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Education Excellence Fund (EEF) 2020-2021



Introductions/Housekeeping

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eGMS/EEF Application



Overview



eGrant Management

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

eGMS Requirements





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eGMS	Security Request Form	164 01/00/
Instructions: Complete Section 1-3 Submit form via email to Ethan.Leonar	rd@la.gov	
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:		
Section 2: All requests		
Sponsor (School/Organization) Name:		
Sponsor (School/Organization) / Site Code:		
Type of Entity (ex. Charter, Non-public, Religious,	. etc)	
Section 3: Assigned Roles Please select one of the following: LEA/Organization Authorized Rep (*) LEA/Organization Business Manager LEA/Organization Data Entry LEA/Organization Data Entry LEA/Organization View Only		
After completing Sections 1-	3, submit this form via email to Ethan Leonar	d@la.gov.
eGMS – eGrant Management System User (LDE staff, Inquiry, Update, and File Uplo		
Authorized Representative Approx		
Administrator Signature:	Date:	
Typed or Printed Name:		
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Security Coordinator

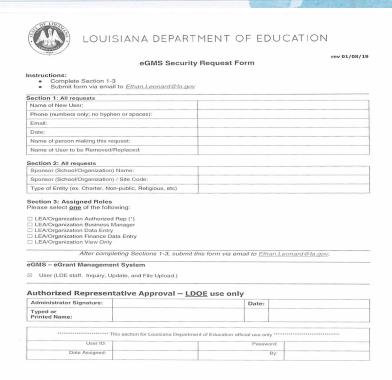
Nonpublics Responsibilities:

- 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.

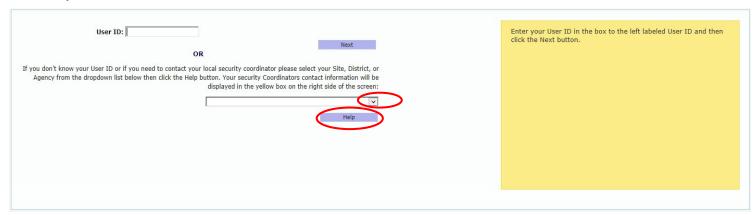
To find out who your Security Coordinator Contact is:

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 Systems/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 https://uscontractorregistration.com(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:

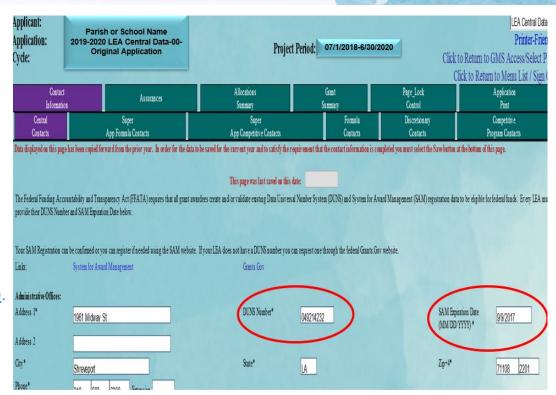
SAMSM expiration date
 (System for Award Management)

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 SAMSM, contact:

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





Accessing eGrant Management System (eGMS)

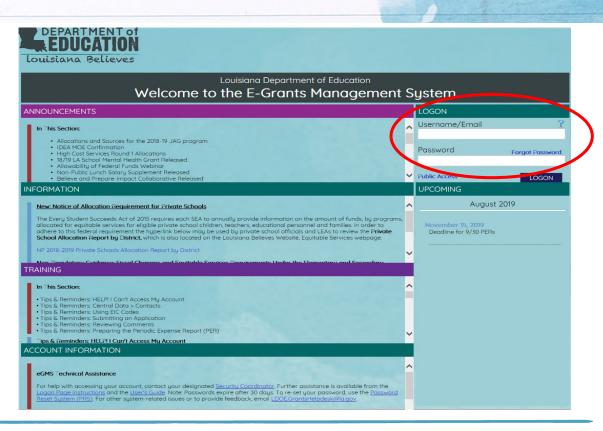
- Go to https://www.louisianabelieves.com
- Click Funding tab at the top on the right
- At the bottom of the page under Grants Management, click eGMS
- Bookmark eGrant or save it as a shortcut or alias
- eGrant Management System (eGMS)
 https://egmsp.doe.louisiana.gov/LDEGMSWeb/Logon





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.

