

ESA+ Reimbursement Schools

North Carolina's ESA+ Scholarship Program

Helpful Hints for Zoom

*Slides are already posted at <https://www.ncseaa.edu/esa-family-trainings/> and a **recording** of this session will be posted there within a week.*

- Zoom has **closed captioning** available

Asking Questions

- Use the Q & A to ask your questions (chat is disabled)
- Email ESA@ncseaa.edu to ask questions about an individual student

Answering Questions

- Presentation team will answer questions from the Q & A at certain points
- Only questions related to this session's content will be addressed live

What is an ESA+ Reimbursement School?

Schools which are not Direct Payment Schools

There are two types of ESA+ Reimbursement Schools.

1. The first category are schools that ...
 - are located in North Carolina; *and*
 - are registered with the NC Division of Non-Public Education (DNPE); *and*
 - choose not to accept direct payments from the K12 programs.
2. In addition, students who attend an out-of-district public school in North Carolina are also attending an ESA+ Reimbursement School.

Reimbursement for Tuition at ESA+ Reimbursement Schools

Parents pay the school directly for tuition and fees each semester and submit receipts at the end of each semester.

★ ***Reimbursement is limited to tuition/fees. ESA+ does not reimburse families for other qualified expenses.*** ★



School Choice information online:

<https://www.ncseaa.edu/k12/choosing-a-school/>

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(ESA+) Program

Choosing a School





Tuition Reimbursement: When? How?

What is ClassWallet?

- A vendor with which SEAA contracts
- An online platform that facilitates processing on behalf of the ESA+ Program
- Where ESA+ parents will submit receipts for tuition paid to ESA+ Reimbursement Schools

