



ESA+ News You Can Use

Welcome to the ESA+ newsletter for families – your source for the latest news and important information about the ESA+ program!

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Welcome to the 2023-2024 School Year!

If you missed this summer's live trainings for ESA+ families you can view recordings on our [website](#). There is still space available to register for the three remaining webinars, which take place each Wednesday from 12 – 1 p.m.

August 9 - Navigating Two Programs: Students Who Receive the ESA+ & Opportunity Scholarship

August 16 - How to Plan for Summer Expenses

August 23 - The Continuing Eligibility Requirement

[registration link](#)

What's New



Resources in Spanish

Spanish versions of ESA+ program materials are now available on the ESA+ website:

- [Program information](#)
- [Documentation of a disability](#)
- [MyPortal Guide for Parents](#)

Reminders

Paying a Tuition Balance with Rollover Funds

Families may use rollover funds to pay a 2023-24 tuition balance if both of the following are true: (1) the costs reported by the direct payment school are more than the fall semester award amount and (2) a balance remains up to what the school reports for tuition.

School Choice

The self-service option to choose or update a school in MyPortal closed August 1. To choose or update a school, you will now need to [email](#) the program. The email should include:

- Full name of student(s)
- Name of New School
- City of New School
- Enrollment Date (it helps to explain whether or not you attended the first school, and for how long)

Don't wait! Students who do not have a school selected in MyPortal by October 1 may lose their ESA+ award.

Continuing Eligibility

Does your student need to update their documentation of a disability? If your student's Eligibility Determination meeting date was **2020** it's time to start the process. Our staff is notifying families of students with a 2020 evaluation date.

Need help? Visit the [Documentation of a Disability page](#) on the ESA+ website and plan to attend the webinar on continuing eligibility on August 23.

Resources and Upcoming Events

NOTE: Events and resources sponsored by organizations other than SEAA are listed as a courtesy to our ESA+ families. SEAA is not responsible for any representations or information provided to the public by non-affiliated organizations.

Sensory Friendly Playtime – On August 16 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Marbles Kids Museum will host a free event exclusively for kids with disabilities and their families to experience Marbles in a calmer, quieter environment. [register](#)

Webinar: Understanding the NC ABLE Program –The NC ABLE Program allows eligible individuals to save and fund a variety of qualified disability expenses while maintaining Medicaid, SSI and other public supports. August 31st from 3 - 4:00 p.m. Registration is required. [register](#)

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