Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)
Title IV-A, Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants and Science/STEM Education

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States
$1.2 Billion

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  - STEM
  - Music
  - Art
  - Physical Education

- **20%** Safe schools
  - Healthy students
  - Violence prevention
  - School counselors
  - Mental health

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  - Materials/Prof Dev
  - Equipment/Devices
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