

(S-2) Title IA-Targeted School Improvement (TSI) Plan

As a pass-through entity for Federal education funds, the Maine Department of Education (Maine DOE) has prepared this guidance document to assist Federal program subrecipients in adhering to the statutory requirements for the Title I, Part A program.

The information provided in this document serves as general guidance provided by the Maine DOE. Subrecipients under the Title I, Part A programs should refer to the full text of the regulations which govern the use of these federal funds, which can be found at under the [Elementary and Secondary Education Act](#) and within the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).

Subrecipients of Federal funds are solely responsible for meeting all applicable Federal regulations.

Definitions:

Targeted Support and Improvement Plan: A targeted support and improvement plan that is developed and implemented for any public school (Title I or non-Title) in which any student population is consistently underperforming for the for same indicator(s) for three consecutive years under Maine's Model of School Supports (MMSS)-State Accountability plan.

Statutory Requirements: Elementary and Secondary Education Act: [Section 1111 \(d\)\(2\)\(B\)](#)

State Guidance:

Federal laws require SAUs to develop, implement, and monitor school improvement plans for schools that have been identified for Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI).

When undergoing the development of the TSI plan each SAU and identified school should institute the following best practices:

- Engage a diverse group of stakeholders (administrators, teachers, families, community members, etc.) in the process.
- Analyze most recent years' worth of data to determine the goals, activities, and instructional programs that will best meet the needs of all children in the school (particularly those student populations that are not meeting all indicators in Maine's Model of School Support.

- Plan for high-quality supplement instructional programming and ongoing professional development that will help address the greatest student needs.

Plan Requirements:

- Is developed in partnership with stakeholders including principals, other school leaders, teachers, and parents).
- Is informed by all indicators in Maine's Model of School Supports and by student performance against state-determined long-term goals.
- Includes evidence-based interventions.
- Conducts school needs assessment
- Is approved by the school administrative unit (SAU) prior to implementation of the plan.
- Is monitored, upon submission and implementation, by the SAU.
- Results in additional action following the unsuccessful implementation of the plan after a number of years determined by the SAU.

Relevant Documentation:

To demonstrate having met the statutory requirements outlined above, the SAU may provide the Maine DOE with the following type(s) of documentation:

- Most updated TSI plans clearly identified for each TSI identified school. The plan must include all statutory requirements. Schools can use their own templates, or they can use the TSI plan template available on the Maine DOE website.

Technical Assistance:

Please feel free to contact the school improvement coordinator at the Maine DOE if you have any questions relative to the contents of this document or the requirements for leveraging these Federal funds.