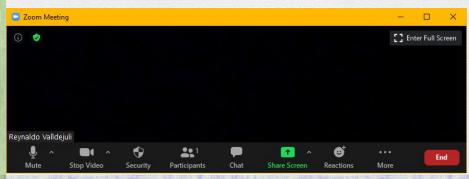
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Federal Support and
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Monthly Call
July 20, 2023

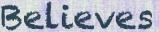
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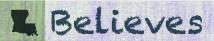
## Agenda

- 2023-24 School System Planning
- II. Federal Programs
  - Excess Funds
  - Stronger Connections Application
  - EL Services
  - Equitable Services Updates/Reminders
- III. Grants Management
  - Updates/Reminders
  - Achieve!
  - SPED Cameras

- V. Question & Answer
- VI. Important Reminders/Call Summary

#### Suggested participants for this call:

- Federal Program Supervisors
- IDEA Supervisors
- Business Managers



### **Believe to Achieve**

LDOE's <u>Believe to Achieve: Educational Priorities</u> 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



# **Federal Programs**



### **Excess Funds**

Federal Support team is preparing notifications to districts that have title funds expiring 9/30/23. The expiring funds are from FY 20 (2020-2021) and FY 21 (2021-2022).

For these funds to be drawn down before the use of any current funds, districts should:

- a. File claims on a regular basis, preferably once a month or at least one quarterly;
- b. Submit all PERS in a timely manner



### **Stronger Connections Grant**

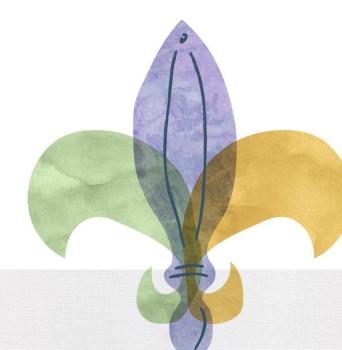
#### Reminder

The deadline for the budget submission is July 28, 2023

Questions - healthyschools@la.gov



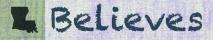
### **EL Services**



### **Continued LDOE EL Support**

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

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Instruction, content	diverselearnersupport@la.gov
ELPT and all other assessments	assessment@la.gov



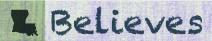


# **Equitable Services Updates and Reminders**

### **LDOE Equitable Services Collaborative Meetings**

- Special Thanks and Shout Out to All LEAs and Non-public Schools who attended the LDOE Equitable Services Meetings in Rapides and St. Mary Parishes!!
- The Rapides and St. Mary's LEAs and Federal Programs Departments provided the best hospitality!

 Kudos to our LDOE Staff, LEAs and Non-public schools that presented during our Equitable Services Spotlight session and shared important information, tips, strategies and techniques regarding establishing and maintaining an effective, as well as, compliant equitable services program.



### **LDOE Equitable Services Collaborative Meetings**

- Everyone who participated in the collaborate meetings should have received an email with the PowerPoint and handouts last week.
- The session in Bossier was canceled due to inclement weather conditions and power outages in our northern parishes. The session will be rescheduled at a later date.



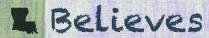
# Nonpublic Equitable Services Support and Technical Assistance

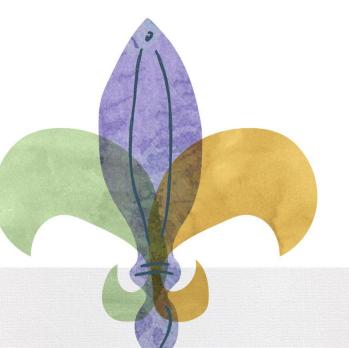
Please feel free to contact the State Ombudsman for any assistance or clarification regarding the non-public equitable services program.

All the BEST! Keep Soaring!

Daphne Flentroy @ daphne.flentroy@la.gov

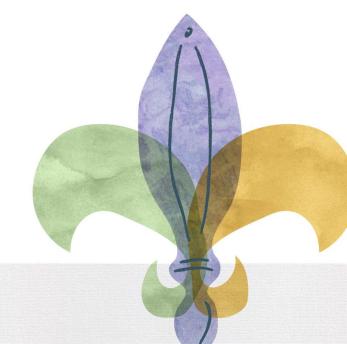
**State Ombudsman** 





# **Grants Management**

# **Updates/Reminders**



## **Updates/Reminders**

#### **2023-24 Super App**

• The Amendment 1 submission deadline was June 30, 2023. If you have not submitted your application, you should do as soon as possible.

#### **2022-23 Super App**

- PERs: July 15, 2023 was the deadline for submission of the 6/30 Final PER.
- If you have not submitted, please do so as soon as possible.

