

## FISCAL UPDATE

ESS Program Management

August 17, 2023

## Agenda

- FY24 IDEA Part B Applications
- FY23 IDEA Completion Reports
- Maintenance of Effort
- ESS Claims
- Resources

# FY24 IDEA Part B Applications

#### **IDEA Part B Funds in Arizona**

Section 611-Subgrants to LEAs

Serves students ages 3-21

Section 611 of the IDEA (formerly called the IDEA Basic grant)

Approximately \$194 million in FY24 Preliminary award

634 public education agencies

## Section 619-Preschool Subgrants to LEAs

Serves students ages 3-5, including Kindergarten

Section 619 of the IDEA (formerly called the IDEA Preschool grant)

Approximately \$4.2 million in FY24 Preliminary award

438 public education agencies

#### FY24 Allocations Workbook

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2024 IDEA Preliminary Updated on: 2/7/23			Con	tact essprogmgmt@	Paze	ed.gov for questions				
			Prop	tion 611 portionate Share igation (How much				n 619 rtionate Share ation (How much		
			has	to be spent on			has to	be spent on		
			Pare	entally-Placed			Paren	tally-Placed		
			Priv	ate School			Privat	e School	Maxi	mum Amount
			Stud	dents, K-12th grade			Stude	nts,	that	can be used for
	Section	on 611 Allocation 💌	ages	s 3-21) 🔽	Sec	tion 619 Allocatic 🔻	Kinde	rgarten ages 3- 💌	CEIS	<b>*</b>
1000166 118720000 A+ Charter Schools	\$	33,813.93	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5,072.09
90199 108734000 Academy Del Sol, Inc.	\$	100,126.09		-	\$	674.12	\$	-	\$	15,120.03
85540 088704000 Academy of Building Industries, Inc.	\$	18,569.71		-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,785.46
90878 078242000 Academy of Mathematics and Science South,		956,962.54		-	\$	6,217.21		-	\$	144,476.96
79961 108713000 Academy of Mathematics and Science, Inc.	\$	/	\$	-	\$		\$	-	\$	17,512.33
92768 078270000 Academy of Mathematics and Science, Inc.	\$	165,808.86	\$	-	\$	2,389.30		-	\$	25,229.72
78897 108665000 Academy of Tucson, Inc.	\$	/	\$	-	\$	1,048.44			\$	10,467.93
79213 078794000 Academy with Community Partners Inc	\$	28,389.70		-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,258.46
4325 078701000 Acclaim Charter School	\$	45,780.38		-	\$	422.44	\$	-	\$	6,930.42
79437 138760000 Acorn Montessori Charter School	\$	66,636.32	\$	-	\$	1,574.97		-	\$	10,231.69
4289 070516000 Agua Fria Union High School District	\$	1,378,889.78	\$	16,926.88	\$	-	\$	-	\$	206,833.47
4249 070363000 Aguila Elementary District	\$	31,388.43		-	\$	351.07	\$	-	\$	4,760.93
79053 078793000 AIBT Non-Profit Charter High School - Phoenix	× \$	10,605.30		-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,590.80
449790 078286000 AIBT Non-Profit Charter High School, Inc.	\$	1,642.59		-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	246.39
4409 100215000 Ajo Unified District	\$	74,299.61		-	\$	1,556.17		-	\$	11,378.37
5978 118705000 Akimel O Otham Pee Posh Charter School, Inc		6,988.77	\$	-	\$	1,507.25	\$	-	\$	1,274.40
78966 118706000 Akimel O'Otham Pee Posh Charter School, Inc		6,066.79	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	910.02
4280 070468000 Alhambra Elementary District	\$	2,158,772.82	\$	13,927.57	\$	58,613.62	\$	-	\$	332,607.97
4161 010307000 Alpine Elementary District	\$	10,486.80	\$	-	\$	496.27	\$	-	\$	1,647.46
4418 100351000 Altar Valley Elementary District	\$	194,136.46	\$	-	\$	3,314.25	\$	-	\$	29,617.61
80995 108794000 American Charter Schools Foundation d.b.a. A		90,078.71	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	13,511.81
79883 118703000 American Charter Schools Foundation d.b.a. A		32,105.91	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,815.89
79874 078950000 American Charter Schools Foundation d.b.a. C	\$	52,568.77	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	7,885.32

PEAs can download the <u>2024</u> <u>Allocations</u> <u>Workbook</u> from the <u>Program</u> <u>Management</u> <u>webpage</u>.

