

## PART B EXCESS COST - IDEA

LEA must use IDEA Part B funds only to pay the excess costs of providing special education and related services to children with disabilities

See 34 CFR § 300.202(a)(2)

## PART B EXCESS COST DEFINITION

What are excess costs?

Costs in excess of the average annual per-pupil expenditure (APPE) in an LEA during the preceding school year

Excess costs must be computed separately for elementary school students and secondary school students using the method described.

See 34 CFR § 300.16 and  
Appendix A to 34 CFR Part 300

## PART B EXCESS COST DEFINITION Continued

As part of its general supervisory responsibilities the SEA must ensure that each LEA:

Provides an assurance to the SEA, as part of its application for Part B funds, that it will use IDEA Part B funds only to pay the excess costs of providing special education and related services to children with disabilities

Computes excess costs in accordance with the requirements in 34 CFR §300.16

See 34 CFR § 300.149 and § 300.600

# FPP Chart of Accounts – Elementary Definition

100 – Elementary Schools – Normally classified as elementary instruction by state and local practice and composed of any span of grades from preschool through but not above grade 8.

Charter Schools must use series 900-919

# Excess Cost Calculation – Issue

Consistency – multiple districts managing the calculation of excess cost in a different inconsistent way.

No OSEP definition for Elementary vs. Secondary

Definite monitoring by OSEP could result in findings or comments due to:

- A. Process not being completed
- B. Process inconsistent
- C. CDE lack of monitoring in past

# Excess Cost Calculation – Resolution

CDE provides reporting consistently across districts to allow accurate reporting of Excess Costs and consistent ‘split’ between Elementary and Secondary levels

Additional tool to provide flexibility to district to reclassify expense should the split not accommodate actual division of grades

Easily accessible and supportable tool for OSEP and CDE fiscal monitoring in 2019 and beyond.