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NMPED Unified Application

Transferability & AFUA and Expenditure Detail Module

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Overview

IN THIS MEETING, LEAs WILL

- Understand and Review Transferability and Alternative Fund Use
- Understand how to account for Transferability and AFUA in the UA.
- Review the purpose of the ESEA Expenditure Detail module.
- Understand how calculate and reserve direct and indirect administrative costs and ensure consistency across the UA.

AGENDA

I. Transferability and AFUA

II. Expenditure Detail Module

III. Direct and indirect administrative costs

IV. Next Steps

Transferability

What is Title V Part A of ESEA?

Title V, Part A, of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), **allows local educational agencies (LEAs) to transfer certain funds**. The purpose of federal transferability is to allow LEAs the flexibility to target federal funds to the programs and activities that most effectively address the unique needs of LEAs.

An LEA **may** transfer all, or any lesser amount, of the funds from:
Title II Part A; and **Title IV Part A** to:

- Title I Part A
- Title I Part C
- Title I Part D
- Title III Part A
- Title V Part B

An LEA **may not** transfer any funds allocated to the LEA under the following provisions:

- Title I Part A
- Title I Part C
- Title I Part D
- Title III Part A
- Title V Part B

Transferability Overview

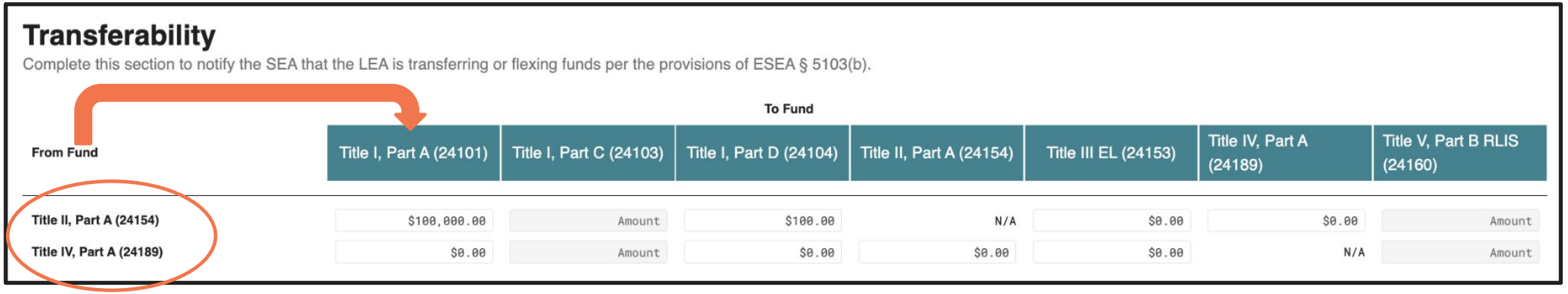
- Transferred funds become funds of the program to which they are transferred and subject to the rules and requirements applicable to the funds that they are transferred to.
- Before transferring funds, an LEA must conduct timely and meaningful consultation with appropriate private school officials (if applicable).
- Funds must still meet **supplement not supplant** and allowability rules.

PED Requirement for Transferability

- Transferability can be utilized any time throughout the school year, but LEAs must notify NM PED not later than 30 days before the effective date of the transfer and submit, not later than 30 days after the date of transfer, the application amendment to NM PED.
  - RfR should be submitted through original fund
    - *For example, if transferring Title IV funds into Title I, expenditures must be allowable under Title I. RfR will be submitted through Title IV (fund 24189). Title IV staff will review and approve.*
  - All RfRs submitted should match total amount listed in transfer. Total amount of all RfRs cannot exceed amount listed. If adjustment is needed, LEA must submit an amendment.

Transfer Funds From Title II-A and Title IV-A

The first step in completing the Transferability section is to identify the amount of money (if any) the LEA plans to transfer from Title II-A and/or Title IV-A.



Transferability

Complete this section to notify the SEA that the LEA is transferring or flexing funds per the provisions of ESEA § 5103(b).

From Fund \ To Fund	Title I, Part A (24101)	Title I, Part C (24103)	Title I, Part D (24104)	Title II, Part A (24154)	Title III EL (24153)	Title IV, Part A (24189)	Title V, Part B RLIS (24160)
Title II, Part A (24154)	$100,000.00	Amount	$100.00	N/A	$0.00	$0.00	Amount
Title IV, Part A (24189)	$0.00	Amount	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	N/A	Amount

- The rows listed on the left indicate which grant fund, Title II-A or Title IV-A, ***from*** which the LEA is transferring funds. The columns show the grants ***to*** which the funds are transferring.
- LEAs can only make transfers from funds allocated to it under Title II-A or Title IV-A to its other allocations under Title I-A, -C, -D, Title II-A, Title III, Title IV-A or Title V-B.
- LEAs should enter $0 if choosing not to transfer funds.

Review Transfer Results

As the LEA makes transfer decisions, the allocation amounts in the UA will automatically adjust. The transfer results box records transfers *in* and *out*.

