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Special Education Funding and Data

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Acronyms

- ACTE-SPED Access to Career Technical Education
 IDEA Individuals with Disabilities Education Act for Students with a Disability
- **ADM** Average Daily Membership
- ADSIS Alternative Delivery of Specialized Instructional Services
- **CEIS** Coordinated Early Intervening Services
- C.F.R. Code of Federal Regulations
- DCD Developmental Cognitive Disabilities
- **EBD** Emotional Behavior Disorder
- **ESEA** Elementary Secondary Education Act
- ESY Extended School Year
- **FAPE** Free Appropriate Public Education
- **FIN** Finance Code
- FY Federal Fiscal Year
- FSC Funding Source Code
- **FTE** Full-Time Equivalent
- GenEd General Education

- **IDEAS** Integrated Department of Education Aids System
- **IEP** Individualized Education Program
- **IFSP** Individualized Family Service Plan
- **IOwA** Identified Official with Authority
- LEA Local Educational Agency
- MA Medical Assistance
- MARSS Minnesota Automated Reporting Standards System
- **MDE** Minnesota Department of Education
- MFR Minnesota Funding Reports
- **MOE** Maintenance of Effort
- **OPEB** Other Post-Employee Benefits
- PTC Personnel Type Code
- RSY Regular School Year
- **SAC** State Aid Category

- SEA State Education Agency
- **SEDRA** Special Education Data Reporting Application
- SEES Special Education Evaluation Status
- SERVS State Educational Record View and Submission
- SFIN SERVS Financial
- SFY State Fiscal Year
- SLD Specific Learning Disabilities
- SpEd Special Education
- **SRV** Service Code
- UEI Unique Entity Identifiers
- UFARS Uniform Financial Accounting and **Reporting Standards**

Housekeeping/Agenda

- State Special Education Aid for SFY 22 and 23 update
- SFY 23 Federal Final Allocations
- SpEd Funding Guide
- Tuition Billing Timeline Calendar
- End of Year Tuition Billing example
- Maintenance of Effort

SFY 23 Federal Allocations

- Final allocations have been loaded into SERVS for finance codes 419, 420, 425 and 429
- Please log into SERVS to update your 'Amount reserved for Budgeting'

ilter Criteria	
Organization	UFARS Finance Code
Select by number	415 🗸
0623-01-000-000 ROSEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT V	
Or select by name	Funding Status
ROSEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT 0623-01-000-000	No Preference V



Finance Code	State Fiscal Year	Description	Award Amount	Adjusted Award Amount	Unreserved Amount	Award Status	Actions
419	2023	Formula - 419 SFY 2023, U.S. Department of Education IDEA Special Education Part B Section 611 Regular, FFY 2022, CFDA 84.027A, H027A220087	\$1,732,544.61	\$527,768.16	-\$1,200,000.00	Accepted	Select Action 🗸 Go

SFY 23 Federal Allocations (2)

• The total under Amount for Budget must equal the total of Amount after

Adjustments: Manage Award/A

 419 - 2023 Award

 Formula - 419 SFY 2023, U.S. Department of Education IDEA Special Education Part B Section

 611 Regular, FFY 2022, CFDA 84.027A, H027A220087

 Carry Forward %:
 100.0%

Carry Forward %:	100.0%	Award Amount:	\$1,732,544.61
Federal Obligate By	09/30/2024	Amount after Adjustments:	\$527,768.16
Federal Expend By	11/14/2024	Amount reserved for Budgeting:	\$1,727,768.16

Enter Amount (\$) for each Budget SFY

Amount for Budget(\$)	Amount Expended(\$)			
1727768.16	\$0.00			
0.00	\$0.00			
0.00	\$0.00			
	0.00			

Special Education Funding Guide

The Special Education Funding Guide is located on MDE's Homepage > Districts, Schools and Educators > Business and Finance > School Finance > Special Education > Special Education Funding Guide

