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Error Code	Description	Message	Type	Comments	Current Year + 915 Fiscal Years			
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40000	The SPED matrix defines the validation rules for concurrent SPED needs. For a student submitted with program participation, if a combination of Need codes submitted which do not comply with the *Concurrent Need Eligibility matrix, then report the discrepancy as an error.	The need code combination does not comply with the *Concurrent Need Eligibility matrix.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40001	If the entity types are not DISTRICT, JUVENILE, PUBLIC SPED INSTITUTION, PRIVATE/SPED, HEAD START, CHARTER, then report the discrepancy as an error.	Invalid DOA type for SPED services	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40003	If a student is submitted as attending SPED program participation at the entity level, then report the discrepancy as an error.	A student may not receive special education at a district-level entity.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40004	If the grade = PS, and the Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) code is not PA1, PA2, PB1, PB2, PD, PE, PG, PH1, PH2, PS with an approved need, then report the discrepancy as an error.	The Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) code, grade or need combination does not comply with the *Concurrent Need and Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) Code Eligibility matrix.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Inactive
	If the grade = UE, and the Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) code is not A, B, C, D, E, ES, FA, FB, FC, H, I, J with an approved need, then report the discrepancy as an error.							
	If the grade is not PS or UE, and the Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) code is not A, B, C, D, E, ES, FA, FB, FC, H, I, J, L with an approved need, then report the discrepancy as an error.							
40012	If code value is = CEC and Service code = E, EA, EB, EC, FA, FB, FC, J, PG and PJ, then report the discrepancy as an error.	Service Codes E, EA, EB, EC, FA, FB, FC, J, PG and PJ may not have a CEC	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active

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40020	The combination of Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) codes submitted for LEA types do not comply with the Concurrent PEA and Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) Code Eligibility matrix.	The Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) does not comply with the *Concurrent PEA and Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) Code Eligibility matrix	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40027	If the Service Code is = I, and at least one of the student's Need Codes is not = MD, A, SID, or OI, then report the discrepancy as an error. Any other need can also be reported with a service type of I, ONLY IF student is reported with one of the 4 eligible needs previously listed.	Invalid need code for this Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) code I; refer to the *Concurrent Need and Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) Code Eligibility matrix.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40029	The combination of Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) code and need code do not comply with the Concurrent Need and Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) Code Eligibility matrix.	The Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) code and need code combination does not comply with the Concurrent Need and Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) Code Eligibility matrix.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40030	If the entity ID is associated with a AOI school, and SPED Service Code is a group B need (A, EDP, HI, MD, MDSSI, MIID, OI, PSD, SID, VI) then report the discrepancy as a warning.	An AOI school cannot provide special education for a Group B need code (A, EDP, HI, MD, MDSSI, MIID, OI, PSD, SID, VI).	Warning	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive
40031	For DOA types, PUBLIC SPED INSTITUTION and PRIVATE/SPED, the school must be approved to service the student's Need Code.	DOA is not approved to provide this need code, refer to the Approved Private School lists.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40034	If the DOA is ASDB, and the student's Need VI or HI is not present then report the discrepancy as an error.	Students attending ASDB must be submitted with need code HI and/or VI to be eligible for any other need.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40035	If the grade = PS, and the need code is EDP, then report the discrepancy as an error.	Invalid need code for PS grade; refer to *Concurrent Need and Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) Code Eligibility matrix.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active

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40040	If concurrent SPED program participations for a single student are reported with different DORs, fail integrity for all DORS.	Student is reported concurrently with a Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) code at a different DOR. Contact ESS Data Management to determine which school(s) have been concurrently identified as the DOR.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40041	If student is submitted with a DD need and the student is not less than 10 years of age, report the discrepancy as an error.	Invalid age for need code DD.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40044	If concurrent Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) codes exist during the reported dates for a single SPED need, then report the discrepancy as an error.	There is more than one Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) code specified at a single point in time for this need.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40046	If student grade is PS and SPED Exit Reason is invalid for PS (code 2 " Graduated with regular high school diploma", or code 3 "Reached maximum age), report the discrepancy as an error.	SPED Exit Reasons 2 or 3, are not allowed for preschool.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40048	If the Least Restrictive Environment does not have a start date > the latest exit date of Least Restrictive Environment with a SPED Exit code 9 (Ends one LRE but starts another), then report the discrepancy as an error.	Student must have a Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) with a start date > the latest exit date of a SPED Exit code 9.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40050	If a student with a SPED need does not have one Federal Primary Need Indicator (FPNI) and receiving special education, then report the discrepancy as an error.	Student participating in special education must have one Federal Primary Need Indicator (FPNI).	Error	<i>Affects:</i> FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40051	If a student is reported with more than one Federal Primary Need Indicator (FPNI), then report the discrepancy as an error	Student participating in special education must have only one Federal Primary Need Indicator (FPNI).	Error	<i>Affects:</i> FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active

