

CHARTERSELPA Fiscal Update



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The SELPA Business Services Team

The SELPA Business Services team is here to support you, in both fiscal and data functions, and we wanted to help put faces to the names. Feel free to contact us at any time with questions: 530.295.2469 / charterselpabusiness@edcoe.org.



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Fall 2023 Charter SELPA Fiscal Committee Meeting

The El Dorado Charter SELPA CEO Council meets twice each year (Fall and Spring). Each season, we follow up with a Fiscal Committee meeting, as an opportunity for all Charter SELPA business staff to receive updates from the CEO Council meetings, so we can discuss the potential impact they may have on your business office.

Our Fall 2023 meeting will be held virtually on **Thursday, October 26, 2023, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.** Everyone from our Charter Partner-LEAs is welcome to attend!



Mental Health Funding Update for 2023-24

We know there are still questions surrounding the 2023-24 Mental Health funding changes, including when Districts/LEAs will receive their Grant Award Notification (GAN) letter. We reached out to the CDE, and the response we received is that there is not yet an anticipated distribution date for these documents.

For more information on what to expect with Educationally Related Mental Health Services (ERMHS) funding this year, check out the resources on our website <u>here</u>.

New SELPA Calendar



We have created a terrific new Calendar for your convenience. It's a one-stop calendar with all important upcoming due dates and deadlines, meetings, and professional development opportunities.

This calendar can be added to your Google or Outlook calendar!

To add this calendar to Outlook:

- Click on the "Add Calendar" drop-down;
- Select the "From Internet" option.
- Enter the URL below and click "OK."

It will show up under your "My Calendars" list, and you'll be able to toggle it on and off!



https://calendar.google.com/calendar/ical/charterselpabusiness%40edcoe.org/public/basic.ics

If you need any assistance, please reach out: charterselpabusiness@edcoe.org.

CALPADS Reporting

Fall 1 reporting officially begins on Census Day: Wednesday, October 4, 2023.

State-level data is generated from local data systems. Since CALPADS data is used to determine funding and compliance monitoring, reporting **complete**, **accurate**, and **timely** data reporting is critical to the fiscal health of your Charter School.



You may have heard that CALPADS is in the midst of what they are calling a "SPED File Redesign." This means that the process for uploading Special Education data files from the Special Education data system into the CALPADS system is going to be a little bit trickier this year, making it that much more important that the data is verified before certifying. We cannot stress enough how essential it is to have ongoing communication and collaboration between business, data, and program departments.



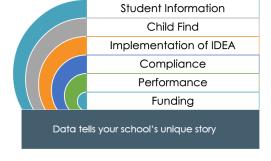
El Dorado Charter SELPA uses the Special Education Information System (SEIS) for all reporting for Students with Disabilities (SWD). For questions on SEIS, you can contact our Program Technicians here.

FCMAT recommends meeting two benchmarks to assist with timely CALPADS submissions:

- 1. Completing all data entry and clearing all input validations within 30 days of the submission start date.
- 2. Clearing all certification errors at least three weeks prior to the deadline to give staff –

both the CALPADS data coordinator and the special education coordinator – ample time for review and work through any necessary corrections.

Action is needed at the LEA level to foster a local data culture that recognizes the importance of high-quality information for the benefit of students.



2023-24 State & Federal Budget Advice

Please budget using the following rates:

- 2023-24 State Charter Member Rate: \$887.40 per the higher of each charter's 2021-22, 2022-23, or 2023-24 P-2 ADA (before admin fee & set-aside for new charters).
- 2023-24 Federal Rate: \$130.00 per 2022-23 Enrollment/Fall 1 (before admin fee).

2023-24 Cash Advance Application

Charters in their first year with the Charter SELPA are excluded from participating in the advance apportionment and will not generate state special education funding until February of 2024. Although CDE delays funding, a charter school is still responsible to provide special education services to students.

To mitigate the fiscal impact of this delay in first-year cash flow, the El Dorado Charter SELPA allocation plan enables a low-interest cash advance to Charter Partners who are new to the SELPA in 2023-24. Find the flyer with more details heres/level-10/4.

2023-24 Low Incidence Reimbursements

Partners may apply for low incidence reimbursement to help cover the costs associated with providing material and/or services to students identified with low incidence disabilities.

What is a "Low Incidence" Cost?

Low incidence disability is defined as a severe disabling condition with an expected incidence rate of less than one percent of total statewide enrollment in special education.

The minimum Low Incidence request is \$600, to ensure that sufficient funds are available for more expensive equipment purchases and services.

All requests must be submitted by May 1 to be eligible for reimbursement. IEPs agreed to after

May 1 will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Low Incidence Disabilities are:

- Hard of Hearing (HH)
- Deafness (DEAF)
- Visual Impairment (VI)
- Orthopedic Impairment (OI)
- Deaf-Blindness (DB)

You can find the full Low Incidence Guidelines here.



Upcoming Training & Events

Wednesday, October 18, 2023 @ 9 AM: CASBO Special Ed Accounting Roundtable Held virtually. Free for CASBO members, \$10 for non-members. Register here.
 Thursday, October 26, 2023 @ 9:30 AM: Fiscal Committee Meeting Held virtually. Anyone from Charter Partner LEAs is welcome. Register here.

Resources

Fiscal Portal
2023-24 Funding Detail & Cash Flow Excel Download
2023-24 NPS-RTC Cash Flow
2023-24 NPS-RTC Pool

2023-24 Mental Health Funding Calculator Excel Download

