# Louisiana Believes

Education Excellence Fund (EEF) 2019-2020



# Introductions/Housekeeping

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eGMS/EEF Application



## **Overview**



#### eGrant Management

- Electronic Grants Management System (eGMS)
- Education Excellence Fund (EEF) Application

# **eGMS** Requirements





eGM	S Security Request Form	rev 01/08/
Instructions:  Complete Section 1-3 Submit form via email to Ethan.Lec		
Section 1: All requests		
Name of New User:		
Phone (numbers only; no hyphen or spaces):		
Email:		
Date:		
Name of person making this request:		
Name of User to be Removed/Replaced:		
Continue Or All consider		
Section 2: All requests  Sponsor (School/Organization) Name:		
Sponsor (School/Organization) / Site Code:		
Type of Entity (ex. Charter, Non-public, Religio	4-5	
Section 3: Assigned Roles Please select one of the following:		
<ul> <li>□ LEA/Organization Authorized Rep (*)</li> <li>□ LEA/Organization Business Manager</li> </ul>		
☐ LEA/Organization Data Entry		
<ul> <li>□ LEA/Organization Finance Data Entry</li> <li>□ LEA/Organization View Only</li> </ul>		
After completing Sections	1-3, submit this form via email to Ethan.Leona	rd@la.gov.
eGMS – eGrant Management System		
□ User (LDE staff, Inquiry, Update, and File I	(Josefa)	
Authorized Representative Appr	oval – LDOE use only	
Administrator Signature:	Date:	
Typed or Printed Name:	Ditto:	
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User ID:	Password:	

## **Security Coordinator**

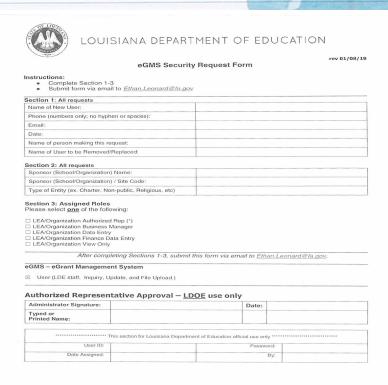
#### **Nonpublics Responsibilities:**

- Request form from Julia DeSimone
- Complete sections 1 thru 3 of the eGMS Security Request Form.
- Submit Completed form to:

Julia.DeSimone@la.gov

#### The Security Coordinator:

- Assigns passwords
- Grants access to parts of application
- Assists in changing passwords



## eGMS Access Security Request

#### **School Systems should:**

- Have an assigned Security Coordinator
- Contact Security Coordinator if additional staff need access.

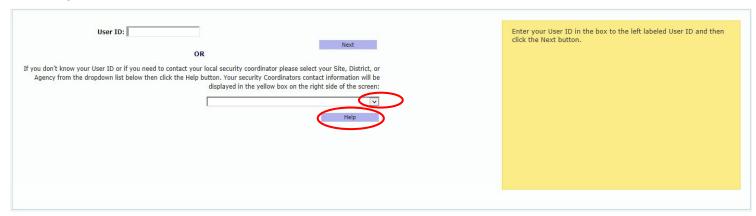
To find out who your Security Coordinator Contact is:

Click on Forgot Password on the Logon Page



## eGMS Access Security Request

- This will prompt you to the Password Reset System
- You will then click on the dropdown menu and select your site
- Then select Help
- Your Security Coordinator's name and contact information will then appear on the right in the yellow box



## eGMS Access Security Request

School Districts and Charters will have to request access from their Security Coordinator listed in the yellow box from the previous slide.

Non-LEAs will need to send a request to <u>Julia.DeSimone@la.gov</u> and request an eGMS Security Access form. Once the form has been filled out appropriately, Julia DeSimone will set the required access and forward that person their username and temporary password.

Once you receive your credentials, you will login and change your temporary password.

Your password expires every 30 days. After three (3) failed attempts, your account will be locked and you will need to request an unlock from your Security Coordinator.

## **DUNS** and **SAM** Instructions

#### SAM:

Your school system must have a current <a href="https://uscontractorregistration.com">https://uscontractorregistration.com</a>(SAM) account registration in order to receive federal funds. Failure to keep your SAM registration current could delay or limit access to funds for your school system.

