

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS

Education Department
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Albany, NY 12234

DESIGNATED LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCIES

Apprenticeship Related and Supplemental Instruction Program (ARSIP); Education Law, Section 3610

Local education agencies that provide related or supplemental instruction to apprentices registered by the New York State Department of Labor are eligible for an apportionment under Section 3610 of New York State Education Law.

Funds in the amount of \$1.83 million will be used to reimburse designated agencies according to the number of hours of related instruction given all apprentices in the area served by the agency.

For more information, contact: Tom Orsini at (518) 474-8940.

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PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND CHARTER SCHOOLS

Reading First, Title I Part B, No Child Left Behind Act of 2001

Approximately \$117 million is available to support multi-year Reading First grants. Schools that receive grants must use the funds to improve early reading instruction in grades K-3 and to conduct related professional development programs.

A competitive grant application is available at www.emsc.nysed.gov under FYI and Funding Opportunities. Grant applications must be submitted to the State Education Department postmarked by January 9, 2004.

Grants will be awarded on a competitive basis to high-need school districts and charter schools to support the lowest performing schools in their efforts to ensure that all students can read at grade level by the end third grade.

For more information, contact: Early Education and Reading Initiatives, at the above address, or call (518) 474-5807.