- The following sections have been updated in the last six months:
 - Section 1 Introduction to Special Education Funding
 - Section 6 Maintenance of Effort (MOE)
 - Section 7 Reconciliation
 - Section 9 Code Sheets
 - Section 11 Service Codes
 - Section 11A Special Education Travel for LEA Employees
 - Section 12 Personnel Type Codes
 - Section 19 Eligibility of Expenditures for Special Education Aid
 - Section 26 Procurement (New Section)

Tuition Billing Timeline Calendar (SFY 23 example)

• Located on the School Finance > Special Education > Tuition Billing webpage

Tuition Billing Timelines State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2023 DRAFT

The Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) will notify districts of changes to these timelines.

School Finance Run Date	Integrated Department of Education Aids System (IDEAS) Payment Period*	Data Source: General Education Revenue	Data Source: Special Education Data Reporting Application (SEDRA)	Data Source: Uniform Financial Accounting and Reporting Standards (UFARS)	Data Source: Minnesota Automated Reporting Student System (MARSS) *For exact reporting deadline dates, see <u>MARSS Reporting Timelines</u>	Data Source: Transportation	Data Source: Special Education Aid - Prior Year
June 22, 2022	July 15, 2022	Estimated SFY 2023	6/22/2022	Final SFY 2021	Fall SFY 2022	SFY 2023 Estimates	SFY 2022
August 24, 2022	September 15, 2022	Estimated SFY 2023 (using July data)	8/24/2022	Final SFY 2021	End-of-Year SFY 2022	SFY 2023 Estimates	SFY 2022
November 2, 2022	November 30, 2022	30, 2022 Estimated SFY 2023 Final (using October data) SFY 2021			End-of-Year SFY 2022	SFY 2023 Estimates	SFY 2022
January 25, 2023	February 15, 2023	Estimated SFY 2023 (using December or January data)	1/25/2023	Final SFY 2022 ***	Fall SFY 2023	SFY 2023 Estimates	Final SFY 2022
August 9, 2023	August 30, 2023	Estimated SFY 2023 (using January data)	8/9/2023	Final SFY 2022 ***	End-of-Year SFY 2023	SFY 2023 Estimates	Final SFY 2022
September 6, 2023	September 30, 2023	Preliminary final based on actual student counts SFY 2023 (using August 30 data)	9/6/2023	Final SFY 2022 ***	End-of-Year SFY 2023	SFY 2023 Estimates	Final SFY 2022
October 4, 2023	October 30, 2023	Preliminary final based on actual student counts SFY 2023 (using September 30 data)	10/4/2023	Final SFY 2022 ***	End-of-Year SFY 2023	SFY 2023 Estimates	Final SFY 2022
January 3, 2024	January 30, 2024	Preliminary final based on actual student counts SFY 2023 (using November 30 data)	Final SFY 2023	Final SFY 2023	Final SFY 2023	Final SFY 2023 Transportation rates will be calculated	Final SFY 2022
**	**	Final SFY 2023	Final SFY 2023	Final SFY 2023	Final SFY 2023	Final SFY 2023 Transportation rates will be calculated	Final SFY 2022

Tuition Billing Rate Calculation Report

 Line 9 represents the current year increase in Finance 723 costs compared to last year. This amount is divided by the membership hours of students reported with transportation category 03 in MARSS to create an hourly rate (Line 11). This rate is applied to non-resident student with category 03.

