



in partnership with the Coshocton City School District

Program of Service Operational Agreement

This agreement is between the **Coshocton City School District** and the **Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center (MVESC)** for educational service programs for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. These services are provided as specified in two sections of Ohio Revised Code.

ORC Section 3313.843 prescribes that each city, exempted village, or local school district with an average daily student enrollment of sixteen thousand or less shall enter into an agreement with the governing board of an educational service center. Services provided may include any of the following: supervisory teachers; in-service and continuing education programs for district personnel; curriculum services; research and development programs; academic instruction for which the governing board employs teachers; assistance in the provision of special accommodations and classes for students with disabilities; or any other services the district board and service center governing board agree can be better provided by the service center.

ORC Section 3313.845 prescribes that the board of education of a city, exempted village, local, or joint vocational school district and the governing board of an educational service center may enter into an agreement under which the educational service center will provide additional services to the school district as those services mentioned in ORC 3313.843. Services provided under the agreement and the amount to be paid for such services shall be mutually agreed to by the district board of education and the service center governing board and shall be specified in the agreement. Payment for services specified in the agreement shall be made pursuant to the terms of that agreement. If specified in the agreement as the manner of payment, the department of education and workforce shall pay the service center the amount due to it under the agreement and shall deduct that amount from the payments made to the school.

Agreement Purpose: To specify and articulate a cooperative plan for instructional, supervisory, support services, and other services provided by the Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center staff in the areas of, but not limited to, student services, staff services, instructional services, preschool, and psychological services. This agreement also outlines payment terms for these services.

Agreement Terms: This agreement made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 2026 shall be between the Governing Board of the Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center and the Board of Education of the Coshocton City School District. The terms of this agreement shall cover school year 2026-2027.

The parties to this agreement, in consideration of the mutual promises set out herein, agree as follows:

- A. Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center shall employ psychologists, supervisors, teachers, coordinators, and other specialized staff as required by state minimum standards or

when needed, beyond minimum standards, as identified by the District Superintendent. The district board of education shall reimburse the Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center Governing Board pursuant to section 3313.845 of the Revised Code.

- B. Some programs defined in this agreement have state unit or grant support. Other programs will have total costs assumed by districts electing to utilize the services. This operational agreement shall designate where applicable state funds will be applied and how the respective districts will share program costs. The participating school districts agree to pay the program costs in excess of any reimbursement for such services.
- C. Some services are shared by all MVESC member districts; others may be shared by a select number of districts. This operational agreement shall clearly designate how costs shall be shared in these situations.
- D. In addition, superintendents agree that a district must commit to collaborative service programs no later than July 1st of the upcoming school year if they wish to participate. Districts that withdraw from a collaborative program, have decreases in student enrollment, or changes in financial conditions that result in no longer requiring a service shall be responsible for unemployment and any other costs associated with their specific program withdrawal or service changes. Unemployment charges will be invoiced to the district.
- E. This agreement shall be filed with the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce (DEW) by July 1 of the school year for which this agreement is in effect. It is the responsibility of the MVESC to file this agreement with DEW. It is the district's responsibility to electronically sign and certify the agreement on DEW's website.
- F. The services included in this agreement shall be determined by the District Superintendent on behalf of the Board of Education and shall be provided to the District in the manner specified in this agreement.

Definition of Terms and Assurances: For purposes of clarification the following terms will define items which may be a part of program costs.

Salary: Salary costs for personnel shall be determined by the current Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center salary schedules and may contain specifically requested salaries by the district. All employees are subject to the annual increases and steps given to all MVESC employees.

Related Salary Costs: Related salary costs include retirement, worker's compensation, Medicare, and unemployment.

Insurance Costs: Insurance costs include group hospitalization, major medical, dental, vision, and life insurance. MVESC belongs to a health insurance cooperative to maintain stable medical insurance premiums. The insurance plan year is January 1 through December 31. Any insurance increases during the school year will take effect on January 1.

Mileage: The mileage rate is the current IRS rate in effect. All MVESC itinerant providers are paid mileage for their travel between buildings and districts during the school day.