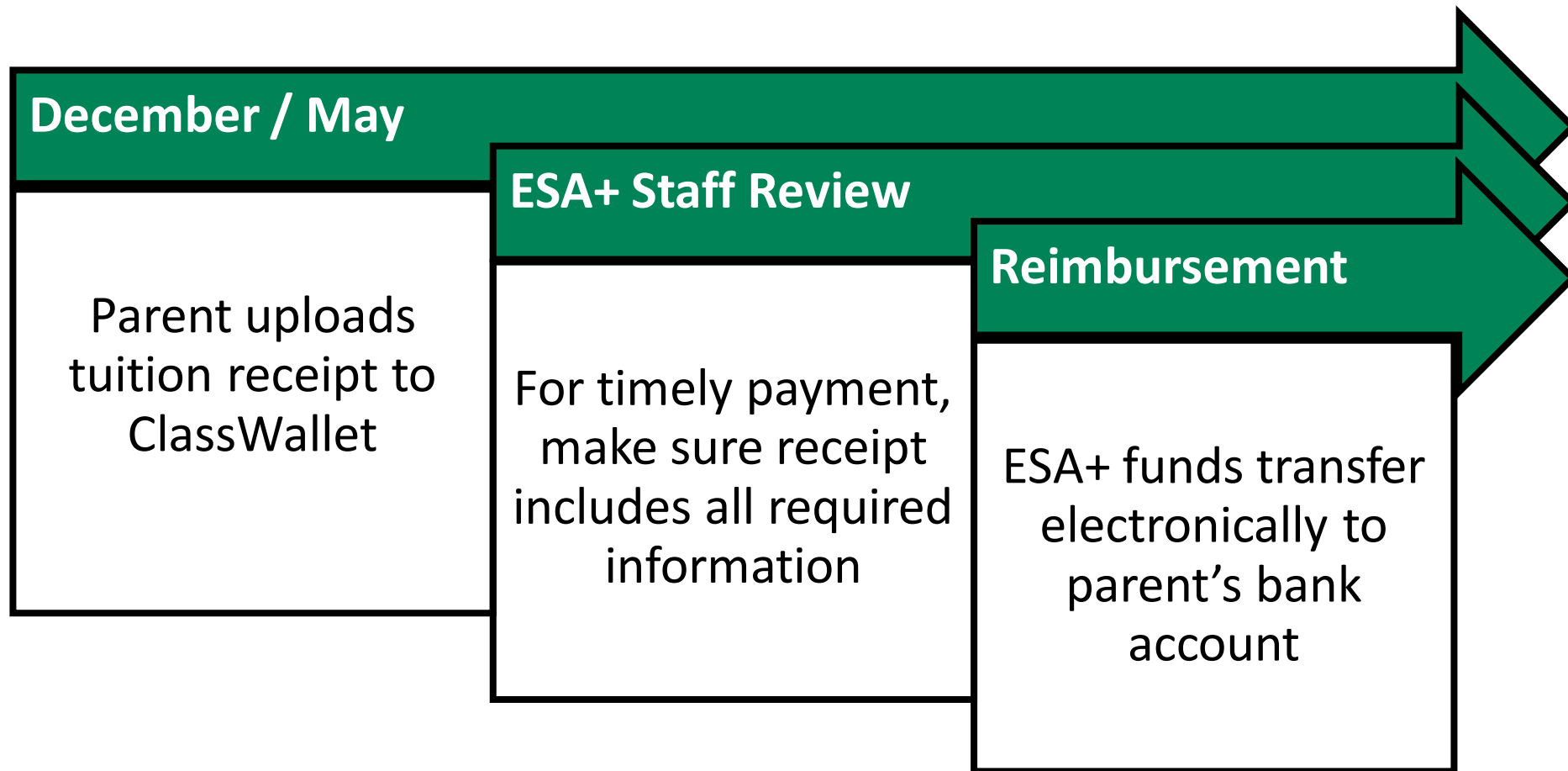


When?

- The tuition reimbursement occurs at the end of each semester.
- Generally, ESA+ tuition receipts will be submitted in:
 - *December (for fall tuition)*
 - *May (for spring tuition)*



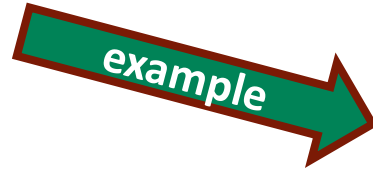
Timeline



Receipts

Include:

- Student's name and the name of the parent paying the expense (must be parent associated with MyPortal account)
- Name of the school
- Dates of enrollment
- Amount paid for tuition and fees
- Confirmation that the student was enrolled at least 75 days of the semester



School letterhead here

December 20, 2019

2019-2020 Tuition Payment- Fall Semester Receipt

Parent Name: John Doe

Students Name: Jane Doe

Grade: Kindergarten

Fall Enrollment Dates: August 1- December 13, 2019

Days enrolled fall semester: 92 days

Tuition for 2019-2020 Academic Year:

\$18,500.50 Amount

Paid fall semester:

\$10,250.25

Payment received:

December 14, 2019

Misuse of Funds

SEAA has zero tolerance for misuse of ESA+ funds. Examples of misspent funds include:

- Using funds for anything other than Qualifying Education Expenses
- Using funds on behalf of someone other than the student awarded an ESA+ scholarship
- ***Using funds when the ESA+ student is not enrolled in an eligible school***
(The MyPortal record must always accurately reflect the student's enrollment.)

A parent who has made an error in spending should self report and notify SEAA immediately. ESA@ncseaa.edu or (855) 330-3955

School Choice: How to Notify ESA+

Is Your School Choice in MyPortal?

- You can't select an ESA+ Reimbursement School in MyPortal yourself.
- Email ESA@ncseaa.edu to let staff know your school choice.
- You can log in to MyPortal later to double check. Your ESA+ Reimbursement School will be listed there.



IMPORTANT ESA+ REMINDERS

Parents should check MyPortal **once a week**:

- Are there items on the To Do list?
- Look at Notifications. Maybe you've missed an email!

ESA+ students need updated documentation of a disability **every 3 years** (*3 years from the evaluation date on file*).

HOWEVER: Parents, you will renew **annually** so that the ESA+ staff know you want your student to continue next year.

ESA+ is **not a reimbursement** program.

- Very few exceptions (mainly the ESA+ Reimbursement Schools)
- Do not purchase items or pay for services with the intent to submit a receipt.

Public School? If a student will be in the public school, full-time, in their assigned district, then they are **not eligible for ESA+**.

- ESA+ is not available to students who are enrolled in their regular public school (including charter schools).

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Monday-Thursday: 8am-6pm

Friday: 8am-5pm

Summer Training for ESA+ Families

<https://www.ncseaa.edu/esa-family-trainings/>

Enrollment Options, Updating the Area of Disability, ESA+ Reimbursement Schools, Purchasing Curriculum, Planning for Summer Expenses, Continuing Eligibility, and more ...

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