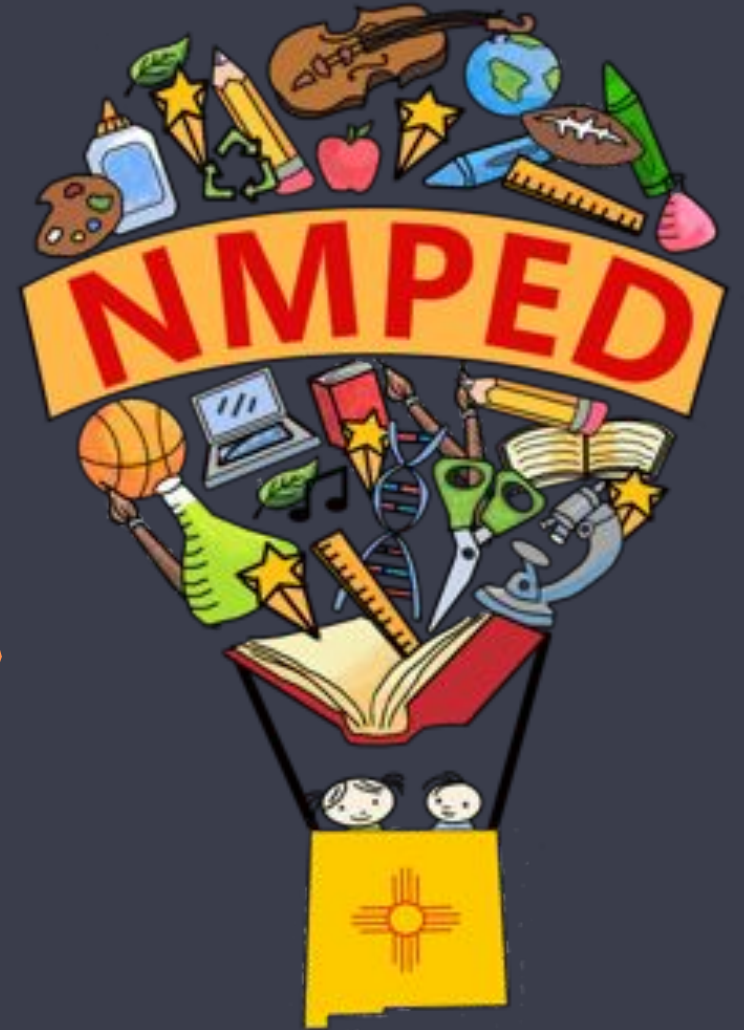


NMPED Unified Application

Transferability & AFUA

March 4, 2025



Overview

IN THIS MEETING, LEAs WILL

- Review the funding flexibilities offered in ESEA: Transferability and Alternative Fund Use Authority (AFUA).
- Understand how to account for Transferability and AFUA in the UA.
- Prepare for the launch of the ESEA UA modules.

AGENDA

- I. Transferability and AFUA Overview
- II. Transferability in the UA
- III. AFUA in the UA
- IV. Launch of the ESEA UA Modules.

Transferability



Planning Awards in the Unified Application

The fiscal year 25-26 Federal appropriations process sets funding levels for programs. No preliminary allocation information has been received from the U.S. Department of Education yet for Title I-A.

Title I-A planning awards are calculated based on the proportional share of an LEA from the last verified final allocations which for FY25-26 allocations are the FY24-25 final allocations.

- Current planning allocations are based on approximately 90% of the total final allocation amount.
- U.S. Census data (email dated February 11, 2025) affects eligibility; poverty rate for NM declined slightly.

Title IV-A planning awards account for the \$10,000 minimum allocation.

- LEAs with final 24-25 awards ***equal to or greater than*** \$11,115 will receive planning awards that are 90% of the total final allocation amount.
- LEAs with final 24-25 awards ***less than*** \$11,115 will receive a 25-26 planning award of \$10,000. LEAs that receive the minimum planning award amount should keep in mind that the final 25-26 award is not likely to change.

Transferability Overview

Transferability is a flexibility to transfer federal funds between ESEA programs and activities that best address the unique local needs.

