NC K12 Scholarships (ESA+ and Opportunity Scholarship) — Full Domain-Driven Design Analysis

This document synthesizes authoritative public sources into a comprehensive, text-only DDD analysis for North Carolina's K12 scholarship programs: Education Student Accounts (ESA+) and Opportunity Scholarship (OS). It is intended to ground a modern software implementation plan.

Sources used (representative, not exhaustive):

- NCSEAA K12 home
- ESA+ Resources hub
- ESA+ Program Rules & Requirements
- ESA+ Awarding Process
- ESA+ Allowable Expenses overview
- OS Program landing
- OS Payment Process (How Scholarship Funds Work for OS and ESA+)
- OS Income Verification
- Provider Search (enrolled service providers)
- MyPortal (family/school tasks and documents)
- DNPE (private/home school registration)
- ClassWallet (platform referenced by ESA+)
- IRS Transcript info referenced by OS Income Verification
- CFNC portal (contextual partner)

Local reference documents (workspace requirements/ directory):

- k12-eligibility-requirements2526.pdf
- esaplus-101_january-2025.pdf; esa-enrollment-options_august-2024-final-1.pdf; esaplus-home-schools_january-2025.pdf; esa-at-direct-payment-schools_aug-2024_final-1.pdf
- esaplus-continuing-eligibility-7252025.pdf
- esa-parent-agreement.pdf
- 2025-2026-opportunity-scholarship-program-income-faq125.pdf; ops-calculate-income.pdf; myportal-guide-for-parents.pdf

Note: Statutes and program rules ultimately govern; web pages can change. Implementation should treat rules/content as externalized policy where feasible.

1) Scope and Programs

- Opportunity Scholarship (OS)
 - Who: NC students entering K-12; private school enrollees.
 - Award: ~ \$3,000-\$7,000 based on household income. (Source: OS program page)
 - Usage: Tuition and required fees at registered private schools (Direct Payment schools only).
 - Processes: Application, possible income verification, award offer/accept, parent endorsement each semester, payments to schools twice per year. (Sources: OS landing; OS payment process)

- Education Student Accounts (ESA+)
 - Who: NC students with disabilities, entering K-12.
 - o Award: Base \$9,000; Higher \$17,000. (Source: Awarding Process FAQ, Program Rules)
 - Usage: Depends on school option:
 - Direct Payment school: tuition/fees paid first; leftover ESA+ funds may move to ClassWallet for allowable expenses.
 - ESA+ Reimbursement school: family pays tuition/fees out-of-pocket; reimbursed after semester via ClassWallet workflows.
 - Home school: funds deposited to ClassWallet for allowable expenses (no tuition to a school). (Source: How Scholarship Funds Work)
 - Notable constraints: Minimum spending requirement, rollover rules, LEA Release, allowable/prohibited expenses, provider enrollment. (Source: Program Rules; Allowable Expenses; Resources)
- Dual Award (OS + ESA+)
 - o Only at Direct Payment schools.
 - Ordering: OS funds applied first to tuition/fees, then ESA+. Remaining ESA+ funds may go to ClassWallet. (Source: How Scholarship Funds Work)

2) Actors / Users

- Parent/Guardian (Account Holder in MyPortal and ClassWallet)
- Student (beneficiary)
- School Administrator (Direct Payment School) handles tasks in MyPortal
- School Business Officer / Finance Contact (Direct Payment School)
- ESA+ Reimbursement School Staff (providing receipts/documentation)
- Home School Parent/Administrator (ESA+)
- Service Provider (Tutor, Therapist, Transportation) must enroll with SEAA to accept ESA+ funds
- Provider Organization Admin (manages credentials/enrollment)
- SEAA Program Staff (ESA+ and OS operations, awarding, compliance)
- SEAA Finance/Disbursements Staff (payment cycles, refunds)
- SEAA Compliance/Audit Staff (reviews, misuse handling, termination)
- MyPortal System (task orchestration, document intake, notifications)
- ClassWallet Platform (ESA+ wallet, marketplace, pay vendor/invoice submission)
- DNPE (Division of Non-Public Education external registry for private and home schools)
- IRS (receives 1099-G reporting; parent interacts for transcript retrieval for OS income verification)
- CFNC (College Foundation of North Carolina) partner brand/resources; limited direct operational role in K12 ESA+/OS based on public site

3) Bounded Contexts and Aggregates

The domains below can be deployed as services or modules within a modular monolith. Aggregates encapsulate invariants.