CALCULATION

FORMULA			DATA
	1)	Finance 723 Expenditures and Bus Depreciation Prior Year	252,884.57
	2)	Finance 728 Care and Treatment Transportation-Prior Year	10,685.83
1+2		Total Transportation Costs-Prior Year	263,570.40
	4)	Proration Line 78 State Aid Report	1.000000000
4 * 1	5)	Finance 723 State Aid for Transportation	252,884.57
4 * 2	6)	Finance 728 State Aid for C & T Transportation	10,685.83
5+6	7)	State Aid for Transportation	263,570.40
	8)	Finance 723 Expenditures with Bus Depreciation- Current Year	308,216.11
8 - 5	9)	Unreimbursed Special Transportation Costs	55,331.54
	10)	MARSS Transportation Code 03 Membership Hours	20,864.70
9 / 10	11)	Unreimbursed Transportation per Membership Hour	2.65
	12)	Benefit Ratio (See Benefit Ratio Report - Benefits wll be applied to RSY only	0.000000000
	13)	Total ESY Special Education Costs FSC E, i and N	3,258.75
	14)	Total RSY Special Education Costs	1,717,457.37
13 + 14	15)	Total Special Education Costs	1,720,716.12
	16)	State Special Education Aids Line 64b of Aid Report	1,214,849.15
16 - 7	17)	State Special Education Aids for Instruction Education	951,278.75
	18)	If Line 5 is > than 8, enter excess aid amt, or enter 0 if line 8 is > than line 5	0.00
17 + 18	19)	Adjusted State Special Education Aid	951,278.75
19 / 15		Ratio of Expenditures to Aid - RATIO1	0.5528388669

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Tuition Billing District Summary Report

Below are the expenditures billed to Central Public 0108-01 with the most recent SFY 2022 run (this is not final). Column D represent the amount billed for that LEAs unreimbursed SpEd costs.

*************** EXPENDITURE	S - COSTS FO	OR RESIDENT S	TUDENTS SERVED	BY OTHER DIST	RICTS/COOPERAT	IVES ********	***** AM	OUNT OF FEDERAL	FUNDS TO BE	APPLIED	0.00
	(A) ****** PET	(B) MBURSABLE NE	(C)=(A)-(B) T COST *****	(D) **** NON-	(E)	(F)=(D)-(E) NET_COST_****	(G)	(н)	(I)	(L)	(K)= (C)+(F)+(G)+
SERVING	INITIAL	FEDERAL	AMT AFTER FED	INITIAL	FEDERAL	AMT AFTER FED	GENERAL	DEBT	BUILDING	TRANSPORTATIO	
NBR-TYPE	AMOUNT	PORTION	SUBTRACTION	AMOUNT	PORTION	SUBTRACTION	EDUC COST	SERVICE COST	LEASE COST	COST	TOTAL AMOUNT
0110-01 WACONIA PUBLIC	0.00	0.00	0.00	266,466.08	0.00	266,466.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	22,838.66	289,304.74
0111-01 Watertown-Maye	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,396.50	0.00	2,396.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,396.50
0112-01 EASTERN CARVER	0.00	0.00	0.00	28,883.80	0.00	28,883.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	28,883.80
0270-01 HOPKINS PUBLIC	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,680.00	0.00	8,680.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,127.47	12,807.47
0276-01 MINNETONKA PUB	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,365.45	0.00	12,365.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,365.45
0281-01 ROBBINSDALE PU	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,760.76	1,760.76
0287-06 Intermediate S 0288-06 Southwest Metr	$0.00 \\ 0.00$	$0.00 \\ 0.00$	0.00 0.00	7,158.37 89,853.27	0.00	7,158.37	8,808.96	0.00	$0.00 \\ 0.00$	0.00	15,967.33 248,829.80
0288-06 Southwest Metr 0716-01 BELLE PLAINE P	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,651.97	0.00	89,853.27 1,651.97	158,976.53 6,760.96	0.00	0.00	$0.00 \\ 0.00$	8,412.93
0742-01 ST. CLOUD PUBL	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,598.10	0.00	1,598.10	1,263.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,861.14
0811-01 Wabasha-Kellog	0.00	0.00	0.00	579.84	0.00	579.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	579.84
0991-83 Region 6 and 8	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,562.18	0.00	9,562.18	7,344.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	16,907.03
4082-07 BLUESKY CHARTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	196.80	0.00	196.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	196.80
4150-07 MINNESOTA ONLI	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,414.36	0.00	9,414.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,414.36
4161-07 NEW DISCOVERIE	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,123.64	0.00	3,123.64	340.33	0.00	0.00	1,562.03	5,026.00
4183-07 LIONSGATE ACAD	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,265.44	0.00	7,265.44	15,529.08	0.00	0.00	4,401.77	27,196.29
4188-07 COLOGNE ACADEM	0.00	0.00	0.00	162,368.42	0.00	162,368.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,570.65	181,939.07
* EXPENDITURES TOTAL *	0.00	0.00	0.00	611,564.22	0.00	611,564.22	199,023.75	0.00	0.00	54,261.34	864,849.31

