



## Special Education Funding & The Evidence Based Model

### Mistake Number

1

Hiring fewer staff next year since you did not receive Personnel Reimbursement this year.

### Why it's a mistake

Districts will receive the same amount of money they did last year in future years (including this one) through the new line item called *Base Funding Minimum*. There is no need to reduce your staffing because of the EBM.

### Mistake Number

2

Forgetting the local context in determining special education staffing needs.

### Why it's a mistake

Staffing for special education is an art. That's especially true for students with significant special education needs who are not funded through the model. When planning for staffing, consider your local needs while analyzing your needs through the EBM framework.