A) Application & Eligibility Context

Aggregates

Application (root) — ProgramType (OS or ESA+), Student, Household, SubmissionWindow,
 Status (draft/submitted/eligible/ineligible/waitlisted/awarded/declined)

- ESA+ EligibilityDetermination submission of disability determination within 7 days of application; verified/accepted/rejected. (Source: Awarding Process)
- OS IncomeVerification selection-based; requires Income Verification Worksheet, IRS Return Transcript 2024, other docs via MyPortal To-Do. (Source: OS Income Verification)
- LotteryBatch (ESA+/OS when applicable) random selection for eligible applications within window; outcomes recorded; ties to award capacity.

Key Invariants

- ESA+: Eligibility Determination document must be submitted within 7 days of applying (MyPortal To-Do). Late/missing leads to ineligibility.
- Lottery executed for eligible apps in the specified date window; awards until funding exhausted.
- OS income verification: follow MyPortal To-Do; only IRS Return Transcript is acceptable for tax proof unless exceptions granted.
- Domain Events (examples)
 - ApplicationSubmitted, EDDocumentSubmitted, EligibilityVerified, LotteryConducted, AwardOfferMade, AwardAccepted, AwardDeclined, IncomeVerificationRequested, IncomeVerified, ApplicationClosed

B) Awarding & Funding Context

• Aggregates

- AwardOffer links to Application; includes AwardLevel (ESA+: base/higher; OS: income-based amount), OfferDate, AcceptanceDeadline
- ScholarshipAward the active award for a school year; Status (pending/active/suspended/terminated/expired)
- PaymentSchedule semester payments (fall/spring) per program and school type

· Key Invariants

- Awards must be accepted in MyPortal by deadline to activate.
- Direct Payment school payments occur twice per year; parent must complete Parent Endorsement Task each semester. (Source: How Scholarship Funds Work)
- Dual Award ordering: OS before ESA+ for tuition/fees; ESA+ remainder to ClassWallet. (Source: How Scholarship Funds Work)

• Domain Events

 AwardActivated, ParentEndorsementCompleted, SchoolPaid, FundsMovedToWallet, AwardSuspended, AwardTerminated

C) School Choice & Enrollment Context

• Entities/Aggregates

- School (registered in MyPortal; type categorization)
- SchoolOption (ESA+): Direct Payment | Reimbursement | Home School; Co-enrollment rules
- EnrollmentRecord student's selected school per term; history of changes/transfers
- LEARelease (ESA+ full-time in nonpublic or home school) required signature artifact (in Compliance context but referenced here)

Invariants

- School must be eligible/registered for direct payments to occur.
- For ESA+ nonpublic/home full-time, LEA Release must be signed.
- Transfers have deadlines and may impact disbursements and wallet availability.

D) ESA+ Wallet, Purchasing & Expenses Context (ESA+ only)

Aggregates

- ESAAccount (root) AwardLevel, Balance, RolloverEligible, RolloverCap, CumulativeCap, MinSpendRequirement
- PurchaseRequest type: Marketplace Order, Pay Vendor (off-market), Service Invoice; fields: Category, Amount, Status (submitted/review/approved/rejected), RejectionCode, Evidence (invoice/cart screenshot), RelatedMainDeviceOrderId (for accessories), ProviderId
- Provider (service entity) EnrollmentStatus, Types (tutoring/therapy/transport), Credentials
- Vendor (product seller) Marketplace vs Off-Market

• Invariants & Rules (partial)

- Allowable expenses categories only; prohibited categories enforced by rules engine.
- Accessory timing: if not bundled, must be within 30 calendar days of main device order;
 accessory frequency limits (e.g., once every 3 years) apply. (Source: Educational Technology page)
- Transportation requires signed contract between parent and provider; first invoice must include contract. (Parent Guide)
- Minimum Spending Requirement: parent must spend ≥ \$1,000 per school year on allowable core-subject expenses; failure renders student ineligible for renewal. (Program Rules)
- Rollover: only for higher award (\$17,000); up to \$4,500; cumulative balance must not exceed \$30,000; base award cannot roll over. (Program Rules)
- Summer shutdown: ClassWallet purchasing disabled mid-June for fiscal close; plan ahead.
 (Plan for Summer Expenses)
- 1099-G: ESA+ funds spent on non-tuition/required fees are reported by SEAA to IRS; parents may claim NC deduction only if included in federal AGI. (Program Rules – Tax Implications)

• Domain Events

 PurchaseSubmitted, PurchaseApproved, PurchaseRejected(code), VendorPaid, ProviderPaid, RolloverCalculated, 1099GPrepared

E) Provider Enrollment Context (ESA+)

Aggregates

- ProviderEnrollment Application, Documents, Credential Checks, ApprovalDate, Status
- Provider Directory listing; allowable service mappings

Invariants

- o Only enrolled providers can be paid.
- Not all services offered by an enrolled provider are allowable; category validation applies per invoice.