### FY24 IDEA Part B Applications – Status Update

Status	Number of Applications
Not Started	5
Pending with PEA	40
Pending with SEA Program Specialist	8
Pending with SEA Director	45
SEA Director Approved	536
Total	634

## **General Provisions Act (GEPA)**

1. Describe how your entity's existing mission, policies, or commitments ensure equitable access to, and equitable participation in, the proposed project or activity.

2. Based on your proposed project or activity, what barriers may impede equitable access and participation of students, educators, or other beneficiaries?

3. Based on the barriers identified, what steps will you take to address such barriers to equitable access and participation in the proposed project or activity?

#### New GEPA Requirement in FY24 Applications as of July 1, 2023 (7/3/2023)



As of July 1, 2023 all federal grant funding applications in the GME system will include a section to which will satisfy the requirements of Section 427 of the General Provisions Act (GEPA) (20 U.S.C. 1228a).

Section 427 requires each applicant for funds to include in its application a description of the steps the applicant proposes to take to remove barriers and to ensure equitable access to, and participation in, its Federally-assisted program for students, teachers, and other program beneficiaries.

#### What you need to know for FY24:

- The GEPA page will <u>only</u> be visible once the application is in Revision status
- The page will be found in the section titled General Education Provisions Act (GEPA).
  - o Will not impact original applications
  - Required with first revision
  - A validation error will prevent application status from being changed to CR Draft started if the GEPA page is not completed.
     There is **not** a minimum word count for a GEPA statement

#### What you need to know for FY25:

The GEPA page will be part of the Original application and will be required on initial funding application submission

For assistance within the GME system, please contact Grants Management at 602.542.3901, or submit a service request online at <a href="https://helpdeskexternal.azed.gov/">https://helpdeskexternal.azed.gov/</a>

4. What is your timeline, including targeted milestones, for addressing these identified barriers?

#### PEAs must respond to the GEPA form on the first revision of IDEA Part B.

#### Check the History Log for Required Spending

The 96 public school districts with proportionate share obligations can review the 2024 obligation on the History Log of the IDEA Part B application.

Public school districts with proportionate share carryover obligations will see updated FY24 HL comments after ADE Grants Management approves the FY23 completion reports.

8 PEAs that were flagged for Significant Disproportionality/Significant Discrepancy (SD) in FY23 and chose to spend the Comprehensive Coordinated Early Intervening Services (CCEIS) funds in FY24 can also review their obligations in the History Log of the IDEA Part B application.

#### Next Steps for FY24 IDEA Part B Funding Applications

- Review the History Log for any edits required by SEA Directors and submit the revisions by 9/1
- Review budget narratives for TBD statements for Educator IDs and placeholders for indirect cost rates
- Complete GEPA forms for 611 or 619 grants upon first revision
- Submit reimbursement requests for the first quarter

# FY23 IDEA and ARP-IDEA Completion Reports

#### Expiring Funds in the FY23 IDEA Grants

Grant	Amount
IDEA Basic	\$4,778,641.75
IDEA Preschool	\$425,003.60
ARP-IDEA Basic	\$11,647,315.61
ARP-IDEA Preschool	\$1,008,237.55
Total	\$17,859,198.51

The 2022 IDEA and ARP-IDEA grant funds expire on 9/30/2023. PEAs with incoming carryover must review the project summary page in the GME.

