

Arkansas Department of Education - Special Education Unit Advisory Council for the Education of Children with Disabilities Grants and Data Management, July 2019

The Grants & Data staff continues to provide technical assistance to District and Education Service Cooperatives (ESC)

Catastrophic funding, \$13,000,00, was finalized in June and provided services for 1304 students in 164 districts. Since total claims after offsets and reductions for non-allowed expenditures exceeded funds available, the final reimbursements were prorated to 36.818%.

Breakdown of past four years:

'14-'15	1005 Students	153 Districts	47.894% of allowable expenditures reimbursed
'15-'16	1042 Students	159 Districts	41.191% of allowable expenditures reimbursed
'16-'17	1304 Students	164 Districts	36.818% of allowable expenditures reimbursed
'17-'18	1357 Students	168 Districts	41.510% of allowable expenditures reimbursed
'18-'19	1442 Students	164 Districts	38.457% of allowable expenditures reimbursed

The fourth quarter residential reimbursement payment of \$3,940,640.29 was made in June. The fourth quarter reimbursement rate was increased from \$60 per day to \$94.93 per day (an increase of \$34.93) for the fourth quarter only. The rate will return to \$60 per day for 2019-'20 school year.

Reimbursed \$26,214,803.41 Title VI-B 2017-'18 funds to districts for '18-'19 expenditures.

Reimbursed \$80,919,646.03 Title VI-B 2018-'19 funds to districts for '18-'19 expenditures.

Reimbursed Title VI-B Section 619 Preschool 2018-'19 payments of \$4,043,686.80 and State Preschool Grant funds of \$16,897,918.69 to school districts and ESCs through June 30, 2019.

The Grants & Data Office continues to make monthly/periodic payments to the following districts/charters/co-ops/state agencies:

- Title VI-B School Age and Preschool
- State Preschool
- Area Service Grants
- State Operated Programs
- Juvenile Detention Center
- Residential
- Easter Seals
- Conway Human Development Center
- Division of Youth Services

Continue to send Title VI-B State Set-Aside funds to 15 ESCs and 6 agencies for Behavior Support Specialists, ESVI Consultants, Transition, SERC Consultants, and special programs grants. Co-ops are also receiving a small mentoring grant to enhance retention of special education teachers.

Two groups of fiscal monitoring are being conducted this year, one each semester. The second group is in the review process.

Received our Title VI-B, Section 611 and Title VI-B, Section 619 (Preschool) allocations for FY 2019-'20.

	2019-'20	2018-'19	Increase	
Section 611	\$188,077,245	\$117,332,895	\$70,744.35	.62%
Section 619	\$5,499,802	\$5,372,923	\$126,879	.98%

The State Appropriations for FY '19 are listed below, along with the amount of funds spent during the year and the remaining balance:

	Amount of Funds	Funds Paid Out	Remaining Balance
Youth Shelters	\$ 165,000	\$ 165,000	\$ -
Catastrophic	\$ 13,020,000	\$ 13,020,000	\$ -
Easter Seals	\$ 193,113	\$ 193,113	\$ -
Human Dev. Ct.	\$ 526,150	\$ 526,150	\$ -
Residential			
JDC	\$ 3,492,215	\$ 3,492,215.00	\$ -
Disabled	\$ 6,500,000	\$ 5,530,793.41	\$ -
Nondisabled	\$ 6,352,872	\$ 7,321,946.88	\$ -
Totals	\$ 16,345,087	\$ 16,344,955.29	\$ 131.71
Preschool			
Early Childhood	\$ 16,647,920	\$ 16,497,793	
Medicaid Match	\$ 250,000	\$ 400,126	
Totals	\$ 16,897,920	\$ 16,897,919	\$ 0
Special Ed Services			
LEA Supervisor	\$ 1,881,005	\$ 1,881,005	\$ -
Ext. School Year	\$ 921,522	\$ 921,522	\$ -
Totals	\$ 2,802,527	\$ 2,802,527	\$ -
DYS-JTC	\$ 1,716,859	\$ 1,716,859	\$ -
	\$ 51,831,656	\$ 49,949,428	\$ 1,882,228