriations for 18 grant programs	6,534,842	0
New "K-12 Simplified Funding Plan" block grant proposed for FY26	0	2,000,000

Other 2026 Budget Cuts of Note

Along with the consolidation and cut found in the K-12 Simplified Funding Plan, many other federal programs have been cut in the Trump Administration's proposed budget. Several of these cut programs fund or are closely related to family and community school partnerships. These include:

Program <i>(Trump Administration 2026 Budget Request in thousands of dollars)</i>	FY2024 Final	FY2026 Request
English language acquisition (ESEA III-A)	890,000	0
Migrant education (ESEA I-C)	375,626	0
Full-service community schools (ESEA IV-F-2, section 4625)	150,000	0
Supporting effective educator development (SEED) (ESEA II-B-4, section 2242)	90,000	0
Teacher and school leader incentive grants (ESEA II-B-1)	60,000	0
Comprehensive centers (ETAA section 203)	50,000	0
Ready to learn programming (ESEA IV-F-4, section 4643)	31,000	0

Preserved Programs in the 2026 Budget Proposal

Two of the largest federal investments in K-12 education - Title 1, part A and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) - did not see their overall funding amount change when compared to the 2024 funding levels. These are the primary funding sources for supporting low-income students and students with special education needs, respectively.

That said, the budget proposal consolidates several IDEA programs into its "state grants" block grant. The state grants could permit states to reduce or eliminate any block-granted program, rather than dedicate funds to each of these specified programs. Of particular importance to the family, school, and community engagement field are:

- Parent information centers (sections 671-673)
- Preschool grants (IDEA B-619)
- Grants for infants and families (IDEA C)
- State personnel development (subpart 1)
- Personnel preparation (section 662).