Licensure: MVESC will hire personnel appropriately certified for their work.

Therapy Service Assurances: MVESC makes the following assurances for therapy services and therapy providers:

1. MVESC will comply with the requirements of 45 CFR 164.504(e) (1) for safeguarding and limiting access to information concerning beneficiaries.
2. MVESC will allow the representatives of the U.S. Department of Human Services, ODJFS, DEW or their respective designee access to the subcontractor's books, documents, and records in the event of a Medicaid School Program audit or review.
3. MVESC acknowledges that MVESC's principles and therapists are not suspended or debarred.

Service Elections for the School Year

I. Psychological Services Department

Services

<u>Desired</u>	<u>Description of Service</u>
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | A. <u>School Psychological Services:</u> This program shall include the appropriate number of school psychologists to meet state minimum standards and a part-time secretary to support the school psychologists. The program costs shall consist of salaries, related salary costs, insurance costs, mileage, professional development, materials, and psychological service support. Periodically, the psychology department will be required to update testing supplies. The costs of the testing supplies will be equally divided among the participating districts. The costs for school psychological services shall be shared on a usage basis by the participating districts. |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a. School Psychologist Position |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b. School Psychology Services Support: Includes recruiting, hiring, mentoring, training, collaboration, and access to the Psych library which includes specialized testing materials. Also includes Crisis Intervention. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | B. <u>Board Certified Behavior Analyst:</u> The Board-Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) will support behavioral and programming needs of students in the multiple disabilities and autism programs and support individual districts with severe behavioral issues in their general and |

special education classrooms. Behavior consultations may include observations, record review, report writing, staff training, BIP implementation, data collections/review from a BCBA. Districts shall be billed on a usage basis.

- C. Behavior Services Package (BCBA & RBT): Services include direct observation, record review, report writing, staff training, BIP implementation, data collections/review from BCBA and RBTs; this package also includes any additional supports needed from behavior techs which includes hands-on modeling and training for staff for behavior intervention plans, scheduled/regular in-class supports (daily, weekly, bi-weekly, visits); RBTs receive direct supervision of the BCBA to ensure proper implementation of interventions and ongoing support when changes/adjustments need to be made.
- D. Heart to Heart Behavior School: The program includes the appropriate number of registered behavior technicians to meet the state minimum standards. An intervention specialist and BCBA will serve all students. The program includes related services and needed psychological services. The BCBA will create and oversee individualized ABA curriculum for each student; provide ongoing, individualized behavior supports/interventions for each student; help create behavior goals for IEPs; and supervise RBTs. The program cost shall consist of supervision, salaries, substitute costs, related salary costs, insurance costs and curriculum costs.
- E. New Path: The program includes the appropriate number of registered behavior technicians to meet the state minimum standards. An Intervention Specialist, Licensed Social Worker and BCBA will serve all students. The program includes related services and needed psychological services. The BCBA will create and oversee individualized behavior supports/interventions for each student; help create behavior goals for IEPs; and assist with supervising RBTs. The Licensed Social Worker will create and oversee individualized care plans for students in the area of mental health and provide professional development to staff. The program cost shall consist of supervision, salaries, substitute costs, related salary costs, insurance costs and curriculum costs.

