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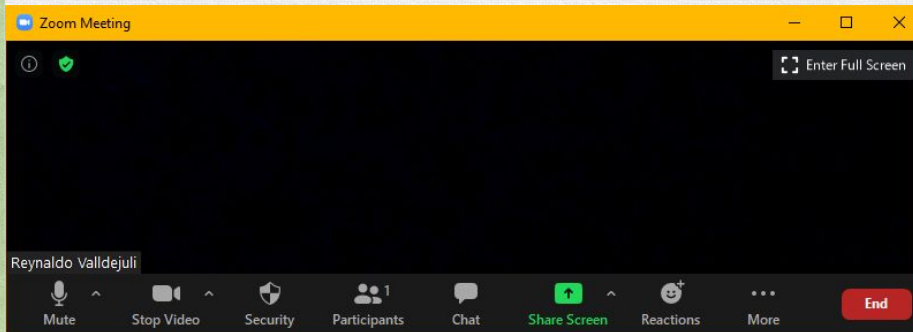# Federal Support and Grantee Relations Monthly Call
March 16, 2023

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Agenda

I. 2023-24 School System Planning Launch

II. Federal Programs
   - Stronger Connections Grant
   - EL Services
   - McKinney Vento Program Reminder
   - Equitable Services Updates/Reminders

III. Statewide Monitoring

IV. Grants Management
   - Updates/Reminders
   - Maintenance of Effort

V. Question & Answer

VI. Important Reminders/Call Summary

Suggested participants for this call:
- **Federal Program Supervisors**
- **IDEA Supervisors**
- **Business Managers**

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Believe to Achieve

LDOE's *Believe to Achieve: Educational Priorities* plan serves as a roadmap to improving outcomes for all Louisiana children.

Believe to Achieve includes LDOE's belief statements, state data to help track progress toward Louisiana's six critical goals, and the priorities that direct LDOE's efforts in working toward achieving the critical goals. Each priority outlines focus areas for the key actions and initiatives.

ACCESS *Believe to Achieve*

VISION for SUCCESS

2023-2024
School System Planning

Key Dates

Application	Action	Timeline
Super App	Super App **DUE**	**January 27**
Believe!	Believe! application *for early childhood lead agencies* **DUE**	**January 27**
Super App	Clarification documents sent and Super App returned	Fri, Feb 17
Super App	School systems receive Super App Approval, Funding, and Implementation documents	Late March
Super App	Super App competitive allocations approved (April BESE) LDOE approves CIR/UIR-Academics strategies	April
Believe!	Believe! allocations approved (April BESE)	April

Questions

ldoe.grantshelpdesk@la.gov

Please place "School System Planning Guide" in the subject.

Federal Programs

Stronger Connections Grant

Stronger Connections Grant Program

- The Stronger Communities Grant (SCG) seeks to provide funding to school systems on a competitive basis to support school safety efforts.

- LDOE has designed a **competitive** sub-grant competition.

- Subgrants will go to "high-need" local educational agencies (LEAs) as determined by LDOE.

- Supplement not supplant and equitable services will apply to this grant.

  Louisiana's Award - $21,279,385 (one time funds)
  Funds Expire - 9/30/2025

Stronger Connections Grant Webinar Information

- A webinar will be held today at 3 p.m. Information needed to join this call is included below:

- Webinar Date and Time: March 16th at 3 p.m.
- Webinar Link: https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/92871109824?pwd=d3o3a3V1RkpSWXM0SndyOHdTRFc1QT09
- Webinar Phone Number: 312-626-6799
- Meeting ID: 928 7110 9824
- Passcode: 563445

https://www.louisianabelieves.com/docs/default-source/newsroom/ldoe-weekly-newsletter-3-7-23.pdf

EL Services

ELPT/ELPT Connect Administration

ELPT and ELPT Connect are being administered February 13-March 24, 2023.

In preparation for this test, be sure students are familiar with the testing platform by using the ELPT Online Tools Training or the ELPT Connect Online Tools Training.

Additional information about the tests can be found in the Assessment Guidance library.

No EL Accommodations are applicable for ELPT or ELPT Connect.

If a student has an IEP or a 504/IAP, those accommodations are applicable for ELPT/ELPT Connect.

Contact assessment@la.gov with any additional questions.

