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**Federal Programs and
Grants Management Monthly Call**
December 17, 2020

Agenda

I. Federal Programs

- Updates
- Title I Waiver
- Non-public

II. Statewide Monitoring

- Monitoring Quarters
- Monitoring Selection
- Web-based Monitoring

III. Grants Management

- 2021-2022 Formula Allocations
- 2020-2021 Formula Allocations

IV. Important Reminders/Call Summary

Suggested participants for this call:

- Federal Program Supervisors
- IDEA Supervisors
- Business Managers

Federal Program Updates



Federal Programs Updates

- Non-Public Super App Updates
 - Super App Next Steps
 - Data Collection

- Title I Waiver - Due December 18
 - Excess Fund Requirements and CARES Act
 - eGMS Next Steps

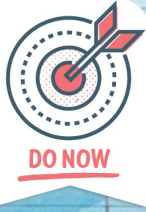


Title I Waiver

School systems that exceed the 15 percent carryover limitation are eligible to request a waiver once every three years. Under the CARES Act, LDOE can grant Title I waivers to school systems even if a waiver has been granted in the last three years. Additionally, the 2019-2020 Title I waiver will not count against the once every three years rule.

School systems should note:

- Title I excess funds are noted on the 9/30/2020 PER.
- Email notifications were sent to school systems needing to request a waiver.
- To request a waiver, go to the school system GMS Access Select page in eGMS under the Non Funded section.



Title I Waiver Exemplar

When completing the Title I Waiver, school systems are required to **provide an explanation** for exceeding the 15 percent cap and specifically **identify budget expenditures** for carryover funds.

Title I Waiver Exemplar: Due to the COVID19 pandemic, which resulted in the closure of our school system from March to May 2020, our school system was unable to meet the 15% maximum carryover from our Title I Part A funding for 2019-2020 fiscal year. The \$635,025 allocation of Excess Funds for the 2019-2020 funding period will be used to allocate one certified tutor at each Title I school (28 tutors x 20 hours per week x \$25 an hour x 33 weeks = \$462,000 x 28.03% benefits = \$129,499, for a total of \$591,499). \$10,000 will be spent on tutoring supplies, such as individual dry erase boards, markers, file organizers, etc. The Amplify Class intervention site license for 16 Title I schools, at a cost of \$57,750, will be used by tutors. Of the \$57,750, \$33,526 will come from this Excess Funds allocation.

Note: Title I waiver requests are due December 18.



Non-public Super App Next Steps

Timeline	Action Required
December 2020 – May 2021	LEAs and non-public schools will engage in timely and meaningful consultations to determine: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Scope and sequence for LEA/non-public Title I Program● Needs Assessment for Titles II and IV equitable services● Title III (English Learners) services● IDEA Services
May – June 2021	LEAs submit non-public school budgets for SY 2021-2022

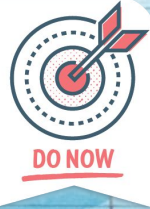
Non-public Data Collection

Districts should:

- Send [Intent to Participate Letters/Forms](#) to all non-public schools
- For **Title I**, collect non-public school October 1 Poverty/Family Income counts.
- For **Title II and Title IV**, utilize official K - 12 enrollment counts from the [NPS 2020-2021 Approval with Brumfield v Dodd by District](#) document. LEAs will use these official counts to determine private school equitable shares. ***LEAs should not collect enrollment data directly from non-public schools.***
- For **IDEA**, LDOE will continue to provide counts for non-public students with service plans for LEAs to determine private school proportionate share.



Statewide Monitoring



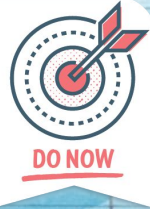
Monitoring Selection

2020-2021 SY ESSA and IDEA Monitoring:

Cyclical process - Identified school systems not monitored for specific programs in two consecutive years (desk or self-assessment)

Projections - On-site monitoring is replaced with desk reviews

Comparability - continues as usual



Monitoring Quarters

Quarters	Months	Deadlines
First	October 1 - December 31	<i>Announcements sent</i> - 10/15/20 <i>Docs Due</i> - 12/4/20 (ESSA only/any ESSA w/ IDEA desk cons); 1/22/21 (any ESSA w/ IDEA self-assessment)
Second	January 1 - March 31	<i>Announcements sent</i> - 12/10/20 <i>Docs Due</i> - 2/4/21 (ESSA only/any ESSA w/ IDEA desk cons); 3/9/21 (any ESSA w/ IDEA self-assessment)
Third	April 1 - June 30	Announcements - Thursday after newsletter <i>Docs Due</i> - 30 days (ESSA only/any ESSA w/ IDEA desk cons); 60 days (any ESSA w/ IDEA self-assessment)
Fourth	July 1 - September 30	Announcements - Thursday after newsletter <i>Docs Due</i> - 30 days (ESSA only/any ESSA w/ IDEA desk cons); 60 days (any ESSA w/ IDEA self-assessment)



Web-based Program Monitoring

Timeline	Action
2019-2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- One school system participated in the Web-based Program Monitoring pilot.- LDOE is working with the contractor to eliminate some concerns from that pilot.
2020-2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 2nd Pilot with at least three school systems (3rd/4th quarters)- Different types of school systems, different sizes, programs, demographics, that can provide feedback about the system.
2021-2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Finalize edits according to pilot feedback- Add updated tools to the system
2022-2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Add schedule to the system- Conduct monitoring of at least 12 programs from web-based system

Annual Performance Report

- IDEA Annual Performance Report (APR) - federal IDEA requirement for all states under the IDEA, Part B
- Disproportionality, *Evaluation Timelines*, Early Childhood Transition, Suspension and Expulsion Rates, and Secondary Transition - compliance indicators
- By school system, analysis conducted, outreach letters are generated (*when an issue is identified*), and plan of correction is submitted to LDE via FTP
- Indicator 11 & BESE Waiver Update

Grants Management



2021-22 Super App Allocations

The Department will upload *estimated* 2021-2022 ESSA, IDEA, and Perkins formula allocations to the new 2021-2022 Super App by January 12, 2021.

Estimated allocations are 90 percent of the prior year (2020-2021) final allocations.

- School systems will budget these allocations in Super App for the February 12, 2021 deadline.
- The Department will review and approve these budgets by April 2021.
- The grant period for these federal formula funds will begin on July 1, 2021.



2020-21 Super App Allocations

The Department will upload final 2020-2021 ESSA, IDEA, and Perkins formula allocations to the current 2020-2021 Super App by January 12, 2021. To minimize disruption to the amendment process:

- The “submit” function will be turned off during the time final allocations are uploaded. We will issue a notice on the eGMS landing page when this process is complete and the submit function is reactivated.
- We recommend that school systems do not start amendments during this window since the allocation amounts will be changing.

Important Reminders/Call Summary

Call Summary

Month	Key Deadlines	Support and Resources
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Title I Waiver: due December 18, 2020● First Quarter Monitoring: Documents for ESSA only/ any ESSA with IDEA Desk cons were due December 4, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● 2020-2021 School System Support Calendar● Educator Resource Guide● School System Planning Resources● Family Support Toolbox Library
January	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● January 12, 2021: 2020-21 Final formula funding allocations will be released in eGMS● January 12, 2021: 2021-22 Estimated formula funding allocations will be released in eGMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Federal Programs and Grants Management Monthly Call: January 21, 2021● PER Instructions

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