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Tuition Billing District Summary Report (2)

• Below are the revenue billed by Central Public 0108-01 along with the overall net adjustment with the most recent SFY 2022 run (this is not final).

	(A) ****** REIM	(B) BURSABLE NE	(C)=(A)-(B) T COST ******	(D) **** NON-F	(E) REIMBURSABLE I	(F)=(D)-(E) NET_COST_****	(G)	(H)	(I)	(L)	(K)= (C)+(F)+(G)+
RESIDENT	INITIAL	FEDERAL	AMT AFTER FED	INITIAL	FEDERAL	AMT AFTER FED	GENERAL	DEBT	BUILDING	TRANSPORTATION	
NBR-TYPE	AMOUNT	PORTION	SUBTRACTION	AMOUNT	PORTION	SUBTRACTION	EDUC COST	SERVICE COST	LEASE COST	COST	TOTAL AMOUNT
0077-01 MANKATO PUBLIC	0.00	0.00	0.00	346.10	0.00	346.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	346.10
0110-01 WACONIA PUBLIC	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,015.73	0.00	7,015.73	0.00	0.00	0.00	780.80	7,796.53
0111-01 Watertown-Maye	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,179.32	0.00	13,179.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	182.32	13,361.64
0112-01 EASTERN CARVER	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,375.31	0.00	2,375.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,375.31
0424-01 LESTER PRAIRIE	0.00	0.00	0.00	433.68	0.00	433.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	433.68
0716-01 BELLE PLAINE P	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,250.40	0.00	1,250.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,250.40
0720-01 SHAKOPEE PUBLI	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,883.69	0.00	3,883.69	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,883.69
2310-01 SIBLEY EAST SC	0.00	0.00	0.00	35,063.19	0.00	35,063.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	589.36	35,652.55
2397-01 LE SUEUR-HENDE	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,100.70	0.00	8,100.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,100.70
2859-01 GLENCOE-SILVER	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,864.73	0.00	14,864.73	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,350.24	20,214.97
* REVENUES TOTAL *	0.00	0.00	0.00	86,512.85	0.00	86,512.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,902.72	93,415.57
REIMBURSABLE NONREIMBURSABLE GENERAL DEBT BUILDING TRANSPORTATION											
					NET COST	NET COST	EDUC COST	SERVICE COST	LEASE COST	COST	TOTAL AMOUNT
******************	REVENUES LESS	EXPENDITURE	S **********	***********	0.00	525,051.37-	199,023.75-	0.00	0.00	47,358.62-	771,433.74-

Tuition Billing District Calculation (3)

- Column D represent the amount billed for unreimbursed SpEd costs
- Column G represent both GenEd revenue for placed student records along with appeals for those applicable LEAs.
 - All SpEd students reported as being served by a cooperative/intermediate have their GenEd revenue continue going to the resident district, so tuition billing calculates and moves to the serving.
 - Charters serving more than 30 percent SpEd, cooperatives/intermediates and districts operating on-site education at residential facilities can appeal to MDE for us to calculate/bill an additional amount of GenEd here to cover any unreimbursed costs (these are generally excess admin/facilities/overhead/debt costs).
- Column J –represent the amount billed for unreimbursed SpEd transportation costs. SpEd aid is based on prior year spending, so if an LEA spends more under Finance 723 in the current year the increase is proportionally billed based on membership hours and students reported with transportation category 03.

