

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B (IDEA B)

2015-2016 Local Application

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Agenda

- Important Dates
- Prepare to complete the IDEA B Application
 - IDEA B Fiscal Compliance Requirements
- Completing the IDEA B Application
- Submitting the IDEA B Application in Web EPSS
- IDEA B Application Review and Approval Process

Important Dates

- March 12, 2015
 - 2015-2016 IDEA B Application available
 - 2015-2016 IDEA B Application Instructions available
 - 2015-2016 General Information & Guidelines
- March 20, 2015
 - Web EPSS available to upload completed 2015-2016 IDEA B Application
 - Instructions on how to upload completed 2015-2016 IDEA B Applications available
- April 27, 2015
 - 2015-2016 IDEA B Applications DUE in Web EPSS

IDEA B Fiscal Compliance

- Review and determine the IDEA B requirements for:
 - Excess Cost
 - Local Maintenance of Effort (MOE)
 - Supplement not Supplant

Excess Cost

- Mandates how much the local educational agency (LEA) must expend in state funds before expending IDEA B funds
- Focus on per-student spending in special education as compared to per-student spending for all students

Excess Cost

- Included in the A-133 Audit Compliance Supplement
 - A-133 Audit Findings are considered when making LEA's Annual Determination

Example of A-133 Audit finding:

Criteria – IDEA B funds may only be used for the excess cost of providing the services to special education students

Finding – LEA's entire cost of standardized testing was allocated to special education

Federal Fiscal Accountability

- Local MOE
 - Accepting IDEA B funds requires LEAs to expend state funds at the same level from one year to the next
- Supplement not Supplant
 - Mandates that state funds may not be diverted to other purposes simply because federal funds are available

Completing the IDEA B Application

- Refer to the ***2015-2016 General Information and Guidelines*** for details regarding IDEA B regulations and requirements
- Print the ***2015-2016 IDEA B Application Instructions***
 - These will provide step-by-step instructions on how to complete each tab of the application

Submitting the IDEA B Application

- LEAs are required to upload the completed 2015-2016 IDEA B Application in Web EPSS on or before April 27, 2015
 - Web EPSS available March 20, 2015
- Step-by-step instructions showing how to upload documents into Web EPSS will be available March 20, 2015

IDEA B Application Review and Approval Process

- Email generated when EA marks the 2015-2016 IDEA B Application “Received”
- Email generated when EA marks the application “Accepted”
- Fiscal portion of Accepted applications will be checked against LEA 2015-2016 Budget in OBMS.
 - IDEA B Budgets in OBMS must match the Accepted 2015-2016 IDEA B Applications in Web EPSS
- Approval process complete

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