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To: Local Educational Agency Leads, State Agency Office of Education Directors, and State Agency IDEA Project

Directors

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Important Dates for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 ESEA, IDEA, Perkins, and ESSER I Grant Programs

Please note the following important dates and information regarding the close-out of the FY 2022 federal entitlement grant programs: Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA); Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA); Carl D. Perkins Act (Perkins), Secondary and Post-Secondary; and Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER I) Fund.

<u>The Office of Grants Management</u> provides information about the use of Entitlement Grants and the Electronic Web-Enabled Grant system (EWEG). The local educational agency (LEA) must justify that the expenses are reasonable, necessary, and allowable for the grant. Except for ESSER, expenses must supplement, not supplant, other state and local funds that would otherwise be used to pay for the allowable activity. ESSER funds are not subject to a supplement not supplant provision.

Important Dates for ESEA, IDEA, Perkins, CARES ESSER I Grant Programs (dates subject to change):

	Perkins Secondary	Perkins Post- Secondary	IDEA	ESEA	ESSER I (CARES)
Project Period	July 1 – June 30	July 1 – June 30	July 1 – September 30	July 1 – September 30	March 13, 2020 – September 2022
Amendments Due By	March 30	March 30	June 30	May 15	July 2022
Reimbursement Request Deadline	June 15	Federal- June 15 State – June 15	July 15	June 15	August 2022
Liquidation Period Ends	September 30	September 30	September 30	September 30	October 2022
Final Expenditure Report Available	August 15	August 15	August 30	July 1	TBD
Final Expenditure Report Due By	September 30	September 30	September 30	September 30	TBD

Amendments:

If an LEA had carryover funds (*ESEA/IDEA*) from FY 2020 or FY 2021 and/or an additional allocation that was not included in their approved original FY 2022 application, they must complete and submit an amendment to budget for the additional funds.

Reimbursement Requests:

LEAs receiving federal entitlement grants must adhere to state and federal requirements for the timely submission of reimbursement requests. If you have not already done so, please submit reimbursement requests in EWEG for all funds that have been expended to date for these grants. The Final Expenditure Report (FER) serves as the last reimbursement request if all funds expended have not been paid at the time the report is submitted.

One exception to this process is *Perkins Post-Secondary State Funds* which must be paid before **June 30, 2022**. *Perkins Post-Secondary State Funds* are paid only through reimbursement requests; payment *cannot* be requested in a Final Expenditure Report.

Final Expenditure Reports:

Final expenditure reports must be submitted for all grant programs, even if all funds have been expended and reimbursed. Final payments and carryover (ESEA & IDEA), if any, are calculated in these reports.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Office of Grants Management at eweghelp@doe.nj.gov or (609) 376-9089.

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