#### **ARP-IDEA Basic**

Total Paid

	Funding Sou	rces	
Grant - Award Year	ARPIDEABASIC - 2023	ARPIDEABASIC - 2022	Total
Award Number	H027X210007	H027X210007	
Award Date	07/01/2022 - 12/29/2023	07/01/2021 - 09/30/2023	
Original	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Incoming Carryover	\$0.00	\$1,176,907.89	\$1,176,907.89
Outgoing Carryover	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Reallocated	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Additional	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Incoming Interest Carryover	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Released	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Consortium	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Forfeited	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CR Released	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Allocation	\$0.00	\$1,176,907.89	\$1,176,907.89
	Fiscal Transac	tions	
Туре	Dat	e	Transaction Amount
Reimbursement Request	3/2/20	023	\$1,086,163.87
Reimbursement Request	5/24/2	023	\$3,442.50

This PEA has just over 8% of the ARP-IDEA Basic remaining to draw down through reimbursement requests or the completion report.

\$1,089,606.37

#### **IDEA Basic**

Funding Sources						
Tota	IDEA Basic - 2021	IDEA Basic - 2022	IDEA Basic - 2023	Grant - Award Year		
	H027A200007	H027A210007	H027A210007	Award Number		
	07/01/2020 - 09/30/2022	07/01/2021 - 09/30/2023	07/01/2022 - 09/30/2024	Award Date		
\$1,122,908.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,122,908.95	Original		
\$860,782.62	\$0.00	\$860,782.62	\$0.00	Incoming Carryover		
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Outgoing Carryover		
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Reallocated		
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Additional		
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Incoming Interest Carryover		
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Released		
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Consortium		
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Forfeited		
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	CR Released		
\$1,983,691.57	\$0.00	\$860,782.62	\$1,122,908.95	Total Allocation		

Fiscal Transactions			
Туре	Date	Transaction Amount	
Reimbursement Request	11/2/2022	\$140,427.80	
Reimbursement Request	3/4/2023	\$249,520.88	
Reimbursement Request	3/12/2023	\$9,485.78	
Reimbursement Request	3/31/2023	\$41,152.17	
Reimbursement Request	4/21/2023	\$46,086.73	
Reimbursement Request	5/10/2023	\$22,387.40	
Total Paid		\$509,060.76	

This district has over 57% of incoming carryover funds expiring on 9/30/2023.

#### **Review Budget Narratives and Capital Outlay Worksheets**

Budgets should align with year-to-date spending.

- Submit a revision prior to 9/30/2023 if the scope of work has changed.
- Districts must review the capital outlay worksheet and revise as needed
- Look for budget narratives with "TBD" or placeholders and revise before initiating the completion report.

#### **Completion Report Program Details**

All PEAs must respond to questions about how funds were used.

PEAs that reserved funds for Coordinated Early Intervening Services in the past two fiscal years (2021 and 2022) must respond to the CEIS section.

All public school districts must respond to the questions about proportionate share. Any unspent proportionate share funds must be accounted for through forfeit or carry over to the next grant cycle.

## **ESS Claims**

#### High-Cost Child and Extraordinary Special Education Needs Fund

A school district or charter school is eligible to apply for an ESS Claim if it demonstrates that a student receiving special education services has incurred costs in the current year that are equal to or greater than three times the per-pupil funding average.

A student whose costs exceed \$27,483 per year would meet the minimum threshold to be considered for HCC or ESEN funding.

\$152.68 per day for 180-day calendar, approximately \$2,748 per month.

#### FY24 High-Cost Child Claims

PEAs will be limited to submit only one claim per round.

PEAs will be limited to approximately \$75,000 in awarded claims depending on available funds.

	2022	2023
# of PEAs	58	67
# of Claims Approved	145	143
Amount Approved	\$3,633,076	\$3,415,817

#### **HCC** Submission Dates

Round for Funding Approval	Submission Deadline
Jst	10/27/2023
2 <sup>nd</sup>	01/26/2024
3 <sup>rd</sup>	03/29/2024
4 <sup>th</sup>	05/31/2024

The HCC Claims are competitive funding applications.

