



SGR Newsflash: ESSER, GEER, and EANS Grantee Communications April 8, 2024

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Recent Communications

Sent 4/5/24 FFATA Reporting Updates: Grantees received information about reporting and verifying their FFATA reporting data in the FSRS system. Grantees are asked to verify that their FFATA reporting for each CARES Act and CRRSA Act program is accurate and complete by Friday, May 18, 2024, and for each ARP Act program by November 15, 2024.

Link: [FFATA Reporting](#)

Sent 3/22/24 Recording and Reporting Federal Interest: Grantees received information regarding how to record and report the Federal interest when Federal funds have been spent to improve facilities. While most Department grant programs prohibit using Federal funds for construction activities, facilities improvements may be allowable projects under certain programs that were authorized to assist educational entities in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, including ESSER, GEER, and reverted EANS programs. **Link:** [Recording and Reporting Federal Interest](#)

Upcoming Webinars

ESSER Year 4 FY23 Annual Performance Report (APR) Business Rules Webinar: The Department will host a webinar on Tuesday, 4/9/24, 3pm-4pm ET, to review the process for resolving business rule conflicts for the Year 4 FY23 ESSER Fund APR. The Business Rules Guide and supporting resources can be found on the [ESSER Grantee Help](#) page in the *Fiscal Year 2023 (Year 4) Annual Performance Reporting Resources* accordion. Registration is not required. **Link to join:** [4/9/24 APR](#). Meeting ID: 211 948 291 863 Passcode: N7jido [Download Teams](#) | [Join on the web](#) Or call in (audio only) +1 434-338-7651, 963786984#, Phone Conference ID: 963 786 984#

ARP ESSER and ARP EANS Liquidation Extension Office Hours: SGR will host two office hours sessions, on Thursday, 4/25/24 at 3pm EST, and Tuesday, 5/21/24 at 3pm EST, to review the ARP ESSER and ARP EANS liquidation extension request submission process and address questions from grantees. Please pre-register here:

4/25/24 3pm ET Registration link: <https://intellor.webex.com/weblink/register/rbd68d25be9bbaa1825f6d69055919124>

5/21/24 3pm ET Registration link: <https://intellor.webex.com/weblink/register/r180392dadf099ea0766fe41fa514353d>

Submit questions prior to each session through your State mailbox at [\[StateName\].OESE@ed.gov](mailto:[StateName].OESE@ed.gov). Liquidation extension resources: [ARP ESSER and EANS Communication](#); [FAQs](#); [Liquidation Extension Request template](#)

Deadlines and Announcements

Uniform Guidance Update: On 4/4/24, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) published revised guidance to Federal agencies on administering and managing Federal awards in Title 2 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR).

Link: [Reducing Burden in the Administration of Federal Financial Assistance](#)

ARP ESSER State Plan Amendments: Any State considering making changes to its planned uses of ARP ESSER funds and has not submitted a request to amend its approved ARP ESSER State plan should do so as soon as possible. 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, D.2, or D.3 of its ARP ESSER State plan. States are not required to submit amendments for section D.4. For more information see the Department’s 9/19/22 [communication to Chief State School Officers](#).

Cybersecurity Preparedness for K-12 Schools and Institutions of Higher Learning: The Department has been made aware that some SEAs and LEAs may be vulnerable to fraud and cybersecurity threats involving their ESSER, GEER, and EANS programs. The [Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools \(REMS\) Technical Assistance \(TA\) Center](#) has resources available for SEAs and LEAs to ensure they are well prepared to address cybersecurity in their emergency management planning efforts and manage a potential cybersecurity incident. **Link:** [Cybersecurity Preparedness](#)

ESSER, GEER, and EANS Annual Performance Reporting (APR): The [ESF Transparency Portal](#) will now require grantees to access the APR reporting system through an identity verified Login.gov account. If you do not already have a Login.gov account, create one here: https://secure.login.gov/sign_up/enter_email. See the [ESF Grantee Help](#) page for APR resources. 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 1-866-890-0913.

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
	Year 5 (FY24) TBD
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
	Year 4 (FY24) TBD

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](#)
- [ESF Transparency Portal](#)

- [Readiness and Emergency Management \(REMS\) Technical Assistance \(TA\) Center](#)
- [2023 OMB Compliance Supplement](#)
- [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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