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### SES Guidance for Private Schools

The U.S. Department of Education has released new guidance to assist private schools interested in becoming SES providers. The guidance, **Questions and Answers on the Participation of Private Schools in Providing Supplemental Educational Services (SES) Under No Child Left Behind**, <<http://www.ed.gov/policy/elsec/guid/onne/sesguidance.htm>> responds to questions about ways in which private schools can participate in SES. Last year, Education Secretary Spellings called on the private school community to become providers of SES. While the guidance is written with private schools in mind, it may also be applicable to community and faith-based organizations, as well as other private and public entities. In a **letter**, <<http://www.ed.gov/policy/elsec/guid/onne/sesguidtr.htm>> to Chief State School Officers and leaders of private school associations, the Department encourages private schools to become more involved in providing SES.

### SES Webpage for Private Schools

The Department has also created a new **SES Webpage for private schools**, <<http://www.ed.gov/nclb/choice/help/ses/privschoools.htm>> to ensure that private schools have access to all the information they need. The Webpage contains the Questions and Answers, Dear Colleague Letter, and other SES resources.