

Federal initiatives are very much in a state of flux. The Trump administration, House of Representatives and Senate all have somewhat different priorities which are complicating the budget process. The Trump administration and House have proposed elimination of the Title II-A entitlement and 21st Century Community Learning Center grants. However, the Senate has rejected these proposals and recommended continued funding. Most of the administration's initial proposals remain only proposals. With a lack of consensus, appropriations tend to keep existing programs operating at funding levels comparable to those of the prior year.

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), implemented by the Obama Administration with bipartisan support, is likely to continue to shift more policy initiatives to the state level. Federal regulations related to implementing ESSA are still being developed. However, one new initiative has already benefited Worcester. Title IV-A for student support and academic enrichment has provided \$298,253 for FY 18. Funds will be used to pay for Advanced Placement examination fees, as well as enhance school safety, academic enrichments, and professional development. A summary of the major entitlement grants appears below. Revisions of teacher preparation regulations are likely to impact the type of competitive grant opportunities associated with implementing such mandates, but are not expected to directly affect entitlement funding levels.

<u>Fund Code</u>	<u>Grant Name</u>	<u>Amount</u> 2017	<u>Amount</u> 2018
240	IDEA Special Education Entitlement Grant	\$7,584,893.00	\$7,615,249.00
400	Perkins Secondary Allocation Grant	\$467,758.00	\$483,401.00
305	Title I, Part A	\$11,623,123.00	\$11,979,077.00
140	Title II - Part A	\$1,819,061.00	\$1,484,093.00
180	Title III Formula	\$1,403,472.80	\$1,217,393
309	Title IV	\$0	\$298,253.00
	Total:	\$22,898,307.80	\$23,077,466.10