

## No Child Left Behind Update 2010-11 School Year

**Public School Choice (PSC) and Supplemental Educational Services (SES) Options**  
*Public School Choice (PSC)* and *Supplemental Educational Services (SES)* are two educational options available to parents of students attending qualifying Title I-funded schools. Under *No Child Left Behind (NCLB)*, students are expected to grow academically and reach established targets annually. Each year school districts and buildings are rated by the federal government along a continuum that shows the progress of all students and subgroups of students in meeting these benchmarks, as measured on the Ohio Achievement Assessment (OAA) and Ohio Graduation Test (OGT). Subgroups include economically disadvantaged, students with disabilities, Limited English Proficient, and various racial subgroups. The progress measure is called Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP).

NCLB defines a school in need of “School Improvement” when Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) is not achieved by students in identified subgroups for two or more consecutive years. As a result of the School Improvement designation, educational options are available to students in qualifying Title I buildings. As required by NCLB, if a school fails to make AYP in two consecutive years, parents are offered *PSC*, through which a parent may transfer his/her child to another school in the district that is not in School Improvement status.

If a school fails to make AYP for three or more consecutive years, parents may choose *PSC*, or if they are income-eligible, they may choose to apply for *SES*. *SES* is academic enrichment/tutoring services provided by state-approved organizations and paid for by the district with Title I funds. *SES* services are provided outside of the school day at locations determined by the service provider. The school district does not provide transportation. Below is a table outlining those Title I-served schools eligible for *PSC* and/or *SES*, including eligibility and participation in each of these options. The count of students electing *SES* this year will be posted at the end of the 2010-2011 school year.

### No Child Left Behind Public School Choice (PSC) and Supplemental Education Services (SES) Information

<b>Fairfield Elementary Schools offering PSC and SES</b>							
		<b>Central</b>		<b>East</b>		<b>West</b>	
Year:		PSC	SES	PSC	SES	PSC	SES
<b>2008-2009</b>	Eligible	622					
	Participated	13					
<b>2009-2010</b>	Eligible	659	212				
	Participated	13	114				
<b>2010-2011</b>	Eligible	625	302	567		622	
	Participated	53	TBD	3		4	

**Funds Set Aside for PSC and SES** As required by NCLB, the Fairfield City School District annually sets aside 20% of its Title I allocation to pay for certain costs associated with *PSC* and *SES* options in School Improvement schools. **In the 2010-11 school year, the combined Title I set-aside is \$197,782.09, with \$49,445.43 for PSC transportation allocation and \$148,336.56 for SES allocation.** Totals spent on *PSC* and *SES* will be posted later in the school year. Funds remaining after fulfilling parents' requests for *PSC* and *SES* will be re-budgeted later in the school year for other Title I allowable purposes.

**Parent Notification Process** Parents are notified of *PSC* and *SES* options, as required by NCLB, prior to the start of the school year or as soon as School Improvement determinations are reported to the district by the Ohio Department of Education. Notification is by letters sent to homes through U.S. mail and reminders posted on signage in front of the school. Open enrollment for *PSC* and *SES* is offered and information is mailed home to allow parents to make an informed decision.

In August 2010, parents of students attending Central Elementary School were notified of the *PSC* and *SES* options. *SES* enrollment forms were sent to parents of eligible students in October 2010, with a second enrollment window to occur in November 2010. Parents needing assistance in selecting an *SES* provider may call Laura Yoder, Title I Coordinator, at 737-5000 or email her at [yoder\\_l@fairfieldcityschools.com](mailto:yoder_l@fairfieldcityschools.com). In September 2010, shortly after receiving notification that East and West Elementary were in Year 2 School Improvement, those schools sent home letters to inform parents of their *PSC* option.

The "per pupil amount" (PPA) for Fairfield *SES*-eligible students is established annually by the Ohio Department of Education. This year, the per pupil amount is \$1143.76 funded through Title I. For Central, which offers *SES*, a complete list of *SES* state-approved Providers (and details about qualifications, curriculum, ability to serve English Language Learners and students with disabilities, etc.) is accessible through the ODE Web site or at <http://dnet01.ode.state.oh.us/ses/ProviderLookup.aspx>. Information describing *SES* providers is available at Central Elementary School and was sent home to those who applied and qualified. The information includes the locations where providers will provide services to students.