**DUNS**: Your school system must have a current <u>DUNS</u> number in order to receive federal funds. Failure to keep your DUNS number current could delay or limit access to funds for your school system. If your school system does not yet have a DUNS number, or no one knows it, visit the <u>Dun & Bradstreet (D&B) Website</u> or call 1-866-705-5711 to register or search for a DUNS number. Further information about the process for obtaining a DUNS number is available at <u>Grants.gov (Step 1: Obtain a DUNS Number)</u>.

#### SAM and DUNS

#### Required:

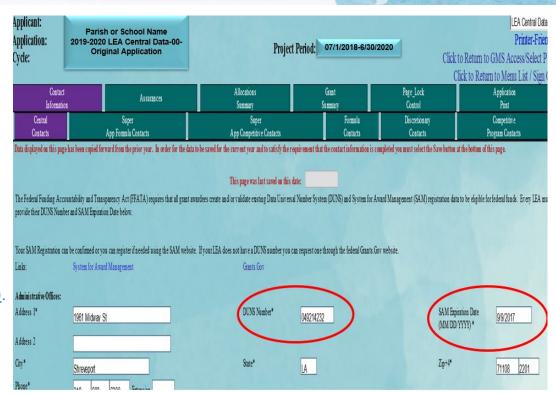
SAM<sup>SM</sup> expiration date
 (System for Award Management)

https://uscontractorregistration.com

• DUNS®Number

(Data Universal Number System)

Grants.gov (Step 1: Obtain a DUNS Number).



#### SAM and DUNS

For additional help with getting your DUNS® number or registering with SAM<sup>SM</sup>, contact:

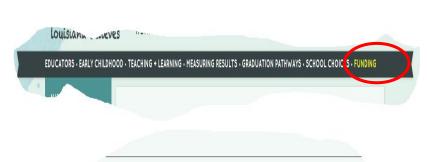
Grants Management Help Desk @ LDOE.GrantsHelpdesk@la.gov





# Accessing eGrant Management System (eGMS)

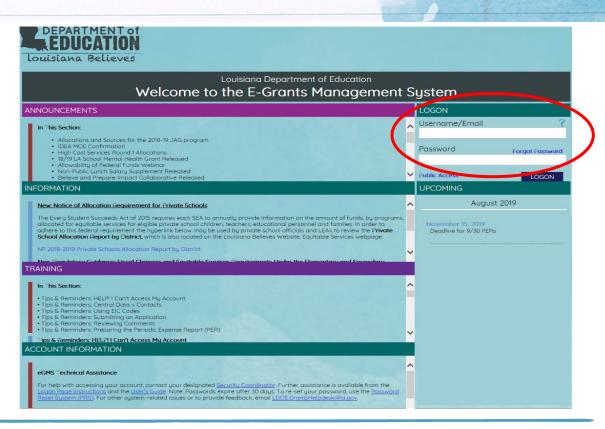
- Go to https://www.louisianabelieves.com
- Click Funding tab at the top on the right
- At the bottom of the page under Grants Management, click eGMS
- Bookmark eGrant or save it as a shortcut or alias
- eGrant Management System (eGMS)
   <a href="https://egmsp.doe.louisiana.gov/LDEGMSWeb/Logon">https://egmsp.doe.louisiana.gov/LDEGMSWeb/Logon</a>





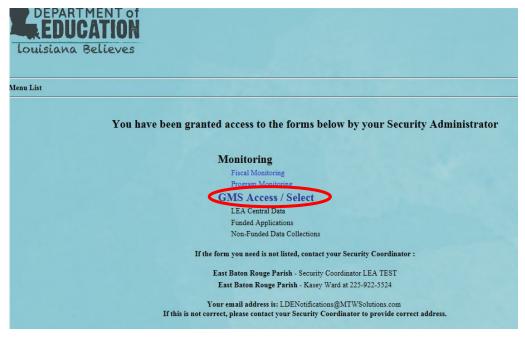
## eGMS Logon Page

- Enter User Name
- Enter Password



#### **Main Menu**

- Main menu shows page that you have been given access to
- Click on GMS Access/Select



## **LEA Central Data**

- Go to LEA Central Data
- Click Create

#### Central Data

There currently aren't any Central Data applications available.

