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Office of Federal Emergency Relief Programs (OFERP)



*Happy
Thanksgiving
from the
OFERP Team*



Upcoming deadlines

- **Maintenance of Equity Survey** for SAUs that are required to maintain equity is due on November 23, 2022.
- **Periods of Allowability:**
CRRSA ESSER II: March 13, 2020 through September 30, 2023
ARP ESSER III: March 13, 2020 through September 30, 2024

PROGRAM NOTES

CARES LIQUIDATION

- All CARES projects had to have been 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 if advised by the OFERP team.

NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Resources for non-public schools that participate in the **EANS** program have been updated. Find updated [allocations](#), [timesheets](#), and [staffing guidance](#) here or on our OFERP [Web pages](#) under the EANS section.

MOEquity Technical Assistance: The Office of Federal Emergency Relief Funds is happy to meet with SAUs that request assistance with determining whether they have met the MOEquity tests in ARP. Contact [Karen Kusiak](#)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



- OFERP Office Hours resume on the first Thursday of the month at 9 AM. Sign up for [HERE](#) for December.
- OFERP Newsletters will be distributed near the 15th of every month.

Use of ESSER for Food



The [FAQs](#) for ESSER and GEER discuss allowable uses of the funds. Question C-16 addresses the use of ESSER GEER for food:

C-16. May an LEA use ESSER and GEER funds to provide meals for students? Typically, an LEA has other means of providing for food services, such as through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) or other Federal programs. As a result, the Department encourages LEAs to use those Federal funds with the specific purpose of providing food services to students prior to using ESSER or GEER funds for this purpose. However, if additional funds are necessary or such funding is not available, an LEA may use ESSER and GEER funds to provide meals...(more at [FAQ](#), p. 39.)

Meaningful Consultation versus Public Comment

Meaningful Stakeholder Consultation	Public Comment
Stakeholder groups defined in ARP statute and IFR	Not defined in ARP statute;
Required Stakeholder groups-students, families, school and district administrators (including special education administrators), teachers, principal, school leaders, other educators, school staff, and their unions	School board meeting public comment opportunities may not include all required stakeholder groups
Additional stakeholder groups that represent the school community	All pertinent stakeholder groups may not be invited to participate in public comment opportunities
Revisions made to ARP ESSER III application, must align with the meaningful stakeholder consultation	See local school board policies and state statute
*SAU is responsible for maintaining documentation; Subject to FOAA requests	See Above

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