F) Compliance & Agreements Context

• Aggregates/Entities

 ParentAgreement — signed annually; encapsulates: compliance with program requirements, enrollment in eligible school, LEA Release, enrollment changes, minimum spend,

allowable/prohibited expenses, testing requirement, access to records, non-compliance, termination. (Program Rules)

- LEARelease applies to full-time nonpublic/home school ESA+ students.
- ComplianceRecord audits, warnings, misuse findings, refunds/recoupments, suspensions/terminations

Invariants

- ParentAgreement must be signed to use funds (plus W-9 as required by operations).
- LEARelease signature is prerequisite for specific ESA+ enrollment paths.
- Misuse policy enforcement may lead to termination or refund obligations.

G) Communications, Tasks & Documents Context

Entities

- ToDoltem (MyPortal) DocumentRequest, AffidavitSignature, Parent Endorsement, Income Verification Worksheet, EDD submission
- Notice/Message Award offers, reminders, deadline notices
- Document uploaded via MyPortal (PDFs, images) with type and validation status

Invariants

To-Do tasks must be completed by deadlines to avoid forfeiture or delays.

H) Reporting & Tax Context

- Entities
 - TaxReport1099G records ESA+ non-tuition spend per calendar year
 - Program Analytics award counts, fund utilization, compliance metrics
- Invariants
 - Only amounts actually spent by parents on non-tuition allowable expenses are reported (in January for prior calendar year). (Program Rules)

4) Canonical Entities and Value Objects (selected)

- Student { studentId, name, DOB, disabilityStatus (ESA+), residency }
- Parent { parentId, contact info, SSN/EIN (for W-9), MyPortalUserId }
- Application { applicationId, programType, submittedAt, status, windowId }
- AwardOffer { offerId, programType, amount, acceptanceDeadline }
- ScholarshipAward { awardld, programType, year, amount, status, schoolld? }
- School { schoolId, name, type: DirectPayment|Reimbursement|HomeSchool, DNPEId?, eligibility }
- Provider { providerId, orgName, types[], enrollmentStatus, approvalDate }
- ESAAccount { accountId, awardLevel, openingBalance, currentBalance, minSpendRequired, rolloverEligible, caps }
- PurchaseRequest { requestId, type, category, amount, vendorId?, providerId?, invoiceRef, status, rejectionCode, submittedAt }
- ParentAgreement { agreementId, signedAt, clauses[], leaReleaseRequired, affidavitDate }
- LEARelease { releaseld, signedAt, scope }
- Payment { paymentId, programType, term, schoolId|vendorId|providerId, amount, status, endorsedByParentAt }
- ToDoltem { todold, kind, assignedTo, dueDate, status }
- Documents (EligibilityDetermination, IRS Return Transcript, Income Worksheet, W-9)

 Value objects: AcademicSubject, ExpenseCategory, AwardLevel, SchoolTerm (Fall/Spring), HouseholdSize, HouseholdIncome, RejectionCode

5) Principal Workflows (Happy-path and key branches)

5.1 ESA+ New Application to Award

- 1. Parent creates/uses MyPortal account; selects ESA+; submits application.
- 2. Within 7 days, parent uploads Eligibility Determination via MyPortal To-Do.
- 3. SEAA verifies eligibility; if eligible and within window, student enters lottery.
- 4. Lottery in April; awards offered until funds exhausted.
- 5. Parent accepts award in MyPortal by deadline. (Video guidance linked on site.)
- 6. Next steps: choose school option (Direct Payment / Reimbursement / Home School), sign Parent Agreement (+ LEA Release if required), submit W-9/affidavit.
- 7. Funding flows per school option begin (see 5.3–5.5). (Sources: Awarding Process; Program Rules; How Scholarship Funds Work)

5.2 OS New Application & Income Verification

- 1. Parent applies for OS (application window and rolling notices per program page).
- 2. If selected for income verification, To-Do appears in MyPortal.
- 3. Parent uses Interactive Income Calculator (optional guide) and completes Income Verification Worksheet.
- 4. Parent obtains IRS Return Transcript (online) and uploads; additional docs upon request.
- 5. SEAA reviews; if verified and funds available, award offer issued; parent accepts by deadline.
- 6. Parent/school complete Parent Endorsement and tasks per term. (Sources: OS Income Verification; OS landing; How to Apply; How Scholarship Funds Work)