II. Student Services Department

**Services
Desired**

Description of Service

- A. Multiple Disabilities (MD) Program: The program includes the appropriate number of teachers to meet state minimum standards. An intervention specialist shall serve no more than eight children with multiple disabilities. The age range shall not exceed sixty months within any one instructional period. There shall be at least one full-time paraprofessional assigned to each special class for children with multiple disabilities. The program costs for MD classes shall consist of supervision, salaries, substitute costs, related salary costs, insurance costs, and curriculum costs. The costs for the MD program shall be allocated to participating districts based on student average daily membership.
- B. Post-Graduate Program: The Post-Graduate program serves students who have postponed graduation. The program will provide life skills and worksite training. The costs for the program shall be allocated to participating districts based on student average daily membership, and will include travel to worksites.
- C. Classrooms for Students with Emotional Disturbances (ED): This program shall include the appropriate number of teachers and paraprofessionals to meet state minimum standards. An intervention specialist shall serve no more than twelve children with emotional disturbances and no more than ten children shall be served during any one instructional period. The age range shall not exceed forty-eight months within any one instructional period. There shall be at least one full-time paraprofessional assigned to each ED classroom. The program costs for ED classes shall consist of supervision, salaries, substitute costs, related salary costs, insurance costs, and an allowance for curriculum. The costs for the ED program shall be allocated to participating districts based on student average daily membership.
- D. School Age Autism Program (Perry County): This program shall include the appropriate number of teachers and paraprofessionals to meet state minimum standards. An intervention specialist shall serve no more than six children with autism. The age range shall not exceed sixty months within any one instructional period. There shall be at least one full-time paraprofessional in each autism class. The program costs will consist of salaries, related salary costs, insurance costs, mileage, professional development, supervision, and a small allowance for curriculum. The costs for the program shall be allocated to participating districts based on student average daily membership.

- E. ALPHA School: The ALPHA School, located in Perry County, is an initiative of the Perry County Court system. The ALPHA School serves students with a history of truancy issues. A juvenile judge may assign a student to the ALPHA School. MVESC provides teachers and support staff to operate the facility. Program costs include salary costs, insurance costs, supervision, secretarial, textbooks, supplemental materials, technology, equipment, and utilities not covered by the Perry County Court System. Participating districts will be invoiced a daily operating cost per student on a monthly basis.
- F. Perry Multi-County Juvenile Facility (PMCJF): The PMCJF, located in Perry County, provides youth with significant problems the opportunity to become well-adjusted individuals ready to return to their communities as responsible, productive, and law-abiding citizens. MVESC provides year-round educational staff to the PMCJF. Program costs include salary costs, insurance costs, supervision, textbooks, supplemental materials, technology, and equipment. Participating districts will be invoiced a daily operating cost per student on a monthly basis.
- G. Speech Therapy Services: MVESC will hire and assign a speech therapist(s) to the district on request. The program costs shall consist of salary, related salary costs, insurance costs, mileage, professional development, supervision, instructional materials, and equipment. The costs shall be allocated to the district on a usage basis.
- H. Occupational and Physical Therapy (OT/PT) Services: OT/PT services will be provided as identified in individual student IEPs. The program costs shall consist of salaries, related salary costs, insurance costs, mileage, professional development, consultants, supervision, supplies, and equipment. The costs will be allocated to participating districts on a usage basis.
- I. Sign Language Interpreter: Sign language interpreter support services will be provided for deaf or hearing-impaired students to translate the spoken word into sign language. The program costs will consist of salaries, related salary costs, insurance costs, mileage, and supervision. The costs shall be allocated to participating districts on a usage basis.
- J. Teacher of Students with Visual Impairments (TVI): Teacher of the visually impaired will evaluate and provide specialized instruction and services to meet the unique educational needs of students with visual impairments. The vision teacher will assist the educational team with understanding the unique educational needs, provide education and training, and assist with acquiring resources needed to access the curriculum. The program costs shall consist of salaries, related salary costs, insurance costs, mileage, professional development, consultants, supervision, supplies, and equipment. Costs shall

be allocated to participating districts on a usage basis as identified in individual student IEPs.

