

EDUCATION JOBS FUND OVERVIEW

State Allocation: \$179,650,099

Local District Allocation: See attached table

Allowable Uses by School Districts

- Education Jobs Fund funds are to be used for compensation and benefits or support services necessary to (a) retain existing education employees, (b) recall or rehire former education employees or (c) hire new education employees.
- Employees funded with the Education Jobs Fund must support early childhood, elementary or secondary education and related services. Employees can be either teachers or support staff. Funds may not be used to support school district-level general administrative costs.
- A school district may not use the funds to pay for contractual school-level services by individuals who are not employees of a district. A district that contracts with another school district to provide educational services may use Education Jobs Fund funds to pay that portion of the contract associated with the salaries and benefits of the employees of the district providing the services.

Allocation Methodology

- The federal Education Jobs Fund law states that funds must be distributed through the primary K-12 funding formula or based on school districts' relative shares of Title I. Education Jobs Fund funding is being distributed in Wisconsin based on the primary K-12 funding formula.
- Education Jobs Fund funding is not subject to state revenue caps on local school districts.

Accountability & Transparency

- Districts must maintain records that separately track and account for Education Jobs Fund funds.
- Federal law requires that states submit reports on behalf of its districts that describe, among other things, how those funds are used. Districts will be required to submit claims for reimbursement to the Department of Administration on a quarterly basis to allow for timely payments of allowable district expenditures and filing of federally mandated reports. Additional information on claim filing is being developed and will be distributed in the next several weeks.
- Failure to file timely reimbursement claims or adhere to federal/state accountability & transparency requirements may result in the deobligation of Education Jobs Fund funds as allowed under federal law.

Other Points

- Funds are intended to support elementary and secondary education for the 2010-11 school year.
- The state will be developing detailed implementation and compliance processes over the next several days, including staff contact information to help address school district questions.

Reimbursement & Reporting Schedule

Expenditure Period	District Claims Due to Department of Administration
August 10 – September 30, 2010	October 5, 2010
October 1 – December 31, 2010	January 5, 2011
January 1 – March 30, 2011	April 5, 2011
April 1 – June 30, 2011	July 6, 2011

Table of District Allocations (viewable at this link):

<http://www.doa.state.wi.us/docview.asp?docid=8225&locid=12>

Other Key Links:

Additional information regarding the Education Jobs Fund can be found on the U.S. Department of Education website:

<http://www2.ed.gov/programs/educationjobsfund/applicant.html>

To view U.S. Department of Education initial guidance on the administering of funds, click here:

<http://www.doa.state.wi.us/docview.asp?docid=8222&locid=12>