

# Appendix F: Service Categories

The following service categories were created for the purpose of this operational study:

- **Administrative Services** – Services offered by an ESC meant to supplement or fully supplant services performed in a school district or other local government’s administrative function.
- **Alternative Education** – Services offered by an ESC which provide nonstandard educational opportunities for districts with students who may require these.
- **Community School Sponsor** – Ohio’s system of education requires each community school to have a sponsor, or organization to whom the school is accountable, in order to operate. ESCs have been identified as organizations that are eligible for sponsorship.
- **College and Career Prep** – Services offered by an ESC which are meant to supplement or fully supplant a district’s efforts to provide additional readiness for their students post-graduation.
- **Curriculum Services** – Services offered by an ESC to provide general or specific support in the area of curriculum and program development.
- **Educator Services** – Services meant to provide support to a district’s classroom employees in areas such as maintaining licensure, classroom management, and master teacher programs.
- **Evaluation** – Area of services relating to support or direct performance of the OTES/OPES/OSCES/OSSES program requirements.
- **Family, Community Services** – Services aimed at adult education and family support.
- **Gifted, Talented Services** – Services and programs aimed at those students of gifted abilities and competencies.
- **Health Services** – Services meant to provide support and prevention in the areas of mental and physical wellness and crisis prevention.
- **Marketing Services** – Services provided by an ESC wherein they work with a district, or group of districts, to foster better communication with their communities through increased transparency and informational dialogue.
- **Meeting Facilitation** – Services provided to districts or administrative personnel of districts which supports large and/or small group meeting needs within the community, inter- or intra-district.
- **Miscellaneous Services** – Any additional services provided by an ESC to a school district or local government which don’t appropriately fit into any other type of service category.
- **Preschool** – Any number of services dealing with direct provision of preschool services, preschool service locations, or preschool service administration.
- **Professional Development** – Services provide to district personnel, internal ESC personnel, or other ESC personnel in pursuit of fulfilling continuing education and training requirements.

- **Special Education** – Services provided to supplement a district’s special education requirements of students with Individualized Educational Programs and other special needs.
- **Special Education, Autism** – Services specifically designed to aid in the development and education of students identified as being on the autism spectrum and requiring more personalized programming.
- **Specialized Personnel Services** – Services and personnel employed by an ESC in order to be staffed to districts which may not have a need for a fully dedicated individual all of the time due to the specialized nature of their position or service provided.
- **Specialized Programs** – Services based around the provision of programming with a narrow scope, such as, leadership, food service, and Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM).
- **Student Services** – Services provided to a district on behalf of students or directly to students, produced by an ESC, with an academic background, but supplementary to regular curricula.
- **Technical Assistance** – Services provided to districts meant to support the administrative functions and technical aspect of educational programming.