- K. Orientation and Mobility Services: Orientation and Mobility services will be provided as identified in individual student IEPs. The program costs shall consist of salaries, related salary costs, insurance costs, mileage, professional development, consultants, supervision, supplies and equipment. The costs will be allocated to participating districts on a usage basis.
- L. Attendance Services: The program costs shall consist of salary, related salary costs, insurance costs, mileage, supervision, and supplies. The costs shall be determined based on a variety of factors included but not limited to hours, days, supervision, flat fees, ADM or other factors.
- M. School Safety Plans: The program costs shall consist of salary, related salary costs, insurance costs, mileage, supervision, and supplies. The costs shall be determined based on a variety of factors included but not limited to hours, days, supervision, flat fees, ADM or other factors.
- N. School Counselors/Social Workers/Student Advocate/Career Advisor: The program costs will consist of salaries, related salary costs, insurance costs, mileage, professional development, consultants, supervision, supplies, and equipment. The costs shall be allocated to participating districts on a usage basis.
- O. Intervention Specialist Services, Classroom Paraprofessionals, Student Paraprofessionals and Classroom Health Assistants: The MVESC will provide Intervention Specialist Services, Classroom Paraprofessionals, Student Paraprofessionals, and Classroom Health Assistants to assist districts in their operations. The program costs will consist of salaries, related salary costs, insurance costs, mileage, supervision, supplies, and equipment. Costs shall be allocated to participating districts on a usage basis.
- P. Grant Funded Personnel: The MVESC will provide Before and After School as well as other grant funded personnel as needed and requested by the school district. The program costs will consist of salaries, related salary costs, insurance costs, mileage, professional development, consultants, supervision, supplies, and equipment, as allowed in the approved grant application. Program costs shall be billed to participating districts monthly.

III. Instructional Services Department

**Services
Desired**

Description of Service

- A. Curriculum & Instruction Services: The Director of Curriculum Services shall provide program leadership in school improvement, professional development, and curriculum. Specific services will include technical assistance, professional development, and planning support.
 - a. Curriculum Package: \$ 12,500.00

- B. Gifted Education Services: Gifted coordination services shall be provided according to the Operating Standards for Identifying and Serving Gifted Students in Ohio Administrative Code 3301-51-15 per section (E)(4)(a-h) for school districts.
 - a. Gifted Coordinating Services \$12,500.00
 - b. Gifted & Curriculum Services \$20,000.00
 - c. Gifted Consultation \$ 3,000.00
 - d. Visual Performing Arts Assessment \$ 1,000.00
 - e. Student Connections and Enrichment Program \$ 3,000.00
 - f. Mentorship Program \$ 7,500.00

- C. Remote Learning and Digital Integration: Remote Learning and Digital Integration includes live classroom content (student lessons and virtual field trips), whole-brain learning and vocabulary building professional development for two grade level teams, parent coaching assistance, digital coaching and collaboration, and world language courses – American Sign Language. Prices are based on a tiered approach and can be found below.
 - a. American Sign Language (full year) \$10,000.00
 - b. American Sign Language-Accelerated (per semester) \$ 6,000.00
 - c. American Sign Language – Signing in the Workplace (full year or per semester) \$ 6,000.00

IV. Preschool Services

Services
Desired

Description of Service

- A. Preschool Education Services: Preschool services shall consist of preschool classrooms for typically developing at-risk students, special education preschool classrooms, and itinerant preschool special education teachers. The costs for preschool services shall consist of salaries, related salary costs, insurance costs, mileage, professional development as required by the Step Up to Quality program, consultants, supervision, secretarial and EMIS support, speech therapists, OT/PT providers, supplies, and equipment. Total program costs shall be offset by any applicable grant funds and preschool tuition. Net costs shall be allocated to participating districts by classroom or by student average daily membership.
- B. Preschool Autism and Special Education Collaborative Classrooms- (Muskingum County; formerly known as Big Leaps/Little Feats): This program shall include one Intervention Specialist, a minimum of two paraprofessionals, supervision, secretarial/EMIS support and BCBA support. The program costs shall consist of salaries, related salary costs, insurance costs, Step Up to Quality Requirements, Parent Interaction, and supplies (including student snack and equipment). Program costs shall be allocated to the participating districts by student average daily membership.
- C. Preschool Autism and Special Education Collaborative Classroom- (Perry County, formerly known as Leaps & Bounds): This program shall include the appropriate number of teachers and paraprofessionals to meet state minimum standards. The program costs will consist of salaries, related salary costs, insurance costs, mileage, professional development, consultants, supervision, secretarial and EMIS support, special education support, speech therapy support, supplies, and equipment. The costs for the program shall be allocated to participating districts based on student average daily membership.
- D. Preschool Consultation Services: MVESC will provide preschool consultation services for districts operating their own preschool services. This service package will be customized to meet the needs and preferences of the district. Services could include supervision, professional development, staff observation and coaching, or other agreed upon services to support district administrators and program operations. The costs shall be determined based on a variety of factors, including but not limited to hours, days, flat fees, supervision/evaluation, or other agreed upon factors.

