

## ESSERF Assurances



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## Submission Confirmation

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# Certification

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The checkbox was selected, certifying that I have read the applicable certifications, assurances, terms, and conditions identified on this grant application and I agree to comply with all requirements as a condition of funding.

On behalf of The Academy of Alameda, I hereby apply to the California Department of Education for ESSER funds and agree to all of the following assurances:

## **PART I: General Assurances for Local Educational Agencies (LEAs)**

The Academy of Alameda will comply with the requirements in Section 442 of the General Education Provisions Act (GEPA) (20 U.S.C. 1232e):

- (1) The LEA will administer each program covered by the application in accordance with all applicable statutes, regulations, program plans, and applications;
- (2) The control of funds provided to the local educational agency under each program, and title to property acquired with those funds, will be in a public agency and that a public agency will administer those funds and property;
- (3) The LEA will use fiscal control and fund accounting procedures that will ensure proper disbursement of, and accounting for, federal funds paid to that agency under each program;
- (4) The LEA will make reports to the State agency or board and to the U.S. Secretary of Education, as requested, as may reasonably be necessary to enable the State agency or board and the Secretary to perform their duties and that the local educational agency will maintain such records, including the records required under Section 1232f of this title, and provide access to those records, as the State agency or board or the Secretary deem necessary to perform their duties;
- (5) The LEA will provide reasonable opportunities for the participation by teachers, parents, and other interested agencies, organizations, and individuals in the planning for and operation of each program;
- (6) Any application, evaluation, periodic program plan or report relating to each program will be made readily available to parents and other members of the general public;
- (7) In the case of any project involving construction, the LEA will provide reasonable assurances that—
  - (a) the project is not inconsistent with overall State plans for the construction of school facilities, and
  - (b) in developing plans for construction, due consideration will be given to excellence of architecture and design and to compliance with standards prescribed by the Secretary under Section 794 of title 29 in order to ensure that facilities constructed with the use of Federal funds are accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities;
- (8) The LEA has adopted effective procedures for acquiring and disseminating to teachers and administrators participating in each program significant information from educational research, demonstrations, and similar projects, and for adopting, where appropriate, promising educational practices developed through such projects;

- (9) None of the funds expended under any applicable program will be used to acquire equipment (including computer software) in any instance in which such acquisition results in a direct financial benefit to any organization representing the interests of the purchasing entity or its employees or any affiliate of such an organization. (20 U.S.C. 1232e)

## **PART II: ESSER Usage of Funds Assurances**

The Academy of Alameda assures that funds will be used in accordance with section 18003(d) of Division B of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. Under that Act, LEAs receiving ESSER fund under this title may use the funds for any of the following:

- (1) Any activity authorized by the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965, including the Native Hawaiian Education Act and the Alaska Native Educational Equity, Support, and Assistance Act (20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.), the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.) (“IDEA”), the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.), the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C. 2301 et seq.) (“the Perkins Act”), or subtitle B of title VII of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11431 et seq.).
- (2) Coordination of preparedness and response efforts of local educational agencies with State, local, Tribal, and territorial public health departments, and other relevant agencies, to improve coordinated responses among such entities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.
- (3) Providing principals and others school leaders with the resources necessary to address the needs of their individual schools.
- (4) Activities to address the unique needs of low-income children or students, children with disabilities, English learners, racial and ethnic minorities, students experiencing homelessness, and foster care youth, including how outreach and service delivery will meet the needs of each population.
- (5) Developing and implementing procedures and systems to improve the preparedness and response efforts of local educational agencies.
- (6) Training and professional development for staff of the local educational agency on sanitation and minimizing the spread of infectious diseases.
- (7) Purchasing supplies to sanitize and clean the facilities of a local educational agency, including buildings operated by such agency.
- (8) Planning for and coordinating during long-term closures, including for how to provide meals to eligible students, how to provide technology for online learning to all students, how to provide guidance for carrying out requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1401 et seq.) and how to ensure other educational services can continue to be provided consistent with all Federal, State, and local requirements.
- (9) Purchasing educational technology (including hardware, software, and connectivity) for students who are served by the local educational agency that aids in regular and substantive educational interaction between students and their classroom instructors, including low-income students and students with disabilities, which may include assistive technology or adaptive equipment.
- (10) Providing mental health services and supports.

(11) Planning and implementing activities related to summer learning and supplemental afterschool programs, including providing classroom instruction or online learning during the summer months and addressing the needs of low-income students, students with disabilities, English learners, migrant students, students experiencing homelessness, and children in foster care.