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40055	If a student's SPED Exit Reason does not align with the student's enrollment year end or withdrawal enrollment status, then report the discrepancy as an error. This rule will be re-run beginning May 1st of the fiscal year to capture misalignment and unreported. (Refer to *SPED Exit Validation matrix).	Invalid exit code combination; refer to the *SPED Exit Validation matrix.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40057	If a student has a Main SPED School Indicator at multiple schools at a single point in time report the discrepancy as an error. Note that multiple schools may show a Main SPED School Indicator of secondary (secondary just means that it is not PrimarySchool = 1) for a student	One or more schools have been identified as the Main school providing special education. Please contact ESS Data Management to determine which school(s) have concurrently reported the Main SPED School Indicator.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40059	If SPED exit code 11 is submitted, and the subsequent Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) code is not H within 6 in-session days, then report the discrepancy as an error.	Student must be reported within 6 in-session days with Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) code H after exiting a prior LRE with SPED exit code 11.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40061	If special education is not provided on a valid session day in the school's calendar identified in the enrollment, then report the discrepancy as an error.	Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) falls outside this PEA's calendar.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40062	If a Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) is submitted for a student without a SPED need, then report the discrepancy as an error.	For each day there is a Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) provided, a SPED need must be reported.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40063	If the SPED need end date is less than the SPED need entry date, then report the discrepancy as an error.	SPED need exit date must be greater than SPED need entry date.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40064	If the SPED service participation end date is less than the SPED service participation entry date, then report the discrepancy as an error.	Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) end date must be greater than LRE entry date.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active

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40065	If a need code of MD is submitted without at least one of HI, MOID, OI, VI and at least one of ED, MIID, SLD or two or more of HI, MOID, OI, VI, then report the discrepancy as an error.	Invalid need code combination for MD; refer to the Criteria for MD and MDSSI Document.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40066	If the submitted Special Education Setting does not match the program name, then report the discrepancy as an error.	The Special Education Setting must match the program name.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40067	If a SPED program is submitted for a student without Main SPED School indicator, then report the discrepancy as an error.	Missing Main SPED school indicator.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40068	If SPED Need Code = ED is submitted and DOA Type is Type 21, only then Service Codes EA, EB & EC are permitted.	Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) code of E cannot be reported with need code of ED at a Residential Treatment Center; only EA, EB & EC are permitted.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40069	Student SPED participation must be within a membership at a school. If each day of SPED program participation does not have an enrollment at a given school in a given Fiscal Year, then report the discrepancy as an error.	Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) must be within a valid enrollment at a school. Please note the error may be caused by a student not having valid enrollment due to missing DOR, grade, or calendar.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40070	If a need code of MDSSI is submitted without HI and VI or without one of HI or VI and at least one of A, EDP, MOID, OI, SD, then report the discrepancy as an error.	Invalid need code combination for MDSSI; refer to the Criteria for MD and MDSSI Document.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40071	Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) exit code 10 (Withdrawn by Parent and no Longer enrolled) can only be used if the student is 3 to 5 years old (Age 2.9 with board approval per ARS § 15-771(G)), and enrolled in Preschool (PS), Kindergarten (KG), or Ungraded Elementary (UE).	SPED Exit code 10 may only be used for student 3-5yrs old, enrolled in PS, KG or UE grade, and exited from enrollment on same date.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active

