



FUNDING OPTIONS

The RefReps Officiating Education System is consumable education technology, and it can be paid for through curriculum, materials, and technology accounts. But there are some other ways to pay for RefReps OES as well:

TITLE IV FUNDING

Schools may wish to consider applying for, and if approved, using federal Title IV: Part A grant funds to pay for RefReps curriculum for their school sports officiating course programming. Funds may be proposed through the Title IV: Part A grant cycle or via an amendment to existing awarded Title IV: Part A funds.

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING PARTNERSHIPS

Schools offset costs through student officiating partnerships. Coordinated via in-house programs or groups like the YMCA, CYO, or Little League, game fees are donated back to support the course.

STUDENT & SCHOOL-BASED FUNDING

Depending on state guidelines, the cost of RefReps OES may be included in student course or resource fees, with schools ideally underwriting a portion of the expense.

ATHLETIC & COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Athletic departments may fund RefReps OES as beneficiaries of trained officials, while booster programs support initiatives strengthening school athletics. PTOs, Education Foundations, officials' associations, and local businesses also help.

GRANTS & EXTERNAL OPPORTUNITIES

Grant funding may be available through organizations that support youth sports and healthy lifestyles, such as Action for Healthy Kids, USA Football, and similar programs.