Transfer Results

	Title I, Part A (24101)	Title I, Part C (24103)	Title I, Part D (24104)	Title II, Part A (24154)	Title III EL (24153)	Title IV, Part A (24189)	Title V, Part B RLIS (24160)
Allocation	$33,088,882.00	$0.00	$127,210.25	$3,232,815.00	$1,352,197.73	$2,441,513.00	$0.00
Transferred In	$100,000.00	$0.00	$100.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Transferred Out	N/A	N/A	N/A	-$100,100.00	N/A	$0.00	N/A
Transfer Total	$100,000.00	$0.00	$100.00	-$100,100.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Total Allocation after Transfers	$33,188,882.00	$0.00	$127,310.25	$3,132,715.00	$1,352,197.73	$2,441,513.00	$0.00

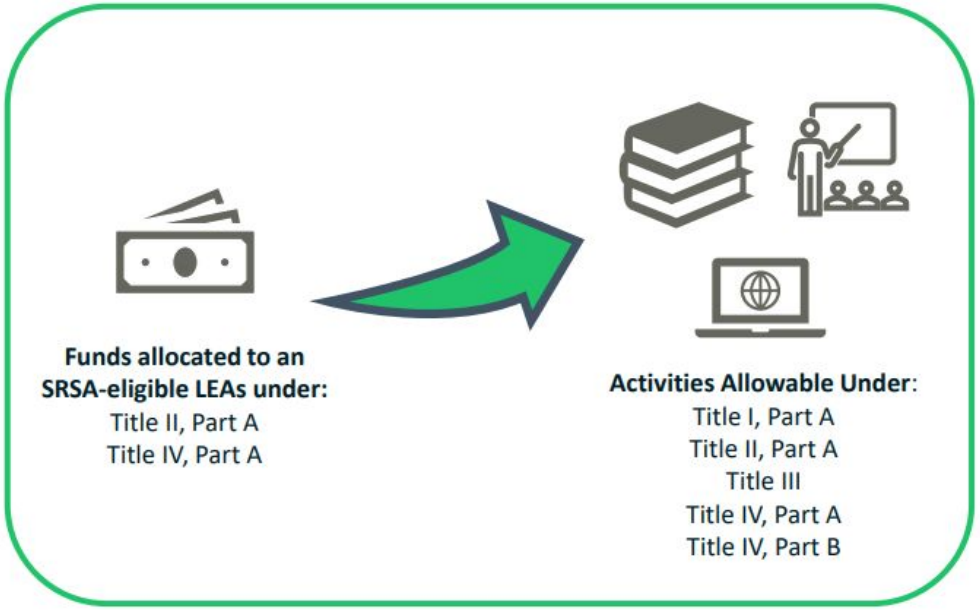
- LEAs should complete the Transferability/AFUA submodule first because of the impact transferred funds will have on compliance decisions.
- If an LEA makes changes to this submodule later, the LEA might have to make other adjustments in the UA.

Alternative Fund Use Authority (AFUA)

AFUA Overview

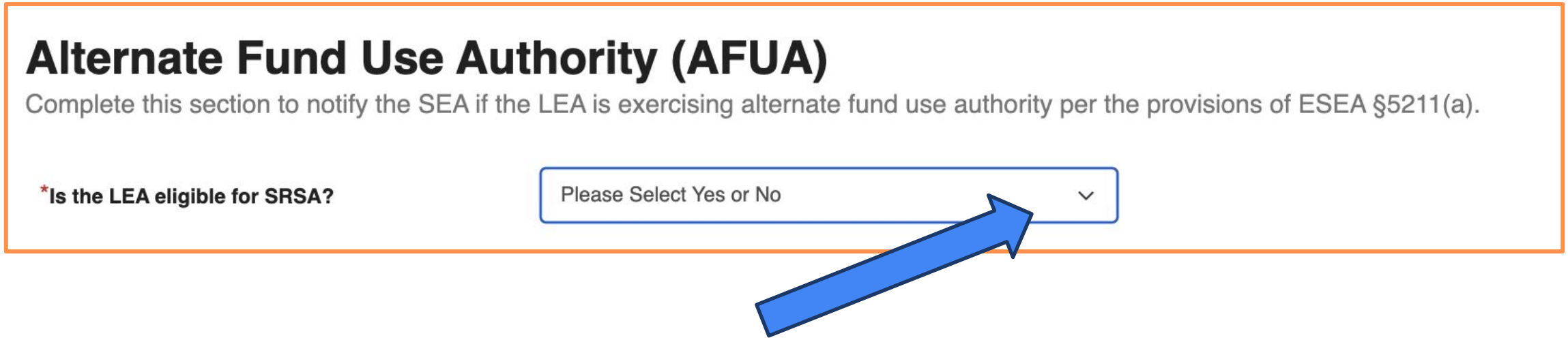
Alternative Fund Use Authority (AFUA) allows LEAs which are eligible for the Small, Rural School Achievement Program (SRSA) to flexibly use Title II and Title IV-A grant funds.

- According to ESEA §5211, any LEA eligible for Title V Part B Subpart 1 (SRSA) may exercise AFUA.
- This provision gives an eligible LEA broad authority to spend Title II-A and Title IV-A funds on activities carried out in one or more of the following programs: Title I-A, Title II-A, Title III-A, Title IV-A, Title IV-B.
- To check if you are an eligible district, visit the RLIS webpage on the US Department of Education's website and refer to the Mater Eligibility Spreadsheet (MES).