(12) Other activities that are necessary to maintain the operation of and continuity of services in local educational agencies and continuing to employ existing staff of the local educational agency.

The U.S. Department of Education generally does not consider the following to be an allowable use of ESSER funds, under any part of 18003: 1) subsidizing or offsetting executive salaries and benefits of individuals who are not employees of the state educational agency (SEA) or LEAs or 2) expenditures related to state or local teacher or faculty unions or associations.

### **PART III: Programmatic, Fiscal, and Reporting Assurances**

The Academy of Alameda will comply with all of the accountability, transparency, and reporting requirements that apply to the program, which the Governor has already assured.

(1) LEAs receiving ESSER funds will provide equitable services to students and teachers in non-public schools as required under 18005 of Division B of the CARES Act.

(a) A LEA receiving funds under sections 18002 or 18003 of this title shall provide equitable services in the same manner as provided under section 1117 of the ESEA of 1965 to students and teachers in non-public schools, as determined in consultation with representatives of non-public schools.

(b) The control of funds for the services and assistance provided to a non-public school under subsection (a), and title to materials, equipment, and property purchased with such funds, shall be in a public agency, and a public agency shall administer such funds, materials, equipment, and property and shall provide such services (or may contract for the provision of such services with a public or private entity).

(2) The LEA and any other entity that receives ESSER funds will, to the greatest extent practicable, continue to compensate its employees and contractors during the period of any disruptions or closures related to COVID-19 in compliance with Section 18006 of Division B of the CARES Act. In addition, each entity that accepts funds will continue to pay employees and contractors to the greatest extent practicable based on the unique financial circumstances of the entity. CARES Act funds generally will not be used for bonuses, merit pay, or similar expenditures, unless related to disruptions or closures resulting from COVID-19.

(3) The LEA receiving ESSER funds will comply with all reporting requirements, including those under Section 15011(b)(2) of Division B of the CARES Act. The SEA may require additional reporting in the future, which may include: the methodology LEAs will use to provide services or assistance to students and staff in both public and non-public schools, the uses of funds by the LEAs or other entities and demonstration of their compliance with Section 18003(d), such as any use of funds addressing the digital divide, including securing access to home-based connectivity and remote-use devices, related issues in supporting remote learning for all students, including disadvantaged populations.

### **PART IV: Other Assurances**

The Academy of Alameda assures that:

(1) The LEA or public IHE will comply with all applicable assurances in OMB Standard Forms 424B and D (Assurances for Non-Construction and Construction Programs), including the assurances relating to the legal authority to apply for assistance; access to records; conflict of interest; merit systems; nondiscrimination; Hatch

Act provisions; labor standards; flood hazards; historic preservation; protection of human subjects; animal welfare; lead-based paint; Single Audit Act; and the general agreement to comply with all applicable Federal laws, executive orders and regulations.

- (2) With respect to the certification regarding lobbying in Department Form 80-0013, no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making or renewal of Federal grants under this program; the State will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," when required (34 C.F.R. Part 82, Appendix B); and the State will require the full certification, as set forth in 34 C.F.R. Part 82, Appendix A, in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers.
- (3) Any LEA or public IHE receiving funding under this program will have on file a set of assurances that meets the requirements of Section 442 of the General Education Provisions Act (GEPA) (20 U.S.C. 1232e).
- (4) To the extent applicable, an LEA or public IHE will include a description of how the LEA will comply with the requirements of Section 427 of GEPA (20 U.S.C. 1228a) in future reports. The description must include information on the steps the LEA proposes to take to permit students, teachers, and other program beneficiaries to overcome barriers (including barriers based on gender, race, color, national origin, disability, and age) that impede access to, or participation in, the program.
- (5) The State will comply with the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) requirements in Subpart D—Post Federal Award Requirements (2 CFR §§200.300-345) and Subpart E—Cost Principles (2 CFR §§200.400-475) to ensure that LEAs, including charter schools that are LEAs, are using ESSER funds for purposes that are reasonable, necessary, and allocable under the CARES Act.
- (6) The State and other entities will comply with the provisions of all applicable acts, regulations and assurances; the following provisions of Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) 34 CFR parts 76, 77, 81, 82, 84, 97, 98, and 99; the OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) in 2 CFR part 180, as adopted and amended as regulations of the Department in 2 CFR part 3485; and the Uniform Guidance in 2 CFR part 200, as adopted and amended as regulations of the Department in 2 CFR part 3474.

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