

RLIS-SRSA Comparison Table

RLIS	SRSA
REAP flex applies (only for LEAs that are <u>eligible</u> for both RLIS and SRSA)	REAP flex applies
State Education Agencies (SEAs) distribute funds to LEAs	U.S. Department of Education (ED) distributes funds directly to LEAs
State provides technical assistance for grant	ED provides technical assistance for grant
LEAs apply via the state's application process	LEAs apply via ED's application process
SEAs may award RLIS funds competitively or according to a formula	ED awards funds according to a formula
27-month grant cycle (from initial fund availability to closeout)	15-month grant cycle, as of FY2017 (from initial fund availability to closeout)
Grants awarded under other Title programs do not impact the amount of funds a grantee receives under RLIS	If the LEA receives a large amount of Title II-A or Title IV-A funds, the SRSA funding formula may reduce the LEA's SRSA award significantly or even to \$0
<p>Grant funds may be applied toward initiatives that meet criteria for the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Teacher recruitment and retention, including the use of signing bonuses and other financial incentives; 2. Teacher professional development, including programs that train teachers to use technology to improve teaching and to train teachers of students with special needs; 3. Educational technology, including software and hardware, that meets the requirements of Part D of Title II; 4. Parental involvement activities; 5. Activities authorized under the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities State Grants program; 6. Activities authorized under Part A of Title I; 7. Activities authorized under Title III. 	<p>Grant funds may be applied toward initiatives that meet criteria for the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Part A of Title I (Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged); 2. Part A of Title II (Improving Teacher Quality State Grants); 3. Part D of Title II (Educational Technology State Grants); 4. Title III (Language Instruction for Limited English Proficient and Immigrant Students); 5. Part A of Title IV (Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities); 6. Part B of Title IV (21st Century Community Learning Centers); and 7. Part A of Title V (State Grants for Innovative Programs).