

A-205 Policy Council Child Care & Mileage Reimbursement Policy

It is the intent of ESD 105 ECEAP to support parent/guardian involvement and attendance at Policy Council, sub-committee meetings, and participation in other ECEAP activities by subsidizing for child care and mileage expenses. Child care and mileage subsidy rates are established in connection with program budgets and therefore may not entirely cover the cost of child care and mileage that a parent/guardian has while participating. When a need exists, Policy Council Community Representatives may be subsidized for attending Policy Council and sub-committee meetings with prior approval from ECEAP administration.

CHILD CARE

The subsidy will be paid according to established rates if a second parent/guardian is unable to provide care.

Child care subsidy may be claimed for child care that occurs up to one hour before the activity and up to one hour after the activity has ended when child care is not provided at the event or activity. Child care expenses for ECEAP family members attending approved meetings, conferences, or workshops will be paid at the flat rate up to a maximum daily allowance. ECEAP administration, in partnership with both Policy Council Executive Boards, will recommend a rate for child care and a maximum daily allowance which will be approved/disapproved through a vote of ECEAP Policy Councils. Child care will be subsidized at the same level at all ECEAP events.

MILEAGE

Mileage will be subsidized at the current rate established by the Office of Fiscal Management (OFM) for round trip miles driven from home to the activity if the home is more than 15 miles from activity site. To encourage community building, participants are encouraged to carpool. Drivers who transport other ECEAP parents/guardians to and from activities will be reimbursed for that additional mileage. Exceptions must be approved by ECEAP administration.

For any Employment & Training opportunity that exceeds one week or longer, the ECEAP family member shall be subsidized actual round-trip mileage for the first three (3) days of training each week. For all Employment and Training opportunities that are three (3) days or less, ECEAP family members will be subsidized round-trip mileage for each day attended.

Bus fare will be reimbursed at current rates.