

Tax Year 2020 Form 5498-ESA FAQs

Q: WHY DID I RECEIVE A FORM 5498-ESA?

A: Form 5498-ESA reports contributions and rollover contributions made for 2020 into your Coverdell-ESA account.

Q: THE TAX FILING DATE IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER AND I HAVEN'T RECEIVED MY FORM 5498-ESA. WHEN SHOULD I EXPECT IT?

A: The IRS permits you to make contributions to your account until the date of the filing deadline for the applicable tax year. As a result Form 5498-ESA reports all contributions made up until the tax filing date. The form will be mailed to you by June 30, 2021.

Q: WHAT DO I DO IF I HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT MY 5498-ESA?

A: Please contact Guggenheim Client Services at 800.820.0888, Monday through Friday, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm, ET to speak with one of our representatives.

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Instructions for Beneficiary

The information on Form 5498-ESA is furnished to you by the trustee or issuer of your Coverdell education savings account (ESA) by April 30, 2021. Form 5498-ESA reports contributions and rollover contributions made for you for 2020. For more information about Coverdell ESAs, see Pub. 970.

Box 1. Shows Coverdell ESA contributions made in 2020 and through April 15, 2021, for 2020 on your behalf. Do not deduct these amounts on your income tax return.

If the total contributions made to all your Coverdell ESAs for 2020 exceeded \$2,000, you must withdraw the excess, plus earnings, by June 1, 2021, or you may owe a penalty. You must keep track of your Coverdell ESA basis (contributions and distributions).

Box 2. Shows any rollover (including a direct rollover and contribution of a military death gratuity) you made in 2020. Generally, any amount rolled over from one Coverdell ESA to another Coverdell ESA for the benefit of the named beneficiary or a member of the beneficiary's family who is under age 30 (except for a beneficiary with special needs) is not taxable.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form 5498-ESA and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/form5498esa.

This information does not constitute tax advice. Please consult your tax advisor and/or state and local tax office for more complete information.