

**Subject:** Emergency Assistance for Non-Public Schools Program Update #6  
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Greetings Wisconsin Private Schools and Interested Parties,

The purpose of this email is to provide information about allowable expenses within the EANS program, now that the application window has closed.

## Understanding Allowable Expenses

Now that we are moving into the program acceptance period, we know many schools are planning for reimbursements and future purchases. We have, in previous updates, provided some initial information about specific allowable expenses, given some changes in guidance from the U.S. Department of Education. At the same time, we have been working with CESA 6 on a broader list of possible expenses with information about whether those expenses are allowable or not.

[This spreadsheet](#) lists expenses and indicates whether the expense is allowable for past reimbursement, future reimbursement, or direct service. This is a compilation of topics we have heard in questions from you. It is also a work in progress. We appreciate the patience and flexibility you all have offered thus far, as we learn more from the U.S. Department of Education. Our goal is to be as clear, consistent, and reasonable as possible within the bounds of the law so that this program may be as beneficial as possible for participating schools.

As you review [the spreadsheet](#), please keep in mind that

1. If there are specific items you think are missing, you may email [EANS@cesa6.org](mailto:EANS@cesa6.org).
2. This document is a draft and will remain a draft as we expect continued changes, but we are doing our best to ensure that the information we provide is as certain as possible.

Finally, regarding a specific question we addressed in Program Update #4 (sent 3/25/2021): improvements to ventilation systems. As we noted at the time, updated federal guidance clarified that, while the law allowed purchases of windows and other improvements to ventilation systems, the law (and other federal regulations) requires that items purchased (or reimbursed) with EANS funds, remain in public title and it is not possible to have title on permanent features. Here's some important information on that topic:

- The same guidance clarifies that services to improve ventilation are allowed.
- As such, **we are allowing services to install items or systems that are purchased with private funds to improve ventilation.**
  - Invoices will need to distinguish service from products.
- Importantly, those services must be provided directly. You will learn more about this from CESA 6. (But for now, don't book anything or sign any contracts yet!)

## Next steps for schools accepted into the EANS Program

As you know, the EANS application window closed on Monday, April 12th. **Thank you to all the schools that submitted applications within the application window!**

Please remember that DPI is reviewing applications on a rolling basis. **DPI will approve or deny applications within 30 days of receipt.** If we have any questions about your application during the review process, we will reach out to you.

If you have any questions about your application, or want to check its status, please email [EANS@dpi.wi.gov](mailto:EANS@dpi.wi.gov). Know that DPI is in the process of reviewing applications and you will receive confirmation of your application acceptance or denial within 30 days of submission.

In the meantime, please plan to join [future CESA 6 webinars](#)

- **April 20, 2:00** - Utilization of Funds: Reimbursements & Direct Services Process
  - [Registration](#)
- **May 25, 2:00** - Reimbursements: Process for Claiming Prior and Future
  - [Registration](#)

If you haven't yet, you will find [this recording](#) of the April 6th CESA 6 webinar a helpful introduction to the EANS Program.

- Please consider completing [this survey](#) to provide feedback on the webinar.

We hope this information is helpful. If you have any questions, please email [EANS@cesa6.org](mailto:EANS@cesa6.org).

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