



SGR Newsflash: ESSER, GEER, and EANS Grantee Communications September 9, 2024

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Recent Grantee Communications

Sent 9/6/24 – LEA-Level ARP Act Maintenance of Equity (MOEquity) Requirements: Governors and Chief State School Officers received a reminder to ensure that SEAs and LEAs are compliant with the ARP Act's MOEquity requirements. While the U.S. Department of Education (Department) does not have the authority to waive MOEquity requirements for SEAs or LEAs, the Department's [guidance](#) from October 21, 2021, provides information on exceptions that are available to LEAs. **Link:** [MOEquity Requirements Memo](#)

Sent 9/5/24 – Prior Approval for Certain EANS Program Expenditures: Grantees were reminded that prior approval from the U.S. Department of Education is required before purchasing equipment with a per unit acquisition cost of \$5,000 or more for use by non-public schools under the Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools (EANS) program. If your SEA purchased equipment under the EANS program and did not receive prior approval from the Department, please contact your program officer through your State mailbox ([*Statename*].OESE@ed.gov) with information on the item(s) purchased, including which EANS program funds (CRRSA EANS or ARP EANS) were used to make the purchase, and the cost of each item.

Deadlines and Announcements

ARP ESSER and ARP EANS Obligation Deadline and Liquidation Extension Reminder: Grantees are reminded that all **ARP ESSER and ARP EANS funds, including reverted ARP EANS funds, must be obligated by 9/30/24.** While the Department has communicated Tydings waiver information for the consolidation of certain State-level administrative funds, grantee and subrecipient ARP ESSER and ARP EANS program funds may not be obligated beyond this date. Please see the 6/12/24 [ARP Obligations and Extensions](#) communication for additional information about obligating funds, repurposing or reverting funds, amending a State plan, and requesting a liquidation extension.

Consolidated Administrative Funds Tydings Waiver: Information and resources regarding ARP ESSER and ARP EANS administrative funds Tydings waivers, including the [Tydings waiver letter](#); [4/29/24 Webinar presentation](#); [Recording with English captions](#); [Recording with Spanish captions](#); [English transcript](#); and [Spanish transcript](#) are available on the [ESSER Resources](#) and [EANS Resources](#) webpage.

Reallocation of Unobligated ARP ESSER Funds: States are reminded that they may not make new subawards or change any subaward amounts under any of the CARES, CRRSA, or ARP Act programs (except to correct allocation errors) after the obligation deadline has passed. However, if the SEA, in working with LEAs, determines that one or more LEAs do not need or do not intend to use all of their remaining ARP ESSER funds, the SEA may reallocate the unobligated ARP ESSER funds to the other LEAs (including charter school LEAs) in the State by **9/30/24**, in proportion to the amount of funds LEAs/charter school LEAs received under part A of title I of the ESEA of 1965 in fiscal year 2020. Questions may be sent through your State mailbox ([*Statename*].OESE@ed.gov). **Link:** [Reallocation of Unobligated ARP ESSER Funds](#)

FFATA Subaward Reporting Requirements: Grantees have been asked to verify the accuracy and completeness of FFATA subaward reporting for each ARP Act program by **11/15/24**. FFATA subaward reporting for CARES Act and CRRSA Act programs should have been verified for accuracy and completeness by **5/18/24**. If verification for CARES Act and CRRSA Act programs has not been completed, please contact your SGR program officer through your State mailbox ([Statename].OESE@ed.gov). **Link:** [FFATA Reporting Letter](#)

ESSER Year 4 (FY23) Annual Performance Reporting (APR) Open for Corrections and Updates: Grantees may now make corrections and updates to their previously submitted ESSER Year 4 (FY23) APR data. The reopen period will close at 8pm ET on 9/26/24, after which all Year 4 (FY23) APR data will be considered final and the [ESF Data Collection Tool](#) will not be available for further corrections. In preparation for the reopen period, please review the Data Quality findings sent to your SEA on July 22, 2024.

Technical assistance resources for the ESSER Year 4 (FY23) APR can be found on the [ESSER Grantee Help](#) page, under the Fiscal Year 2023 (Year 4) Annual Performance Reporting Resources accordion. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact the ESF Reporting Helpdesk by email at ESSER.GEER.EANS.AnnualReport@ed.gov or 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: closed
	Year 3 (FY22) Prior Year: closed
	Year 4 (FY23) Reopen 9/9/24 - 9/26/24
	Year 5 (FY24) TBD
GEER/ESF-GOV	Year 4 (FY23) Initial: closed
	Year 3 (FY22) Prior Year: reopen 9/30/24 - 10/10/24
	Year 4 (FY23) Reopen 10/21/24 - 10/31/24
EANS	Year 3 (FY23) Initial: closed
	Year 2 (FY22) Prior Year: reopen 10/7/24 - 10/17/24
	Year 3 (FY23) Reopen 10/28/24 - 11/7/24
	Year 4 (FY24) TBD

Grantee Resources

- [SGR Deadlines and Announcements](#)
- [ESSER Resources](#)
- [GEER Resources](#)
- [EANS Resources](#)
- [ARP ESSER and EANS Liquidation Extension Request Template](#)
- [CRRSA Liquidation Extension Request Template](#)
- [CARES, CRRSA, and ARP Liquidation Extension FAQs](#)
- [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](#)
- [ESF Transparency Portal](#)

- [U.S. Department of Education Live Events and Webinars on YouTube](#)
- [Readiness and Emergency Management \(REMS\) Technical Assistance \(TA\) Center](#)
- [2024 OMB Compliance Supplement](#)
- [SAM.gov Resources](#)
- [National Comprehensive Center](#)
- [Regional Comprehensive Centers](#)
- [Community of Practice Resources](#)
- [Lessons from the Field Webinar Series](#)
- [The Best Practices Clearinghouse](#)
- [National Partnership for Student Success](#)
- [Engage Every Student](#)
- [GSA Interact Community \(SAM.gov and UEI related updates\)](#)

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