

# SGR Newsflash: ESSER, GEER, and EANS **Grantee Communications** October 2, 2023

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 (Department).

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### **Reporting Updates**

EANS Year 2 (FY22) APR data correction period: The EANS Year 2 APR data correction period will close this Thursday, 10/5/23 at 8pm ET. This is the last opportunity in 2023 for EANS grantees to make corrections or updates to previously reported EANS Year 2 APR data. If your State received an email with potential data quality concerns identified by the Department, your State is required to review the data for accuracy, make updates, and resubmit the data if needed. Please continue to submit any APR-related questions to ESSER.GEER.EANS.AnnualReport@ed.gov. The ESF Reporting Helpdesk can also be reached by phone at 1-866-890-0913.

ESSER/ GEER/EANS Annual Performance Reporting		
(APR)		
Program	Data Correction Period	
ESSER Year 2 (FY21)	closed	
ESSER Year 3 (FY22)	closed	
GEER Year 2 (FY21)	closed	
GEER Year 3 (FY22)	closed	
EANS Year 1 (FY21)	closed	
EANS Year 2 (FY22)	9/25/23 to 10/5/23	

ESF Office Hours: The Education Stabilization Fund (ESF) Reporting Helpdesk will be hosting one remaining Office Hours session during the EANS Year 2 (FY22) data correction period. No registration is required. Click the link below to join.

### Wednesday, October 4 – 12:00-1:00 pm ET

FFATA Subaward Reporting Accuracy Requirement: SGR appreciates grantees' efforts in complying with FFATA reporting requirements. We continue to monitor subaward reporting and offer our support to grantees to come into or remain in compliance. Please send an email through your State mailbox if you have any questions or need assistance with FFATA requirements. Program subawards can be reviewed in FSRS and USASpending.gov.

### **Deadlines and Announcements**

CRRSA Liquidation Extension Request Information: The Department has released an updated CRRSA Liquidation Extension Request template for grantees to utilize if an extended liquidation period is needed by the State or its subgrantees. Grantees may submit requests as soon as data are available and are encouraged to reach out to their State mailbox with any questions related to completion of a liquidation extension request. Please see the following resources for additional information:

- Updated CRRSA Liquidation Extension Request template
- **Deadlines and Extensions Letter**
- Updated CRRSA Liquidation Extension FAQs

CRRSA ESSER, GEER, and EANS Obligation

<u>Grant Refund Information</u>: With the suspension period for the CARES Act ESSER and GEER grants having passed, here is a reminder of the three options available for returning grant funds when an award can no longer be accessed in G5:

- To return funds in G5: If the award is closed, or there is no associated grant award with the refund, the refund can still be sent through G5 by selecting *Payments > Refunds > Refund Creation* and clicking the "*Miscellaneous Refunds*" tab and selecting "*Closed Awards*".
- To return funds by Fedwire: Institutions using a domestic bank account may choose to send a refund via Fedwire. Instructions for sending a domestic Fedwire can be found here: <u>https://www.g5.gov/G5HELP/G5\_fedwire\_instructions.pdf</u>
- To return funds by check: Send a check made out to the U.S. Department of Education to the address below. Make sure the check or an accompanying letter contains details of where the funds should be applied, such as a specific grant award or for an audit finding and write the complete grant or audit number. (Note that the post office box address previously used by the Department for receiving returns is closing on 09/30/23.) All checks should now be mailed to:

U.S. Department of Education Office of Finance and Operations Accounts Receivable and Bank Management Division 400 Maryland Ave SW, 2nd Floor Washington, DC 20202

<u>SGR Grantee Learning Series</u>: Recorded webinars of each session in the Grantee Learning Series are now available at the links below.

Topics	Links to Recorded Webinars	
Grants Administration	<u>English</u>	Spanish subtitled
Monitoring	<u>English</u>	Spanish subtitled
Technical Assistance, Communications, and Resources	<u>English</u>	Spanish subtitled
Maintenance of Effort (MOE) and Maintenance of Equity (MOEq)	<u>English</u>	Spanish subtitled
FFATA and Annual Performance Reporting (APR)	<u>English</u>	Spanish subtitled

#### Grantee Resources

SGR Deadlines and Announcements	SAM.gov Resources
CRRSA Liquidation Extension Request Template	Lessons from the Field Webinar Series
CARES and CRRSA Liquidation Extension FAQs	Community of Practice Resources
ESSER and GEER FAQs	Regional Comprehensive Centers
ESSER and GEER FAQs - Spanish	The Best Practices Clearinghouse
EANS FAQs	National Partnership for Student Success
ARP ESSER Maintenance of Equity FAQs	Engage Every Student
ESSER and GEER Maintenance of Effort Guidance	National Comprehensive Center
2023 OMB Compliance Supplement	GSA Interact Community (SAM.gov and UEI related
ESF Transparency Portal	updates)

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