5.3 Direct Payment Schools (OS and ESA+)

- Payments twice per year (Fall and Spring). All tasks completed in MyPortal by school and parent, including Parent Endorsement each term.
- Tips: verify award amounts before endorsement; contact SEAA if discrepancy.
- ESA+ only: any ESA+ residual after tuition/fees moves to ClassWallet for allowable expenses. (Sources: How Scholarship Funds Work)

5.4 ESA+ Reimbursement Schools

- Family pays tuition/fees out-of-pocket.
- Submit receipts/documentation at semester end via ClassWallet/MyPortal flow (as directed).
- Unspent fall funds remain for spring in ClassWallet. (Sources: How Scholarship Funds Work)

5.5 ESA+ Home Schools

- SEAA deposits ESA+ funds to ClassWallet twice per year.
- Family purchases allowable products via marketplace and allowable services via enrolled providers;
 off-market "Pay Vendor" path requires invoice/cart screenshot. (Sources: Allowable Expenses; How Scholarship Funds Work)

5.6 ESA+ Allowable Expense Purchasing

- Products: Must be purchased via ClassWallet marketplace. Not all marketplace items are allowable.
- Services: Tutors/therapists/transport providers must be enrolled with SEAA. Find via Provider Search; submit invoices; transportation requires signed contract with first invoice.
- Off-market vendors: Use Pay Vendor; upload invoice/cart screenshot; staff review; rejection codes if non-compliant.
- Timing rules: accessory window (30 days) and frequency (e.g., once per 3 years) enforced. (Sources: Allowable Expenses pages and Parent Guide; ClassWallet resources)

5.7 Renewal & Continuing Eligibility (ESA+)

- Annual renewal process via MyPortal.
- Disability re-evaluation every 3 years.
- Minimum Spend check ≥ \$1,000 on allowable core-subject items per school year; noncompliance causes loss of renewal eligibility.
- Rollover computation (only for higher award) with caps. (Sources: Program Rules and Continuing Eligibility webinar)

5.8 Transfers & Co-enrollment

- Families may transfer schools; must adhere to deadlines and update MyPortal.
- Co-enrollment policies defined for ESA+. Direct payment vs reimbursement impacts. (Sources: ESA+ School Transfers pages)

6) Policies, Rules, and Invariants (selected with citations)

- ESA+ Minimum Spending Requirement: Spend at least \$1,000 on tuition and/or allowable expenses in core subjects (ELA, math, social studies, science) by end of school year; else ineligible for renewal. (Program Rules)
- ESA+ Rollover: Only higher award (\$17,000) can roll over up to \$4,500; cumulative balance ≤ \$30,000; base award (\$9,000) cannot roll over. (Program Rules)
- LEA Release: ESA+ full-time nonpublic or home school students must sign LEA Release relinquishing public school special education services during participation. (Program Rules)
- 1099-G: SEAA reports ESA+ non-tuition/required-fee spending to IRS for prior calendar year; NC deduction allowed only if included in federal AGI. (Program Rules Tax Implications)
- ClassWallet Marketplace: Only channel for products with ESA+ funds; Pay Vendor for off-market with invoice; services require enrolled providers. (Allowable Expenses)
- Accessory Rules: If not bundled, allowed only within 30 days from main device order; frequency limits (e.g., once every 3 years). (Educational Technology page)
- Transportation: Requires signed contract (parent-provider) included with first invoice; student identification required. (Parent Guide)
- Summer Purchasing Pause: ClassWallet suspended mid-June; plan ahead. (Plan for Summer Expenses)
- Lottery: ESA+ lottery in April for eligible applications submitted in defined window; awards until funds exhausted. (Awarding Process)
- Parent Endorsement: Required each semester for direct payment flows; name entry is case-sensitive in MyPortal. (How Scholarship Funds Work)

 OS Income Verification: Use MyPortal To-Do; IRS Return Transcript required for 2024 unless exception; deadlines and extensions managed by SEAA. (Income Verification page)

7) Domain Events (suggested event vocabulary)