PEAs shall not exceed \$75,000 for claims approved.

PEAs should submit no more than 4 HCC Claims in FY24.

### FY24 ESEN Claims

PEAs will be limited to submitting six claims per round. PEAs will be limited to approximately \$125,000 in awarded claims depending on available funds.

PEAs must deduct state aid from requested amount.

	2022	2023
PEAs	25	18
Claims Approved	99	69
Amount approved	\$1,599,172	\$808,027

#### **ESEN Submission Dates**

Round for Funding Approval	Submission Deadline
Jst	09/30/2023
2 <sup>nd</sup>	11/30/2023
3 <sup>rd</sup>	02/29/2024
4 <sup>th</sup>	05/31/2023

The ESEN Claims are competitive funding applications.

PEAs shall not exceed \$125,000 for claims approved.

PEAs should submit no more than 24 ESEN Claims in FY24.

#### Webinar for ESS Claims

#### ESS Claims - <u>September 12, 2023</u>

 Join the ESS Program Management team to learn about additional state and federal funding opportunities for highcost students in your public education agency. The Extraordinary Special Education Needs Fund and IDEA High-Cost Child Claims can be accessed through the ESS Portal of ADEConnect.

# Maintenance of Effort and the 2023 Annual Financial Report

### IDEA Maintenance of Effort Eligibility

Status	Number of PEAs
Closed Met	580
Closed Met with Exceptions	15
Closed Not Met	6
Pending Not Met	9
Total	610

Review MOE Compliance Thresholds in the MOE Application

Enter the MOE application.

Choose LEA Activities  $\rightarrow$  Eligibility.



Home LEA Activities 👻 Help 👻

Welcome, ESS LEAGroup ESS! 👻



The FY2024 MOE Eligibility Testing window will be open from July 18 - August 18, 2023. PEAs that have met the eligibility standard will be closed by the ESS Program Management team to allow processing of the FY2024 IDEA Part B Consolidated Grants.

The MOE Eligibility testing data reflects the State & Local funds reported on your 2024 Adopted Budget and the estimated SPED count from the SPED20 report from AzEDS. These values are compared against the MOE Compliance standards established in the FV23 MOE Compliance test in March 2023. To pass the MOE Eligibility test, only one of the four available methodologies must meet or exceed your comparison year's compliance value, also known as the compliance standard.

If your PEA has failed the MOE Eligibility test, please review your test results by clicking on LEA Activities -->Eligibility. Then, choose No for Local Only funds and confirm your choice.

PEAs that have failed both method 2 and method 4 may resolve the MOE Eligibility case by:

- Submitting allowable exceptions through the MOE Application, or
- Submitting a revised budget through the ADE Budget

### **Comparison Year Value**

Note the comparison year for methods 2 and 4.

Method 2 is the M&O overall expenditure for All Disability Classifications, and IEP-required transportation

Method 4 is the per-pupil expenditure. Click on the difference amount to view student counts.

Use this information on the <u>Budget</u> <u>Planning Tool.</u>

#### Eligibility Test Results

Closed (Met)

In order to meet the MOE eligibility requirement in this fiscal year the district/charter must budget, at least the same total or per capita amount, of local funds or state and local funds, as it spent during the most recent year for which information is available.

	Overall	Method 1 Local Cost	Method 2 2022 State and Local Cost	Method 3 Local Per Capita Cost	Method 4 2022 State and Local Per Capita Cost
2024 Amount		N/A	\$10,322,146.00	N/A	\$10,174.55
Comparison Year Amount		N/A	\$9,011,365.00	N/A	\$9,543.53
Difference		N/A	\$1,310,781.00	N/A	\$631.02
2024 SPED Count				N/A	x 1,014.5065
Total Difference		N/A	\$1,310,781.00	N/A	\$640,172.39
Status	Met	N/A	Met	N/A	Met

#### IDEA Fund Eligibility Method 4

Closed (Met

Method 4: Current Year State and Local Budgeted Amounts Per Capita Compared to the Per Capita Amounts from the Last Year Compliance Method 4 is available.

