



STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

Date: September 14, 2023
To: Local Educational Agency Leads
Route to: Directors of Special Education
From: Kathy Ehling, Assistant Commissioner
Division of Educational Services
Deadline: October 20, 2023

ARP IDEA State Fiscal Year 2022 Final Report – Timelines and Information

The period of availability for the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2022 American Rescue Plan (ARP) Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) supplemental award expires on September 30, 2023. Therefore, each local educational agency (LEA), charter school, renaissance school project, and State Agency that obligated and expended ARP IDEA supplemental funds is required to complete the ARP IDEA Final Report of actual expenditures. Please review the July 28, 2021 Broadcast memo [American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Electronic Grant Application Information](#) for detailed information regarding this award and its requirements.

The ARP IDEA Final Report is available in the Electronic Web-Enabled Grant system ([EWEG](#)) under SFY 2022. [Attachment A](#) contains directions for completing the final report. **The final report must be submitted by October 20, 2023.** Any delay in the submission will negatively impact the State's ability to close out ARP IDEA obligations within the prescribed timeframe.

The final report contains financial information including, but not limited to, total expenditures, funds paid to date, unexpended funds, overpayments, and refunds to the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE). This information will allow the EWEG system to close out the grant period by providing LEAs with an exact accounting of the funds as they relate to: 1) the amount of funds that remain to be paid; 2) the amount of funds that were overpaid and will need to be subtracted (offset) from unexpended balances; and 3) the amount of unexpended funds that must be returned to the United States Department of Education (USED).

Important reminders:

- All ARP IDEA obligations must be expended prior to Sunday, October 1, 2023. Any remaining funds will be returned to the USED.
- ARP IDEA funds related to required Comprehensive Coordinated Early Intervening Services (CCEIS) expire on September 30, 2023. Any remaining funds attributed to these activities will be returned to USED.
- ARP IDEA funds related to proportionate share expire on September 30, 2023.
- The Excess Cost and Maintenance of Effort (MOE) Compliance requirement for ARP IDEA supplemental funds will be assessed in the SFY 2023 IDEA-B Final Report, which is due October 13, 2023. An updated Excess Cost worksheet has been added to that report. Please follow the instructions provided.

For any questions concerning the information contained in this memorandum, please contact the respective County Special Education Specialist or the Office of Fiscal and Data Services, at OFDS@doe.nj.gov.

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