



Tier 1

- Defining the pool of schools for identifying Tier 1 schools
 - Pool consists of schools meeting **all** of the following criteria:
 - At least 30 Full Academic Year (FAY) students with scores on Mathematics in the most recent two years
 - At least 30 FAY students with scores on English Language Arts in the most recent two years
 - Eligible to receive Title I funding
 - Receiving Title I funding
 - School is in a phase of School Improvement
 - Identified for Improvement
 - Corrective Action
 - Restructuring
- Identifying the Tier 1 schools
 - Two paths to get into Tier 1
 - Path 1—School percentile rank is less than 5
 - Path 2—School has a graduation rate less than 60% for three years running



Tier 2

- Defining the initial pool of schools for identifying Tier 2 schools
 - Initial pool consists of schools meeting *all* of the following criteria:
 - At least 30 FAY students with scores on Mathematics in the most recent two years
 - At least 30 FAY students with scores on English Language Arts in the most recent two year
 - Eligible to receive Title I funding, but not receiving Title I funding
 - Is a secondary school (serves at least one grade in the range 7-12)
- Identifying Tier 2 schools
 - Three paths to get into Tier 2
 - Path 1—from the Tier 2 pool
 - School has percentile rank less than 5
 - Path 2—from the Tier 2 pool
 - Has a graduation rate less than 60% for three years running
 - Path 3—from the Tier 1 pool
 - School ranks lower than or equal to (on a statewide ranking of all schools) than the highest ranked school that got into Tier 2 through path 1



Tier 3

- Identifying Tier 3 schools
 - Two paths to get into Tier 3
 - Path 1—from the Tier 1 pool
 - School is in Tier 3 if it did not make it into Tier 1 but was in the Tier 1 pool
 - Path 2—from pool of small schools
 - Rerun the entire process replacing the 30+ FAY inclusion criterion with a 1+ FAY inclusion criterion
 - Meaning that the school tested at least one FAY student in both English Language Arts and Mathematics in both of the most recent years
 - School is in Tier 3 if the school is a small school and the small school rerun placed it in Tier 1 or Tier 2



Priority for SIG Funding

- Priority will be given to Tier I schools with low achievement.
- Tier II schools with low achievement will be next in priority.
- Tier I and Tier II schools with low graduation rates will also be considered for funding based on their application.
- Tier III schools will be considered for funding based on any remaining funds and will receive services from the state's system of support.