

combines or extrapolates from those data.

#### Supplement, Not Supplant, Rule

Funds provided under this program must be used only to supplement and not supplant other non-Federal funds that are available to assist low-income individuals in paying advanced placement test fees.

#### Waiver of Proposed Rulemaking

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