

### **ESA+ News You Can Use**

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# Webinar: ESA+ Fall 2023 Check-In

#### Friday, November 3, 12 – 1 pm

We want to make sure that families have the information they need to successfully navigate the ESA+ program. During this webinar we'll provide program updates and reminders about:

- Payment Process
- Allowable expenses
- Updated eligibility determination
- School Transfers
- Tax Implications

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# Reminders

# **Tax Implications**

Certain payments made to families participating in the ESA+ Program are reportable transactions for purposes of IRS information return reporting. Accordingly, certain ESA+ payments will be reported by SEAA to the IRS.

#### What do I need to do?

In late October, a W9 form task will be added to records that do not have one already on file in MyPortal.

Whether or not reported ESA+ funds should be included as taxable income on your individual federal income tax return is a distinct question from whether SEAA has an obligation to report them to the IRS. Please consult your tax professional for

advice and guidance on how to address information reported on the Form 1099-G in your tax return. SEAA staff are not able to provide tax advice.

Please see the <u>Tax Implications document</u> for more information.

# **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.

**Webinar: Matthew C. Graziadei Achievement Scholarship** – On October 24<sup>th</sup> from 12 – 12:30 pm, the Exceptional Children's Assistance Center (ECAC) will host a webinar about the Matthew C. Graziadei Achievement Scholarship Award. The Award is available to a North Carolina high school senior with a disability and includes a \$1,500 scholarship to be used for any post high school learning experience/training or for equipment/technology needed for employment. Register

**Spooktacular** – Marbles Kids Museum in Raleigh will host a free, sensory friendly Halloween celebration on October 25<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 7:30pm. This event is exclusively for kids with disabilities and their families to experience Marbles in a calmer, quieter environment and will feature sensory friendly playtime and a free showing of a "Lights Up, Sound Down" movie. Register

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