Continued LDOE EL Support

For EL programming support in Louisiana, please contact the following for specific technical assistance:

Area of Assistance	Contact Email
Programming, policy, funding	melanie.mayeux@la.gov
Instruction, content	diverselearnersupport@la.gov
ELPT and all other assessments	assessment@la.gov

McKinney Vento Program Reminders

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Homeless RFA

❖ The 2023-2026 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Request for Applications (RFA) is due March 21, 2023 no later than 12 noon. LEAs must email the completed application, budget forms and needs assessment **as 1 file** to the LDOE at LDOE.GrantsHelpdesk@la.gov. In the subject line of the email please utilize the following format for the title: **2023-2026 EHCY Grant Application for (LEA name).**

Spring 2023 Conference

❖ The registration deadline for the Spring 2023 Homeless Liaison and Parent and Family Engagement Coordinators Conference has been extended until **Friday, March 17, 2023**. Please ensure that your LEA's Homeless Liaison and PAFE Coordinator have registered.

Conference Registration: https://forms.gle/7vXv7ubnMmRsNsdo8

Hotel Registration: https://book.passkey.com/e/50497028

For more information please contact antiqua.hunter@la.gov

Equitable Services Updates and Reminders

Non-public Equitable Services Updates and Reminders

- Co - chairs for Non-public Carryover workgroup contacted each LEA with carryover to share next steps to expend the allocations by September 30, 2023 earlier this week.
- If you have not, please respond to the workgroups email and deadlines provided to ensure that all non-public carryover is expended by the deadline.
- If you have any questions or need clarification please send an email to the contacts provided on the email from the workgroup.
- Thanks to all LEAs and non-public schools working together to accomplish this goal.
- Special thanks to LEAs that have accomplished to obligate and expend non-public carryover funding during the first semester.
- LEAs who have expended the non-public carryover funds please feel free to share your strategy with your cohorts.

Non-public Equitable Services Updates and Reminders

- Friendly Reminder…

- Title II allocations may be used for materials and supplies that are only for professional development, such as: grade level/cross grade level collaboration, and school improvement collaboratives.

- Be sure Title IV activities for non-public are evidenced/researched based or best practices and includes program objectives, outcomes, and evaluations.

- Title IV allocations may be used to supplement on - going strategies and programs.

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Nonpublic Equitable Services Support and Technical Assistance

Please feel free to contact the State Ombudsman for any assistance or clarification regarding the non-public equitable services program.

All the BEST!

Daphne Flentroy @ daphne.flentroy@la.gov

State Ombudsman

Statewide Monitoring

Annual Performance Report (APR)

ACTIVITY	DATE
School System's APR	*Dropped on February 28, 2023*
Local Plan of Correction	***DUE** to DMFTP March 31, 2023*

Consolidated Monitoring Updates

Currently in 2nd Quarter	*Documents DUE **Mar 8th or Apr 19th** (See directions in Announcement email)*
Starting 3rd Quarter	*Notifications out - **Mar 16th** Documents DUE **May 5th or June 16th***

Monitoring Rubric Updates in **June/July** -

- **Stakeholder Group** needed
- Assess current indicators
- Update Monitoring Rubrics/Report Cards (ESSA and IDEA)
- If interested, contact Statewide Monitoring at DOE-program.monitoring@la.gov

Grants Management

Updates/Reminders

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Recently Released Applications:
- Stronger Connections Application: March 16, 2023

IDEA Final Allocations
- We are in process of finalizing the data needed and will provide an update on the release of allocations on the eGMS Logon page as soon as they are available

2022-23 GANs
- Transition of the GAN system is complete. Staff are working to publish GANs for 2022-23
- Access GANs via the Public Access site.

2023-24 Super App
- Funding (Formula and Competitive) will be available in eGMS by April 27, 2023.

Academic Recovery and Acceleration Plan (ARAP)
- If your 2022-23 ARAP has not yet received approval, the revised plan must be submitted as soon as possible. Deadline has passed.

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Maintenance of Effort (MOE)

2022 IDEA MOE Confirmation is Now Available in eGMS:

- 2022 IDEA MOE Confirmation – Deadline for submission is **June 1, 2023**
- 2024 ESSA MOE Verification will be available in the near future.
- 2024 IDEA MOE Verification (Eligibility) will be available in the near future.

Note: The <u>MOE Quick Reference Guide</u> is available as a reference to submit MOE applications.

If you have questions regarding the MOE review process, please contact Nakia.Jason@la.gov.

Question & Answer

Important Reminders/Call Summary

Call Summary

Month	Key Deadlines	Support and Resources
Mar..	• March 10: Homeless/PAFE Spring Conference Registration Deadline • March 14: Homeless/PAFE Spring Conference Hotel Reservations Deadline • March 21: Homeless RFA Due	• PER Instructions • FSGR Library
Apr.	• April 3, 2023: Stronger Connections Application submission deadline • April 15, 2023: March 31 PER deadline •	• Federal Support & Grantee Relations Monthly Call: **April 20, 2023 at 10 a.m.**

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