- ApplicationSubmitted(programType)
- EligibilityDeterminationSubmitted(studentId)
- IncomeVerificationRequested(applicationId)
- IncomeVerified(applicationId)
- LotteryConducted(batchld)
- AwardOfferMade(offerId)
- AwardAccepted(awardId)
- AwardDeclined(offerId)
- ParentAgreementSigned(studentId, year)
- LEAReleaseSigned(studentId, year)
- ParentEndorsementCompleted(studentId, term)
- SchoolPaid(paymentId)
- FundsMovedToWallet(accountId, amount)
- PurchaseSubmitted(requestId)
- PurchaseApproved(requestId)
- PurchaseRejected(requestId, code)
- ProviderEnrolled(providerId)
- MinimumSpendAchieved(studentId, year)
- MinimumSpendFailed(studentId, year)
- RolloverComputed(accountld)
- Tax1099GPrepared(parentld, year)
- AwardTerminated(awardId, reason)

8) Third-Party Systems & Integrations

- MyPortal (NCSEAA) primary workflow/task/document portal for parents and schools. Integration
 patterns: SSO/IDP, task APIs, document intake, notifications.
- ClassWallet ESA+ wallet, marketplace, pay-vendor, invoices; supports approvals and ledger; requires secure API integration and webhook/event ingestion for status changes.
- Provider Search (NCSEAA web app) authoritative directory of enrolled service providers; nightly sync or on-demand lookup.
- DNPE authoritative registry for private/home school status; eligibility checks and periodic sync recommended.
- IRS OS income verification relies on IRS Return Transcript; system should store attestation and metadata of transcript receipt (not necessarily automate IRS integration).
- Payment Rails bank ACH to schools/vendors/providers; could be via ClassWallet for ESA+ nonschool payments; direct ACH for OS/ESA+ school disbursements.
- Communications Email and in-portal messaging; Wistia video links for training (non-transactional).
- CFNC partner brand/resources; no direct operational integration surfaced for K12 ESA+/OS on public site; keep as external content reference only.

9) Non-Functional Requirements (NFRs)

• Compliance & Auditability: Full ledger of approvals, endorsements, payments, and policy evaluations; immutable event log; export to auditors.

- Security & Privacy: PII/financial data; encrypt at rest and in transit; least-privilege RBAC; rigorous document access controls.
- Availability & Resilience: Payment windows (Aug/Sep and Jan/Feb) and application/award cycles (Feb-Apr) are peak; design for load; graceful degradation for ClassWallet downtime.
- Accessibility: ADA-compliant web UIs; EN/ES content; case-sensitive fields like Parent Endorsement require clear UI guidance.
- Observability: Metrics for award utilization, minimum spend compliance, approval latency, rejection code distribution.
- Policy Externalization: Rules engine or policy service for allowable expense logic, accessory timing, minimum spending, rollover, and eligibility to reduce code churn.

10) Edge Cases & Exceptions (selected)

- ESA+ Minimum Spend not met automatic non-renewal; appeal/exception handling workflow may be needed.
- Off-market purchase lacking sufficient documentation rejection with code; resubmission allowed within window.
- Accessory purchase submitted outside 30-day window or exceeding frequency auto-reject.
- IRS transcript unavailable by deadline documented extension process via SEAA (per OS income verification FAQ).
- Name mismatch on Parent Endorsement (case sensitivity) prevent submission and provide exactmatch hint.
- Dual Award but school is not Direct Payment ineligible for dual-use; notify and require school change or separate usage.
- Rollover exceeding caps auto-adjust to \$4,500 and/or \$30,000 ceiling; remainder returned to SEAA.
- Summer purchasing pause queue purchases for post-pause processing (inform user of restrictions).

11) Implementation Plan (Phased)

A modern implementation can be a modular monolith or microservice suite. Below is a service-oriented plan; adapt to team scale and ops maturity.

- Phase 0 Discovery & DDD Baseline
 - Formalize ubiquitous language; confirm aggregates and events.
 - Capture statutory references; parameterize program-year policy values (award amounts, dates).
- Phase 1 Identity, MyPortal Gateway, and Application Service
 - o Identity & RBAC (Parent, School, Provider, SEAA roles). SSO with MyPortal if applicable.
 - Application Service: application intake, document To-Do orchestration, status machine.
 - ESA+ Eligibility Determination intake and validation pipeline.
 - OS Income Verification workflow: worksheet capture, transcript document handling, exception/extension requests.

