



## Alabama State Department of Education Special Education Services FY2021 Funding Support Guide

AL HIGH COST FUND	ASSIST FUND	CATASTROPHIC FUNDS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Federal funds made available from the ALSDE IDEA Part B federal award.</li> <li>❖ Intended to assist LEAs with providing FAPE to high needs students with disabilities when services would cause a financial impact on the LEA.</li> <li>❖ LEA must spend at least three-times the average per-pupil amount per student application</li> <li>❖ Does not affect Maintenance of Effort (MOE)</li> <li>❖ Must have a current determination status of “Meets Requirements”. Refer to LEA issued Determination from FFY2018 reporting period (SY 2018-19) to decide qualifying criteria.</li> <li>❖ Must have less than 30% carryover funds from the previous fiscal year IDEA allocation</li> <li>❖ Must have an approved eGap budget application by the Fiscal New Year, October 1</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Application(s) Deadline(s):</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>* September 1st</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>** November 30th (applications will be accepted if additional funds remain after first submissions are awarded)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Federal funds made available from the ALSDE IDEA Part B, Other State- level Activities.</li> <li>❖ Intended to assist LEAs with providing FAPE to students that would cause a financial impact on the LEA and to provide support for LEAS in the following areas:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. Assistive Technology</li> <li>II. Autism Spectrum Disorders</li> <li>III. Behavior Intervention</li> <li>IV. Deaf/Hard of Hearing and/or Visual Impairments</li> <li>V. Transition Services</li> </ol> </li> <li>❖ Does not affect Maintenance of Effort (MOE)</li> <li>❖ Must have less than 30% carryover funds from the previous fiscal year IDEA allocation</li> <li>❖ Must have a substantially approved eGAP budget application prior to awarding financial support funds</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Application(s) Deadline(s):</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Applications will be accepted ongoing throughout the school year. Recommendation of funding notifications will be sent out within 15 days after receipt of the application.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ State Funds that are appropriated by the State of Alabama through the Education Trust Fund (ETF).</li> <li>❖ Intended to assist LEAs with providing FAPE to students that would cause a financial impact on the LEA.</li> <li>❖ For cases where a child or children are unduly expensive, extraordinary, and/ or beyond the routine and reasonable special education and related services.</li> <li>❖ For cases where the special population changes significantly due to an influx of students with disabilities or due to the number of students requiring specialized resources.</li> <li>❖ <b>May</b> have an impact on Maintenance of Effort (MOE)</li> <li>❖ Must have a substantially approved eGAP budget application prior to awarding financial support funds</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Application(s) Deadline(s):</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>* September 1st</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>** November 30th (applications will be accepted if additional funds remain after first submissions are awarded)</i></p>

To access the FY2021 funding support applications and related documents on the ALSDE website, <https://www.alsde.edu/sec/ses/Pages/fiscalinformation-all.aspx?navtext=Fiscal%20Information> . Or you may choose to use the following path on the ALSDE website at [www.alsde.edu](http://www.alsde.edu). Hover over the Support Systems tab and then select the Special Education Services tab. On the right-hand side, click the Fiscal Information tab and choose the Funding Support tab. All documents pertaining to the FY2021 funding assistance available can be found on the Funding Support tab.