

Project 618

What is Project 618?

Project 618 in its simplest form is **“one-time secondary transition funds”** districts may use for developing or expanding transition programs for students with disabilities ages 18 through the school year in which the student turns 22.

- The funds may only be used to purchase curriculum, equipment, and/or materials to support secondary transition or professional development directly supporting secondary transition, such as post-secondary education/training, employment, independent living, or community participation.
- The intent is to improve post-secondary outcomes for students with disabilities.
- Districts will receive an allocation based on their October 1, 2022, child count of OAAP students ages 17-21 and will be age 18 through the end of the school year in which the student turns 22 for school year 2023-2024.

What Can Be Purchased With 618 Funds?

Project 618 can be used to purchase the following:

- Equipment related to transition skills (e.g., washer, dryer, stove/oven, etc.)
- Expenses associated with staff training related to transition skills (e.g., registration fees, staff stipends for summer training, travel to training, substitutes while staff is at training, etc.)
- Hard copy or digital curriculum related to transition skills, including student licenses for the software program.
- Materials related to transition skills (e.g., task boxes, folding boards, etc.)
- Technology related to transition skills (e.g., assistive time devices, adaptive kitchen utensils.)



How Can Districts Apply?

Districts will need to create an application in Grants Management System (GMS) for Project 618.

The application includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Description of how the funds will be used.
- Expected Outcomes

Districts not completing a budget by April 1, 2024, will forfeit their allocation, and funds will be returned to the Oklahoma State Department of Education, Office of Special Education Services.

Budgeted funds may be carried over into the 2024-2025 school year.

Where Do Districts Find Information About Project 618?

Districts can find out information about Project 618 on the **Project 618 Memo** located on the Finance page on the Special Education Services Website.

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