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CCIP Note # 428

Re: Rural Education Achievement Program: Small Rural School Achievement Grant and Rural Low-Income School Grant
Date: January 24, 2019
To: Superintendents, Treasurers, and Consolidated Application Contacts of Public Districts, Community Schools, STEMS, and JVSs

Rural Education Achievement Program (REAP) Updates for Fiscal Year 2020-2021

Eligibility Determination for REAP:
The Master Eligibility Spreadsheet for REAP is now open for districts to review data for eligibility. It is located on the U.S. Department of Education (US DoE) webpage. If a district believes there is an error in the data in the spreadsheet, the district needs to contact an Ohio Department of Education Rural Education Achievement Program consultant listed below. The review period will end on **January 30, 2020**. The Final Master Eligibility Spreadsheet for REAP programs will be available early February.

The spreadsheet can be accessed at this link:
FY 20-21 REAP Master Eligibility Spreadsheet Review Ends January 30, 2020

Small Rural School Achievement Grant (SRSA) Updates
The application process for districts to apply for the SRSA grant has changed for Fiscal Year (FY) 20-21. For the past few years, applicants have applied through the www.grants.gov site. To streamline the application process and reduce the burden on applicants, US DoE will no longer use the www.grants.gov site, and instead use a simpler application process. Please click HERE for important information about the new process. The SRSA application will open February 3, 2020 for FY 20-21 funding. The new application will be an OMB Max Survey and should take about 30 minutes to complete. Eligible districts will receive an email directly from the U.S. Department of Education (US DoE) inviting the district to apply for the SRSA grant. In the survey, the district will need to provide the district name and contact information, contact information for an Authorized Representative and a secondary contact, the district DUN and Bradstreet (DUNS) number, the General Education Provisions Act (GEPA) statement information, and assurances. A webinar will be provided for SRSA district staff on February 4, March 19, and April 2, 2020 to review the new application and submission process. The period to apply for the SRSA grant is **February 3, 2020 – April 17, 2020**.

Dual Eligible Districts
Districts that are eligible for both the Small Rural School Achievement Grant (SRSA) and Rural Low-Income School Grant (RLIS) grant will receive an estimate for the amount each grant would allocate for FY 20-21. This is provided to assist districts with determining which grant they will apply for in FY 20-21. This information will be included in the email confirmation that districts will receive from US DoE when they are determined eligible for the SRSA grant. The application process for dual eligible districts will be the same. If the district applies for the SRSA grant, then they would not be eligible for the RLIS grant.

They would apply through the survey on Max.Gov. If the district does not apply for the SRSA grant, then they would be eligible for the RLIS grant through their Consolidated Application in the CCIP.

If you have any further questions or need to review the eligibility data in the Master Eligibility Spreadsheet, please contact your Consolidated Application district consultant or one of our REAP Consultants in the Office of Federal Programs.

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