



FAQs for Unique Abilities Scholarship (FES-UA) Hybrid Eligible Private Schools

Use these FAQs to better understand how the Hybrid option works for your Unique Abilities Scholarship (FES-UA) student and how to remain in compliance while customizing your student's educational experience.

What is a Hybrid eligible private school?

A Hybrid eligible private school is a private school approved by the Florida Department of Education to participate in the Hybrid program. Students attend the Hybrid eligible private school in person at least two full school days per week, with the remaining instructional time guided by a Student Learning Plan (SLP).

How can I find an approved Hybrid eligible private school?

Families can search for approved Hybrid eligible private schools in the [Florida Private Schools Directory](#) maintained by the Florida Department of Education.

Can Unique Abilities Scholarship (FES-UA) students attend a Hybrid eligible private school?

Yes. Unique Abilities Scholarship (FES-UA) students may enroll in a Hybrid eligible private school that has been approved by the Florida Department of Education.

What is a Student Learning Plan (SLP)?

An SLP is a customized educational plan developed by the parent or guardian and updated annually. The plan helps guide instruction, addresses the student's academic needs, and outlines how any remaining instructional time will be completed outside of the in-person attendance at the Hybrid eligible private school.

Who is required to complete a Student Learning Plan (SLP)?

Unique Abilities Scholarship (FES-UA) students enrolled in a Hybrid eligible private school who attend in person at least two full school days per week must have a completed SLP.

Why is the Student Learning Plan (SLP) required?

The Florida Legislature requires a SLP to address the instructional time that occurs outside of the student's in-person attendance at the Hybrid eligible private school.

Where can I find the Student Learning Plan (SLP) in EMA?

Parents and guardians can access the SLP in EMA:

- Through the **My Students** tab, or
- From the Parent and Guardian Dashboard by selecting **View Student** and opening the **SLP Section**.

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What information is included in the Student Learning Plan (SLP)?

Parents and guardians can select academic and personal learning priorities from the provided template and rate the student's progress. The plan serves as a guide for educational planning throughout the school year.

Does the Student Learning Plan (SLP) limit what I can purchase with scholarship funds?

No. The SLP is an educational planning tool and does not determine or restrict eligible scholarship purchases.

How do I pay for Hybrid eligible private school tuition and fees?

Families must submit a reimbursement request for Hybrid eligible private school tuition and fees through EMA.

Are Hybrid eligible private schools available in the Service Marketplace?

No. Hybrid eligible private schools are not currently available through the Service Marketplace for Unique Abilities Scholarship (FES-UA) students. Tuition and fee payments must be submitted through the reimbursement process.

Do I need to complete the Student Learning Plan (SLP) before submitting a reimbursement request?

Yes. The SLP must be submitted before a reimbursement request for Hybrid eligible private school tuition and fees is reviewed. If the SLP has not been submitted, the reimbursement request will be denied.

How often do I need to complete the Student Learning Plan (SLP)?

Once the student is enrolled in a Hybrid eligible private school and the SLP has been submitted, it does not need to be completed again during the same school year.

What are the scholarship funding requirements for students attending a Hybrid eligible private school?

To receive scholarship funding:

- **Renewal** Parents/guardians must accept or decline the scholarship by May 31, 2026
- **New** Parents/guardians must accept or decline the scholarship by December 15, 2026.
- Families using scholarship funds for tuition and fees at a Hybrid eligible private school must complete the Student Learning Plan (SLP) in EMA for the applicable enrollment period.

What happens if I do not complete the Student Learning Plan (SLP)?

If the SLP is not submitted for the applicable enrollment period, the reimbursement request will be denied.