



FAQs Regarding BEST Allotment for ICS & Monroe Families

Who is eligible?

As a parent or guardian of an ICS and/or Monroe student in grades K-12, YOU are eligible to receive up to \$2,560 (ICS) or \$2,640 (Monroe) annually per student. For example, if you have two students enrolled in ICS and one in Monroe, you may be eligible for up to \$7,760 in reimbursements for instruction received here at our schools.

What is reimbursable?

BEST will reimburse up to *four* eligible classes per student, per quarter. The reimbursement amount is \$160/quarter per eligible class taken at ICS and \$165/quarter per eligible class taken at Monroe. See the attached form for a listing of eligible classes.

What is required by the parent/guardian to receive quarterly reimbursement?

One-time steps:

1. Enroll each of your students with BEST: <https://forms.gle/1jLdsoEyYqdraYv17>
2. Sign up for a Brightways account: <https://best.brightwayslearning.com/session/new>
3. Build an Independent Learning Plan in Brightways that lists the courses/classes that will be taken each quarter. This should be completed before the quarter starts.

Quarterly steps:

1. Update eligible courses/classes in Brightways if necessary (Monroe students).
2. Ask the CSF finance office to sign the reimbursement form confirming enrollment and that tuition has been paid. This form will be emailed to your quarterly.
3. Upload the form to your Brightways account.
4. Upload your student's report card at the end of each quarter.

Note: CSF is not able to upload your child's report card into Brightways. This is the responsibility of the parent.



How will I be reimbursed?

You will be reimbursed by check via snail mail. If your child took four eligible courses in a quarter, your reimbursement would be \$640 per ICS student and/or \$660 per Monroe student. If you need to update your address, contact BEST. CSF will not be assisting with address updates.

If my child only takes THREE eligible classes at Monroe, can I enroll her in swimming to make use of the rest of the allotment?

No. There are two BEST enrollment types:

1. ICS/Monroe BEST Enrollment. Your allotment can only be used to reimburse instruction and instructional materials at ICS or Monroe. *See next question for an exception.*
2. Traditional BEST enrollment. Under this enrollment type, you would not be able to receive reimbursement for instruction or instructional materials at ICS or Monroe. Instead, you could use the allotment to enroll in extra-curriculars and courses outside of ICS and Monroe. Contact BEST if this interests you.

Is it possible for my student to take three classes at Monroe and a 4th AP class through BEST?

Yes. The AP course could count as one of your child's four classes. To enroll in an AP class, you must reach out to the BEST teacher assigned to our schools (this teacher will be announced in July). If the course is taken at one of our local schools or through APEX, the parent would be eligible for the \$165 allotment. If there is a cost associated with the course (a course through North Dakota or BYU, for example), the parent could use the allotment toward the course, but the parent would also be responsible for paying the remaining balance.

If my child is dual enrolled with BEST, where will he graduate from?

Your child will graduate from ICS or Monroe.

Will my child need to participate in the standardized PEAKS testing through the district?

All dual-enrolled students will be *offered* the opportunity to take PEAKS, but the test is not required. BEST will reach out to all families in March. If you are not interested in participating, you will need to sign an opt-out form.



Does parent/guardian acceptance of this funding impact the mission of the schools?

No. Enrolling in BEST is a great way for our families to receive reimbursement for instruction in the following subjects: PE, Art, Music, Math, Social Studies, Computers, Science, English, and Health. Refer to the BEST reimbursable courses flyer. If taking 4 classes, 2 of these need to be core classes (Core includes math, social studies, computer/tech, science, English.)