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## Using Title I to Purchase Electronic Devices

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Title I funds may be used to purchase electronic devices (e.g. iPads, laptops, Kindles, etc.) for student use if certain requirements are met. The following should be taken into consideration when including investments where all or part of the funds will be used to purchase electronic devices.

1. The use is consistent with Title I programmatic requirements and the purchase considered reasonable and necessary to achieve the programmatic goal.
2. The LEA is not purchasing the devices in other schools with non-federal funds or in non-Title I schools.
3. If a targeted assistance Title I school, the devices may only be used by students on the Title I caseload.
4. If a Title I schoolwide, the devices may be used by all students but the device's use must meet the intent of Title I.
5. Any investment that includes the purchase of such devices must be consistent with the schoolwide plan or the design of the targeted assistance program, consistent with the technology plan, and based on the needs assessment.
6. The use of the devices will help students that are struggling to achieve the standards improve academically.
7. As with any investment of Title funds, the investment that includes the purchase of these devices must be evaluated for effectiveness. The evaluation will be reviewed when the LEA is monitored.
8. The primary focus of the purchase must be to differentiate instruction.
9. There must be a professional learning plan for affected teachers so that they may integrate the technology effectively. Use the [ISTE standards](#).
10. Provide a list of software, programs used, subscription services that will accompany the purchasing of the devices. These are the programs that will target struggling learners and must be research or evidence-based.
11. State if you are using the state purchasing agreement for the devices (Contact [Peter Drescher](#) for more information)
12. State the sustainability plan. Most devices have a life of about three years. What is the plan to sustain the initiative?
13. What is the evaluation plan to demonstrate the investment is effective? This should include a focus on closing the achievement gap.