

What is ACES?

ACES is a cloud-based tool used to calculate and analyze the breakdown of expenditures at and across district schools, enabling districts to accurately attribute out of centrally-reported funds to schools. Create ESSA-friendly per-pupil expenditure reports for your school district and see how different attribution methods impact the overall dollars per-pupil. With ACES, your district can identify areas of resource inequity to understand opportunities to better distribute resources to your highest need students - so they get what they need to succeed.

School districts adhering to state mandated reporting rules can use ACES to apply the methodology to their financial data, enabling them to fully attribute spending to schools.

If your state has provided open-ended methodology requirements, ACES can help you create a variety of ESSA-friendly reports.

How does it work?

Upload your general ledger file, segment data, and non-financial metrics in a .csv or excel file in ACES and let ACES guide you through the attribution process. ACES will perform the complex calculations required and provide you with impactful analyses, letting you focus on district equity. ACES is created with all users in mind, from spreadsheet masters to the Excel-adverse, replacing complex formulas with clickable tables, simple buttons, and an iterative process equipped with instant feedback and analysis. For more information on the ACES process, please email us at aces@allovue.com.

What output format is the report?

ACES can output in a variety of formats, including .pdf and excel. Additionally, ACES includes downloadable and shareable visualizations to deepen understanding.

How do I log into ACES?

Users can visit aces.allovue.com to login. See your ACES administrator for your login credentials.

Is my data secure?

Yes, using https encryption, we leverage industry best practices to ensure your data is protected.

How will it help me with ESSA school-level expenditure reporting?

ESSA mandates will require reporting of school-level actual expenditures for every public school nationwide. For many school districts, this level of financial transparency will require specialized resources beyond their day-to-day accounting software platforms. This tool is designed to help school districts, Local Education Agencies (LEAs), and State Education Agencies (SEAs) understand the dynamics of school-level per-pupil reporting within their own district financial data, and present that information in a ESSA-friendly report.

How will ACES help me comply with my state's reporting guidelines?

States interested in streamlining their districts' ESSA reporting can build custom parameters to unify reporting across the state. Individual districts within states that provide open-ended reporting methodology can customize their own guidelines and reporting outputs.

Am I required to use Allovue's *Balance* platform to benefit from ACES?

No, you aren't required to use *Balance* in order to purchase ACES. However, *Balance* customers can easily leverage the financial data in *Balance* to create their ESSA-friendly per-pupil expenditure reporting in ACES. Additionally, access to *Balance* can help customers turn their outputs into actions and gain deeper understanding of their financial data. *Balance* customers should speak to their district partners to get started.

How do I get help?

For questions or concerns, reach out to the ACES team at aces@allovue.com.