Transferability Purpose

Transferability allows LEAs to transfer up to 100% of the funds they receive under Title II-A and Title IV-A to ESEA grants for which they receive allocations, including Title I-A, Title I-C, Title I-D, Title II-A, Title III, Title IV-A, and Title V Part B RLIS. Transferred funds become funds of the program to which they are transferred and subject to the rules and requirements applicable to the funds that they are transferred to.

Transfer Funds From Title II-A and Title IV-A

The first step in completing the Transferability section is identify the amount of money (if any) the LEA plans to transfer from Title II-A and/or Title IV-A.

Transferability

Complete this section to notify the SEA that the LEA is transferring or flexing funds per the provisions of ESEA § 5103(b).

From Fund	To Fund						
	Title I, Part A (24101)	Title I, Part C (24103)	Title I, Part D (24104)	Title II, Part A (24154)	Title III EL (24153)	Title IV, Part A (24189)	Title V, Part B RLIS (24160)
Title II, Part A (24154)	<input type="text" value="\$100,000.00"/>	<input type="text" value="Amount"/>	<input type="text" value="\$100.00"/>	N/A	<input type="text" value="\$0.00"/>	<input type="text" value="\$0.00"/>	<input type="text" value="Amount"/>
Title IV, Part A (24189)	<input type="text" value="\$0.00"/>	<input type="text" value="Amount"/>	<input type="text" value="\$0.00"/>	<input type="text" value="\$0.00"/>	<input type="text" value="\$0.00"/>	N/A	<input type="text" value="Amount"/>

The rows listed on the left indicate which grant fund, Title II-A or Title IV-A, **from** which the LEA is transferring funds. The columns show the grants **to** which the funds are transferring.

LEAs can only make transfers from funds allocated to it under Title II-A or Title IV-A to its other allocations under Title I-A, -C, -D, Title II-A, Title III, Title IV-A or Title V-B. LEAs should enter \$0 if choosing not to transfer funds.

Review Transfer Results

As the LEA makes transfer decisions, the allocation amounts in the UA will automatically adjust. The transfer results box records transfers *in* and *out*.

	Transfer Results						
	Title I, Part A (24101)	Title I, Part C (24103)	Title I, Part D (24104)	Title II, Part A (24154)	Title III EL (24153)	Title IV, Part A (24189)	Title V, Part B RLIS (24160)
Allocation	\$33,088,882.00	\$0.00	\$127,210.25	\$3,232,815.00	\$1,352,197.73	\$2,441,513.00	\$0.00
Transferred In	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Transferred Out	N/A	N/A	N/A	-\$100,100.00	N/A	\$0.00	N/A
Transfer Total	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	-\$100,100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Allocation after Transfers	\$33,188,882.00	\$0.00	\$127,310.25	\$3,132,715.00	\$1,352,197.73	\$2,441,513.00	\$0.00

LEAs should complete the Transferability/AFUA submodule first because of the impact transferred funds will have on compliance decisions. If an LEA makes changes to this submodule later, the LEA might have to make other adjustments in the UA.

Transferability Preview

Transferability

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Title IV, Part A (24189)	<input type="text" value="\$0.00"/>	<input type="text" value="Amount"/>	<input type="text" value="\$0.00"/>	<input type="text" value="\$0.00"/>	<input type="text" value="\$0.00"/>	<input type="text" value="N/A"/>
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Alternative Fund Use Authority (AFUA)



AFUA Overview

Alternative Fund Use Authority (AFUA) allows LEAs which are eligible for the Small, Rural School Achievement Program (SRSA) to flexibly use Title II and Title IV-A grant funds.

AFUA Purpose

According to ESEA §5211, any LEA eligible for Title V Part B Subpart 1 (SRSA) may exercise AFUA. This provision gives an eligible LEA broad authority to spend Title II-A and Title IV-A funds on activities carried out in one or more of the following programs: Title I-A, Title II-A, Title III-A, Title IV-A, Title IV-B.

AFUA in the UA ^(1/2)

In the AFUA section, LEAs will indicate if they are eligible for the Small, Rural School Achievement (SRSA) program (Title V, Part B, Subpart 1). This eligibility is determined by the U.S. Department of Education.