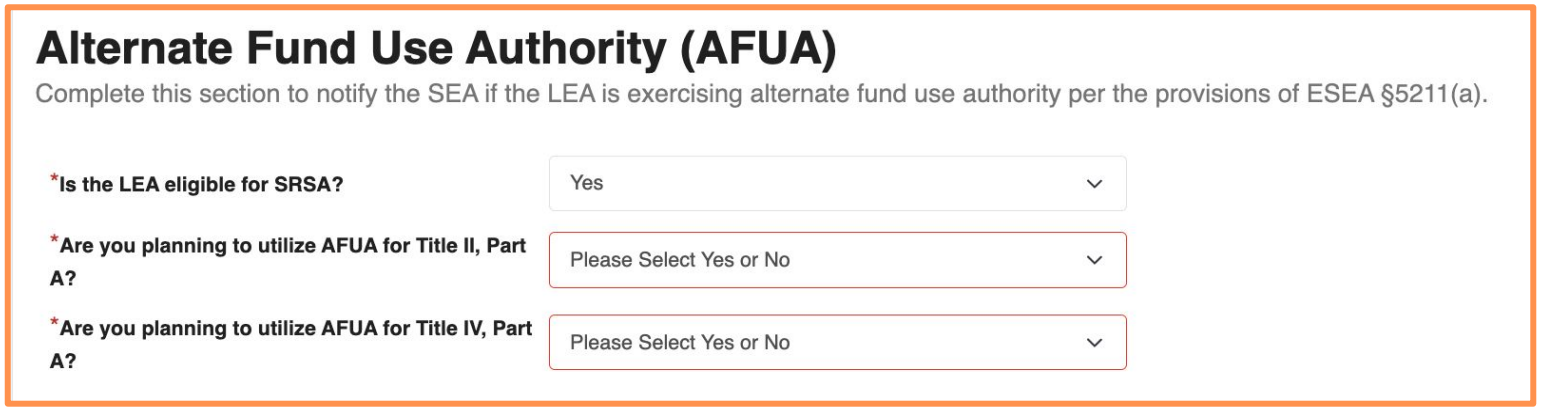
AFUA in the UA (1/2)

In the AFUA section, LEAs will indicate if they are eligible for the Small, Rural School Achievement (SRSA) program (Title V, Part B, Subpart 1). This eligibility is determined by the U.S. Department of Education.



AFUA in the UA (2/2)

LEAs that are eligible for SRSA will indicate whether they will utilize Alternative Fund Use Authority (AFUA) for their Title II-A and Title IV-A funds, if applicable.



- LEAs using the AFUA flexibility will use the “AFUA” grant management code in the Expenditure Detail module to indicate which Title II-A and Title IV-A funds they are using flexibly, i.e., on activities related to other federal programs.
- In the description, the LEA should note the grant for which the expenditure is allowable.

Main Difference Between AFUA and Transferability

Feature	Transferability	AFUA
What it does:	Moves funds from **one federal program to another**	Allows Title II-A and Title IV-A funds to be **used for applicable Title activities**
Who can use it?	All eligible LEAs	Only SRSA eligible LEAs
Programs eligible to transfer funds **from**:	Title II-A, Title IV-A	Title II-A and Title IV-A
Programs that eligible funds can be spent in	Title I-A, C, D, Title II A, Title III-A, Title IV, and Title V-B	Title I-A, Title II-A, Title III, Title IV A or B
Rules that apply	Must follow all rules of the receiving program	Used for activities authorized under other programs without being fully subject to those programs' rules and requirements.

Transferability = changing the bucket.

You move money from one program to another and must follow the new program's rules.

AFUA = changing how the money is used.

Eligible LEA does not have to receive funds under a particular program to be able to spend funds for an allowable activity under that program (program requirements do not have to be met).

Note: While Title II or Title IV-A funds may be used for activities authorized under these programs, funds marked "AFUA" are not subject to all of the requirements of these programs. For example, AFUA is not subject to set-aside requirements, such as the requirement that an LEA receiving $30,000 or more of Title IV-A funds use not less than 20% to support well-rounded education; 20% to support safe and healthy students; and a portion to support the effective use of technology.

