



Eligibility to Participate in JMLP Training

Policy for meeting the requirement of including schools with "high concentrations of high-need students"

1. "High-need students" - The SEED Grant Program Notice from the Department of Education defines "high-need students" as students who are at risk of educational failure or otherwise in need of special assistance and support. The notice indicates that high-need students are in one or more of the following categories.

- a. Students served by Rural Local Educational Agencies
- b. Students with disabilities
- c. English learners
- d. Students in lowest-performing schools
- e. Students who are living in poverty and are served by schools with high concentrations of students living in poverty
- f. Disconnected youth or migrant youth
- g. Students who are members of federally recognized Indian tribes
- i. Students who attend high minority schools
- j. Students who are far below grade level
- k. Students at risk of not graduating with a diploma on time
- l. Students who are homeless or in foster care
- m. Students who are incarcerated

2. For the purposes of the SEED program, the Center is defining schools with "**high concentrations** of high need students" as schools with 30% of their students in any of the above categories or any combination of the above categories.

3. Indicators used to identify such schools may include:

- a. Schools that provide free or reduced cost lunches for 30% or more of their students
- b. Title 1 schools

4. All of the following can take part (provided they can meet their program responsibilities, including providing pre and post tests to students and conducting 40 hours of classroom instruction and participate in the required minimum hours of professional development).

- o Adult education teachers,
- o ESL teachers,
- o special education teachers,
- o teachers of incarcerated students,
- o vocational school teachers,
- o teachers of Native American students, and
- o pre-service teachers (in their student teaching term)