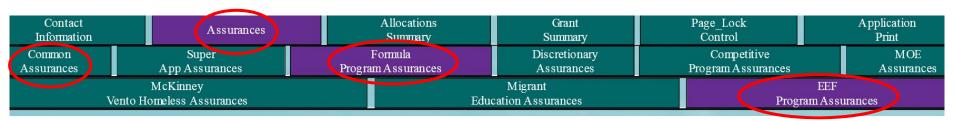


Assurances

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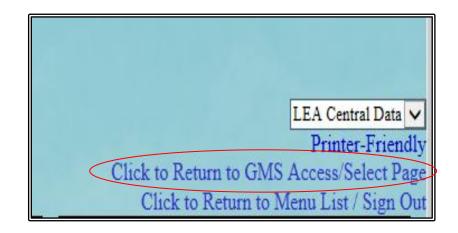
- —Common Assurances
- *–EEF Program Assurances*

(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 - 12th 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

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

Acceptable Uses of EEF Funds

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

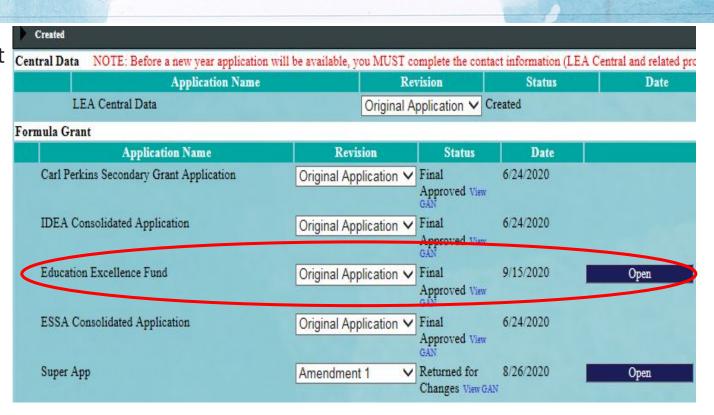
Prohibited Use of Funds

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

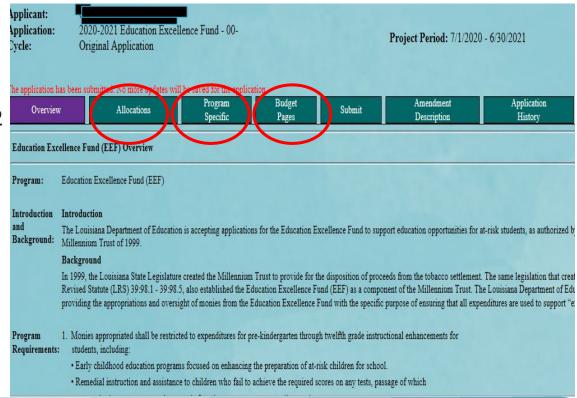
Open EEF Application

Under Formula Grant open the 2020-2021 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

\$[automatic]

Reallocated Funds

Unbudgeted Prior Year Funds

Cash on Hand

Investment Account Funds

(School System only)

Investment Funds Transfer

Amount To Transfer into Regular EEF Account

(School Systems only)

\$[automatic]



\$[automatic]



School system 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.

EEF Timeline*

FY 20-21 EEF Application Release	Week of September 28
FY 20-21 EEF Application Due Date	Friday, October 16, 2020
Legislative Approval - Education Excellence Fund Expenditure Plans	December 2020
LDOE Preparation for payments processing	December - January
Disbursement of funds to EEF recipients	February
6/30 Periodic Expense Report (PER) Due	July 15, 2021

*Timeline subject to change

Questions

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