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40072	SPED Need of DD must be re-evaluated prior to the student's 10th birthday. This rule will run 2 months prior to the student's birthday and will clear upon exiting the DD need prior to the 10th birthday.	Student Need of DD must be re-evaluated and have an exit date prior to the student's 10th birthday.	Error starting in FY24. Warning prior.	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40073	Only SPED Exit Codes may be used to exit a SPED Least Restrictive Environment (LRE).	If the exit code used for SPED Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) is not a SPED Exit Code, then report the discrepancy as an error.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40074	When a student SPED Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) is reported with SPED02 Exit Code (Graduated with regular high school diploma), the corresponding enrollment for that site must end on the same day. There may be no other SPED LRE for that site reported after the exit date for the remainder of the fiscal year.	SPED Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) with Exit Code SPED02 must have enrollment end on same exit date. No SPED LREs are allowed for the site after Exit Code SPED02 is reported.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40075	SPED Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) with Exit Code SPED07 must have enrollment end on same exit date.	When a student SPED Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) is reported with SPED07 Exit Code (Dropped Out), the corresponding enrollment for that site must end on the same day.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40076	When a student's SPED LRE is reported with SPED13 Exit Code (School is Out), the exit date must be the last in-session day of the reported calendar for that school site.	SPED Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) Exit Date with Exit Code SPED13 must only be reported on the last in-session day of the reported calendar.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40077	When a student SPED Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) is reported a Resident School ID must be reported.	Missing Resident School ID for SPED LRE reported.	Error	Warning in FY21. Upgraded to Failure in FY22. <i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active

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40078	SPED Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) exited with SPED05 (Moved known to be continuing) cannot have an Enrollment at the same site the next in-session calendar day, reported by the same District of Residence (DOR).	Exit code SPED05 is invalid with continuing site enrollment.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40079	The Resident School ID reported must be a site within the reported District of Residence (DOR).	Resident School ID must be within the District of Residence.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Inactive
40080	When a student's Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) is reported with SPED01 Exit Code (Transferred to Regular Education), the student must remain enrolled at the same site on the next in-session day, with no SPED LRE reported for that student.	SPED01 Exit Code allowed only when a student continues enrollment at the same site on the next in-session day, with no SPED LRE reported	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40081	When a student SPED Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) is reported with SPED04 Exit Code (Died), the corresponding enrollment for that site must end on the same day, with no follow up Enrollment or SPED LRE at any site.	SPED Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) with Exit Code SPED04 must have enrollment end on same exit date. No SPED LREs are allowed for any site after Exit Code SPED04 is reported.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40082	When a student SPED Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) is reported with SPED03 Exit Code (Reached Maximum Age), the student's age must be equal to or greater than 21 based on the exit date, with no follow up SPED LRE at that site.	SPED Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) with Exit Code SPED03 can only be reported for student age greater than or equal to 21. No SPED LREs are allowed for the site after Exit Code SPED03 is reported.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40083	SPED Exit Code SPED09 (Ends one LRE but starts another) cannot be reported if the student is reported with a permanent enrollment exit code prior to end of the LRE.	Exit code SPED09 is invalid if the student is previously reported as graduated.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active

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40084	Students attending Arizona School for the Deaf and Blind (ASDB) sites must be reported with a Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) of D (Public or Private Separate Day School for greater than 50% of the school day) or PE (Separate School. Receives all special education and related services in public or private day schools designed specifically for children with disabilities).	Students attending ASDB must be reported with LRE D (K-12) or LRE PE (PS).	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40085	Parentally Placed students on an ISP reported with Least Restrictive Environment J are part of Proportionate Share funds and must be Tuition Payer Code 2.	Parentally Placed students on an ISP reported with Least Restrictive Environment J are part of Proportionate Share funds and must be Tuition Payer Code 2.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40086	SPED14 (No longer eligible for preschool special education and not attending any education programs) is exclusively an exit code that pertains to Preschool students only and therefore may only be used when the corresponding enrollment grade is PS, and enrollment ends on the same date.	SPED14 Exit Code may only be used when withdrawing from Preschool grade on the same date as the SPED Least Restrictive Environment (LRE).	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	Active
40087	When entering a preschool Least Restrictive Environment (LRE), the three outcome assessments must be reported: Social-Emotional, Knowledge-Skills, Behaviors. Please refer to the ESS Preschool Outcomes Reporting Guidance document	Preschool students in special education must be reported with three Preschool Outcome Assessments upon entry. Please refer to the ESS Preschool Outcomes Reporting Guidance document.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> FED SPED Became Error in FY24	Active	Active	Active	Active
40088	When exiting a Preschool Least Restrictive Environment (LRE), the three Outcome Assessments must be reported: Social Emotional, Knowledge-Skills, Behaviors. Please refer to the ESS Preschool Outcomes Reporting Guidance document.	Preschool students in special education must be reported with three Preschool Outcome Assessments upon exit. Please refer to the ESS Preschool Outcomes Reporting Guidance document.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> FED SPED Became Error in FY24	Active	Active	Active	Active
40089	When Exit Preschool Outcome is reported, the Progress Made must indicate Yes or No.	SPED Preschool Student Exit Preschool Outcome Assessments must indicate if progress was made.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> FED SPED October 1 st	Active	Active	Active	Inactive

