

Tennessee Migrant Education Program (MEP) Suggested Use for MEP Funds¹

Costs to Administer the MEP

- Office supplies (e.g. ink, printer cartridges, paper, etc.)
- Computers (e.g. tablets or notebook computers for recruiters)
- Professional library (e.g. software, books, training materials etc.)
- Professional development (e.g. hire speakers, provide onsite and offsite trainings, etc.)
- Support recruitment activities
- Certified Needs Assessment services
- Communications
- Personnel services (e.g. salaries for MEP staff/benefits)

Parent Involvement

- Parent resource center (e.g. provide computer access, ESL self-paced classes, parenting classes, a resource library for families, etc.)
- Training sessions (e.g. hire speakers, host parent/teacher cooperative sessions, etc.)
- Education (e.g. adult education, English as a Second Language lessons, health/well-being classes, etc.)
- Provide transportation and lodging for parents to attend migrant conferences/trainings, etc.
- Parent Action Committee (PAC) engagement activities
- Family literacy programs (support of L1, exploring how parents might encourage bilingualism, etc.)

Student Enrichment

- Notebook computers (for migratory students to check out)
- Computer lab for migratory students
- iPads (useful for video and voice lessons or educational podcasts)
- Migrant classroom (if space is available) to hold supplementary lessons
- Travel (e.g. provide transportation for migrant students to attend supplementary instruction/summer school, after school or before school tutoring, special programs)
- Migrant student library (e.g. educational materials and books for migratory students to borrow)
- Dropout intervention and reduction activities
- Classroom supplies for supplementary activities, summer school, intercession support
- Health services for migrant students without insurance
- Educational support services that provide a pathway to completion of a high school diploma or equivalent for out-of-school-youth²
- Expansion of early childhood services to include three-year-old migrant children

Note: Title I, Part C funds must be used to supplement, and not supplant, any state, local, and federal funds that would otherwise be used for migrant students. [ESSA § 1306 (a)(1)(B)(iii)]

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¹ Not an exhaustive list of allowable expenses. For more information on allowable use of MEP funds, see [Title I, Part C Non-Regulatory Guidance](#).

² "Out-of-School-Youth" is defined as a qualifying migrant child that is not currently enrolled in school and has not achieved a high school diploma or equivalent