

School System and Charter School

Business Manager and Financial Officer

Monthly Call Meeting

March 2025



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Please contact schoolfinancehelpdesk@la.gov



Required Submissions



Periodic Expenditure Reports (PERs)

- PERs are currently not being submitted by many school systems on or before deadline.
- Non-submission is a problem because PERs support education requirements for federal grants.
- Tools are being implemented to encourage school systems to comply with the due dates to include but not limited to reminder emails from eGMS.
 - PER Submission Deadlines are:
 - 3/31 due 4/15
 - 6/30 due 7/15
 - 9/30 due 11/15
 - 12/31 due 1/15
- Please arrange your work plans such that compliance with the required deadlines can be improved.

Please contact ldoe.federalclaims@la.gov

FY 25 Fiscal Year End Deadlines

The deadlines noted below have been established by the Department to ensure all grants funding for FY 2024-25 is utilized. Failure to meet these deadlines risks funding availability for school systems and schools. The Department cannot guarantee the payment of late reimbursement claims and/or late claims.

We appreciate your cooperation and thank you for helping us be good stewards of these funds.

- June 19 8g claims due in eGMS
- July 7 Carl Perkins claims for June expenses are due in eGMS
- July 15 All other state and federal awards (excluding 8g or Carl Perkins) ending June 30, 2025, claims are due in eGMS



Charter Schools 3rd Quarter Budget Submission

- The Third Quarter Financial Budget Report for FY 2024-2025 is due by April 30, 2025.
- If your organization operates more than one charter school, you must submit the financial report for each individual school.
- For more details see the Instructions for Quarterly budgets tab in the Annual Budget Workbook.



Local Tax Data Submission

- The FY 2025-2026 MFP calculations for charter schools are dependent upon projected FY 2024-2025 local revenue data and expenditures related to the collection of the revenue.
- The projected FY 2025-2026 local revenue data is being collected through the LEADS portal. The LEADS data collection portal is now open.
- The deadline to submit this data is **April 11, 2025.**



State Grants



State Grants

- Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Funding
 - Allocations for AEDs administration were released through eGMS in February 2025. Districts should purchase AEDs from a state contract vendor. For more details, refer to the FY 2024-2025 AED Guidance document in the <u>Business</u> <u>Manager Support Library</u> under State Allocations.



These funds must be expended by June 30, 2025.



FY 2024-2025 Nonpublic Textbooks Allocation

- The Nonpublic Textbooks Application is now available in eGMS.
 - Applicants are encouraged to ensure that the Nonpublic Textbooks contact information is updated and saved in eGMS.
- Orders for textbooks, etc. must be received between July 1, 2024 and June 30, 2025 to be eligible for reimbursement.
- Deadline to request reimbursement for Nonpublic Textbooks allocation is July 15, 2025.



Please contact <u>nonpublicfinancehelpdesk@la.gov</u> with questions

FY 2024-25 Agricultural Science Allocation

- Agricultural Science Allocation
 - Payable to the Non-Federal Support Program for city, parish, and other local public schools for the purchase of:
 - Instructional materials, both textbook and digital
 - Future Farmers of America training materials
 - Supplies, including consumable shop supplies
 - Equipment and parts
 - For students enrolled in a vocational agriculture, agribusiness, or agriscience course as of October 1, 2024.
- The allocation will be released in Spring 2025.

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Federal Grants



FY 2025-2026 Super App Overview



School System Planning Key Dates

Date	Item	
October 17	2025-2026 School System Planning and Budgeting Workbook released	
December 31	Final 2024-2025 ESSA formula funds loaded in Super App	
January 23	2025-2026 Super App (competitive portion) due	
FebMarch	LDOE reviews competitive Super App submissions and provides feedback on plans and budgets	
FebMay	School systems conduct nonpublic school consultations	
April	Super App competitive allocations sent to BESE for approval	
May 1	Allocations for 2025-2026 loaded in Super App	
June 30	Deadline to submit 2025-2026 Super App Amendment 1	
July 1	2025-2026 Super App grant period begins; Systems begin implementing 2025-2026 School System Plan	

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Maintenance of Effort



UPDATE! MOE Required Submission Timeline:

Required Submission	eGMS Availability	Submission Deadline
2024 IDEA MOE Confirmation	March 24, 2025	April 7, 2025
2026 ESSA MOE Verification	April 14, 2025	May 23, 2025
2026 IDEA MOE Verification	April 14, 2025	May 23, 2025



Maintenance of Effort (MOE)

- Failure to complete the MOE applications by the required submission dates may jeopardize the availability of federal funds to School Systems.
- The <u>Maintenance of Effort Quick Guide for EGMS Users in 2025</u> is available to assist with those new to the MOE submission process. Step by step instructions to access each application for this year.
- A Local Funds Calculator is available to assist in completing the Local Only Funds section of the IDEA MOEs. *NOTE: It includes a tab for the Confirmation and the Verification*
- Description of <u>Allowable Exceptions and Examples</u> for IDEA

For questions regarding the MOE review process, contact fedaudit@la.gov

For technical inquiries or support with eGMS, contact jason.berard@la.gov

MFP Formula Update



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Upcoming in March 2025 Budget Letter:

- October and February Mid-Year Adjustments
- Prior Year Audit Adjustments
- Pay Raise Reconciliation/Payment Adjustments
- Charter Per Pupil Final Calculation
- Charter School Admin Fee Reconciliation
- Career Development Fund Final Allocation
- HCS Allocation (Informational only)
- Teacher Mentor Stipend (Information only)

These updates will either be posted publicly in the MFP library, or placed securely in your FTP site folders.



Please contact LDOEmfphelpdesk@la.gov

MFP Formula Update

Proposed FY 2025-26 MFP Formula Calendar:

- Formula Adoption by BESE at the March 2025 meeting.
- Submitted to legislature by March 15, 2025.



Summer Feeding Application



Summer Feeding Application Timelines

Sponsor Type	Sponsor and	Non-Congregate	Final Summer
	Congregate	Site	Feeding
	Applications	Applications	Applications
	Due	Due	Due
School Food Authorities	March 30, 2025	April 4, 2025	May 31 AND >14 days before operations

Please contact: ChildNutritionPrograms@la.gov



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Important Reminders





Reminders

- The next Business Managers Monthly Call will be held on April 16, 2025 at 2:00 pm.
- Reminder with date and link will be posted in LDOE Weekly Newsletter.
- The slide decks for the monthly call can be found in the <u>Business Manager Support Library</u> on the website.



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