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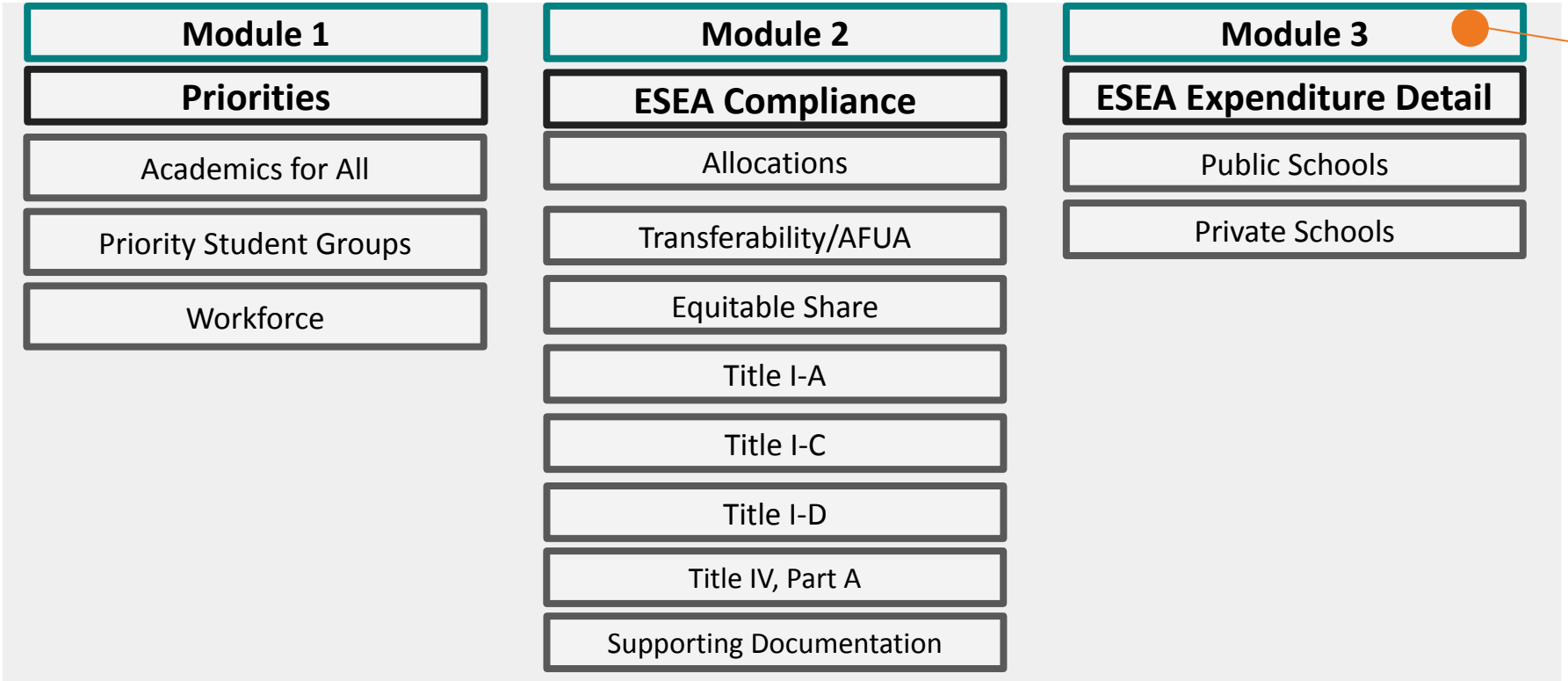
Expenditure Detail Overview

Expenditure Detail in the Unified Application

The Expenditure Detail is the third module in the Unified Application. The Expenditure Detail module connects spending with the decisions the LEA made in the Priorities and Compliance modules.

Structure of the UA



All LEAs will need to complete the Expenditure Detail module.

Expenditure Detail Purpose and Process

In the ESEA Expenditure Detail module, LEAs will detail how they will spend ESEA funds at the expenditure level.

Module Purpose:

- Aligns grant spending with the LEA's priorities and compliance decisions.
- Provides the detail necessary for NMPED to determine that planned expenditures meet grant requirements and federal cost principles.
- Replaces pre-approval forms for equipment over $5,000.

Module Completion Process:

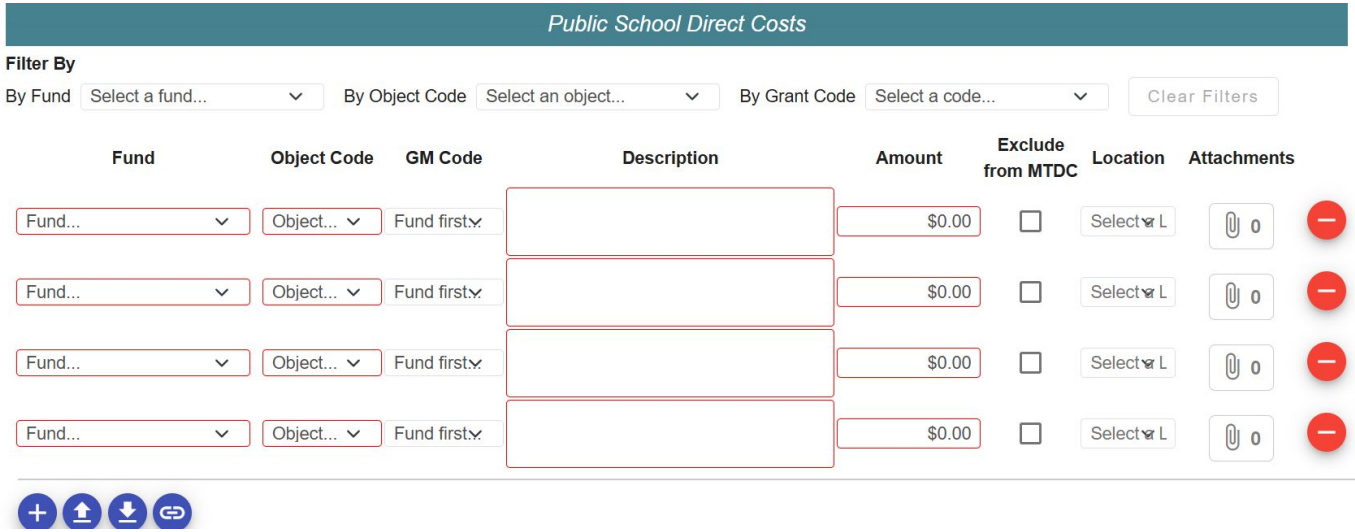
- An LEA's federal programs team will complete the Expenditure Detail module in consultation with the LEA's UA planning team.

