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123

# Dates, Dollars, & Details

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## Safety Net

During the 2007 legislative session there were three significant changes to special education funding all of which effect Safety Net to some degree.

The excess costs methodology was eliminated and special education accounting will now use a full cost accounting methodology. Funding for 3 and 4 year olds receiving special education services is enhanced to the rate for birth to 2 year old rate and these ages are no longer included in the 12.7 index. A new category for funding was created – community impact – which provides a funding opportunity for districts in communities that draw a large number of students in need of special education services due to factors beyond the control of the district.

Safety Net continues to be a combination of state and federal funding available to school districts that convincingly demonstrate financial need for their special education program. Funding categories are for high-cost individual students and community impact. The required forms are in excel format and can be downloaded from the OSPI website at <http://www.k12.wa.us/SpecialEd/SafetyNet.aspx>. More detailed information can be found in OSPI bulletin 100-07.

OSPI recommends that the IEPs for all potential high cost individuals be reviewed to ensure that the IEPs meet high cost individual award criteria.

If you have any questions or would like assistance in preparing your application please contact Larry Bush at ext 5742 or Michelle Ewell at ext 5776.



## Mileage Rates

Beginning January 1, 2008, the IRS standard mileage rate is scheduled to increase to 50.5 cents a mile for business use of a car. The standard mileage rates are based on an annual study of the fixed and variable costs of operating an automobile during the year ending in October conducted by an independent contractor. At this time OFM has not announced a rate change.

If you have questions please contact Michelle Ewell at ext 5776.

*Districts are encouraged to calculate their K-4 and K-12 ratios, and review the funded number of LID days for the 2007-2008 school year to ensure funding is maximized.*

*Funding will be based on actual amounts in January.*

*If you would like assistance in reviewing this information please contact Michelle Ewell or Russ Whiteaker.*

## Safety Net Dates

Tentative deadlines for receipt of Safety Net applications at OSPI are as follows:

December 21, 2007

February 29, 2008

April 18, 2008



Hard copy applications must be received at OSPI by 5:00 pm on deadline day. Faxes and electronic submission are not accepted.

A pilot project is being tested this year and five districts will be provided the opportunity to submit electronic application.

## Title 1 Training

Petrea Stoddard and Larry Fazzari from OSPI will be conducting the Title 1 Spring Workshop around the state. They will review how to complete the Title 1 Part A application for 2008-09 using the iGrants system. Changes will be highlighted and the new schedule for application submission. Topics to be covered will include carryover, budget revisions, application revision, obligation of funds, discussion of requirements and rules for set asides and building allocations. The spring workshops focus on topics with fiscal impact to districts and should have insights for both the district business manager and Title 1 directors. Attending together will provide an opportunity to work on this application as a team.

**Plan to attend this training on March 3, 2008 at the ESD from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. If you would like to attend please register on the OSPI events manager website <https://eds.ospi.k12.wa.us/EventsManager/Public/Calendar.aspx>.**

If you are unable to attend the training at ESD 123 the training is being offered at other ESDs throughout the state.

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|------------------------|---------------------|
| March 4 <sup>th</sup>  | ESD 171             |
| March 5 <sup>th</sup>  | ESD 105             |
| March 11 <sup>th</sup> | ESD 113             |
| March 12 <sup>th</sup> | ESD 114             |
| March 14 <sup>th</sup> | ESD 121 Puget Sound |
| March 25 <sup>th</sup> | ESD 101             |
| March 27 <sup>th</sup> | ESD 189             |
| March 28 <sup>th</sup> | ESD 112             |



# Upcoming Deadlines and Important Dates

| Date  | Title   | Form #            |
|---|---|-------------------|
| December  | 3 Final enrollment revisions for 06-07                  | P223,223S, P240   |
|   | 10 Grant expenditures due to OSPI-paper submission      | 1000E             |
|   | 10 Enrollment counts due to ESD                         | P223, P223S,P240  |
|   | 18 Grant expenditures due to OSPI-electronic submission | 1000E             |
|   | 21 Apportionment report available                       |                   |
|   | 21 Safety net application due to OSPI                   | 1381              |
|   | 28 Filing deadline for February 19th levy               |                   |
| 31 Corrections to edit exceptions for 07-08 S275 due to ESD | S275  |                   |
| January   | 10 Grant expenditures due to OSPI-paper submission      | 1000E             |
|   | 10 Enrollment counts due to ESD                         | P223, P223S, P240 |
|   | 18 Filing deadline for March 11th levy                  |                   |
|   | 21 Grant expenditures due to OSPI-electronic submission | 1000E             |
|   | 24 Apportionment report available                       |                   |
|   | 31 W-2s distributed to employees                        |                   |
|   | 31 1099s provided to vendors                            |                   |
| February  | 8 Grant expenditures due to OSPI-paper submission       | 1000E             |
|   | 11 Enrollment counts due to ESD                         | P223, P223S, P240 |
|   | 19 Grant expenditures due to OSPI-electronic submission | 1000E             |
|   | 19 Levy election  |                   |
|   | 20 Safety net oversight committee meeting               |                   |
|   | 22 Apportionment report available                       |                   |
|   | 29 Safety net application due to OSPI                   | 1381              |

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