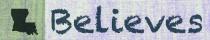
Note: As a reminder the prior year funding will be populated in the 2023-24 Super App once the 6/30 Final PER is approved.



## **Updates/Reminders**

#### **2022 ESEA Waiver**

- ESEA Waiver
- LDOE is requesting the U. S. Department of Education approve its tydings
  waiver to receive the opportunity to access additional flexibilities for certain
  funds received under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965
  (ESEA).
- LDOE is requesting the waiver, pursuant section 8401 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA). The ESEA LA Fiscal Flexibility Waiver Request is available to view.
- Federal program directors, business managers, financial officials, and relevant personnel of public school systems should review this waiver request and submit all questions or comments by **Wednesday**, **July 28**.



### Achieve!

#### **Flexibility Tab**

 If your LEA has taken advantage of the flexibility offered with ESSER Incentive funding, <u>be sure to amend the budget detail</u> to align with movement of funding.

#### **Release of ESSER Incentive Funds**

- Deadline to Release Funds: August 4, 2023
- Release of Funds tab only applies to ESSER II Incentive and ESSER II School Choice funding.
- If an LEA has incentive funds that will not be expended/obligated on or before September 30, 2023
- On or before August 18, 2023, the reduction of funds indicated by the LEA will be completed in eGMS.
- LEA will create an amendment to adjust the budget detail and submit for approval.

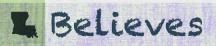


### **Achieve: ESSER II Formula Obligations**

**GEPA** ESSER II and III ESSER Consolidated Amendmen IDEA Allocations Submit Overview Assurances Incentive Flexibility of Funds Recovery/Acceleration Plans **Budget Detail** Description Requirement II Formula Obligations Clie ESSER II Formula Allocation: \$ 6.361.203.00 Total Expended: \$ 3.824.074.00 Current Remaining Balance \$ 2,537,129.00 Instructions Projected Obligation: Enter the amount of the "Current Remaining Balance" displayed above that will be the obligated on or before 9/30/23. Capital Projects: Enter the amount of the "Project Obligations" that will be used for Capital Projects. Projected Remaining Balance: The Projected Obligations amount will be subtracted from the Current Remaining Balance to provide the amount of ESSER II Formula fundingthat will not be expended on or before 9/30/23. Projected Obligations S Capital Projects: 9 Projected Remaining Balance: \$ Note: School systems with projected remaining ESSER II formula balances should consider charging ESSER III obligations to the ESSER II balances via a budget amendment to minimize reverting funding.

Deadline for ESSER II Formula Obligations: August 4, 2023

**Note:** If the Achieve application is in an "Approved" posture, an amendment will need to be created to utilize the ESSER II Formula Obligations page.



### **SPED Cameras**

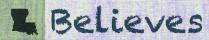
The data collection tool portion of the eGMS SPED Camera application for school systems who received legislative funding allocations was due on May 31, 2023.

If you have not submitted this data, please do so no later than July 25, 2023.

Systems will have to create an amendment to the current application to populate the data report.

The collection will request

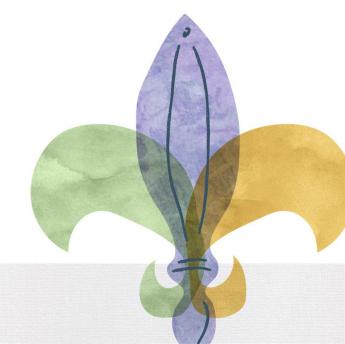
- How many parent requests for cameras have you received?
- How many parent requests have been approved?
- How much of your allocation have you spent in 2022-2023?
  - Receipts will have to be uploaded that match expenditures.





# **Question & Answer**

# **Important Reminders/Call Summary**



# Call Summary

Month	Key Deadlines	Support and Resources
July	<ul> <li>July 15, 2023: Final PERs for grants ending 6/30</li> <li>July 28, 2023: Submission of the Stronger Connections Application</li> <li>July 28, 2023: Deadline to submit questions/comments regarding ESSAE Waiver</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>PER Instructions</li> <li>FSGR Library</li> </ul>
August	<ul> <li>August 4, 2023: Deadline to release any ESSER II Incentive funding that will not be obligated</li> <li>August 4, 2023: Deadline to ESSER II Formula Obligations tab in Achieve!</li> </ul>	Federal Support & Grantee Relations Monthly Call: August 17, 2023 at 10 a.m.



### **Contact Information**

For more information or questions contact: LDOE Grants Management Helpdesk <u>ldoe.grantshelpdesk@la.gov</u>

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