

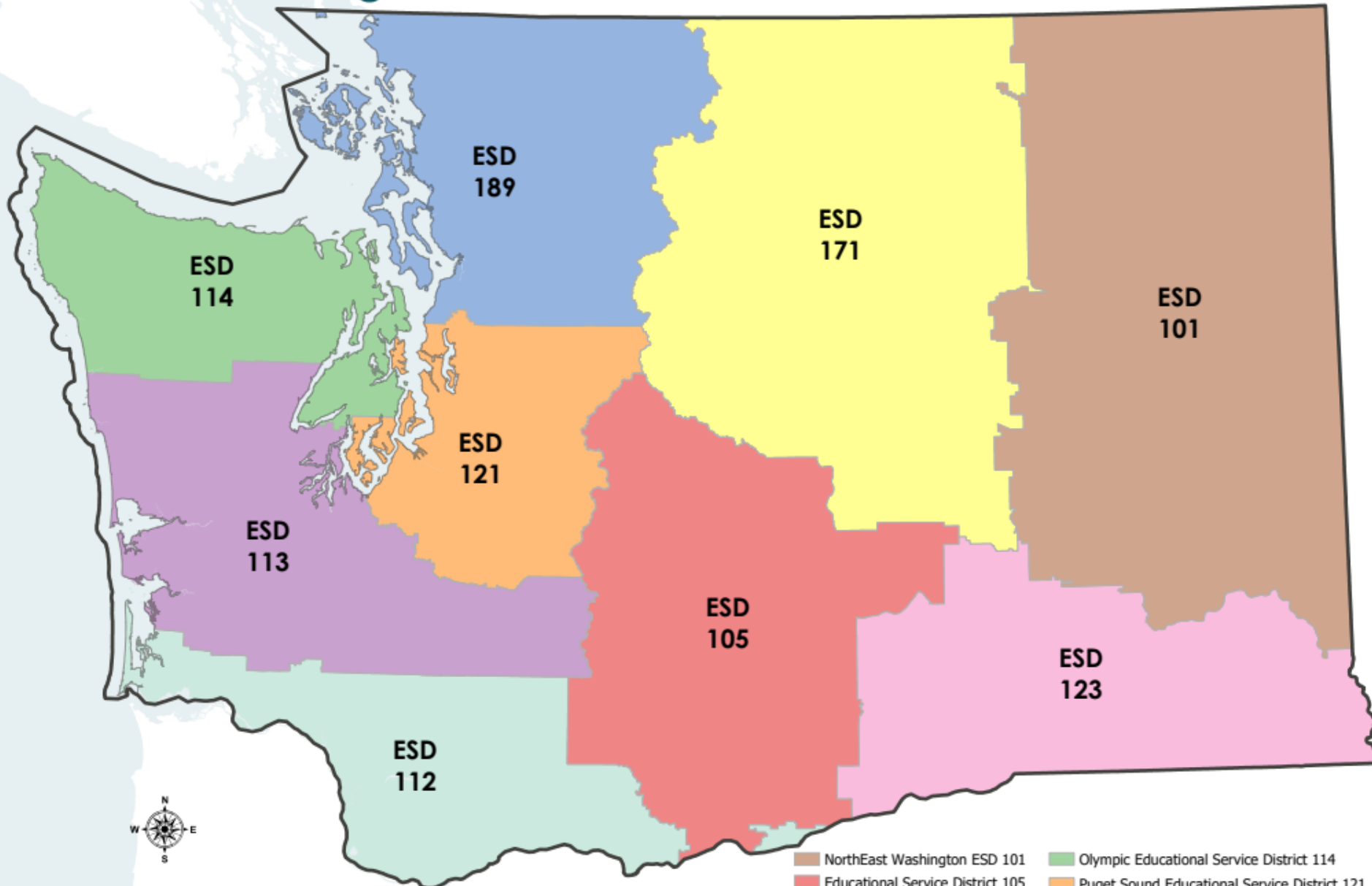


Washington State's ESDs

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Washington State Educational Service Districts



