

2024 Spring ESEA Title Programs Conference

What is New ? ESEA Title Program Changes

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Part 1Items We Have Accomplished in the Last YearPart 2What We Aim to Accomplish in the Next YearPart 3Questions? How Can We Help?



Worked to update our internal structure to best serve the field –

- Bureau re-organization
- Streamlining messaging/expectations \rightarrow more consistency



Taking a consolidated grant program approach to minimize inconsistencies-

- Risk assessment
- Consolidated Monitoring
- Consolidated Application process



Created multiple guidance documents and calculators – Office of ESEA Title Programs | Department of Education ESEA Technical Assistance and Guidance | Department of Education

- Allowability Guide by ESEA Title Program
- ESEA Proportional Share and Equitable Services Guidance
- ESEA Transferability
- GMS Procurement Language
- Title I, Part A Comparability Reporting
- Posting of Allocations



Templated many forms for consistent results-

- Non-competitive procurement
- LEA Title I, Part A Plan
- Title I, Part A Comparability Reporting
- Equitable Services Proportional Shares
- Title IV, Part B Grant Amendment Application



Increased functionality in the Grants Management System –

- GMS Activity Level Approval
- Document Upload, Review and Approval on the LEA Homepage
- Status History sort



Expansion of existing processes to meet federal requirements –

- Title I, Part A Comparability Reporting
- LEA Title I, Part A Plan
- ESEA Proportional Share and Equitable Services



Implementation of new systems to ensure federal compliance-

GMS Consolidated Application



Additional virtual office hours-

- Every time there is a change
- Technical Assistance need identified



In-person training and guidance to assist the field-

- This conference!
- Invited to District Office
- Assist new Charter School's
- New non-regulatory guidance posted on the NHED website



Automated carryover process within the Grants Management System –

- More timely availability to carryover funds
- Internal tracking of 1-in-3-year waiver
- Automated in GMS, eliminating e-mail



Earlier preliminary allocation notification-

- Cannot control when we get the information, however we have worked to implement internal control processes to ensure the timely review and release of allocations
- Always the goal to have them for the Consolidated Application



Increased process transparency-

- Continued stakeholder engagement through office-hours, committees, and conferences.
- Making available our processes on the NHED website along with technical assistance guidance.



Division alignment of evidence-based practices –

- Committee to align requirements and language
- Best practice examples for each federal program



Continued documentation templating to take the guesswork out of expectations-

• Interal transfer requests



A larger, more robust, conference next spring-

- Would like to have off site and host more attendees
- Offer a broader array of topics; dig deeper.
- Hands on activities (activity writing, equitable share calculations, sharing best practices)



Possible transferability functionality in the Grants Management System-

- All agree transferring activities in GMS can be cumbersome
- How can we better automate GMS to both meet the federal requirements, but keep fidelity within the proper account (funding)?



Timelines and clear expectations for each Title program-

- Nearing completion on a timeline handbook for each Title program and uniform requirements
- Great reference document, especially for new hires



An ombudsman position to address all equitable service questions/complaints/issues-

- Currently, can come to the Bureau Administrator
- However, this is not ideal or in compliance with the law. We are working to build out this position to best meet the needs of the districts, non-public schools, and meet compliance.





How can we help?



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