Alternate Fund Use Authority (AFUA)

Complete this section to notify the SEA if the LEA is exercising alternate fund use authority per the provisions of ESEA §5211(a).

*Is the LEA eligible for SRSA?

Please Select Yes or No



AFUA in the UA (2/2)

LEAs that are eligible for SRSA will indicate whether they will utilize Alternative Fund Use Authority (AFUA) for their Title II-A and Title IV-A funds, if applicable.

Alternate Fund Use Authority (AFUA)

Complete this section to notify the SEA if the LEA is exercising alternate fund use authority per the provisions of ESEA §5211(a).

*Is the LEA eligible for SRSA?

Yes

*Are you planning to utilize AFUA for Title II, Part A?

Please Select Yes or No

*Are you planning to utilize AFUA for Title IV, Part A?

Please Select Yes or No

LEAs using the AFUA flexibility will use the “AFUA” grant management code in the Expenditure Detail module to indicate which Title II-A and Title IV-A funds they are using flexibly, i.e., on activities related to other federal programs. In the description, the LEA should note the grant for which the expenditure is allowable.

Note: While Title II or Title IV-A funds may be used for activities authorized under these programs, funds marked “AFUA” are not subject to all of the requirements of these programs. For example, AFUA is not subject to set-aside requirements, such as the requirement that an LEA receiving \$30,000 or more of Title IV-A funds use not less than 20% to support well-rounded education; 20% to support safe and healthy students; and a portion to support the effective use of technology.

