

October 24, 2023

Subject: Optional Template for LEA-Level Maintenance of Equity Reporting (FY 2023)

Greetings, grantees –

On June 2, 2022, the Department submitted a Notice of Final Requirement (NFR) for publication in the Federal Register regarding the LEA-level maintenance of equity provisions under section 2004(c) of the ARP Act. This NFR establishes requirements for publishing LEA-level maintenance of equity data to demonstrate that LEAs are maintaining both fiscal and staffing equity in fiscal years 2022 and 2023. **The deadline for SEAs to publish this applicable LEA high-poverty school data for FY 2023 is December 31, 2023.**

FY 2023 data, due **December 31, 2023**, includes a comparison of school year 2021-2022 data with school year 2022-2023 data to determine whether high-poverty schools within applicable LEAs received disproportionate per-pupil funding and/or full time equivalent (FTE) staff. The Department is providing [this optional template](#) for SEAs to collect and submit data from LEAs. LEAs that are excepted from the LEA-level MOEquity requirement in FY 2023 are not subject to this reporting requirement. If you have questions about this requirement or optional template, please send an email through your State mailbox (*State name.oese@ed.gov*). More information about maintenance of equity can be found on the Department's [ARP ESSER Maintenance of Equity](#) web page.

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