AUGUST 2022

Office of Federal Emergency Relief Programs (OFERP)

Notes to the Field

Upcoming events and deadlines

- Period of Allowability ending soon for CARES ESSER I: March 13, 2020 through **September 30**, **2022**
- CRRSA ESSER II: March 13, 2020 through September 30, 2023
- ARP ESSER III: March 13, 2020 through September 30, 2024

PROGRAM NOTES

CARES CLOSEOUT

- All CARES projects must be obligated prior to September 30, 2022
- Requests for reimbursements must be submitted prior to December 30, 2022. To ensure timely processing, SAUs are encouraged to submit invoices no later than December 1.
- CARES applications may be revised only through September 20, 2022

NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS: GENERAL DISPOSITION GUIDANCE

The US Department of Education issued guidance for disposition of equipment and supplies purchased with CARES Act funding by an SAU for providing equitable services to non-public schools and by CRRSA and ARP. Read the guidance here.

NEW GRANT MANAGERS

OFERP invites new program and fiscal leaders to an ESSER programs orientation on September 1, 2022 at 9am. Register

UPDATING GEM LOGIN AND PASSWORD

Transition in leadership roles may require updating login information in GEMs. Click here for step-by-step instructions.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- OFERP Office Hours resume on the first Thursday of the month at 9 AM. Sign up for HERE for September.
- OFERP Newsletters will be distributed near the 15th of every month.

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Spotlight on Schools

Lewiston Public Schools is utilizing ARP ESSER III and ARP HCY funds to support students who are experiencing housing instability. Read the recent MDOE Newsroom article for more information! Read more.

Friendly Reminders

- **Stakeholder engagement reminder:** When APR applications are reopened and projects are revised, our team will review the information to ensure they are aligned with stakeholder meaningful consultation and district priorities; reasonable, necessary, and allocable; prepare for, respond to, and/or prevent COVID 19; and meet the requirements of the ARP Status and IFR. The Use of Funds plan must be publicly accessible on a SAU's website, be the most up-to-date plan, and align to the GEM's application.
- **MOEquity Technical Assistance:** The Office of Federal Emergency Relief Funds will be hosting a technical assistance session via Zoom on September 8 at 9:00am for SAUs that have MoEquity questions or need assistance using the MoEquity worksheet (click here). Click here to register for the technical assistance session.

Check out the virtual *Back to School Backpack* full of resources and information *(click here)*

SUMMER CONTINUES ...

Summer weather will continue for several more weeks and the OFERP team hopes you continue to enjoy this season even as your prepare for the reopening of school. Among us, the OFERP team members enjoyed golf, fishing, visited water parks, kept cool in a new back yard pool, celebrated a daughter's wedding, transported offspring to camps and summer programs, and visited family on the other side of the globe this summer. We can't wait to hear what you did!

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