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**Subject:** [sped\_directors] IDEA Allowable Cost

As we told y'all over the summer, we have begun doing onsite fiscal audits this fall. We have noticed in these audits that some districts are under the mistaken impression that they can use IDEA funds to provide food during training, meetings, etc.

Please note that food is NOT an allowable IDEA expense. If you are using IDEA funds in this manner, you should stop immediately. Any district found to be out of compliance on this issue will be requested to return IDEA funds beginning on the date of this email.

We will be mailing letters to Superintendents and Business Managers next week but we wanted to let y'all know about this first.

Thanks,  
Ellen

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