ESEA Expenditure Detail Layout

The ESEA Expenditure Detail allows LEAs to obtain approval for planned expenditures across all applicable grant funds. LEAs will be able to organize expenditures by fund, expenditure type, and by grant requirements.

The Expenditure Detail has three sections:

Dashboard	Tracks progress in the Expenditure Detail module
Expenditure Detail	Lists all direct costs at the expenditure level
Indirect Cost (IDC) Calculator	Allows LEAs to reserve up to the maximum allowable IDC



Private School Expenditure Detail

LEAs responsible for providing ESEA equitable services to private school students will have a separate expenditure detail for private school costs.

ESEA Private School Expenditure Detail

Private School Summary

	Title I, Part A	Title I, Part C	Title II, Part A	Title III EL	Title III Immigrant	Title IV, Part A
What you have to work with						
Total private school share	AllocSnap field F	AllocSnap field F	AllocSnap field F	AllocSnap field F	AllocSnap field F	AllocSnap field F
What you've done so far						
Total private school direct costs	sum of line items in private					
What's left of private school share	1 minus 2					

Private School Direct Costs

FILTER BY

Fund: Fund I

Object code: 51000

Grant management code: FAM

SORT BY: Fund (A–Z)

Fund [limited]	Object code	Grant management code [fund and budget limited; not required]	Description	Amount	Exclude from MTDC	Delete
Title I, Part A	51000	FAM	This is a budget line item description for a **priority** item. We should anticipate that these should be paragraph-length (e.g.	$100,000	☐	☐
Title IV, Part A	51000	SHS	This is a budget line item description for a **priority** item. We should anticipate that these	$60,000	☐	☐
Title IV, Part A	51000	TIN	This is a budget line item description for a **non-priority** item.	$5,000	☐	☐
Title IV, Part A	51000	SHS	This is a budget line item description for a **non-priority** item.	$5,000	☐	☐
Title IV SSAE	51000	WRE	This is a budget line item description for a **non-priority** item.	$75,000	☐	☐

The Private School Expenditure Detail will include most direct costs and all indirect costs associated with equitable services.

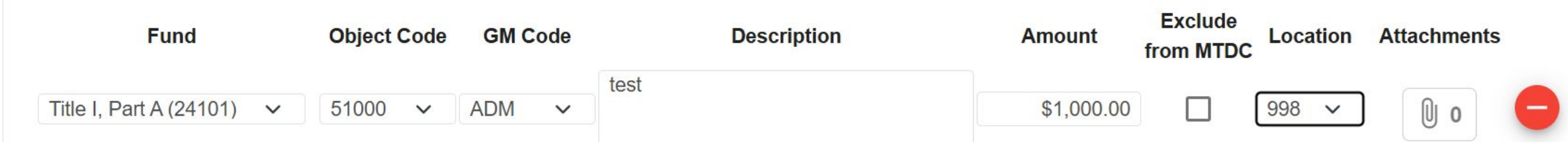
- Only direct administrative costs for Title I-A will be included in private school detail.
- Direct admin costs for all other funds will be included in the public school detail.

The dashboard for the Private School Expenditure Detail will show direct costs only. LEAs should refer to the main expenditure detail dashboard for a full accounting of direct and indirect costs.

Adding Expenditure Items

Adding Expenditure Lines to the UA

Each expenditure line includes the following information:



Fund - the grant which is funding the expenditure

Object - the type of service or commodity purchased

Grants Management (GM) code - optional; ties expenditure to specific grant requirement

Description - information that supports the allowability of the expenditure

Amount - direct cost of item

Exclude from MTDC - check for equipment, capital expenditures, charges for patient care, rental costs, tuition remission, scholarships and fellowships, participant support costs, and the portion of each subaward in excess of $25,000

Location Code - Preloaded district school location codes

Attachments - Upload any supporting documentation for the expense

Expenditure Description Standards

LEAs should provide as much detail as available about planned expenditures to support allowability. NMPED program teams might return applications for revisions if descriptions are insufficient.

Object Code	Expenditure Type	Description Requirements
51000	**Compensation**	• Salaries: FTE count, title / position / role • Stipends: $/stipend, # of recipients, purpose
52000	**Benefits**	• Benefit type (e.g., medical, retirement, FICA)
53000	**Contracts & Purchased Services**	• Name of contractor / vendor (or purpose of contract), brief description of service
54000	**Property Services**	• Name of vendor, description of services, amount per unit, and number of units (if applicable)
55000	**Other Purchased Services**	• Travel: # of travelers, cost breakdown (e.g., mileage, lodging, per diem), purpose of travel (event, staff/student travel) • Advertising: vendor (e.g. TV station, newspaper, online) • IAT: name of receiving entity
56000	**Supplies**	• Instructional materials: name of curriculum / product • Licenses: name of product
57000	**Equipment**	• Equipment: item & function, vendor, cost per unit, quantity/number of units

Grants Management Codes

The UA uses Grants Management (GM) codes to connect spending and grant compliance. LEAs will use GM codes to tag expenditures to required reservations and to indicate allowability and flexibilities. Most, but not all, expenditures will have GM codes.

