How schools fund LiveSchool

For your business office or Federal Programs Coordinator. Online version: https://whyliveschool.com/help/billing/how-schools-fund-liveschool

Most schools pay for LiveSchool from one of a few places: Title IV-A, Title I, the school or district budget, or a local grant. Every district handles this a little differently, so your business office or Federal Programs Coordinator has the final say on what fits yours.

Which funds do schools use?

- **Title IV, Part A.** The most common federal source. Its Safe and Healthy Students area (ESSA Section 4108) lists schoolwide positive behavioral interventions and supports (PBIS) as an allowable use. Congress sets the amount each year, so your coordinator can tell you what your district expects.
- **Title I, Part A, in a schoolwide program.** A schoolwide plan can include a tiered model to prevent and address problem behavior, and the spending needs to meet a need named in that plan.
- **Your school or district budget.** Often a school climate, student support or software line.
- **State grants.** Some states fund PBIS, school climate or SEL work. What is open changes year to year.
- **PTO or PTA, education foundations and local partners.** Often faster and more flexible. Some businesses donate store rewards instead of cash.

If ESSER paid for LiveSchool before: ESSER (federal COVID relief) has ended, so the subscription needs a new line in the budget. Schools most often move it to Title IV-A or the general fund.

Who should I ask, and when?

- **Winter and spring:** ask your Federal Programs Coordinator whether LiveSchool can go in next year's Title plan. This is when most districts build next year's budget.
- **Late spring and early summer:** plans and applications are usually finalized. By August, most of the money is set.
- **July or later:** federal funds for the new school year usually arrive in July or later, so some schools send a purchase order in late summer. If Title money is already spoken for, the general fund or a local grant can move faster.

What could I write in the request?

If it helps, here are a few sentences to adapt. Change them to match your school and your district's forms.

> *We are requesting $[amount] to renew LiveSchool, our schoolwide PBIS platform, for the [year] school year, from [Title IV-A, Section 4108 / Title I schoolwide / general fund].*
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> *LiveSchool supports the positive behavior goals in our [school improvement / schoolwide] plan. Staff use it to recognize expected behavior, and our team uses its data to review behavior trends.*
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> *This year, [number] staff used LiveSchool and [one result your team tracks: referrals, attendance, or what teachers say].*

What can LiveSchool send for the request?

- **Your quote.** It is in your renewal email, with a PDF to share.
- **Our W-9** and, if your district needs one, **our sole source letter**.
- **A short summary of how your school uses LiveSchool**, to attach to the request.

Reply to your renewal email, or write to support@liveschoolinc.com, and we will send what you need. If the full subscription does not fit this year, ask us about LiveSchool Starter.