

Early Childhood Funding Guide

Hatch's commitment to the administrators, teachers, children, families, and communities we serve, includes helping educators to understand, identify and navigate education funding.

There are multiple federal funding programs available to support your program goals such as:

- Technology (Hardware, software, devices)
- Professional development & training
- Multilingual learners
- Social-Emotional Learning
- Accelerated Learning
- Family Engagement
- Early Literacy/Reading skills
- Educational Equity
- Extended Day Programs
- Summer Learning Programs
- Remediation Programs

Fast Funding Facts:

- The federal government provides funding to schools through 30+ key programs.
 - a. Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA): Encompasses Titles I-IV, focusing on improving educational outcomes for all students.
 - b. Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA): Supports special education services for students with disabilities.

Federal funding is provided with rules indicating how funds need to be spent:

- a. **Formula Grants:** allocated to states and then granted to communities.
- b. **Discretionary Grants:** awarded to states and communities after a competitive application process.

| Allowable Use of Funds | Hatch Solutions | Hardware + Tablets | Professional Development |
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| Activities that support federal requirements, including: ESSA, IDEA, Title I, Title II, Title III, Title IV, and McKinney-Vento Homeless Act | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Spanish and English supports for multilingual learners and families | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Resources for principals and school leaders to address school needs | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Activities that measure and address learning loss for all students including low-income students, students with disabilities, or minority students | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Educational technology that aids in interactions between students and their classroom teacher | ✓ | | |
| Summer and supplemental afterschool programs | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Address learning loss by improving academic instruction including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administering assessments • Implementing evidence-based activities • Helping parents support students with learning at home • Improving student engagement in distance education • Implementing data-informed instruction | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Other activities that are necessary to maintain the operation of and continuity of services in local educational agencies | ✓ | ✓ | |