

ALLOCATION FORMULA

Revised ECS Mild/Moderate and Gifted and Talented Allocation = Number of **children with mild or moderate disabilities** and gifted and talented **funded children** X Mild or Moderate and Gifted and Talented Rate

ALLOCATION CRITERIA

1. The relative weighting factor (see Funding Rates) applied to the Learning Grant Rate to determine the rate per eligible **child with mild or moderate disabilities** or **funded child** who is gifted and talented.
2. Funding is paid to a **school jurisdiction**, for a maximum of two years, to meet the educational needs of **children with mild or moderate disabilities** and **funded children** who are gifted and talented . **Funded children** must be at least 3 years 6 months of age on September 1 and less than 6 years of age on September 1.
3. A **child with a mild or moderate disability** or a **funded child** who is gifted and talented who is at least 5 years 6 months of age and less than 6 years of age, and who is eligible for grade one (under the **school** entrance age policy) may be eligible for mild-moderate ECS funding if the **school jurisdiction**, and the **parent** agree that an **ECS program** is the most appropriate placement. See the definition of **funded child** in the Glossary of Terms.

PROCEDURES, DOCUMENTATION AND REPORTING

1. Special needs funding is based upon **funded child** registration information as of September 30 and submitted to the Information Services Branch by October 5. **Funded children** must be coded using exceptional student Code 30 for **children with mild or moderate disabilities** or code 80 for **funded children** who are gifted and talented. **ECS operators** must also include the grants program Code 500 on the electronic SIS registration file or Alberta Learning Student Registration Form to receive this funding.
- Revised** 2. For **funded children** who were enrolled in the program on September 30 but were assessed as mildly or moderately disabled or identified as gifted and talented after September 30, an "Add, Modify, Delete" form (form 04AL1.2c) must be completed and submitted to School Finance or the data may be submitted on-line using the Funding Event System (FES). The data should be submitted before April 29 to receive this funding.

- New 3. Recent assessment documentation to support each **funded child's** designation and identification as a **child with a mild or moderate disability** or a **funded child** who is gifted and talented must be kept on file by the **ECS operator**.
- New 4. An **Individualized Program Plan (IPP)** for each **child with a mild or moderate disability** or a **funded child** who is gifted or talented is to be developed and kept on file by the **ECS operator**.

REFERENCES

Advisory Manual on Early Childhood Service for Incorporated Non-Profit Societies or Private Schools

Early Childhood Services Policy 1.1.3

Guide to Education: ECS – Grade 12