Tuition Billing Invoice Extract

- Invoices can be found in SEDRA and downloaded to a CSV file.
- Invoices show both students served by other LEAs and students enrolled into the district.

Special Education Expenditure

21-22 Data Year (change data year)



0108-01 Central Public School District (change district)

Data Extracts



Tuition Billing Invoice Extract (2)

- Column BM of the extract ties out to column E on the District Summary report. It represents the disability/site rate times SpEd services hours minus the GenEd defray. Lastly, if the MARSS record represents open enrollment it is further subjected to a 20% reduction.
- Column BS represents the total GenEd billed and ties out to Column G on the Summary report. You can see the breakdown of GenEd as column BP is moving GenEd based on weighted ADM while column BR is the GenEd appeal amount if applicable.
- Column BY represents column J of the Summary report for billing unreimbursed transportation costs.

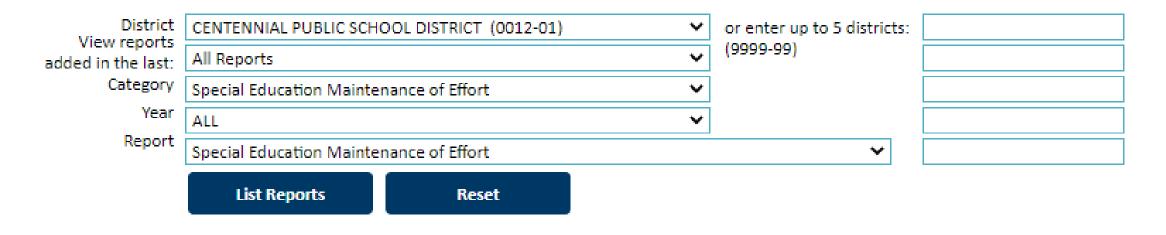
Maintenance of Effort Interactive Spreadsheet

• Each district's MOE reset in SFY 2016 due to the funding formula change. As a result, we will need to continue to go back to SFY 2016 to determine a district's "all time high." Once the "all time high" has been set, district's need to spend at least the same amount in that year going forward.

SFY	2022 Maintenance of Effort (MOE) Inter	racti	ve Spreads	hee	et										
*District Number: 4 *District Type:	7														
* If, after typing your district number and type, you see "#N/A," your cooperative or education district is evaluated for N * Pay particular attention to what is entered in the District Type cell (B4); otherwise, you will see "N/A" as well.						- and	d not your specifi	C LE	A.						
	MINNESOTA INTERNSHIP CENTER	SFY	2016	SFY	2017	SFY	/ 2018	SFY	2019	SFY	2020	SFY		Crite SFY 2	ia to Meet MOE in 022
	Total SPED Expenditures	\$	802,079.78	\$	1,219,182.23	\$	1,173,997.40	\$	1,033,887.61	\$	968,004.16	\$	1,073,941.18	\$	1,219,182.23
	Average Total SPED Expenditures	\$	6,169.84	\$	5,833.41	\$	6,380.42	\$	7,832.48	\$	5,468.95	\$	7,019.22	\$	7,832.48
	Local SPED Expenditures	\$	330,880.14	\$	724,157.35	\$	308,331.61	\$	395,228.92	\$	401,274.73	\$	486,275.79	\$	724,157.35
	Average Local SPED Expenditures	\$	2,545.23	\$	3,464.87	\$	1,675.72	\$	2,994.16	\$	2,267.09	\$	3,178.27	\$	3,464.87
	Student Count		130		209		184		132		177		153	N/A	