GM Codes

GM codes are a tool used by federal programs directors to indicate grant spending is compliance with federal requirements.

GM codes are specific to federal grant programs and track three types of grant compliance in the UA:

- Required reservations
- Allowability
- ESEA flexibilities

Each ESEA fund has a custom configuration of GM codes tailored to federal program requirements.

UCoA

UCoA allows business managers and NMPED's state finance bureau to report education expenditures in accordance with financial data requirements by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES).

UCoA is a national set of standards and guidance that applies to all education-related expenditures and is not grant program-specific.

UCoA provides a method to report education expenditures comprehensively and uniformly.

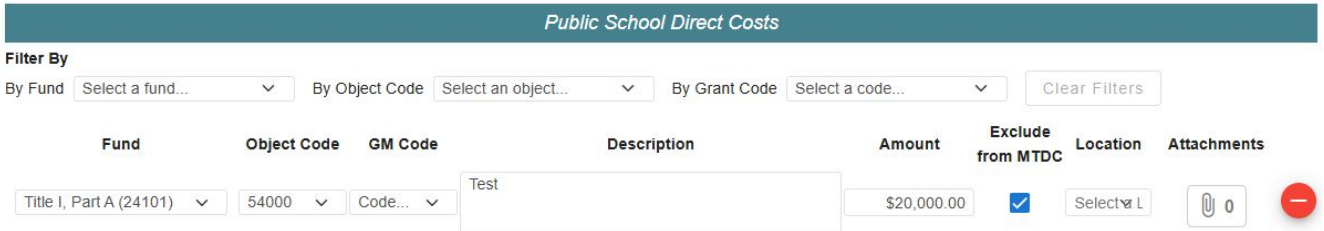
Modified Total Direct Costs

Modified Total Direct Costs (MTDC) means all direct salaries and wages, applicable fringe benefits, materials and supplies, services, travel, and up to the first $25,000 of each subaward. LEAs may recover indirect costs based on the MTDC.

MTDC excludes the following costs:

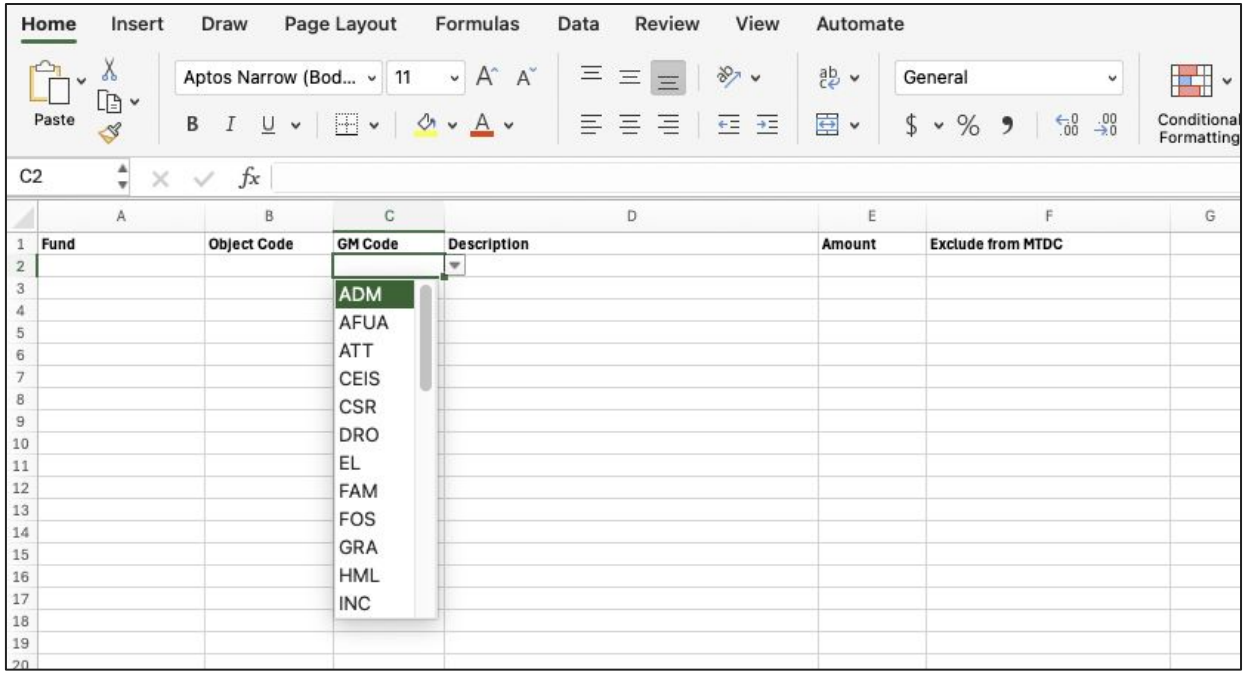
- Equipment,
- Capital expenditures,
- Charges for patient care and tuition remission,
- Rental costs,
- Scholarships, and
- Fellowships, as well as
- The portion of each subgrant/subcontract in excess of $25,000.