- Document Store: secure, typed, lifecycle-managed.
- Phase 2 Awarding & Lottery Service
 - Lottery batching, results, and audit trail.
 - Award Offer & Acceptance; deadlines; notifications.
 - School registry & school-type logic; Parent Agreement and LEA Release e-sign capture.
- Phase 3 Disbursements & Parent Endorsement
 - Payment Schedule for direct payment schools; Parent Endorsement task UX (case-sensitive validation cues).
 - Dual Award ordering logic (OS→ESA+); remainder-to-wallet event.
 - o ACH payout engine, reconciliation, refunds.
- Phase 4 ESA+ Wallet & Purchasing
 - ClassWallet integration (API/webhook); account provisioning; ledger sync.
 - Allowable Expenses rules engine; rejection codes; documentation requirements per category.
 - Pay Vendor (off-market) flow; invoice validator; transport contract attachment and validation.
 - o Provider Enrollment service and provider directory sync.
- Phase 5 Compliance, Rollover, and Tax Reporting
 - Minimum spend computation; renewal gate.
 - Rollover computation per award level; cap enforcement; return of excess to SEAA.
 - 1099-G reporting pipeline for non-tuition spend; parent statements.
- Phase 6 Admin Console, Analytics, and CX
 - SEAA ops dashboards; exception queues; bulk comms.
 - Metrics: utilization, approval latency, rejection heatmap, provider coverage.
 - o Content surfaces: webinars, guides, seasonal reminders (summer pause notice).
- Shared Platform
 - Event bus; outbox pattern for reliable integration.
 - Scheduling (cron) for windows (lottery, disbursement cycles, rollover, tax).
 - Feature flags and policy registry by program year.
 - Test harness with scenario packs (happy path + policy edge cases).

12) Acceptance Criteria (samples)

- Application & Eligibility
 - Given parent submits ESA+ application, when EDD not uploaded within 7 days, then status → ineligible and parent notified.
 - Given OS application selected for verification, when IRS transcript uploaded and verified, then award offer eligibility is updated within N business days.
- Awarding & Disbursement

Given active award and Direct Payment school, when Parent Endorsement completed, then
 ACH payment initiated within X days and visible in school portal.

Given Dual Award, when tuition < OS award, then residual OS policy applies (communication),
 and ESA+ remainder rules executed → balance to ClassWallet.

Wallet & Purchasing (ESA+)

- Given off-market invoice, when category is disallowed, then request is rejected with a specific rejection code and remediation instructions.
- o Given accessory request outside 30 days, then auto-reject with code and reference to policy.

• Compliance & Reporting

- Given school year ends, when min-spend < \$1,000, then renewal eligibility flag = false and parent notified with appeal info.
- Given calendar year close, when non-tuition spend exists, then 1099-G prepared and parent notified by January deadline.

13) Open Questions / Implementation Notes

- OS direct details for rolling award windows and monthly awards: confirm final 2025–26 processes.
- Exact rejection code taxonomy and descriptions: maintain centrally and expose to Uls.
- Detailed accessory frequency rules per item (e.g., protective cases, chargers) align with latest Parent Guide.
- Provider enrollment vetting (background checks, licenses) confirm data fields and external validations.
- MyPortal integration contract: APIs vs. SSO + deep links; event/webhook availability.
- ClassWallet API availability: sandbox environments, webhook reliability, idempotency keys.

14) Glossary (Ubiquitous Language)

- Direct Payment School: Registered school that receives OS/ESA+ funds directly; requires Parent Endorsement each term.
- ESA+ Reimbursement School: School that declines direct payment; families pay and are reimbursed via ESA+ after semester.
- Home School (ESA+): Parent-directed education registered with DNPE; ESA+ funds for allowable expenses via ClassWallet.
- Allowable Expense: Product/service permitted under ESA+ policy; category constraints apply.
- Prohibited Expense: Explicitly disallowed purchase categories.
- Parent Agreement: Annual ESA+ contract enumerating obligations and rules.
- LEA Release: Agreement releasing public-school special education services while in ESA+ (full-time nonpublic/home only).
- Parent Endorsement: Required parent action each term that authorizes school payment amount;
 case-sensitive signature field in MyPortal.
- Lottery: Random selection process for awards when demand exceeds supply.
- Rollover: Carry-forward of unused ESA+ funds (higher award only; cap-limited).
- 1099-G: IRS form issued for ESA+ non-tuition spend.

15) Quick Links (for further research)

- K12 Home
- ESA+ Resources
- ESA+ Rules
- ESA+ Awarding
- ESA+ Allowable Expenses
- OS Program
- OS Payment Process
- OS Income Verification
- Provider Search
- MyPortal
- DNPE
- ClassWallet
- CFNC

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