

THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT OF 1979 (EXCERPT)
Act 94 of 1979

388.1699u Online mathematics and literacy tool.

Sec. 99u.

(1) From the state school aid fund money appropriated in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed \$6,000,000.00 for 2023-2024 only to districts to access an online mathematics and literacy tool.

(2) Funding received under subsection (1) may be used only for the following purposes:

(a) A mathematics tool that meets all of the following:

(i) Student motivation contests to encourage engagement and external motivation.

(ii) Reporting aligned to a national measurement scale to track progress for each student.

(iii) Age-appropriate targeted math instruction that is online, adaptive, and has academically rigorous math concepts.

(iv) Access to on-demand, live certified math teachers who must be available to students for a minimum of 40 hours a week during nonholiday weeks.

(v) Provide academic language development in math through multiple strategic scaffolding and journaling opportunities.

(vi) Received funding under this section in 2022-2023.

(b) A literacy tool that meets all of the following:

(i) Incorporates systematic and explicit instruction in the following 5 key areas of literacy:

(A) Phonics.

(B) Phonemic awareness.

(C) Fluency.

(D) Vocabulary.

(E) Comprehension.

(ii) Provides opportunities for speech recognition.

(iii) Develops academic vocabulary.

(iv) Provides first language support in at least 10 prevalent languages spoken by English language learner students.

(v) Received funding under this section in 2022-2023.

(3) To be eligible to receive funding under this section, a district must apply for funding through an easy-to-use 1-page application prescribed by the department. Districts using the tool under this section during 2022-2023 are automatically eligible for funding under this section.

(4) The funds allocated under this section for 2023-2024 are a work project appropriation, and any unexpended funds for 2023-2024 are carried forward into 2024-2025. The purpose of the work project is to provide more personalized and adaptive tools for students with an emphasis on including English language learners. The estimated completion date of the work project is September 30, 2025.

(5) A district that receives funding under this section or the operator of the online tool obtained by the school district receiving funding under this section shall submit a report to the department by August 1, 2024. The report must include all of the following:

(a) The number of students enrolled in the program.

(b) A list of schools that participated in the program.

(c) The total number of lessons completed by students.

(d) A valid reliable growth metric that demonstrates student progress.

(6) Notwithstanding section 17b, the department shall make payments under this section by not later than December 1 of each fiscal year for which funding is allocated under this section.

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