- E. Childcare Program: This program shall provide childcare services to district employees who have children ages 6 weeks to 36 months (up to preschool age). It operates on the school district's 9-month calendar and is in session each day teachers are scheduled to work (6:30am-5:00pm). The program costs for childcare services shall be determined based on the needs of the district.

V. Driver's Education

<u>Services Desired</u>	<u>Description of Service</u>
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- A. Initial Year: This program provides drivers' education programming for the students in your district. Staffing, training, licensure, retrofitting of cars, oversight and management are some of the areas which are included. The base cost for year one is \$20,000 and the district will provide the vehicle.
- B. Subsequent Year: After the initial year, ongoing maintenance and oversight of the program is based on a cost of \$7,500 (extra expenses may include staffing, vehicle needs, etc).

VI. Workforce and Development

<u>Services Desired</u>	<u>Description of Service</u>
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- C. Workforce and Development Services: The MVESC Department of Workforce and Development offers a support program designed to empower students throughout their academic journey. Our goal is to facilitate a smooth transition to postsecondary opportunities and assist in achieving career aspirations. A wide range of services are designed to prepare students for graduation and equip them with the skills and knowledge necessary for success in the workforce. Key program offerings include access to career exploration and planning, industry credentials, connections with community partners, and professional development opportunities to foster innovation and encourage a student-centered learning approach (Project/Problem-based strategies, Personalized Learning, and STEM). The cost for this service is customizable.
- D. Pre-apprenticeships: Enhance students' foundational technical skills and job readiness through engaging pre-apprenticeship opportunities. MVESC's DWD actively collaborates with industry partners to design and implement pre-apprenticeship programs, tailoring to meet the specific needs of the local workforce while providing students with a direct pathway to employment. MVESC coordinates student pre-apprentice opportunities that lead to

Industry-recognized credentials and an alternate graduation pathways. The cost for this service is \$500.00 per student.

VII. Technical Assistance Services

Services Desired

Description of Service

A. Data Services Department: The focus of Data Services is to create, maintain, and support Data web applications, as well as retrieve and compile student data for reports, grants, and other district data needs. Final Data costs are dependent upon individual applications and services chosen by the district.

a. Standard Data Package (EDGE, Graduation Points Tracker, National Student Clearinghouse, Consultation & Data Support) \$5,500

b. Data Web Applications

- i. EDGE (Startup) \$3,425
- ii. EDGE (After Startup) \$3,000
- iii. Graduation Points Tracker \$ 500
- iv. PKIDS (Startup) \$1,000
- v. PKIDS (After Startup) \$ 500
- vi. Data Support \$2,000

B. Technology Services: The MVESC will provide computer technician services upon request. The program costs will consist of salary, related salary costs, insurance costs, mileage and professional development.

C. Coordinator Services: The MVESC will provide the school district with coordinator services upon request. The program costs will consist of salary, related salary costs, insurance costs, mileage, and professional development costs plus a 2.5% administrative fee.

- a. Special Education Coordinator
- b. Gifted Coordinator
- c. Grants Coordinator
- d. Curriculum Coordinator
- e. Other Administrators
- f. Other: _____

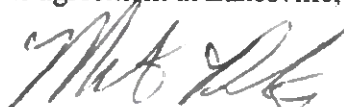


D. Third Party Independent Investigations: The MVESC will provide a licensed administrator to assist school districts with third party independent investigations. Investigations may include, but not limited to, Title IX, employee misconduct, sexual harassment, discrimination claims, and other sensitive issues. The fee for this service may be the daily cost, or part thereof, of the administrator or a flat fee as determined by the district and MVESC.