LEAs should check “Exclude from MTDC” if any of these costs apply. For subgrants/subcontracts with object code 53000, the UA will automatically exclude any amount above $25,000.



Optional: Expenditure Detail Upload/Download

LEAs have the option to upload an initial set of expenditures using the Expenditure Detail Template Spreadsheet (coming to the Unified Application Support Page this week). This is a tool for LEAs that might already have existing budgets and/or wish to create the expenditure detail offline.



Upload

LEAs do not have to complete all fields of the template to successfully upload the expenditure data.

LEAs should only upload expenditure data to start the Expenditure Detail module. Uploaded data will replace any existing expenditure data.

Download

After the LEA has completed the Expenditure Detail module, the LEA may download a .csv file of the Expenditure Detail module.

If the LEA has a Private School Expenditure Detail, it will download as a separate file.

Direct and Indirect Administrative Costs

Direct and Indirect Administrative Cost

To varying degrees and dependent on whether the LEA provides equitable services, LEAs will reserve direct and indirect administrative costs in the Compliance module. Any direct and indirect admin reserved in the Compliance module must match the amounts of direct and indirect admin in the Expenditure Detail module.

ALL LEAs: Title I-A

LEAs will match the direct and indirect admin costs reserved in Step 0B.

The GM code for direct admin is ADM.

*LEAs responsible for equitable services will match the direct and indirect admin costs for private schools in the Private School Expenditure Detail.

The GM code for Title I-A private school direct admin is ADMP.

Equitable Services = YES

LEAs will match the direct and indirect administrative costs reserved on the ES Calculations page of the ESEA Equitable Services submodule.

All direct admin costs, including direct admin associated with private schools, will be included in the Public School Expenditure Detail.

The GM code for these expenses is ADM.

Equitable Services = NO

LEAs will reserve direct and indirect admin costs in the Public School Expenditure Detail.

For Title IV-A, LEAs must plan to reserve funds for direct and indirect admin in the Title IV-A compliance submodule. This means that the LEA would distribute less than 100% of available funds across the Title IV-A program objectives.

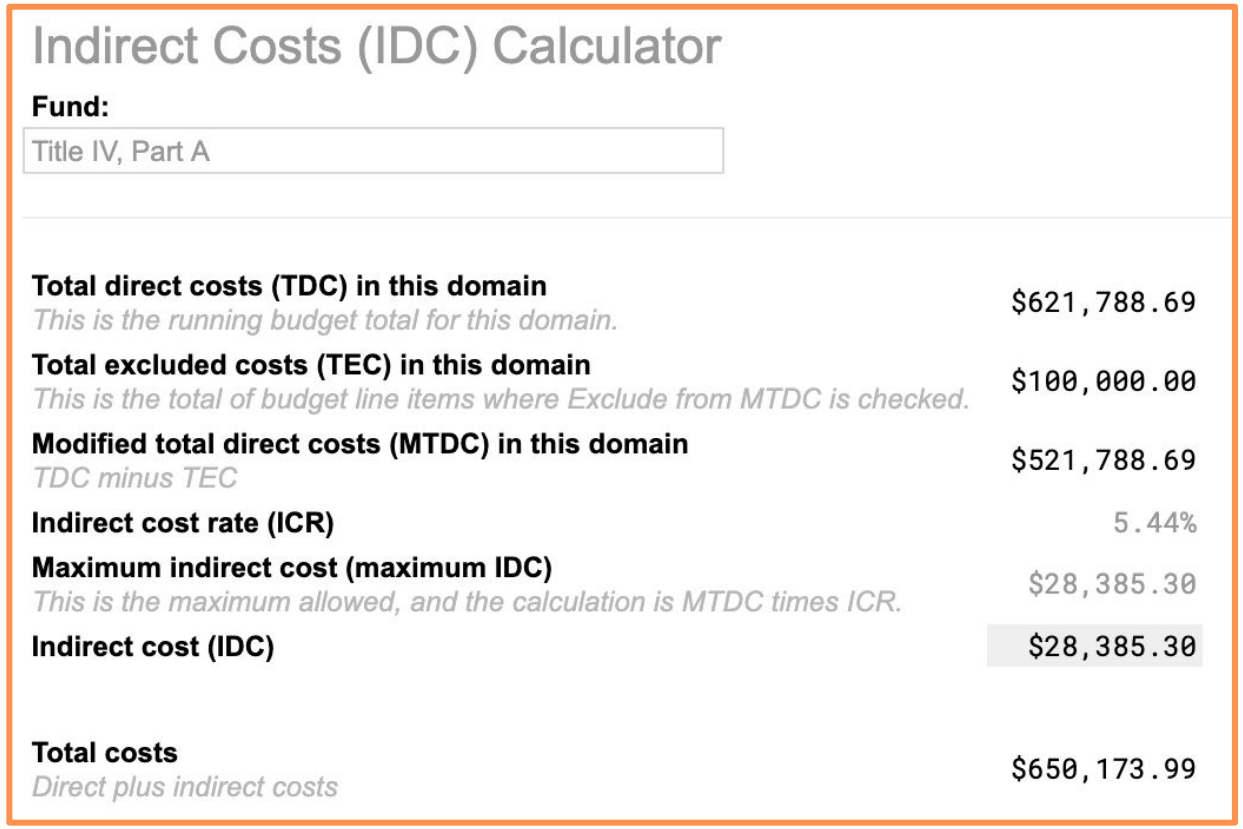
Direct Administrative Costs

LEAs will use the ADM code to designate direct administrative costs for each fund, subject to any statutory limitations. Generally, ADM costs will be in the Public School Expenditure Detail, with the exception of Title-A direct admin for private schools, which will be in the Private School Expenditure Detail.