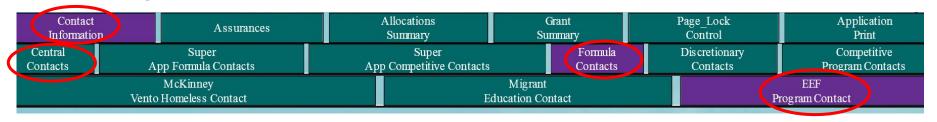
#### Formula Grant

There currently aren't any Formula Grant applications available.

## **Contact Information**

Click on Contact Information and complete the forms under these tabs:

- Central Contacts
- EEF Program Contact



Be sure to click Save Page for each page.

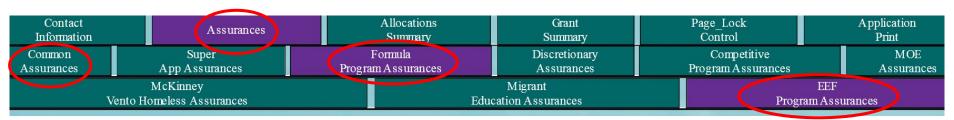


#### **Assurances**

#### Click on Assurances and complete the forms under these tabs:

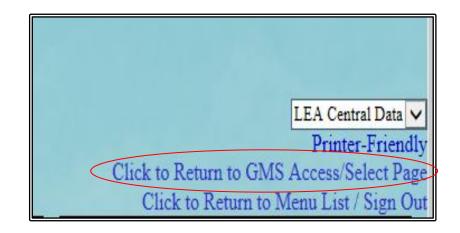
- —Common Assurances
- *–EEF Program Assurances*

(EEF Program Assurances must be approved to move forward with the budget)



## **EEF Application**

- Click Return to GMS Access /Select Page
  - Click on Education Excellence Fund



**Click Create** 

Once you click on create your application will automatically open.

## **Overview of EEF Funds**

- "Tobacco Money"
- •Louisiana Revised Statute (LRS) 39:98.1 39.98.5
  - Subpart E: Tobacco Settlement Proceeds
- Part of Millennium Trust created in 1999
- Purpose: to support "excellence in educational practice"

# **About the Money**

- Funds never expire
- Unspent funds carry over to the following year
- Recipients can choose to:
  - Apply for all funds available
  - Apply for only some of the funds available
  - Not apply for any of the funds and allow funds to rollover to the following year

## **Use of Funds**

- Once the legislature approves the applications, recipients are "paid" the full amount "up front."
- No reimbursement requests (RRs) are required. One Final periodic expenditure report (PER), also referred to as the 6/30 PER is required.
- Recipients can expend EEF funds throughout the year on the activities described in their plan.

## **Program Requirements**

Pre-kindergarten - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade instructional enhancements for students, including:

- Early childhood education programs focused on enhancing the preparation of at-risk;
- Remedial instruction and assistance to children who fail to achieve required scores on any tests required for advancement to a succeeding grade; and
- Other educational programs approved by the legislature

## **Acceptable Uses of EEF Funds**

- Benchmark Assessment
- Curriculum Development/Alignment
- Early Childhood
- Educational Technology
- Family Involvement
- Instructional Supplies
- Teacher Quality
- Positive Behavior Support
- Remediation

## **Prohibited Use of Funds**

#### EEF funds **cannot** be used for:

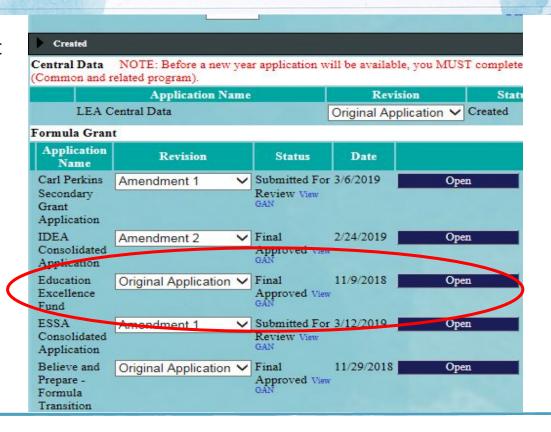
- Expenditures for maintenance or renovation of buildings
- Capital improvements
- Increases in employees' salaries
- Supplanting any state general fund or locally generated revenue
- Sectarian/religious purpose

