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**To:** Superintendents (ESDs and Districts), Charter School Leaders, Principals, K-12 Public Information Officers, Business Managers, SPED Directors

**From:** Special Education Stipend Team on behalf of the Oregon Department of Education

**Date:** November 15, 2024

**Re:** Guidance and Application Now Available: \$8.9 Million in Stipends for Special Education Staff

Dear Education Partners,

Application forms and guidance are now available for the Special Education Staff Stipend funds allocated by the Legislature in SB 5701 in 2024.

Please note that information provided in the email sent **on October 30** has been **updated**, including language on eligibility criteria and the application deadline. The corrected information is included in this email and the accompanying guidance document.

Links to all documents are now available on the [2024-25 SPED Staff Stipends Grant Webpage](#).

## How to Access Funds

**Step 1.** Read the [Guidance and Frequently Asked Questions documents](#).

**Step 2.** Submit the [Application Form](#), including the list of qualifying special education staff (names and position type) to ODE by **5PM on January 13, 2025**.

**Step 3.** Review and sign your grant agreement, which will provide the grant award amount.

**Step 4.** Once approved, submit the request for funds through ODE's Electronic Grant Management System (EGMS) and issue stipend payments to qualifying staff.

## Contact Us

For additional information, please contact [ode.spedstipends@ode.oregon.gov](mailto:ode.spedstipends@ode.oregon.gov)

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