MOE MFR Report

The MOE report is located on the MDE Data Center under MFR



District	Fiscal Year	Report Name	<u>Category</u>	<u>Run Date</u>
0012-01	FY 21-22	Special Education Maintenance of Effort	Special Education Maintenance of Effort	10/25/2022 10:09AM
0012-01	FY 20-21	Special Education Maintenance of Effort	Special Education Maintenance of Effort	02/23/2022 8:08AM
0012-01	FY 19-20	Special Education Maintenance of Effort	Special Education Maintenance of Effort	06/22/2021 2:54PM
0012-01	FY 18-19	Special Education Maintenance of Effort	Special Education Maintenance of Effort	06/08/2020 1:25PM
0012-01	FY 17-18	Special Education Maintenance of Effort	Special Education Maintenance of Effort	09/17/2019 10:44AM

5/14/2019

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MOE Report Example

•	There	are 4	Categories
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- Total Expenditures
- District Average
- Local Expenditures
- District Local Average

DISTRICT 0012-01 CENTENNIAL PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT	CE OF EFFORT	
STATE AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES	20-21	21-22
SPECIAL EDUCATION EXPENDITURES FROM DISTRICT SPECIAL EDUCATION EXPENDITURES FROM COOP/HOST SPECIAL EDUCATION TRANSPORTATION EXPENDITURES SPECIAL EDUCATION BENEFITS FROM DISTRICT ACTE-SPED EXPENDITURES FROM DISTRICT ACTE-SPED EXPENDITURES FROM COOP/HOST MDE ADJUSTMENT	12,486,600.78 1,772,468.16 2,288,419.47 4,818,333.04 104,403.78 10,662.04 0.00	2,039,892.30 3,250,951.99 3,921,331.46 115,121.54
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	21,480,887.27	22,001,255.32
STUDENTS WITH IEP'S SERVED BIRTH - AGE 21	1,518	1,588
DISTRICT AVERAGE	14,150.78	13,854.69
STATE AID RECULAR SPECIAL EDUCATION TOTAL ADSIS COSTS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR MOE TOTAL FINANCE 728 COST TUITION BILLING REIMBURSEMENT RATIO PRORATION FACTOR TOTAL AID NOT ELIGIBLE FOR MOE SPECIAL PUPIL HOME BASED TRAVEL COURT PLACED OUT-OF-STATE COOP AID COOP ACTE-SPED AID TOTAL STATE AID	53,496.68 0.00 0.00 2,877.78 1,106,686.93	118,941.02 0.00 0.00 0.00 1,327,153.99 6,642.98
LOCAL EXPENDITURES (TOTAL EXP LESS TOTAL STATE AID)	6,114,190.55	5,876,377.70
MDE ADJUSTMENT	0.00	0.00
DISTRICT LOCAL AVERAGE	4,027.79	3,700.49

Maintenance of Effort Reporting Data

State and Local Expenditures – Personnel Type Code (PTC) 21 and Service Code 9 are not included.

Expenditure	Data Source
SpEd Expenditures from District	SEDRA Funding codes 'A', 'E', 'M' and 'U' Expense Amount for lines not in Error
SpEd Expenditures from Coop/Host	Tuition billing Initial Total Cost divided by (1 - Aid Ratio)
SpEd Transportation Expenditures	Total UFARS expense under Finance code 723
SpEd Benefits from District	SEDRA Funding codes 'a' Expense Amount for lines not in Error
ACTE-SpEd Expenditures from District	ACTE-SpEd total Expense Amount for lines not in error
ACTE-SpEd Expenditures from Coop/Host	ACTE-SpEd total Expense Amount allocated using participation percentages

Unduplicated Child Count

• This totals all SpEd students served for a given year by pulling valid end of year Minnesota Automated Reporting Student System (MARSS) records, special education status of 4 or 6, state aid category < 29 and student grade level NOT = 'PS'

Maintenance of Effort - Exceptions

As described in 34 CFR §300.204:

- The voluntary departure, by retirement or otherwise, or departure for just cause, of special education or related services personnel.
- A decrease in the enrollment of children with disabilities.
- The termination of the obligation of the agency, consistent with this part, to provide a program of special education to a particular child with a disability that is an exceptionally costly program, as determined by the SEA, because the child:
 - Has left the jurisdiction of the agency;
 - Has reached the age at which the obligation of the agency to provide FAPE to the child has terminated; or
 - No longer needs the program of special education.
 - The termination of costly expenditures for long-term purchases, such as the acquisition of equipment or the construction of school facilities.

