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# American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

## IDEA Recovery Funds

Office of Special Education and Early Intervention  
Services

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# ARRA some basics

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- ARRA TITLE VIII

  - Education Grants

    - ESEA Title 1 Part A (and others)
    - IDEA, Parts B (includes preschool) and C

- ARRA TITLE XIV

  - State Fiscal Stabilization Funds (SFSF)

    - Awarded to Governors to stabilize budgets
    - Must advance education, public safety, other government services, etc.

# ARRA Principles

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- Spend funds quickly to save and create jobs
- Improve student achievement through school improvement and reform
- Ensure transparency, reporting and accountability
- Invest one-time ARRA funds thoughtfully to minimize the “funding cliff”

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# ARRA Expenditures

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- One-time increment in IDEA, Part B funding
- Unique opportunity to improve teaching, learning & results for children with disabilities
- Use for short-term investments with potential long-term benefits
- Build capacity for systemic improvements

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# ARRA Expenditure Examples

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- Systemic Improvements for Student Achievement using Evidence-based practices
  - Professional Development (PD) for school-wide Response to Intervention (RtI) systems
    - Positive Behavior Supports
    - Literacy
    - Other academic content areas

# ARRA Expenditure Examples

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- Technology
  - Assistive Technology services and devices
  - Online PD
  - Online student courses and learning opportunities
  - Electronic records management for student progress monitoring and data-based instruction/interventions decisions

# ARRA Expenditure Examples

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- Data-based improvements for compliance and results
  - Transition services and supports
  - Child Find services and supports
  - Preschool inclusion services and supports
  - Parent Involvement services and supports

# ARRA Expenditure Examples

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- Data-based improvements for compliance and results
  - Accommodations and Modifications services and supports
  - Conflict resolution training
  - IEP Facilitation and training

# ARRA Expenditure Examples

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- Personnel Development & Retention
  - PD/requirements and incentives for credentialing
  - On-line PD and credentialing
- State Policy implementation
  - State Board of Education Policies
    - School-wide PBS
    - Universal Education Vision and Principles

# IDEA Recovery Funds Fiscal

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- State & local expenditure reduction
  - (50% rule) available under §613(a)(2)(C)
  - Must spend equal amount for ESEA activities
  - SEAs report LEA's use of funds

# IDEA Recovery Funds Fiscal

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- LEAs may use up to 15% of Part B grants for Early Intervening Services
  - Reminder – tie-bar to 50% rule/dollar for dollar reduction
- Stabilization Funds have other options
  - Governors set priorities
  - State level Maintenance of Effort (MOE) waiver available at state level, but not for LEAs

# ARRA Important Dates

			<b>Available to <u>States</u></b>	<b>Available to <u>ISDs</u></b>	<b>Obligated <u>By</u></b>
**Recovery Funds Award (Sec 611)	50%	200,303,918	04/01/09	5/1/2009	9/30/2011
IDEA Regular Award (Sec 611)	Approx (30%)	102,000,000	07/01/09	7/1/2009	9/30/2011
**Recovery Funds Award (Sec 611)	50%	200,303,918	10/01/09	To be determined	9/30/2011
IDEA Regular Award (Sec 611)	Approx (70%)	238,000,000	10/01/09	As available	9/30/2011
Total FFY 2009 Award(s)		<u><u>740,607,836</u></u>			

\*\*All will be Flowthrough to ISDs; and to LEAs/PSAs as documented in the ISD Flowthrough application.

\*\* Recordkeeping and reporting under the ARRA will apply; MDE is awaiting further guidance.

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