SGR Newsflash: ESSER, GEER, and EANS
Grantee Communications
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The SGR Newsflash informs subscribers about communications distributed to grantees by the Office of State and Grantee Relations (SGR). SGR administers the ESSER, GEER, and EANS grants on behalf of the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education (OESE) at the U.S. Department of Education.

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Recent Grantee Communications
Sent 3/22/23 – Official UEIs Required for Submission of ESSER Fiscal Year 2022 (Year 3) and Fiscal Year 2021 (Year 2) APRs: Grantees received information regarding the use of official and temporary Unique Entity Identifiers (UEIs) for their APR submissions. For questions regarding UEIs, please see the UEI Fact Sheet on the Education Stabilization Fund (ESF) Grantee Help page. The ESF Reporting Helpdesk can be reached by phone at 1-866-890-0913, or by email at ESSER.GEER.EANS.AnnualReport@ed.gov

Upcoming Webinars
ESSER FY22 (Year 3) Annual Reporting Technical Webinar 4/3/23 2:00 pm-3:00 pm EDT: Technical Demonstration and Overview of the Data Collection Tool – The webinar will be recorded and posted on the Grantee Help page. Registration Link: https://aemcorp.webex.com/weblink/register/r3c5d8dc2ca4cc8d070692cfff670d65b8. For webinar registration assistance, email the ESF Reporting Helpdesk: ESSER.GEER.EANS.AnnualReport@ed.gov.

Reporting Updates

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APR resources can be found on the Grantee Help page. Please continue to submit any APR questions to ESSER.GEER.EANS.AnnualReport@ed.gov.

ESSER APR Submitter and Editor Roles: Please confirm your State’s Submitter and Editor for the ESSER Year 3 (FY22) APR. An Editor can view, enter, and update State data with the Data Collection Tool; can view and print, but cannot submit, the APR. A Submitter can view, enter, update, and submit the State’s APR, and can also view and print the report; must be authorized to certify the completeness and accuracy of the entire submission and submit the report on behalf of the
State; can also access user accounts, and add, update, or remove users. Review the Update User Account and Access Video and the Update User Account and Access Instructions. Contact ESSER.GEER.EANS.AnnualReport@ed.gov for assistance with user accounts and access.

**Annual Performance Reporting (APR) Questions & Answers** – Q&A from the February 15, 2023, ESSER Year 3 APR Form Review Webinar is posted on the Grantee Help Page under the Fiscal Year 2022 (Program Year 3) Annual Performance Reporting Resources section. Please see the latest updates on the Grantee Help Page. Please continue to submit any APR questions to ESSER.GEER.EANS.AnnualReport@ed.gov.

**FFATA Reporting** – Grantees should review program subawards to ensure accurate monthly reporting in FSRS. Grantees will need to demonstrate to their program officer that they are making an effort to ensure accurate FFATA reporting per the G5 notification sent on 2/15/23: FFATA Reporting Requirements and Accuracy. If documented effort has not been shared with your program officer by 4/15/23, findings may be issued for FFATA reporting discrepancies. Questions? See the FSRS FAQs and the, ESSER, GEER, and EANS reporting webpages. Note: The FFATAReporting@ed.gov email address is deactivated. Submit questions through your State mailbox at State name.oese@ed.gov (e.g., Ohio.oese@ed.gov).

**Deadlines and Announcements**

**Grantee Satisfaction Survey**: The Grantee Satisfaction Survey (GSS) will open on 3/29/23. The GSS gathers feedback from grantees regarding the Department’s performance on its largest and most impactful grant programs. This year’s survey includes program-specific questions for the ARP ESSER and ARP EANS funds. Please complete the survey by 5/26/23. Note: the survey link you receive is unique to each respondent - please do not share the link. We look forward to receiving your feedback. Submit questions through your State mailbox at State name.oese@ed.gov.

**CARES Act Grant Closeout Update**: SGR held webinars on both March 7, 2023, and March 9, 2023, to discuss the grant closeout process for Education Stabilization Fund (ESF) Programs authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. Copies of the presentation may be found here:

- English (with captions): CARES Late Liquidation and Closeout Webinar
- Spanish (with captions): CARES Late Liquidation and Closeout Webinar

SGR will begin the grant closeout process for CARES ESSER and CARES GEER grants this spring by conducting a fiscal assessment, except in instances where grantees were approved for a liquidation extension. Closeout of those grants will not begin until the extended period of liquidation ends. All CARES ESSER and CARES GEER grants, however, will not be fully closed until all terms and conditions of the grants are met in 2025, the last year for making Annual Performance Report corrections for Year 4 of CARES Act grants.

**UEI and SAM.gov registration**: If you or your subrecipients are struggling to receive an assigned UEI or renew your SAM.gov registration, please contact the Federal Service Desk. Please share your Federal Service Desk Incident Number with your State’s SGR program officer for escalation.

**Grantee Resources**

- 2022 Deadlines and Announcements
- ESSER and GEER FAQs Dec 7, 2022 Update
- CARES Liquidation Extension FAQs
- EANS FAQs
- ARP ESSER Maintenance of Equity FAQs
- ESSER and GEER Maintenance of Effort Guidance
- ESF Transparency Portal
- SAM.gov Resources
- Lessons from the Field Webinar Series
- Community of Practice Resources
- Regional Comprehensive Centers
- The Best Practices Clearinghouse
- National Partnership for Student Success
- Engage Every Student
- National Comprehensive Center
- GSA Interact Community (SAM.gov and UEI related updates)

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