Launch of the ESEA Submodules



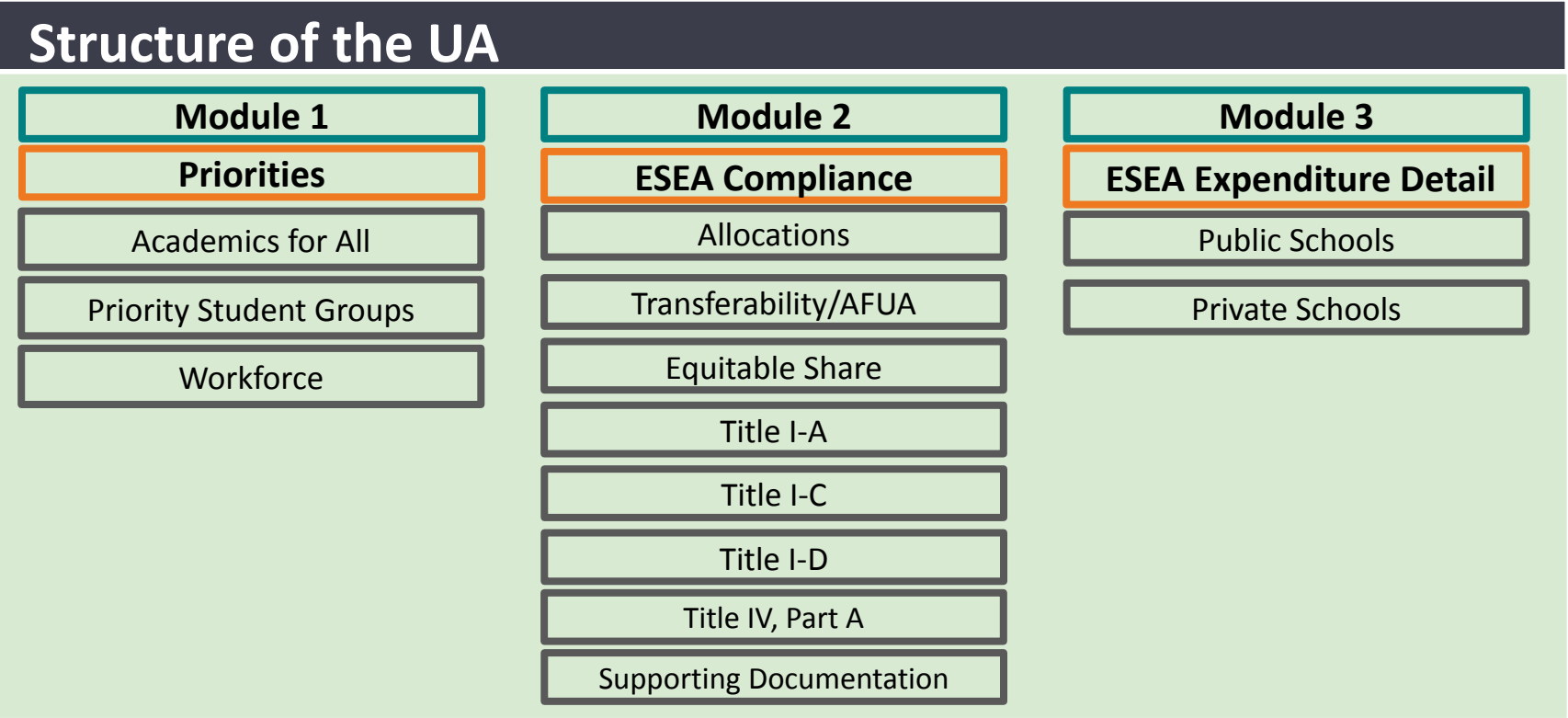
Key Milestones for the UA

The Unified Application will launch in three stages: the Pre-Application module, ESEA, and IDEA. The Unified Application will be due April 16th.

Date	UA Milestone
February 17th	Pre-Application module opens.
March 3rd	Unified Application opens – all modules (except IDEA submodules) available.
March 17th	IDEA submodules released.
April 16th	UA due.

Launch of the Unified Application

LEAs now have access to the ESEA Compliance and Expenditure Detail modules in the Unified Application.



In addition to the Pre-Application and Priorities Module, LEAs will have access to the ESEA Compliance & Expenditure Detail Modules.

Completing the Unified Application

LEAs should begin to work through each submodule to ensure they have time to address questions and to receive the support they need.

Key reminders for UA Completion:

- Planning Leads can add Grant Editors within their LEA. Instructions on this process are linked on the [UA Support Page](#).
- LEAs must agree to the assurances in the Pre-Application module to access the rest of the UA.
- Once assurances are complete, LEAs can view all other available modules. Modules and submodules do not have to be completed in a specific order, but some submodules are interrelated. More information is available in guidance (shared in the next slide).
- Planning Leads should use key resources on the Unified Application Support Page, including the Unified Application Planning Guide, Program Guidance, and the UA X-ray to complete the application.

Federal Program Guidance

Federal program guidance has been updated to align to all necessary compliance processes captured in the UA.



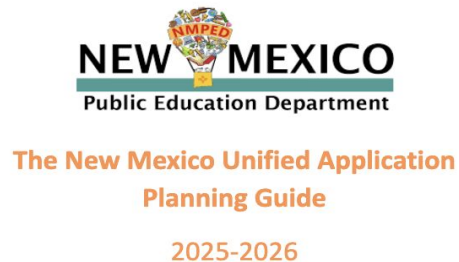
New Mexico Unified Application
Federal Program Guidance for SY 2025-2026

Federal program guidance is organized into a single document, structured by each federal grant program.

LEAs can consult this document for grant-specific guidance.

The UA Planning Guide

LEAs should review the [UA guide](#) as they work to complete the ESEA modules of the UA. The guide walks through the key information LEAs need as they navigate the UA process.



The UA Guide contains the following components:

- **Planning Process Outline** — clarified how an LEA can organize teams to strategically leverage federal funds to key priorities.
- **Technical Instructions** — describes how to navigate the UA within OBMS.
- **Planning Framework:** supports LEAs to complete each module.

The UA Guide is shared as a live google document. Updates may be made as needed. Version history will be updated in the document.

The UA X-Ray

The UA X-Ray is a tool LEAs can use to understand how fields are populated and the calculations conducted in the UA. LEAs can reference the X-Ray to diagnose any errors they might run into.

