

## **ALLOCATION DESCRIPTION**

This funding, which is in addition to ECS Base Instruction funding, is provided to address the costs associated with providing the appropriate services and supports for **children with mild to moderate disabilities/delays** and **funded children** who are gifted and talented. This is an allocation method only; **school jurisdictions** have the flexibility to use these funds to best meet their local needs.

## **ALLOCATION FORMULA**

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{ECS Mild/Moderate and} \\ \text{Gifted and Talented} \\ \text{Allocation} \end{array} = \begin{array}{l} \text{Number of } \mathbf{\text{children with mild}} \\ \mathbf{\text{to moderate}} \\ \mathbf{\text{disabilities/delays}} \text{ or gifted} \\ \text{and talented } \mathbf{\text{funded children}} \end{array} \times \begin{array}{l} \text{Mild/Moderate and} \\ \text{Gifted and Talented} \\ \text{rate} \end{array}$$

## **ALLOCATION CRITERIA**

1. Funding is paid to a **school jurisdiction** to meet the educational needs of **children with mild to moderate disabilities/delays** and **funded children** who are gifted and talented, for a maximum of two years. **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.

New

Note: **Funded children with mild to moderate disabilities/delays** and children who are gifted and talented and who are between the ages of 3 years 6 months to less than 4 years 6 months old on September 1, that are reported on the March 3 count, will be eligible for 50% ECS Mild/Moderate funding and 50% ECS Base Instruction funding.

2. A **child with a mild to moderate disability/delay** 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 1 (under the **school** entrance age policy), may receive Mild/Moderate ECS funding if the **school jurisdiction** and the **parent** agree that an **ECS program** is the most appropriate program (subject to the maximum of two years funding.) See the definition of **funded child** in the Glossary of Terms.

## **DOCUMENTATION AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

1. This funding is based upon **funded child** registration information as of the **count date** and submitted to Client Relationship Services by the **submission date** (October 3). **Children with mild to moderate disabilities/delays** must be coded with a code 30 and **funded children** who are gifted and talented must be coded with a code 80. **School jurisdictions** must also include the grants code 500 on the electronic registration file or Alberta Education Student Registration Form to receive this funding.

New

Note: A second enrollment count can be taken on March 3 for **funded children with mild to moderate disabilities/delays** and children who are gifted and talented that are between the ages of 3 years 6 months to less than 4 years 6 months old on September 1. The March 3 count provides 50% funding for in-year enrollment growth of these children. This count must be submitted by March 6.

2. For **funded children** who were enrolled in the program on the **count date** but were assessed as having mild to moderate disabilities/delays or identified gifted and talented after the **count date**, an “Add, Modify, Delete Form” (Form 07AE1.2c) must be completed and submitted to School Finance or the data may be submitted online using the Funding Event System (FES). The data should be submitted before April 30 to receive this funding.
3. Recent assessment documentation to support each **funded child’s** designation and identification as a **child with a mild to moderate disability/delay** or a **funded child** who is gifted and talented must be kept on file by the **school jurisdiction**.
4. An **Individualized Program Plan (IPP)** for each **child with mild to moderate disability/delay** or a **funded child** who is gifted and talented is to be developed, implemented, regularly reviewed and kept on file by the **school jurisdiction**.

## REFERENCES

*Early Childhood Services Policy 1.1.3*

*Guide to Education: ECS – Grade 12*