



## **Directions for Completing and Submitting *ESEA-ESSA* Nonpublic School Participation Refusal Affirmation**

Sections 1117 and 8501 of the *Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)* as amended by the *Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)* require that *timely* and *meaningful* consultation occur among the local education agency (LEA) and nonpublic school officials **prior** to any decision that affects the opportunities of eligible nonpublic school children, teachers, and other educational personnel to participate in programs under the Act, and shall continue throughout the implementation and assessment of activities under those federal programs in which nonpublic school students, teachers, and/or other educational personnel participate.

### **Refusal to Participate Affirmation**

For every nonpublic school refusing to participate in any of the ESEA-ESSA Title programs, the LEA must upload a Participation Refusal Affirmation form. Indicate on the form which Titles the nonpublic school is declining.

### **Refusal of *Some* Title Services**

If a nonpublic school is refusing some, but not all Title services, the LEA should upload:

1. a Participation Refusal for the title(s) being refused, and
2. an Affirmation of Consultation for those title services the nonpublic school is accepting.

The form(s) must be signed by both the LEA and a nonpublic school representative. See instructions below for uploading this form in Homeroom.

### **Uploading *ESEA-ESSA* nonpublic forms into NJDOE Homeroom:**

Go to [NJDOE Homeroom](https://homeroom.state.nj.us/) (<https://homeroom.state.nj.us/>)

- Click “NPC – Form Upload for ESEA”
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## Nonpublic School Participation Refusal

**Public School County - LEA Code:**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Nonpublic School) on \_\_\_\_\_ (date)  
hereby resolves not to participate in the programs **checked** below for Fiscal Year \_\_\_\_\_:

- Title I, Part A: Improving Basic Programs Operated by Local Education Agencies
- Title II, Part A: Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting
- Title III, Part A: English Language Acquisition, Language Enhancement, and Academic Achievement
- Title III, Immigrant: Enhanced Instructional Opportunities for Immigrant Children and Youth
- Title IV, Part A: Student Support and Academic Enrichment

It is understood that this refusal to participate in programs checked above for Fiscal Year \_\_\_\_\_ will not prevent the pupils and teachers from participating in any subsequent year.

**Authorized Nonpublic School Administrator Signature:**

**Date:**

**Name of Nonpublic School Administrator (print or type):**

**Address of Nonpublic School:**

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