Allocations Snapshot

	Title I, Part A (24101)	Title I, Part C (24103)	Title I, Part D (24104)	Title II, Part A (24154)	Title III EL (24153)	Title III Immigrant (24163)	Title IV, Part A (24189)	Title V, Part B RLIS (24160)
Inputs								
Allocation	This is a direct data pull from the OBMS system; allocations for Title III EL (24153) will display for each consortium member							
Multi-LEA consortia <i>This figure is only available for fiscal agents.</i>		This is a direct data pull from the OBMS system			Built for future; not functional this year		Built for future; not functional this year	
Transfers Total	Transferability/AFUA view: Transfer Total (positive or negative)							
Transferred In	Transferability/AFUA view: Transferred In (positive)							
Transferred Out	Transferability/AFUA view: Transferred Out (display is positive, but is a deduction)							
Total Current Year Funds	This is Allocation after Multi-LEA consortia and Transfers Total							
Total Carryover Funds	This is a direct data pull from the OBMS system; will be \$0 until late fall 2025							
Total Current Year and Carryover	Total Current Year Funds plus Total Carryover Funds							
Total Private School Share <i>Current year and carryover</i>	Title I-A Step 0 view: Total amount available for distribution Private in Step 0A		ESEA ES Calculations view: Total Equitable Share for Private Schools (note that this value excludes direct admin and IDC)					

UA Guidance Materials

LEAs will have access to all guidance materials on the [UA Support Page](#), including the Unified Application Planning Guide, Federal Programs Guidance, and the UA X-Ray document.

LEAs have access to the following guidance materials:

- **UA Training Materials** – including decks and recordings from weekly pilot calls;
- **Guidance and resources** – including consolidated assurances, OBMS access instructions, and
- **Templates** – including resources for uploading Title I Carryover Justification, the Comprehensive Needs Assessment, the GEPA Statement, the Homeless Needs Assessment, Supplement Not Supplant Form, and Tribal Consultation.

Next Steps



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Next steps:

- Download and review the Unified Application Planning Guide and Program Guidance from the [Unified Application Support Page](#).

Moving Forward



Weekly Federal Programs Team Calls Schedule (1/2)

Further training on the Unified Application components will take place until applications are due. Planning leads should ensure personnel attend sessions relevant to their LEAs; not all sessions will be applicable to all LEAs.

Date	Phase	Audience *denotes mandatory	Description
January 7	Pre-Application	Federal Programs Directors* All LEA Roles	Overview of Unified Application Structure (including budget) and pre-application modules (consolidated assurances, district contacts, etc.)
January 14	Pre-Application	Federal Programs Directors* All LEA Roles	Overview of Pre-Application Activities (Assurances, , NOVA data validation, LEA Access, etc.).
January 21	Pre-Application	Federal Programs Directors* All LEA Roles	Comprehensive Needs Assessments, Tribal Consultation, Homeless Needs Assessment
January 28	Pre-Application	Chief Academic Officers* All LEA Roles	Priorities module overview: Academics for All, Priority Student Groups, Educator Workforce
February 4	Pre-Application	Private School Equitable Services Captains (Geographical LEAs only)* All LEA Roles	ESSA Equitable Services
February 11	Pre-Application	Geographical LEA Title I Directors* All LEA Roles	Title I A: Reservations and Rank & Serve
February 17th	Pre-Application Module Opens		
February 18	Pre-Application	Federal Programs Directors* All LEA Roles	Title IV & Title III
February 25	Pre-Application	Federal Programs Directors* All LEA Roles	Expenditure Detail Module & Guidance
March 3	UA Opens (ESEA)		

Planned Topics for Weekly Federal Programs Team Calls (2/2)

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Date	Phase	Audience *denotes mandatory	Description Tentative & Subject to Change
March 4	Application Completion	Federal Programs Directors* All LEA Roles	Launching and Transferability/AFUA
March 11	Application Completion	Chief Financial Officers/Business Managers* All LEA Roles	Overview of finance processes that will stay the same and any differences
March 17th	UA Opens (IDEA)		
March 18	Application Completion	All LEA Roles	Outstanding Questions
March 25	Application Completion	IDEA Coordinators All LEA Roles	IDEA Compliance & Proportionate Share
April 1	Application Completion	All LEA Roles	Submitting the Application
April 8	Application Completion	All LEA Roles	Application Review & Approval
April 15	Application Completion	All LEA Roles	Outstanding Questions
April 16	UA Submissions Due		

Exit Survey: Questions & Feedback

Link to exit survey

<https://tinyurl.com/NMUAMarch4>

Please send any questions regarding the Unified Application to:

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