

# **Exceptional Child Tuition Equivalency**

Under the provisions of Idaho Code §33-1002B.3, a district may be eligible for Exceptional Child Tuition Equivalency funds. Students with severe disabilities residing in licensed public or private residential facilities or homes are eligible for this special education allowance if the student's parents are not patrons of the district. In order to claim the allowance for a student, each of the following must be true:

- The district must be educating the student and must report the student as a special education student in its ISEE data upload that includes special education students active on November 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 2. The IEP must specify three or more hours per day of special education and related services.
- 3. The student must be residing in a licensed facility or home on November 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 4. The student's parents must not reside in the school district.

The allowance is equal to the district's previous year certified local annual tuition rate per student plus an excess cost rate that is annually determined. The excess cost rate represents the statewide per pupil average amount of state and local funds expended to educate special education students over and above the amount of state and local funds expended to educate all students.

The district must list all information for each student eligible for the allowance and complete the certification section on the application below. If no students are eligible for the Exceptional Child Tuition Equivalency allowance, you do not need to submit the form. Applications are due no later than January 5, annually.

Since this form contains confidential student records, the use of a Secure Remote File Manager is Mandatory. Please notify the SDE when you have uploaded documentation, and where you have saved that information. Do not email this form to the State Department of Education. Please use this link to access the correct secure server:

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## DISTRICT APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILD TUITION EQUIVALENCY

#### Idaho Code §33-1002B.3

#### Pupil tuition-equivalency allowances.

Districts which educate school age special education students who, due to the nature and severity of their disabilities are residing in licensed public or private residential facilities or homes, and whose parents are not patrons of the district, shall be eligible for an allowance equivalent to the previous year's certified local annual tuition rate per child plus the excess cost rate that is annually determined by the state superintendent of public instruction. This district allowance shall be in addition to exceptional education support unit funding and included in district apportionment payments, subject to approval of district applications by the state superintendent of public instructions.

# LIST ALL STUDENTS WHO QUALIFY FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILD TUTION EQUIVALENCY ALLOWANCE

Student EDUID	Student Name	Grade	Hours/minutes of Service per Week	Name of Facility or Care Provider

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I hereby certify that the students listed above are reported on this district's November, current year Special Education Child Count, that they are receiving three or more hours per day (15 hours per week) of special education and related services, that the students reside in licensed residential facilities, and that the parents do not reside in the school district.

Local Education Agency (LEA) Number:

Local Education Agency Name:

Superintendent Signature:

Date: