



Foster Care Education

Foster Care Education Program Monitoring Guidance

In this task, the LEA will provide its most updated Foster Care Transportation Plan and designated Foster Care Point of Contact through the completion of this task form. The submission of these items is required for all LEAs that receive Title I funds and demonstrates that the LEA is prepared to collaborate with the State or local child welfare agency through implementation of the following requirements:

- Develop and implement clear written procedures governing how transportation to maintain children in foster care in their school of origin when in their best interest will be provided, arranged, and funded for the duration of the time in foster care; and
- Designate a Foster Care Point of Contact (POC) if the corresponding child welfare agency notifies the LEA in writing that it has designated an employee to serve as a POC for the LEA (section 1112(c)(5) of the ESEA).

To support with the timely submission of monitoring requirements, it is highly recommended that the LEA first complete the form fields included below before copying the information directly into EMAC.

Why is our Foster Care Education Program being monitored?

Per 34 C.F.R. § 76.770, the Arizona Department of Education's (ADE) Foster Care Education Program has scheduled monitoring to (a) provide the LEA's foster care transportation plan, and (b) inform the SEA of the LEA's Foster Care Point of Contact.

What is EMAC?

EMAC (*Educational Monitoring, Assistance, and Compliance*) is ADE's online portal for monitoring programs. ADE's Foster Care Education Program's monitoring within EMAC will be accomplished by filling out a form within the Data Collection task in the Foster Care Education Program's monitoring program. Reference the [EMAC Desktop Monitoring Manual](#) for a step-by-step guide to completing data collection tasks in EMAC.

When does our monitoring start and finish?

LEA Monitoring Submission Window: April 15, 2024 – May 10, 2024

ADE Foster Care Education Review Window: April 15, 2024 – May 31, 2024

Reminders & Best Practice Tips

- Whenever possible, use Chrome as your browser for compatibility.
- For the **Online Forms**, we recommend you type your responses in a separate document and then copy and paste them into the comment fields of the form. This will save the form from timing out or freezing.
- If the application freezes or pauses when you go to "Submit for Review" a task, refresh your browser window or tab. This should fix it.

Quick Guide by Task

Cycle IV Foster Care Education Program Desktop Monitoring Guide			
 Task	 Legal Reference	 Online Form Prompt	 Evidence to Upload
Foster Care Transportation Plan	<p>Legal Background <i>If transportation is needed for a child in foster care to remain at their school of origin, the LEA and the child welfare agency must collaborate to ensure school stability for the child in foster care. This transportation to the school of origin would be executed for the entirety of the child's time in foster care. LEAs will submit their foster care transportation plans to the SEA within their appropriate cycle within ADE's Foster Care Education Program Monitoring.</i></p> <p>Statute Public Law 114-95 Title I, Sec. 1112(c)(5)(B) 20 U.S. Code 6312(c)(5)(B)</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Complete the required Online Form within the EMAC Foster Care Transportation Plan Monitoring Program. Please note that the completed online form includes a digital signature and acknowledgement for the submission.</p>	N/A