

SGR Newsflash: ESSER, GEER, and EANS Grantee Communications February 12, 2024

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Recent Grantee Communication

Sent 2/11/24 – Davis-Bacon Webinar Questions and Recording: Grantees received a communication with questions and responses from the 12/7/23 Davis-Bacon and Related Acts office hours session and links to the webinar recording. Link: Davis-Bacon communication

Upcoming Webinars

Strategic Planning for Continued Recovery (SPCR) Webinar: Grantees are invited to join the <u>SPCR</u> subject matter experts on 2/22/24 from 3:30-5:00pm ET for the Cross-SEA Collaboration session, *Digging into Data to Determine What Works*. Participants can share and learn about different ways SEAs and LEAs use data to ensure access and opportunity for all students, and to determine effectiveness of and how to prioritize investments. **Registration link:** <u>SPCR Digging into Data Webinar</u>

ARP ESSER and EANS Liquidation Extension Office Hours: The Office of State and Grantee Relations will host office hours opportunities in April and May to review the submission process and address questions from grantees. Questions may be submitted prior to the webinar by sending an email through your State mailbox (*[StateName].OESE@ed.gov*). Date, time, and registration information will be shared soon.

Deadlines and Announcements

Upcoming FY 2023 Maintenance of Equity (MOEquity) Small LEA Tolerance Deadline: States that would like to submit a small LEA tolerance proposal (see #21(a) of <u>FAQs</u>) for FY 2023 should do so through their State mailbox by **March 15**, **2024**. All Department correspondence regarding small LEA tolerance proposals are available on the <u>MOEquity webpage</u>.

Updated Monitoring Protocols for EANS and Liquidation Extensions: The Office of State and Grantee Relations (SGR) has updated the FY 2024 monitoring protocols for EANS and Liquidation Extensions. Link: <u>Updated Protocols</u>

Upcoming FY 2023 Maintenance of Effort (MOE) Deadline: Final FY 2023 MOE data is due by **March 15, 2024**. States intending to seek a waiver of FY 2023 MOE requirements that have not already done so should submit a detailed waiver request to their State mailbox by **March 15, 2024**. States that have already submitted a FY 2023 MOE waiver request should submit updated information, including final FY 2023 MOE expenditure data and any updates regarding State actions to address the FY 2023 MOE shortfall with additional State appropriations, to their State mailbox by March 15, 2024. Please review the January 8, 2024 communication for more information on data and waiver submission requirements and deadlines.

ESSER Year 4 FY23 Annual Performance Reporting (APR) Webinar: The recording and slide presentation of the 1/30/24 APR webinar, *Intervention Participation and Expenditure Detail Reporting*, have been posted to the <u>Grantee Help page</u>, under the Fiscal Year 2023 (Year 4) Annual Performance Reporting Resources accordion. The ESSER Year 4 Reporting Definitions and FAQs section on the <u>Grantee Help page</u> has been updated to include additional FAQs.

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ESSER, GEER, and EANS Annual Performance Reporting (APR) Resources: In preparation for ESSER Year 4 (FY23), GEER and ESF-Governor Year 4 (FY23), and EANS Year 3 (FY 23) annual performance reporting, the ESF <u>Grantee Help page</u> has APR resources available including annotated data collection forms, data dictionaries, and reporting templates. Please continue to submit any APR-related questions by email to *ESSER.GEER.EANS.AnnualReport@ed.gov.* The ESF Reporting Helpdesk can also be reached by phone at (866) 890-0913.

ESSER, GEER, and EANS Annual Performance Reporting (APR) Data Collection Schedule	
ESSER/ESF-SEA	Year 4 (FY23) Initial: open 5/13/24 - 6/6/24
	Year 3 (FY22) Prior Year: re-open 7/29/24 - 8/15/24
	Year 4 (FY23) Re-open 9/9/24 - 9/26/24
GEER/ESF-GOV	Year 4 (FY23) Initial: open 4/15/24 - 5/2/24
	Year 3 (FY22) Prior Year: re-open 9/30/24 - 10/10/24
	Year 4 (FY23) Re-open 10/21/24 - 10/31/24
EANS	Year 3 (FY23) Initial: open 4/22/24 - 5/9/24
	Year 2 (FY22) Prior Year: re-open 10/7/24 - 10/17/24
	Year 3 (FY23) Re-open 10/28/24 - 11/7/24

ARP ESSER State Plan Amendments: The Department is encouraging any State considering making changes to its planned uses of American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER) funds to submit a request to amend its approved ARP ESSER State plan by Friday, **March 29, 2024**. Submitting by that date will help to ensure the Department has sufficient time to review and approve the amendment so the grantee can move forward with implementing its changes in advance of the approaching end of the period of availability for obligating ARP ESSER funds. As a reminder, a State must seek an amendment if it plans to implement different or additional evidence-based interventions than those currently described in Sections D.1 (evidence-based interventions to address the academic impact of lost instructional time), D.2 (evidence-based summer enrichment), or D.3 (evidence-based afterschool programs) of its ARP ESSER State plan. States are not required to submit amendments related to uses of funds set aside for emergency needs as described in section D.4. For more information about the process for submitting an amendment, please refer to the Department's September 19, 2022 <u>communication to Chief State School Officers</u>.

ARP ESSER and ARP EANS Liquidation Extension Requests: As with the CARES Act and CRRSA Act process, grantees may request liquidation extensions for any allowable costs of the ARP ESSER or ARP EANS programs, provided such costs are properly obligated by September 30, 2024. Links: <u>ARP ESSER and EANS Communication</u>; <u>FAQs</u>; <u>Liquidation Extension</u> <u>Request template</u>. Please visit the following links to review the 1/18/24 liquidation extension webinar:

- <u>Recording English</u>
- Transcript English
- Recording Spanish

Grantee Resources

SGR Deadlines and Announcements CRRSA Liquidation Extension Request Template CARES, CRRSA, and ARP Liquidation Extension FAQs ARP ESSER and EANS Liquidation Extension Request Template ESSER and GEER FAQs ESSER and GEER FAQs - Spanish EANS FAQs EANS Disposition FAQs Addendum ARP ESSER Maintenance of Equity FAQs ESSER and GEER Maintenance of Effort Guidance ESSER webinars and Resources

- Transcript Spanish
- <u>Slide Presentation</u>

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