

SUBPART 1—FORMULA GRANTS TO LOCAL  
EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES

**§ 7421. Purpose**

It is the purpose of this subpart to support the efforts of local educational agencies, Indian tribes and organizations, and other entities in developing elementary school and secondary school programs for Indian students that are designed to—

- (1) meet the unique cultural, language, and educational needs of such students; and
- (2) ensure that all students meet the challenging State academic standards.

(Pub. L. 89–10, title VI, § 6111, formerly title VII, § 7111, as added Pub. L. 107–110, title VII, § 701, Jan. 8, 2002, 115 Stat. 1908; renumbered title VI, § 6111, and amended Pub. L. 114–95, title VI, §§ 6001(a), (b)(1), 6002(c), Dec. 10, 2015, 129 Stat. 2046, 2047.)

**Editorial Notes**

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 7421, Pub. L. 89–10, title VII, § 7111, as added Pub. L. 103–382, title I, § 101, Oct. 20, 1994, 108 Stat. 3719, related to financial assistance for bilingual education, prior to the general amendment of former subchapter VII of this chapter by Pub. L. 107–110.

A prior section 6111 of Pub. L. 89–10 was classified to section 7301 of this title, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 114–95.

AMENDMENTS

2015—Pub. L. 114–95, § 6002(c), amended section generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “It is the purpose of this subpart to support local educational agencies in their efforts to reform elementary school and secondary school programs that serve Indian students in order to ensure that such programs—

- “(1) are based on challenging State academic content and student academic achievement standards that are used for all students; and
- “(2) are designed to assist Indian students in meeting those standards.”

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2015 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 114–95 effective Dec. 10, 2015, except with respect to certain noncompetitive programs and competitive programs, see section 5 of Pub. L. 114–95, set out as a note under section 6301 of this title.

**§ 7422. Grants to local educational agencies and tribes**

**(a) In general**

The Secretary may make grants, from allocations made under section 7423 of this title, and in accordance with this section and section 7423 of this title, to—

- (1) local educational agencies;
- (2) Indian tribes, as provided under subsection (c)(1);
- (3) Indian organizations, as provided under subsection (c)(1);
- (4) consortia of 2 or more local educational agencies, Indian tribes, Indian organizations, or Indian community-based organizations, if each local educational agency participating in such a consortium, if applicable—

(A) provides an assurance that the eligible Indian children served by such local educational agency will receive the services of the programs funded under this subpart; and

(B) is subject to all the requirements, assurances, and obligations applicable to local educational agencies under this subpart; and

(5) Indian community-based organizations, as provided under subsection (d)(1).

**(b) Local educational agencies**

**(1) Enrollment requirements**

Subject to paragraph (2), a local educational agency shall be eligible for a grant under this subpart for any fiscal year if the number of Indian children eligible under section 7427 of this title who were enrolled in the schools of the agency, and to whom the agency provided free public education, during the preceding fiscal year—

(A) was at least 10; or

(B) constituted not less than 25 percent of the total number of individuals enrolled in the schools of such agency.

**(2) Cooperative agreements**

A local educational agency may enter into a cooperative agreement with an Indian tribe under this subpart if such Indian tribe—

(A) represents not less than 25 percent of the eligible Indian children who are served by such local educational agency; and

(B) requests that the local educational agency enter into a cooperative agreement under this subpart.

**(3) Exclusion**

The requirement of paragraph (1) shall not apply in Alaska, California, or Oklahoma, or with respect to any local educational agency located on, or in proximity to, a reservation.

**(c) Indian tribes and Indian organizations**

**(1) In general**

If a local educational agency that is otherwise eligible for a grant under this subpart does not establish a committee under section 7424(c)(4) of this title for such grant, an Indian tribe, an Indian organization, or a consortium of such entities, that represents more than one-half of the eligible Indian children who are served by such local educational agency may apply for such grant.

**(2) Special rule**

**(A) In general**

The Secretary shall treat each Indian tribe, Indian organization, or consortium of such entities applying for a grant pursuant to paragraph (1) as if such tribe, Indian organization, or consortium were a local educational agency for purposes of this subpart.

**(B) Exceptions**

Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), such Indian tribe, Indian organization, or consortium shall not be subject to the requirements of subsections (b)(7) or (c)(4) of section 7424 of this title or section 7428(c) or 7429 of this title.

**(3) Assurance to serve all Indian children**

An Indian tribe, Indian organization, or consortium of such entities that is eligible to