Maintenance of Effort – Exceptions (2)

- The third option allows for an exception for high cost individual services associated with an individual student.
- For example, if a student required a full-time nurse for the prior year and now they made progress so as to no longer need the service; then as long as it was noted in the IEP the school would be justified to let go the nurse because the service is no longer needed.
- Additionally to be eligible for this exception the single cost must be in excess of 150% of your district average.
- For example, if the district average spend is \$12,000/student, then for a service to qualify it would need to have exceeded \$30,000 for the specific student in the prior year.

Voluntary Departure Examples

- Allowable reasons Retirement; resignation; employee does not renew contract; leave of absence (employee elected); dismissal for misconduct; dismissal for breach of contract; not filling vacant positions; filling vacant positions with lower paid staff.
 - Example: A special education teacher paid with state funds retired in 2019-20, and was replaced with a special education teacher in 2020-21, who was paid with a lower amount of state funds. The difference between the two salaries and benefits combined is an allowable exception to MOE in 2020-21.
 - Example: A paraprofessional paid with local funds resigned in 2019-20, and the LEA did not fill the position in the 2020-21 school year. The total salary and benefits for the paraprofessional is an allowable exception to MOE in 2020-21.
- Unallowable reasons Forced transfer; reduction in force (RIF); layoffs; eliminating positions; leave of absence (due to disciplinary action); across the board reductions, including reduction of staff hours; dismissal, LEA releases/does not renew the contract of a probationary employee

Voluntary Departure Example

Example of	how to submit MOE j	ustification (2-yea	ar compariso	n):										
School Year	Departing Staff Name	Position	Salary	Benefits	Total Paid	Reason for Leaving	School Year	New Staff	Position	Salary	Benefits	Total Paid	Difference	
18-19	Fred Rogers	Teacher	\$60,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$80,000.00	Retired	19-20	Valerie Frizzle	Teacher	\$ 50,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$20,000.00	
18-19	Gabe Kotter	Paraprofessional	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	Resigned	19-20	Did not replace					\$ 30,000.00	
													\$ 50,000.00	Total MOE Exception
Example of	how to submit MOE j	ustification (3-yea	ar compariso	n):										
School Year	Departing Staff Name	Position	Salary	Benefits	Total Paid	Reason for Leaving	School Year	New Staff	Position	Salary	Benefits	Total Paid	Difference	
18-19	Fred Rogers	Teacher	\$60,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$80,000.00	Retired	19-20	Valerie Frizzle	Teacher	\$50,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$20,000.00	
18-19	Gabe Kotter	Paraprofessional	\$25,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	Resigned	19-20	Did not replace					\$30,000.00	
School Vear	Departing Staff Name	Position	Salary	Benefits	Total Paid	Reason for Leaving	School Vear	New Staff	Position	Salary	Benefits	Total Paid	Difference	
	Did not replace	Position	Salary	benefits	Total Falu	Reason for Leaving	20-21	Glenn Holland	Paraprofessional					
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Cost Savings Are Not Allowed as Exceptions

- Employee contributions
- Switching health insurance programs
- Changing OPEB contribution
- Converting to HRA systems
- Position eliminations
- Withdrawal from shared programs
- Savings due to contract rebids, such as transportation
- Changes in contracted services which create a cost savings are not allowable
 - For example: in an effort to lower costs, the LEA hires an in-house related service provider instead of continuing to contract for the service



Thank you!

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