- NorthEast Washington ESD 101
- Educational Service District 105
- Educational Service District 112
- Capital Region ESD 113
- Olympic Educational Service District 114
- Puget Sound Educational Service District 121
- Educational Service District 123
- North Central Educational Service District 171
- Northwest Educational Service District 189

Created by Legislature in 1969- Purpose

- ✓ Ensure equal opportunities to all students
- ✓ Provide cooperative and informational services to school districts when such functions are more effectively and economically administered from the regional level
- ✓ Assist OPSI and SBE with performance of statutory duties
- ✓ Manage and/or support personnel service
- ✓ Provide cooperative curriculum services such as health promotion, health education, training, assessment
- ✓ Assist with technology integration and tool selection

ESD Governance

- ✓ ESDs are governed by 7 or 9 member Board of Directors, elected by school board members in the ESD region, to four year terms
- ✓ Each ESD has regularly scheduled superintendent meetings to discuss legislation, items from the region, and reports from OSPI and other partners
- ✓ Each ESD has a Superintendent's Executive Advisory Council that approves the annual ESD budget and makes recommendations for ESD services and support
- ✓ All cooperatives have advisory boards made up of regional superintendents to guide the administration of the program

ESD Funding Model

- ✓ ESDs each receive approximately \$800,000 from the state in core funding for basic support
- ✓ All ESD services are provided on a district “opt in” model, district choice
- ✓ Nine ESDs provided over \$300 million in services in 2019-20 or about \$37.50 in services for the \$1 invested by the state
- ✓ ESDs provided approximately \$273 in services per student in 2019-20

ESD Programming – Teaching and Learning

- ✓ Special Education – Fee for Service and Cooperatives
- ✓ Behavioral Day Treatment Programs
- ✓ Nursing Services
- ✓ Teacher Training
- ✓ Math/Science/ELA/CCL coordinators
- ✓ Prevention Programs
- ✓ Open Doors
- ✓ Early Learning – Head Start, ECEAP, Childcare, WAKIDS, ESIT

Administrative Support and Services

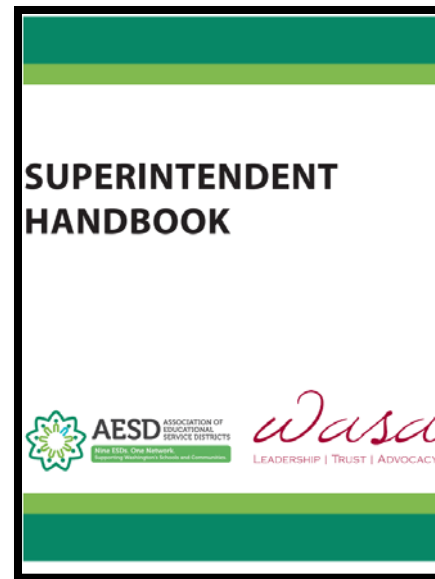
- ✓ Small district business management and payroll services
- ✓ Fiscal and student software support (WSIPC)
- ✓ HR and legal support to school districts
- ✓ Self insured programs – unemployment, worker's compensation, property casualty
- ✓ Construction services (CSG)
- ✓ Communication services
- ✓ Convener of "Job Alike", middle man between OSPI and districts
- ✓ Work with school districts on legislative issues

ESD Response to COVID-19

- ✓ ESDs have served as the information flow for questions and answers between the state and regional school districts during this critical period
- ✓ AESD convenes the bi-weekly meetings of all associations, AWSP, WSSDA, WASA, WASBO, and OSPI
- ✓ AESD prepared the PPE bid for all districts in the state of Washington
- ✓ AESD is partnering with Jeff Utecht to provide training for teachers in online instruction
- ✓ AESD is working with WSIPC to provide an online option for school districts for health attestations

ESD and WASA Partnership

- ✓ Excellent Professional Development Opportunities
- ✓ Superintendent Handbook



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