



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF CAREER, TECHNICAL, AND ADULT EDUCATION

PROGRAM MEMORANDUM

TO: State Directors of Adult Education April 8, 2026

FROM: Nicholas J. Moore
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RE: Estimated Adult Education State Award Amounts for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026

Attached are the estimated amounts each State will be awarded for FY 2026 under the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA), title II of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). These funds will become available July 1, 2026.

The second column of the attached table shows the estimated award amounts for the AEFLA State grant program based on the allotment described in section 211(c) of WIOA. Under section 211(e), certain funds are reserved for the outlying areas of American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and the Republic of Palau.

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2026¹ provides \$629,600,400 for formula grants to States to carry out adult education and literacy activities. This represents level funding for the national basic adult education formula grant program in comparison to the appropriation for FY 2025. For purposes of calculating allotments under section 211(c)(2) of WIOA, the Department of Education (ED) used data from the 2024 American Community Survey (ACS) 1-year estimates. The ACS 1-year estimate provides the most current data and is a standard dataset used by other State formula grant programs at ED².

The third column of the attached table shows the amount reserved under section 243 of WIOA for the Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education (IELCE) program, which provides integrated English literacy and civics education, in combination with integrated education and training activities, for English language learners. The total amount provided for IELCE activities under the 2026 Consolidated Appropriations Act is \$85,854,600. This represents level funding for the IELCE program in comparison to the appropriation for FY 2025.

Section 243(b)(1)(A) of WIOA allocates 65 percent of IELCE funds to States based on a State's need for integrated English literacy and civics education. This is determined by calculating each State's share of a 10-year average of the data of the Office of Immigration Statistics of the Department of Homeland Security for immigrants admitted for legal permanent residence for the 10 most recent years.

Under section 243(b)(1)(B) of WIOA, the remaining 35 percent of IELCE funds are allocated to States that have experienced recent growth among the target population as measured by the average of the three most recent years for which the Office of Immigration Statistics of the Department of Homeland Security data for immigrants admitted for legal permanent residence are available. Every State must receive a minimum of \$60,000 for IELCE as required by section 243(b)(2) of WIOA. The most recent year for which legal immigration data are available is 2023.

The fourth column is the total estimated 2026 State award amount, adding columns two and three together. Although the FY 2026 appropriation for the national AEFLA grant program remained the same, in comparison to the appropriation for FY 2025, it is important to note that the estimated amount of individual FY 2026 State grant awards may have increased or decreased due to changes in State-level ACS or legal immigration data.

For State-specific information about the attached estimates, please contact NRS@ed.gov.

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¹ Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2026 (P.L. 119-75).

² Allocations for American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, and the US Virgin Islands are determined using data from the 2020 decennial census, the most recent source of population data for the outlying areas, for the purposes of calculating allotments under section 211(c)(2).

STATE	Basic State Grant: FY 2026 Estimated Award Amount	IELCE: FY 2026 Estimated Award Amount	Total: FY 2026 Estimated Award Amount
ALABAMA	\$9,636,731	\$317,434	\$9,954,165
ALASKA	\$1,192,228	\$95,695	\$1,287,923
ARIZONA	\$14,388,920	\$1,499,836	\$15,888,756
ARKANSAS	\$5,997,524	\$254,419	\$6,251,943
CALIFORNIA	\$101,469,588	\$15,868,822	\$117,338,410
COLORADO	\$7,773,860	\$1,058,011	\$8,831,871
CONNECTICUT	\$5,596,855	\$938,691	\$6,535,546
DELAWARE	\$1,868,386	\$181,332	\$2,049,718
FLORIDA	\$42,347,637	\$10,016,526	\$52,364,163
GEORGIA	\$20,794,400	\$2,178,510	\$22,972,910
HAWAII	\$1,889,961	\$358,929	\$2,248,890
IDAHO	\$3,032,340	\$191,446	\$3,223,786
ILLINOIS	\$21,152,156	\$3,015,378	\$24,167,534
INDIANA	\$11,881,067	\$759,828	\$12,640,895
IOWA	\$4,371,971	\$400,333	\$4,772,304
KANSAS	\$4,337,713	\$408,245	\$4,745,958
KENTUCKY	\$9,114,084	\$541,595	\$9,655,679
LOUISIANA	\$9,730,260	\$381,116	\$10,111,376
MAINE	\$1,653,471	\$117,262	\$1,770,733
MARYLAND	\$9,741,047	\$1,948,594	\$11,689,641
MASSACHUSETTS	\$11,141,372	\$2,652,282	\$13,793,654
MICHIGAN	\$14,740,275	\$1,498,010	\$16,238,285
MINNESOTA	\$6,401,156	\$1,035,734	\$7,436,890
MISSISSIPPI	\$6,344,374	\$138,007	\$6,482,381
MISSOURI	\$9,237,248	\$572,228	\$9,809,476
MONTANA	\$1,589,578	\$60,000	\$1,649,578
NEBRASKA	\$2,751,161	\$369,720	\$3,120,881
NEVADA	\$7,470,039	\$846,385	\$8,316,424
NEW HAMPSHIRE	\$1,590,408	\$175,016	\$1,765,424
NEW JERSEY	\$16,289,724	\$4,332,457	\$20,622,181
NEW MEXICO	\$4,970,959	\$310,605	\$5,281,564
NEW YORK	\$42,282,676	\$10,010,754	\$52,293,430
NORTH CAROLINA	\$18,236,641	\$1,691,552	\$19,928,193
NORTH DAKOTA	\$1,096,329	\$118,408	\$1,214,737
OHIO	\$16,773,609	\$1,417,096	\$18,190,705
OKLAHOMA	\$7,202,492	\$408,126	\$7,610,618
OREGON	\$6,521,238	\$694,458	\$7,215,696
PENNSYLVANIA	\$18,453,334	\$2,200,115	\$20,653,449

STATE	Basic State Grant: FY 2026 Estimated Award Amount	IELCE: FY 2026 Estimated Award Amount	Total: FY 2026 Estimated Award Amount
RHODE ISLAND	\$2,176,237	\$299,191	\$2,475,428
SOUTH CAROLINA	\$9,287,865	\$442,248	\$9,730,113
SOUTH DAKOTA	\$1,284,098	\$80,747	\$1,364,845
TENNESSEE	\$12,228,629	\$828,594	\$13,057,223
TEXAS	\$69,255,724	\$8,862,547	\$78,118,271
UTAH	\$4,019,668	\$545,623	\$4,565,291
VERMONT	\$933,928	\$60,000	\$993,928
VIRGINIA	\$12,872,425	\$2,268,738	\$15,141,163
WASHINGTON	\$11,528,289	\$2,328,656	\$13,856,945
WEST VIRGINIA	\$3,463,118	\$62,108	\$3,525,226
WISCONSIN	\$7,022,310	\$535,037	\$7,557,347
WYOMING	\$898,247	\$60,000	\$958,247
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	\$1,215,937	\$215,931	\$1,431,868
PUERTO RICO	\$10,842,767	\$202,225	\$11,044,992
VIRGIN ISLANDS	\$530,070	\$0	\$530,070
AMERICAN SAMOA	\$181,080	\$0	\$181,080
GUAM	\$487,164	\$0	\$487,164
NORTHERN MARIANAS	\$210,032	\$0	\$210,032
PALAU	\$5,234	\$0	\$5,234
Subtotal	\$629,505,634	\$85,854,600	\$715,360,234
Set-Asides			
Pacific Region Competitive Grants [Section 211(e)]	\$94,766	\$0	\$94,766
TOTAL	\$629,600,400	\$85,854,600	\$715,455,000