



NEW 2024-25 FES-UA PURCHASING GUIDELINES

As of July 1, 2024, the Family Empowerment Scholarship for Students with Unique Abilities (FES-UA) Purchasing Guide was updated for the 2024-25 school year. Here's a breakdown of what is new in the guide.

What's new for you?

New items or services for purchase by our scholarship families	New items or services that require pre-authorization	New items or services that require the Educational Benefit Form (EBF)
<p><u>INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL</u></p> <p>Assistive Technology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Switches and Other Devices <p>Digital Devices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cellular Phones • Smart watches <p>Digital Materials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Productivity, Behavioral, Educational Application <p>Educational Software/Subscriptions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family or Multi-Use Software Subscriptions • In-Game Purchase or Credit • Live Television • Musical Streaming Services • Social Media • Video / TV / Online Streaming Services <p>Musical Instruments and Equipment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insurance • Maintenance and Repair • Service Agreements • Tuning <p>Physical Education Equipment/Supplies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dance Supplies • Movement-Based Platforms (including Nintendo Wii equipment) • Specialized or Sport-Specific Footwear • Two or Three Wheeled Bicycle <p>Physical Education Instruction/Membership/Fees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dance Lessons • Digital / Video-Based Sport Instruction <p>School Supplies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Printer Ink/Toner • Wax Filament <p><u>SPECIALIZED SUMMER EDUCATION PROGRAM</u></p> <p>Day Educational Camp</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multiple of a single At-Home Classroom Furnishings item that exceeds \$50 • Multiple of a single elective item that exceeds \$50 • Televisions over 55 inches • Curriculum that is not publicly available • Day educational camps • At-Home Classroom Furnishings, projectors, P.E. equipment, and elective equipment may be eligible sooner than once every two (2) years with a pre-authorization • Fees associated with standardized testing or examinations not listed in the handbook 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tools Related to Postsecondary Transition Goals or Career Plans • Family or Multi-Use Software Subscriptions • In-Game Purchase or Credit • Live Television • Musical Streaming Services • Social Media (except LinkedIn Learning for Students) • Video / TV / Online Streaming Services

*The **Educational Benefit Form** is a document required for certain items or services, that has the parent/guardian provide a brief description of how the requested item or service will help their student learn through an educational benefit. [Click here](#) to access the form.

Parents/guardians [may provide feedback here](#) about the FES-UA Purchasing Guide.

Please note:

The pre-authorization request feature in EMA is currently unavailable. This feature will be updated during the 2024-25 school year. Once updated and available for use, Step Up will notify families when they may begin submitting pre-authorizations in EMA.