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parts 76 or 80 that are reasonably related to carrying out the early intervention component of the NEISP Program:

- (a) In-service training of project staff.
- (b) Transportation and meal costs for participants and staff for—
- (1) Approved visits to postsecondary educational institutions in the area;
- (2) Participation in "College Days" and "College Fair" activities; and
- (3) Field trips to observe and meet with people who are employed in various career fields and who can act as role models for early intervention participants.
 - (c) Purchasing testing materials.
- (d) Admission fees, transportation, and other costs necessary to participate in field trips, attend educational activities, visit museums, and attend other events that have as their purpose the intellectual, social, and cultural development of early intervention participants.
- (e) Courses in English language instruction for participants with limited proficiency in English, if these classes are limited to early intervention component participants and if these classes are not otherwise available to those participants.
- (f) For participants in an early intervention residential summer activity, room and board—computed on a weekly basis—not to exceed the weekly rate a host institution charges regularly enrolled students at the institution.
- (g) Room and board for those people responsible for dormitory supervision of early intervention component participants during a residential summer activity.
- (h) Transportation costs of early intervention component participants for regularly scheduled component activities.
- (i) Transportation, meals, and overnight accommodations for staff members if they are required to accompany participants in program activities such as field trips.
- (j) Costs of remedial and special classes if—
- (1) These classes are limited to early intervention component participants; and

(2) Identical instruction is not readily available through another Federal program or a State, local, or privately funded program.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-22)

§ 693.51 What are nonallowable costs that may not be charged to administration of the early intervention component?

A State may not use its NEISP Program funds for costs incurred for the early intervention component of the NEISP Program such as—

- (a) Duplication of services that are available to participants through—
- (1) State, local, or private sources not included in the State plan under \$693.11; or
- (2) Other Federal programs, such as projects under the Federal TRIO programs;
- (b) Research not directly related to the evaluation or improvement of the program;
- (c) Purchase of any equipment, unless the State demonstrates to the Secretary's satisfaction that purchase is less expensive than renting or leasing;
- (d) Meals for program staff except as provided in §693.50.
 - (e) Clothing:
- (f) Construction, renovation, or remodeling of any facilities; or
- (g) Tuition, stipends, or any other form of student financial support for program staff.

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§ 693.52 What requirements must a State meet in preparing and submitting an evaluation report?

- (a) Each State receiving an allotment under this part shall prepare and submit to the Secretary every two vears an evaluation of the early intervention component of its NEISP Program. The report must summarize and evaluate a State's activities under the program and the performance of the student participants. Each State's evaluation report design must include measures that permit the State to track allparticipating students progress throughout each student's participation in the program.
- (b) The biennial evaluation report of the early intervention component of

the program must include, but is not limited to—

- (1) Quantifiable information on the extent to which the State's program is fulfilling the program objectives;
- (2) The effect of the program on the student recipients being served by the program, including measurable outcomes such as improved academic performance, increased postsecondary education enrollment and retention, increased elementary and secondary school grade retention, reduced elementary and secondary school dropout rates, and reduced financial barriers to attendance at institutions of higher education:
- (3) The barriers to the effectiveness of the program and recommendations for changes or improvements to the program;
- (4) The cost-effectiveness of the program:
- (5) The extent to which the student recipients comply with the requirements of the program;
- (6) Key program information listed on an annual and biennial basis:
- (7) Other pertinent program measurements concerning the early intervention component that the State believes would be useful to the Secretary, which may be displayed through analytical charts, tables, and graphs; and
- (8) Any other information required by the Secretary in order to carry out the evaluation report function.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-26)

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§ 694.1 What is the maximum amount that the Secretary may award each fiscal year to a Partnership or a State under this program?

- (a) Partnership grants. The maximum amount that the Secretary may award each fiscal year for a GEAR UP Partnership grant is calculated by multiplying—
 - (1) \$800; by
- (2) The number of students the Partnership proposes to serve that year, as stated in the Partnership's plan.
- (b) State grants. The Secretary establishes the maximum amount that may be awarded each fiscal year for a GEAR UP State grant in a notice published in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

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