## The Big Picture

- 1. Recipients login to eGMS to create, complete and submit their applications
- 2.LDOE staff reviews completed applications and submits request to Legislature for approval of applications
- 3. Legislature approves release of EEF funds to recipients
- 4.LDOE informs recipients that their applications have received final approval and makes payments directly to recipients for amount requested
- 5. Recipients carry out activities
- 6. Recipients report on those activities in the following year's application using the Evaluation Report form in eGMS

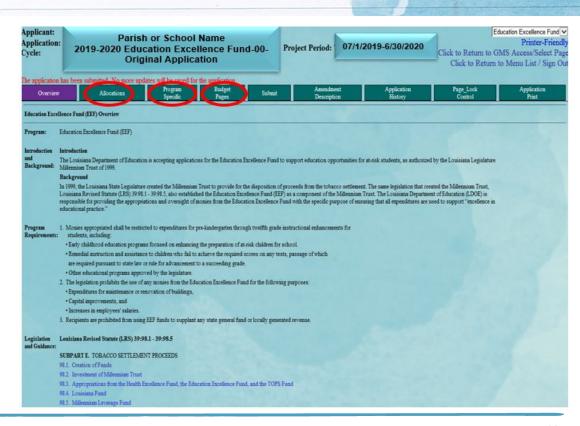
# **Open EEF Application**

Under Formula Grant open the 2019-2020 EEF Application



## Parts of the EEF Application

- 1. Allocations
- 2. Program Specific
  - Expenditure Plan
  - Evaluation Report- Pg. 1&2
- 3. Budget Pages
  - Budget Detail
  - Budget Summary



#### **Allocations Tab**

Regular Account Funds

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Reallocated Funds

**Unbudgeted Prior Year Funds** 

Cash on Hand

**Investment Account Funds** 

(Districts only)

Investment Funds Transfer

Amount To Transfer into Regular EEF Account

(Districts only)

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District chooses not to submit an expenditure plan at the current time. [If using, check box only once.]

Enter a Reason.

## **Expenditure Plan - Narrative**

- Each recipient must submit a plan that outlines how they will use their EEF funds for the school year. The plan should include performance expectations to ensure accountability in the expenditure of such funds. All applicants will describe how EEF funds will be used to support the LEA's priorities in one or more of the following areas:
- Curriculum/PD/Assessments,
- Workforce
- Early Childhood
- College and Career Pathways
- Special Education
- School Improvement
- Direct Student Services

# **Evaluation Report**

- The Evaluation Report is completed by applicants to report how Prior Year budgeted EEF funds were used.
- Completion and submission of the Evaluation Report is required if choosing to apply for EEF funds in current year
- Uploading supporting information files is optional

# **Evaluation Report**

#### "Old Money"

• If the recipient has "cash on hand" from the previous year, an Evaluation Report must be submitted in the current application.

#### "New Money"

 If the recipient will be using funds in the current year, then an Evaluation Report must be submitted in the following year's application.

## **EEF Budget**

- Align items in budget with Expenditure Plan/Narrative
- Provide detailed information (per unit cost and total number)
   when purchasing laptops, ipads, computers
- Use the correct EIC codes

## **Submit Application**

- Review the application for completeness and accuracy.
- Go to Submit tab.
- Run consistency check and fix any errors.
- Submit application.



The Consistency Check must be successfully processed before you can submit the application.

## **Tentative Timeline**

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Early to Mid - October 2019	LDOE opens EEF application period
Late October 2019	Applicants prepare and submit applications
Late October 2019	Final Corrections/reviews
November 2019	LDOE prepares EEF recommendations for the legislature
December 2019 - January 2020	Legislature approves allocations
February - March 2020	LDOE allocated EEF funds directly to applicants
Wednesday, July 15, 2020	6/30 PER due for EEF

#### **EEF Contacts**

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## Questions

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