

ELSA Release Notes: January 2019

ELSA updates released in the month of January 2019 included a reintroduction of the “Reactivate” and “Cancel” award actions available through the Child Scholarship History page. Updates also incorporated some smaller changes and bug fixes.

I. Child Scholarship History Page: Expanded actions

Navigation Menu >> View Award List >> Award List: “View”; Navigation Menu >> Child Search >> Child Search Results: “Summary”

The “Reactivate” and “Cancel” actions were initially introduced in the December 21, 2018 system release, though not highlighted. After a short time, it became apparent that this feature was not yet ready for regular use. In a release at the start of January, these action buttons were removed. After some reworking, they were re-introduced again mid-month.

A. Reactivate

A “Reactivate” button is available on the line of the most recent award in a child’s scholarship history when that award is (1) in Cancelled status and (2) is being viewed by an Area/Scholarship Administrator with access under the administrator organization that created that award. When used, “Reactivate” removes the Award End Date and moves the status of the award from *Cancelled* to *Awarded*, effectively undoing a cancellation.

Child Scholarship History

Child

Name: An [REDACTED]

Birth Date: [REDACTED]

Gender: M

Homeless: Y

Foster Care: [REDACTED]


Protective Services: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED] Avenue North
Minneapolis, MN 55112
Hennepin County
Minneapolis Public School District 0001-03

In-eligible Date: 09/01/2020

Scholarship History

Year	Award Status	Scholarship Admin	Amount	Type	Award Date	Service End Date	Action
2019	Cancelled	Milestones	\$0.00	Pathway 2	08/20/2018	08/20/2018	View Edit Reactivate



B. Cancel

Please only use this “Cancel” button on the Child Scholarship History page when instructed to do so by MDE as part of working through a problem case.

Taking this action moves the award status to *Cancelled*. This action is only available for awards that were renewed by the system’s automated renewal process, after the award created by the renewal process has been removed by an MDE Internal administrator. If an award created through the automated renewal process is removed by an MDE Internal administrator, an additional award cannot be added to the child’s record unless the award that was renewed is in *Cancelled* status. Since a renewed award retains the *Awarded* status even after it has been used to create a new scholarship award in the next fiscal year (the renewal), this additional action to change the award status was needed to “fully cancel” awards in such conditions.

Child Scholarship History

Child

Name: B [redacted]

Birth Date: [redacted]

Gender: F

Homeless:

Foster Care:


Protective Services:

Address: [redacted] North Avenue
Fairmont, MN 56031
Martin County
Fairmont Area School District 2752-01

In-eligible Date: 09/01/2019

Scholarship History

Year	Award Status	Scholarship Admin	Amount	Type	Award Date	Service End Date	Action
2018	Awarded	Child Care Resource & Referral Inc.	\$7,500.00	Pathway 1	01/22/2018	01/21/2019	View Edit Cancel



II. Other Changes / Bug fixes

- The “Expansion” and “Enhancement” check boxes were removed from Program Selection page.
- “Last Activity Date” will now update at time of renewal as well as at other points of updating award or child information
- “Last Activity Date” is now populated from a single table source within the database to increase consistency.
- A bug that prevented the creation of Pathway II awards was introduced in a January 4, 2018 release and resolved later the same day.
- Effective January 16, 2019, the MDE staff person set to receive automated Admin Fee payment request notifications from ELSA is Sandy Myers, Early Learning Services Supervisor.