- E. Communication Services: MVESC will provide customized communication services on request. The fee for communication services is \$55 per hour. Each communication project will be outlined and detailed in a separate agreement between the district and the ESC.
- F. Special Projects: Quotes for special projects as requested by the district are available on request.
- G. Substitute Employee Management System Services: MVESC will provide substitute system software and personnel to manage the software and obtain substitute employees. The costs shall be allocated to participating districts for a flat fee.
- H. Federal Program Management: The MVESC offers Comprehensive Consolidated Improvement Planning (CCIP) support as it relates to alignment of federal programs and school improvement, ESSA compliance documentation assistance, assistance with federal administrative, fiscal, cost principles and audit requirements, and much more.

Payment Terms: The cost of all services presented are estimates only. Periodic reconcilements to actual costs will be provided by the MVESC treasurer throughout the school year.

THIS CONTRACT CONSTITUTES the entire agreement between the parties and no statement, promises or inducements made by either part or agent of either party that is not contained herein shall be valid or binding; and this contract may not be enlarged, modified, altered, or amended except in writing signed by the parties and endorsed hereon.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this agreement at Zanesville, Ohio, on the day and year first written above.

_____ Superintendent Coshocton City School District	_____ Date	 Superintendent Muskingum Valley ESC	_____ Date
 Treasurer Coshocton City School District	_____ Date	 Treasurer Muskingum Valley ESC	_____ Date

**Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center
 Program Cost Statement
 Fiscal Year 2027 Estimate**

Coshocton City Schools
 1207 Cambridge Road
 Coshocton, Ohio 43812

<u>Program</u>	<u>FY27 Estimate</u>	<u>Student ADM / Days Needed for Services</u>	<u>Rate (If Applicable)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Menu Based Services:				
Gifted & Curriculum Services	\$ 20,000.00			
Data Services	5,500.00			
Orientation & Mobility Services	11,600.00	2.00	5,800.00	Estimated 2 Direct
Heart to Heart Behavior School	140,000.00	2.00	70,000.00	Estimated
New Path	40,000.00	1.00	40,000.00	Estimated New Service for FY27
Gifted				
Student Opportunities - Student Connections and Enrichment	3,000.00			
Mentorship Program	7,500.00			
Total Menu-Based Services	\$ 227,600.00			
Fiscal Fee	5,690.00			
Legislative research and educational policy development for Rural schools and their communities	5,000.00			
Collaborative Programming:				
Innertant Preschool Services	69,795.46	16.00	4,362.22	Estimated based on FY26 Enrollment
Preschool Intake Coordination	30,800.00	22.00	1,400.00	Estimate Based off FY26 Enrollment
Board Certified Behavior Analyst	2,710.68	5.00	542.14	Estimated 5 days
Related Services				
Physical Therapy Services	34,954.45	72.00	485.48	Estimated 2 days/week
Speech Therapy Services	104,294.31	144.00	724.27	Estimated 4 days/week
Occupational Therapy Services	171,977.44	288.00	597.14	Estimated 8 days/week
Board Certified Behavior Analyst	32,626.09			
District Specific Services:				
Psychology Services	178,666.46	1.50		
New Path Consulting	51,250.00			
Total Service Invoice Estimate for FY2027	\$ 915,364.89			

* Fall update includes up-to-date staffing information and associated cost.

STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
OFFICE OF BUDGET AND SCHOOL FUNDING
Contract Amount for FY2027
Pursuant to O.R.C 3313.845

ESC Name Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center County IRN 125252

District: Coshocton City Schools County: Coshocton District IRN: 043828

The above-named parties have entered into a contract for services for fiscal year 2027 in an annual amount of \$ 915,364.89.

We, the undersigned, understand that the above annual amount will be deducted from state foundation payments to the school district and paid to the county educational service center on a bi-monthly basis throughout the fiscal year.

District Superintendent Signature

Matt Nicholas

Printed Name



Date

6/30/2026

District Treasurer Signature

Terri Eyerman

Printed Name



Date

6/17/2026

ESC Name Superintendent Signature

Monte Bainter

Printed Name



Date

6/17/2026

ESC Treasurer Signature

Jordan Work

Printed Name

Date