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# Nick Rahall

WEST VIRGINIA-4th DISTRICT

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## RAHALL ANNOUNCES GRANT FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN IN WEST VIRGINIA

WASHINGTON, DC - U.S. Rep. Nick Rahall (D-W.Va.) announced today that the State of West Virginia has been allocated \$14,475,500 by the United States Department of Education. The grant is to assist the state educational system in providing a free appropriate public education to all handicapped children.

According to Rahall, the funds may be used for a various number of activities pertaining to handicapped children.

"The State of West Virginia may use the funds to support child identification, location and evaluation activities, to provide free public education to newly-identified handicapped children and to meet the full educational opportunities goal for all handicapped children," Rahall said. "This also includes the employment of additional personnel and the necessary inservice training needed to increase the intensity and quality of services provided to individual handicapped children."

Funds are made available to the states on the basis of an approved plan together with an annual count of the number of handicapped children receiving special education and related services. In West Virginia, 45,857 children received special education as a result of being handicapped.

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OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION OF GRANT AWARDS  
Under Part B of the Education of the Handicapped Act

We are pleased to inform you that a total of \$1,338,000,000 for fiscal year 1988 has now been allocated to State educational agencies to assist them in providing a free appropriate public education to all handicapped children. These funds are authorized under Part B of the Education of the Handicapped Act (EHA-B). The funds will be available as of July 1, 1987, and are provided through the Education Department Appropriations Act. A State listing of children counted and dollars allocated is attached for your information.

The list includes State educational agencies in the fifty States, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and the outlying territories. Funds are made available to these States on the basis of an approved State plan, together with an annual count of the number of handicapped children who are receiving special education and related services. Once States begin participating, local educational agencies may apply to their State educational agency for funds.

State educational agencies and local educational agencies may use Part B funds to support child identification, location and evaluation activities; to provide free appropriate public education to newly-identified handicapped children; to meet the full educational opportunities goal for all handicapped children, including employing additional personnel and providing inservice training, in order to increase the level, intensity and quality of services provided to individual handicapped children; and to meet the other requirements of Part B.

Additional information about this program for handicapped children may be obtained from the Part B Coordinator in your State educational agency or from the Division of Assistance to States, Office of Special Education Programs, Washington, D.C. 20202, telephone: (202) 732-1092.

Your continued interest in this significant program for the education of children with handicaps is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Madeleine Will".

Madeleine Will  
Assistant Secretary

Attachment

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
Part B of the Education of the Handicapped Act

FISCAL YEAR 1988

PART B ALLOCATIONS TO STATE EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES

HANDICAPPED

<u>State</u>	<u>Number of Children</u>	<u>Total Allocation</u>
NATIONAL TOTALS	4,157,928	\$ 1,338,000,000.00
ALABAMA	90,419	28,542,212.00
ALASKA	9,099	2,872,246.00
ARIZONA	51,989	16,411,164.00
ARKANSAS	44,792	14,139,316.00
CALIFORNIA	388,713	122,703,515.00
COLORADO	45,198	14,267,476.00
CONNECTICUT	61,392	19,379,373.00
DELAWARE	11,419	3,604,591.00
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	2,527	797,688.00
FLORIDA	173,277	54,697,673.00
GEORGIA	90,270	28,495,178.00
HAWAII	11,171	3,526,306.00
IDAHO	18,323	5,783,950.00
ILLINOIS	210,415	66,420,881.00
INDIANA	97,425	30,753,769.00
IOWA	55,738	17,594,597.00
KANSAS	40,351	12,737,442.00
KENTUCKY	70,352	22,207,741.00
LOUISIANA	69,500	21,938,793.00



<u>State</u>	<u>Number of Children</u>	<u>Total Allocation</u>
MAINE	25,500	\$ 8,049,485.00
MARYLAND	86,646	27,351,204.00
MASSACHUSETTS	128,106	40,438,720.00
MICHIGAN	149,384	47,155,463.00
MINNESOTA	81,986	25,880,200.00
MISSISSIPPI	54,626	17,243,576.00
MISSOURI	97,218	30,688,426.00
MONTANA	14,755	4,657,653.00
NEBRASKA	29,899	9,438,100.00
NEVADA	14,026	4,427,533.00
NEW HAMPSHIRE	15,354	4,846,737.00
NEW JERSEY	166,196	52,462,442.00
NEW MEXICO	29,413	9,284,687.00
NEW YORK	250,315	79,015,958.00
NORTH CAROLINA	106,172	33,514,900.00
NORTH DAKOTA	11,664	3,681,929.00
OHIO	191,445	60,432,695.00
OKLAHOMA	63,986	20,198,211.00
OREGON	41,784	13,189,792. 0
PENNSYLVANIA	181,625	57,332,854.00
RHODE ISLAND	18,705	5,904,534.00
SOUTH CAROLINA	72,340	22,835,285.00
SOUTH DAKOTA	13,534	4,272,225.00

<u>State</u>	<u>Number of Children</u>	<u>Total Allocation</u>
TENNESSEE	95,169	\$ 30,041,626.00
TEXAS	290,185	91,601,565.00
UTAH	40,882	12,905,061.00
VERMONT	8,855	2,795,223.00
VIRGINIA	101,874	32,158,167.00
WASHINGTON	66,436	20,971,592.00
WEST VIRGINIA	45,857	14,475,500.00
WISCONSIN	73,351	23,154,424.00
WYOMING	9,564	3,019,031.00
PUERTO RICO	38,706	12,218,172.00
BIA	-	16,518,518.00
AMERICAN SAMOA	-	833,692.00
GUAM	-	2,393,270.00
MARSHALL ISLANDS	-	834,282.00
MICRONESIA	-	1,952,450.00
NORTH MARIANAS	-	407,031.00
PALAU	-	329,154.00
VIRGIN ISLANDS	-	2,214,722.00