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40090	Any SPED need marked as Ancillary must be a Group B need (A, HI, MOID, SID, MD, MDSSI, OI, PSD, EDP, or VI)	Ancillary needs must only be Group B needs.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	<i>Inactive</i>
40091	Any SPED need marked as Ancillary can only be reported within a Least Restrictive Environment of L, C, D, PD or PE.	Ancillary needs can only be reported within a Least Restrictive Environment of L, C, D, PD or PE.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	<i>Inactive</i>
40092	Any SPED need within a Least Restrictive Environment L (Ancillary services provided for Students not on an IEP) must be marked as Ancillary.	All SPED needs within a Least Restrictive Environment code L must be marked as ancillary.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	Active	Active	<i>Inactive</i>
40093	Ancillary SPED Needs reported within a Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) L are not dictated by an IEP that indicates Federal Primary Need. All needs within a LRE L code must not be Primary.	Students with Least Restrictive Environment L do not have an IEP and cannot have a Federal Primary Need indicator.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED	Active	Active	Active	<i>Inactive</i>
40094	Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) L (Group B Disability services provided for Students not on an IEP) cannot be reported on dates where another LRE code is present indicating an IEP is in effect.	An IEP is in effect. SPED Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) L can only be used for students without an IEP but receiving ancillary services.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED	Active	Active	Active	<i>N/A</i>
40095	The student information system has sent duplicate SPED Least Restrictive Environment records for the same site, environment, exit reason, entry date and exit date.	Duplicate Least Restrictive Environment records are reported.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1 st	Active	Active	Active	<i>N/A</i>

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40098	Any Least Restrictive Environment that has no enrollment attached should be identified as an orphaned record which should be removed. SPED 99 may be helpful to see orphaned records.	Student has a Least Restrictive Environment without a supporting enrollment.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	N/A	N/A	N/A
40099	Any SPED need marked as Ancillary can only be reported within a Least Restrictive Environment of L, C, D, PD or PE.	SPED Need Developmental Delay (DD) must be Primary.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	N/A	N/A	N/A
40100	Any SPED need within a Least Restrictive Environment L (Ancillary services provided for Students not on an IEP) must be marked as Ancillary.	SPED Need Multiple Disabilities (MD) or Multiple Disabilities Severe Sensory Impairment (MDSSI) must be Primary.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	N/A	N/A	N/A
40101	Ancillary SPED Needs reported within a Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) L are not dictated by an IEP that indicates Federal Primary Need. All needs within a LRE L code must not be Primary.	SPED Need Preschool Severe Delay (PSD) must be Primary.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	N/A	N/A	N/A
40102	For each day a student has a SPED need(s) reported, an LRE must be reported for that student.	For each day a SPED need is reported, an LRE must be reported.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> State SPED FED SPED October 1st	Active	N/A	N/A	N/A
40103	If a Resident School Id is not submitted for any day of a SPED program, then report the discrepancy as an error.	All students with special education services must have a Resident School Id for each day of the LRE.	Error	<i>Affects:</i> FED SPED	Active	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Matrix	Link
Concurrent Need Eligibility matrix:	http://bit.ly/concurrentneed
Concurrent Need and LRE Code Eligibility	http://bit.ly/concurrentneedlrecode
Concurrent PEA and LRE Code Eligibility matrix	http://bit.ly/concurrentpealrecode
SPED Exit Validation matrix	http://bit.ly/spedexitvalidation
Criteria for MD and MDSSI Document	http://bit.ly/mdandmdssireporting
AzEDS SPED Codes document	https://cms.azed.gov/home/GetDocumentFile?id=58e2dbd16f53b71b78723223