	Title I-A	Title I-C	Title I-D	Title II	Title III EL	Title III Imm	Title IV	Title V
Admin cap	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2%	2%	2%	N/A
GM Code	ADM - Public ADMP - Private	ADM	ADM	ADM	ADM	ADM	ADM	N/A
Match	Title I-A Step 0B	ES Calculations	N/A	ES Calculations	ES Calculations	ES Calculations	ES Calculations	N/A

Indirect Cost Calculator

The Indirect Cost (IDC) Calculator allows LEAs to calculate a more accurate estimate of indirect costs based on planned expenditures.



Indirect Costs (IDC) Calculator

Fund:

Title IV, Part A

Total direct costs (TDC) in this domain *This is the running budget total for this domain.*	$621,788.69
Total excluded costs (TEC) in this domain *This is the total of budget line items where Exclude from MTDC is checked.*	$100,000.00
Modified total direct costs (MTDC) in this domain *TDC minus TEC*	$521,788.69
Indirect cost rate (ICR)	5.44%
Maximum indirect cost (maximum IDC) *This is the maximum allowed, and the calculation is MTDC times ICR.*	$28,385.30
Indirect cost (IDC)	$28,385.30
Total costs *Direct plus indirect costs*	$650,173.99

The IDC calculator calculates the maximum IDC that an LEA can reserve based on the Modified Total Direct Cost (MTDC) from the expenditure detail.

LEAs can reserve any amount of IDC up to the maximum shown in the calculator.

LEAs that reserved indirect admin on the **ESEA ES Calculations** page and in **Title I-A Step 0** need to make sure that the indirect cost amounts match for each fund.

Note: IDC rates uploaded to the UA on March 3 will be the current 2025-26 rates. The UA will update IDC rates for 2026-27 as soon as they are available.

Moving Forward

Weekly Federal Programs Team Calls Schedule

Further training on the Unified Application components will take place until applications are due. Planning leads should ensure personnel attend relevant sessions; not all sessions will be applicable to all LEAs.

Date	Phase	Audience *denotes mandatory	Description
~~January 6~~	~~Pre-Application~~	~~Federal Programs Directors*~~ ~~All LEA Roles~~	~~Overview of Unified Application Structure (including budget) and pre-application modules (consolidated assurances, district contacts, etc.)~~
~~January 13~~	~~Pre-Application~~	~~Federal Programs Directors*~~ ~~All LEA Roles~~	~~Overview of Pre-Application Activities (Assurances, , NOVA data validation, LEA Access, etc.).~~
~~January 20~~	~~Pre-Application~~	~~Federal Programs Directors*~~ ~~All LEA Roles~~	~~Comprehensive Needs Assessments, S&S, Tribal Consultation, Homeless Needs Assessment~~
~~January 27~~	~~Pre-Application~~	~~Chief Academic Officers*~~ ~~All LEA Roles~~	~~Priorities module overview: Academics for All, Priority Student Groups, Educator Workforce~~
~~February 3~~	~~Pre-Application~~	~~Private School Equitable Services Captains (Geographical LEAs only)*~~ ~~All LEA Roles~~	~~ESEA Equitable Services~~
~~February 10~~	~~Pre-Application~~	~~Geographical LEA Title I Directors*~~ ~~All LEA Roles~~	~~Title I: Reservations & Rank & Serve; Title I, Part D, Subpart II~~
February 17th	Pre-Application Module Opens		
~~February 17~~	~~Pre-Application~~	~~Federal Programs Directors*~~ ~~All LEA Roles~~	~~Title II, Title III, & preview of the UA~~
~~February 24~~	~~Pre-Application~~	~~Federal Programs Directors*~~ ~~All LEA Roles~~	~~Transferability/AFUA and Expenditure Detail Module & Guidance~~
March 3	UA Opens (ESEA)		

Planned Topics for Weekly Federal Programs

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Date	Phase	Audience *denotes mandatory	Description Tentative & Subject to Change
March 3	Application Completion	Federal Programs Directors* All LEA Roles	Title IV; IDEA Application; Launching
March 10	Application Completion	Federal Programs Directors* All LEA Roles	Overview of finance processes that will stay the same and any differences
March 17	Application Completion	All LEA Roles	Submitting the Application & Overview of approval process
March 24	Application Completion	Federal Programs Directors* All LEA Roles	Outstanding Questions
March 31	Application Completion	Chief Financial Officers/Business Managers* All LEA Roles	Outstanding Questions
April 7	Application Completion	All LEA Roles	Outstanding Questions
April 15	Application Completion	Federal Programs Directors* All LEA Roles	Outstanding Questions
April 15	UA Submissions Due		

Link to exit survey

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