



2021 Special Education Extended School Year (ESY) Staff Q&A

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From 4/21/21

Q: Will you email out an FAQ of everything answered in the Google form?

A: *Yes, a link to the Q&A will be included in the School Messenger email notifications*

Q: What are the Special Education webpages you post on for information?

A: https://staff.sandiegounified.org/departments/special_education/staff_links

Q: Will you update the FAQ doc for questions that come up during the Q&A zooms that we cannot attend?

A: *Yes, the Q&A form will continue to be updated*

Q: When will bid/applying open?

A: *Post and Bid dates - for classified staff, April 27th through May 7th; for certificated staff, April 1st through April 30th. Admin Circulars are posted on the Special Ed website listed above. All other questions please contact Human Resources*

Q: Will paraprofessionals (paras) be able to apply?

A: *Yes same as classified staff – April 27th through May 7th.*

Q: I am a new para. How or where do I sign up?

A: *See Admin Circular 45, use eRecruit, posted on Special Ed webpage.*

Q: Where will the “in-person” ESY sites be located?

A: *See following link: https://staff.sandiegounified.org/departments/special_education/staff_links Special Education Website and link in the School Messenger email notifications*

Q: When will we know the ESY host sites and feeder schools so I can apply for the feeder school for my students if we do not host?

A: *See following link: https://staff.sandiegounified.org/departments/special_education/staff_links Special Education Website and link in the School Messenger email notifications*

Q: Will there be an online option for ESY?

A: *Yes if applying to work, make sure to apply for online. Teachers will indicate for students through the ESY registration page.*

Q: What will be the schedule (time of day) for ESY?

A: *See the ESY Host Site Listing, bell times are listed.*

Q: If a student with ESY on their IEP wants in-person, is this an option or is ESY only online?

A: *ESY will be available either online OR in-person, but not both. Parents must pick one or the other.*



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Q: Will teachers be teaching either in-person or online students, and not both?

A: *Teachers will provide either online OR in-person instruction, not both.*

Q: Will teachers have the option of teaching online or in-person?

A: *Yes*

Q: If my site is hosting ESY, will I be assigned to my own school or is that not an option?

A: *It is highly probable staff will be assigned to their own site but not a guarantee.*

Q: If a student is in 8th grade will they attend ESY at the middle school or the high school?

A: *ESY is an extension of the current year so the student will be assigned to the same grade level and will attend in Middle School.*

Q: What are the pay rates? Are in-person and online different from each other?

A: *Refer to Human Resources*

Q: Will ESY be open to mild/mod students this year?

A: *ESY is open to students who have ESY on their IEP.*

Q: If a parent's child who qualified for ESY, wants in-person, are they then enrolled in "Summer Experience" not ESY?

A: *All students with ESY on their IEP should be enrolled in ESY unless the parent chooses to enroll in Summer Experience vs ESY. Summer Experience will not offer ESY services.*

Q: Can a student with an ESY eligible IEP sign up for Summer Experience if they are already qualified for ESY?

A: *All students with ESY on their IEP should be enrolled in ESY unless the parent chooses to enroll in Summer Experience vs ESY. Summer Experience will not offer ESY services. A student enrolled for in-person ESY can participate in the Summer Experience at their site.*

Q: Is there support provided by an Ed Specialist for that Summer Experience Program?

A: *Yes Support but not services.*

Q: Are Ed Specialists required to provide supports for a student who decides to do Summer Experience?

A: *If you apply for and are offered an available position, yes. Support but not services...*



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Q: Can students in mod/severe program participate in Summer Experience at choiced sites? (Our families want to do summer school but not at a random school.)

A: *Mod/Severe students that register for ESY will be placed at an ESY site based on their school of residence. **Unsure if students can attend ANY site for Summer Experience.** ESY is run as it ais every summer. There are several sites for ESY. Those selected sites serve clusters of sites.*

Q: If students eligible for ESY enroll in Summer Experience instead, will transportation be provided if Summer Experience is not at their school of residence?

A: *No. Students with ESY on their IEP should enroll in ESY.*

Q: Will students attending in-person at Whittier be managed by the current case manager keeping the schedule as much as now?

A: *There will be an attempt to serve specialized settings as per the typical school year but cannot be guaranteed.*

Q: Do we notify Naomi Lewis in Special Education of the parent's ESY selection or do we select it in PowerSchool?

A: *Teachers should use the ESY Registration form in PowerSchool to indicate the parents preference.*

Q: Would it be possible to get the written instructions on the enrollment process emailed to teachers?

A: *Yes, it will be posted on the Special Ed website or sent through School Messenger.*

Q: Will there be a job aid on how to enroll students for ESY through PowerSchool?

A: *Yes, it will be posted on the Special Ed website or sent through School Messenger.*

Q: Will Principals have a staffing meeting with HR like we have in the years past about our ESY programs? (2020 ESY was unique and this did not happen causing complications and confusion around staffing, especially for office staff. It would be so helpful to have these meetings again.)

A: *The Special Education Department will hold meetings with hired administrators prior to ESY.*

Q: Are case managers going to be given a survey that they can send to parents to ask if they want in-person or online ESY. If so, will it be available in English and Spanish.

A: *No, case managers should be calling parents with information about ESY and can ask at that time.*

Q: Will there be a letter with general information about ESY for parents understanding that specific information for each student can be added by the case manager?

A: *PowerSchool offers an ESY Assignment confirmation letter, it is not modifiable. Teachers are welcome to create their own letter to parents if they chose to do so*



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Q: For students who receive transportation for ESY, will pick up and drop off locations be at the school of residence as was the case in the past?

A: *Student who currently receive 'Special Ed transportation' will have that SAME service to the ESY site. Student who do NOT currently receive 'Special Ed transportation' will be picked up and dropped off at the school of residence.*

Q: How do we know which ESY site a student is supposed to attend?

A: *ESY assignments are in PowerSchool, you can find assignment information on the ESY page and there are reports sites can run from PowerSchool and letters the site can print and send to parents confirming the ESY site.*

Q: Is Chollas-Meade the only school offering ESY for ECSE? It's the only school specified with ECSE next to its name.

A: *Chollas/Mead, Alcott and Foster will offer ECSE for ESY.*

Q: How do I sign up to teach my ECSE/MPC class? It isn't listed and this was a problem last year also.

A: *Contact HR.*

Q: What is the "deadline" (whether soft or not) for Ed Specs to input ESY info into PowerSchool?

A: *As soon as possible because we need to prepare transportation, teacher allocations, food service, etc. We take all registration up to the first day of ESY, but late registrations will affect these things.*

Q: I am an Intern teacher. Am I eligible to work ESY?

A: *Contact Human Resources.*