

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OFFICE OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

June 23, 2022

The Honorable Cade Brumley State Superintendent of Education Louisiana Department of Education 1201 North Third Street Baton Rouge, LA 70802-5243

Dear Superintendent Brumley:

I am writing in response to Louisiana's request to the U.S. Department of Education (the Department) on May 27, 2022, to amend its approved consolidated State plan under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA). Prior to implementing any revisions to its approved consolidated State plan, a State must submit its proposed amendments to the Department for review and approval.

I have determined that the amended request meets the requirements in the ESEA and, for this reason, I am approving Louisiana's amended State plan. A summary of the Louisiana's amendment is enclosed. This letter, as well as Louisiana's revised ESEA consolidated State plan, will be posted on the Department's website. Any further requests to amend Louisiana's ESEA consolidated State plan must be submitted to the Department for review and approval.

Please be aware that approval of this amendment to Louisiana's ESEA consolidated State plan is not a determination that all the information and data included in the amended State plan comply with Federal civil rights requirements, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. It is Louisiana's responsibility to comply with these civil rights requirements.

Thank you for all of the work that Louisiana has put into its consolidated State plan under the ESEA. If you need any assistance regarding the implementation of your ESEA consolidated State plan, please contact the Office of School Support and Accountability at: <u>OESE.Titlei-a@ed.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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Amendment to the Louisiana's ESEA Consolidated State Plan

The following is a summary of Louisiana's amendment request. Please refer to the Department's website <u>https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grants/school-support-and-accountability/essa-consolidated-state-plans/</u> for Louisiana's complete ESEA consolidated State plan.

• School Improvement

The Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) removed a three percent set-aside of Title I, Part A funds for direct student services under ESEA section 1003A. LDOE will allow LEAs to carry forward existing section 1003A funds for direct student services until the expiration of those funds. LDOE made corresponding edits throughout its ESEA consolidated State plan.