

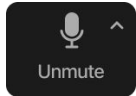


**School System Financial Services**  
**Monthly Call Meeting**  
**for**  
**Business Managers and Financial Officials**

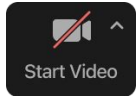
**May 2026**



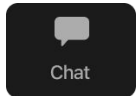
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# Agenda

- **Required Submissions**
- **State Grants Update**
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- **MFP Formula Update**
- **Maintenance of Effort Update**
- **Bulletin 1929 Updates**
- **Reporting Requirements**
- **Important Reminders**

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# 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.

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# FY 26 Fiscal Year End Deadlines

The deadlines noted below have been established by the Department to ensure all grants funding for FY 2025-26 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 18 8g claims due in eGMS
- July 6 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, 2026, claims are due in eGMS

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# State Grants



# FY 2025-2026

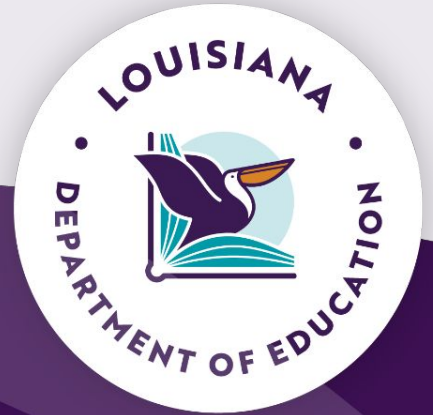
## Nonpublic Textbooks Allocation

- 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, 2025 and June 30, 2026 to be eligible for reimbursement.
- Deadline to request reimbursement for Nonpublic Textbooks allocation is July 15, 2026.

Please contact [nonpublicfinancehelpdesk@la.gov](mailto:nonpublicfinancehelpdesk@la.gov) with questions



# Federal Grants



# School System Planning Key Dates

Date	Item
October	2026-2027 School System Planning and Budgeting Workbook released
December 31	Final 2025-2026 ESSA formula funds loaded in Super App
January	2026-2027 Super App (competitive portion) due
Feb.-March	LDOE reviews competitive Super App submissions and provides feedback on plans and budgets
Feb.-May	School systems conduct nonpublic school consultations
April	Super App competitive allocations sent to BESE for approval
May 1	Allocations for 2026-2027 loaded in Super App
June 30	Deadline to submit 2026-2027 Super App Amendment 1
July 1	2026-2027 Super App grant period begins; Systems begin implementing 2026-2027 School System Plan



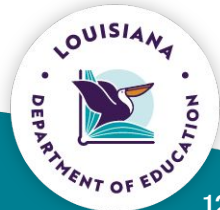
# MFP Formula Update



# Required School Lunch Match

- The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) requires an annual match of state funds for the school lunch program.
- The Louisiana Department of Education is provided a total state match amount by the USDA each year that must be divided into individual school system match amounts.
- A memorandum explaining the requirements and a FY 2026-27 schedule containing the required match amount for each school system will be available in the MFP Library under the USDA REQUIRED SCHOOL LUNCH MATCH section.

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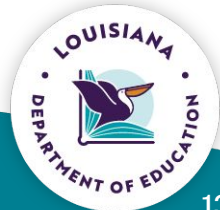


# MFP Formula Update

Upcoming in May 2026 Budget Letter:

- High Cost Services Round 2 Complete
- International Teacher Stipend Years 2 and 3
- Supplemental Course Allocation (SCA) Reallocation

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# MFP Formula Update

## Supplemental Course Allocation (SCA) - Reallocation

- Reallocation calculations include an annual review of year to date expenditures and a reduction in allocation amounts based on unused funds
  - Dollars are reallocated to those entities that have expenditures that exceed allocations
- Review and reallocation procedures are underway now for these funds
- Information on the reallocation amounts will be shared in early May

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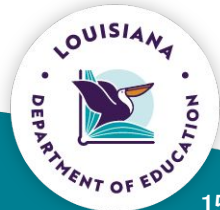


# MFP Formula Update

## International Associate Teacher Stipends

- Allocations for 2nd and 3rd year stipends have been issued to participating schools.
- The amounts by LEA will be included in the May 2026 Budget Letter.

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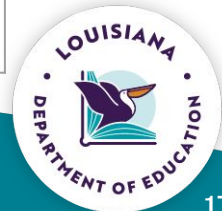


# Maintenance of Effort (MOE)



# MOE Required Submission Timeline:

Required Submission	eGMS Availability	Submission Deadline
2025 IDEA MOE Confirmation	April 20, 2026	May 4, 2026 - <u>Past Due!</u>
2027 ESSA MOE Verification	May 11, 2026	June 5, 2026
2027 IDEA MOE Verification	May 11, 2026	June 5, 2026



# 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 [MOE Quick Reference Guide](#) 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 [Allowable Exceptions and Examples](#) for IDEA

For questions regarding the MOE review process, contact [fedaudit@la.gov](mailto:fedaudit@la.gov)

For technical inquiries or support with eGMS, contact [jason.berard@la.gov](mailto:jason.berard@la.gov)

# Reporting Requirements



# Upcoming Changes to LAUGH

- Updates to the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) have been received with updates to revenue, object and function codes.
- The LDE has identified finance officials to serve a stakeholder group who will assist in updating the LAUGH and AFR to align with the NCES coding.
- The LDE will provide training and professional development for all finance officials prior to implementation of the new codes.

# Funding Allocation Review Audit

A review/audit of the usage of both the Differentiated Compensation Allocation and Certificated and Support Stipend Allocation funding is being initiated. Two distinct questionnaires, one for each funding allocation, are being distributed.

Please use the links provided in the May 19th weekly newsletter to complete the questionnaire by **June 1, 2026**.

Each document contains instructions for completion. All systems that received funding for either the Differentiated Compensation Allocation or the Certificated and Support Stipend Allocation must complete and submit the applicable questionnaire.



# Bulletin 1929 Updates



# 2026-27 Property Threshold

- The Property Threshold will be increased to \$10,000 beginning July 1, 2026.
- Items with a unit cost of \$10,000 or more per unit should be coded to Object Code 700 (Property).
- LEAS have the ability to establish a lower threshold.
  - If your LEA sets a lower property threshold, please indicate the threshold amount in your budget description.
  - If a lower threshold is not identified, reviewers will apply the \$10,000 threshold when reviewing your application.

# Minimum Requirements for Lead School Business Administrators

- A baccalaureate degree with a minimum of 24 hours of undergraduate business courses that qualify as core courses in college major programs, including accounting, finance, business administration or business management.
- Within four years of the date of hire as an administrator/chief financial officer/business manager, all lead charter school administrators must acquire either a CLCSBA certification by LASBO or CLCSBA certification issued by LAPCS under a plan approved by LDOE.

# Important Reminders



# Reminders



The next Business Managers Monthly Call will be held on June 17, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.

Reminder with date and link will be posted in LDOE Weekly Newsletter

The slide decks for the monthly call can be found in the [Business Manager Support Library](#) on the website.

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