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- Title IV, Part A Provides funds to support a well-rounded education (including music), safe and healthy students, and the use of technology in the classroom.

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 planning for your school district. These funds can support a well-rounded
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