



SGR Newsflash: ESSER, GEER, and EANS Grantee Communications May 6, 2024

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Recent Grantee Communication

Sent 4/29/24 Presentation Materials: Grantees were provided with the presentation materials from the Consolidated Administrative Funds Tydings Waiver webinar hosted by SGR on 4/29/24. **Links:** [Tydings Waiver presentation](#); [Tydings Waiver Letter](#)

Upcoming Webinars

Education Stabilization Fund (ESF) Annual Performance Reporting (APR) Sessions:

ESSER Year 4 (FY23) APR Technical Webinar: In preparation for Fiscal Year 2023 (Year 4) of the Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund Annual Performance Reporting data collection, the ESF Reporting Helpdesk will host a technical demonstration and overview of the Data Collection Tool on Wednesday, **5/8/24**, 3pm-4pm ET.

Registration Link: [ESSER 5/8/24 session](#)

ESSER Year 4 (FY23) Helpdesk Office Hours: Wednesday, **5/15/24**, 3pm-4pm ET, and Wednesday, **5/29/24**, 3pm ET.

Registration is not required. **Links to join:** [ESSER 5/15/24 session](#); [ESSER 5/29/24 session](#)

Strategic Planning for Continued Recovery (SPCR) Communities of Practice Open House: SEAs are invited to the SPCR Open House to learn about the three Communities of Practice (CoPs) – Supporting the Use of a Return-on-Investment Approach (ROI), Supporting LEAs in Making Trade-Off Decisions (Trade-Offs), and Planning for Sustainability of SEA Systems (Sustainability) – on **5/14/24**, at 4pm ET. Each CoP will help SEA teams actively apply fiscal planning and sustainability strategies in a local context through structured activities and flexible supports that dive deeper into the SPCR content. **Registration link:** [Open House 5/14/24](#). SEAs can [request to join](#) a CoP by Friday, 5/24/24.

ARP ESSER and ARP EANS Liquidation Extension Office Hour: SGR will host an office hour session on Tuesday, **5/21/24**, at 3pm ET to review the ARP ESSER and ARP EANS liquidation extension request submission process and address questions from grantees. **Registration link:** [ARP ESSER and EANS 5/21/24](#). 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

FFATA Subaward Reporting Updates: Grantees are asked to verify that their FFATA subaward reporting for each CARES Act and CRRSA Act program is accurate and complete by 5/18/24, and for each ARP Act program by 11/15/24. **Link:** [FFATA Reporting Letter](#)

ESSER, GEER, and EANS APR System Access: The [ESF Transparency Portal](#) will now require grantees to access the APR 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.

EANS Year 3 (FY23) Annual Performance Reporting (APR) Data Collection Period Closes Thursday, 5/9/24: All data collection periods close at 8pm ET on the last day of the scheduled data collection window. The APR User Guide is available on the [ESF Grantee Help](#) page. 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: closed
	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

ESF Business Rule Validation with File Checker: The File Checker tool allows SEAs to verify that reporting templates pass all business and formatting rules required for submission prior to opening the Annual Performance Reporting (APR) data collection tool. Once logged into the data collection tool, make sure to refresh the page either by selecting the “refresh” prompt that may be located at the top of the page, or select *Ctrl+F5* to manually refresh the page. Click the *Preview* button, which appears next to the ESSER FY 2023 (Year 4) APR on the ESF Reporting landing page, to access the File Checker tool.

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](#)

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[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](#)
[U.S. Department of Education Live Events and Webinars on YouTube](#)

[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](#)
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