Fiscal Year	State and Local Cost	SPED Count	State and Local Per Capita Cost
2024	\$10,322,146.00	1014.5065 (Estimated from FY2023 SPED20)	\$10,174.55
2022	\$9,011,365.00	944.2381	\$9,543.53
Difference			\$631.02
Status			Met

Difference must be \$0.00 or greater to have met this MOE Test

## Budget Planning Tool

State M&O Budget Value should reflect your most recent comparison year value for method 2 or method 4 as established on the FY23 IDEA Maintenance of Effort Compliance test, March 2023.				
FY23 MOE Compliance Method 2 Value:	\$ 9,011,365.00			
FY23 MOE Compliance Method 4 Value:	\$ 9,453.53	x SPED20 Count for FY23	1014.5065 =	\$ 9,590,667.63
MOE Compliance Standard	\$ 9,011,365.00			

### **AFR Values**

Districts will report M&O expenses for Maintenance of Effort on page 8\* of the 2023 AFR on lines 1 and 10.

Charters will report M&O expenses for Maintenance of Effort on page 7\* of the 2023 AFR on lines 1 and 9.

\*pending publication of FY2023 AFR packages from <u>AZ Auditor</u> <u>General</u>

#### B. M&O SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS BY TYPE

	(A.R.S. § 15-761)	PROGRAM	PROGRAM	1
		200 & 300	200 & 300	
		BUDGET	ACTUAL	
	1. Total All Disability Classifications	8,865,375	8,139,674	1.
	2. Gifted Education	5,000	6,946	2.
	3. Remedial Education	0	0	3.
	4. ELL Incremental Costs	0	0	4.
	5. ELL Compensatory Instruction	0	0	5.
	6. Vocational and Technological Education (non-CTED)	0	0	6.
	7. Career Education	0	0	7.
•	8. Career Technical Education (CTED programs in 300 range)	3,061,347	3,070,268	8.
	9. Total (lines 1-8)	11,931,722	11,216,888	9.

 10. IEP required pupil transportation costs

 coded within Program 400

 865,267

#### Office Hours to Discuss MOE Concerns

Come to the September 19 Office Hours for a refresher on Maintenance of Effort Compliance requirements for districts and charters.

#### **ESS Office Hours**

ESS Program Management will also host Office Hours on Tuesday afternoons at 1:00 p.m. PEAs are invited to attend these informal Zoom meetings to bring questions directly to their program specialist.

- <u>September 19, 2023</u>
- October 17, 2023
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- February 20, 2024
- <u>March 19, 2024</u>
- <u>April 16, 2024</u>
- <u>May 21, 2024</u>

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## Resources

#### **ESS Program Management Webinars**

September 12: <u>ESS Claims</u>

October 3: Proportionate Share and the October 1 Data Collection

January 9: Allowable Costs Under the IDEA

February 13: FY25 IDEA Funding Application

March 1: <u>Maintenance of Effort</u>

April 9: How, When, and What Order to Spend?

May 7: <u>Fiscal Year Wrap-Up</u>

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#### **Grants Management Fall Forum**

ADE Grants Management is excited to share the <u>Fall Forum</u> <u>agenda and breakout sessions</u>!

The Fall Forum is designed to provide PEA grants professional key information on a wide range of grant topics. <u>Space is limited so</u> <u>register today</u> and be sure to also check out the <u>Fall Forum webpage</u>. GRANDS GAINING RESOURCES AND NECESSARY TECHNICAL SUPPORT

#### JOIN US FOR A MULTIDAY, COMPREHENSIVE, IN-PERSON GRANTS TRAINING EVENT

GME Sandbox: September 25, 2023
 Fall Forum: September 26-27, 2023

### **Contact Us**

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