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CCIP Note # 113

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Attention: Superintendents, Treasurers and Consolidated Application Contacts

Summary: The AYP 2007 Web site is now available. CCIP consolidated application for federal Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) FY08 funds. Beginning July 1, you will see changes in the way you receive payments from the state. State implements new accounting system, the Ohio Administrative Knowledge System (OAKS).

AYP 2007 Web Site Release

Superintendents, Treasurers and Consolidate Application Contacts

FYI

The AYP 2007 Web site is now available. This Web site allows school districts and community schools to verify the 2006-2007 Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) determination and the projected 2007-2008 School Improvement (SI) or District Improvement (DI) status of each school building and district. The results posted on the AYP 2007 Web site are based on data districts have submitted to EMIS for the 2006-2007 school year.

This verification process allows school districts to:

1. Review the 2006-2007 AYP determination and projected 2007-2008 SI/DI status for each school and for the district; and

2. Indicate the intent to appeal or not to appeal the 2006-2007 AYP determination and/or projected 2007-2008 SI/DI status for each school and for the district.

Within the Web site, districts must indicate whether they intend to generate an appeal for the district and for each school. Districts that wish to generate an appeal for an AYP determination and/or a School/District Improvement status will have until **Friday, July 27, 2007** to indicate the intent to appeal in the AYP 2007 Web site *and* to submit all required materials to ODE via mail (please note that all appeal materials must be **received** at ODE by this date).

Detailed instructions and forms for submitting appeals are located in the AYP 2007 Web site Menu. ODE will render decisions for all appeals and enter any resulting changes into the AYP 2007 Web site by **Monday, Aug. 6, 2007.**

Timeline:

Friday, July 27	**Friday, July 27**	**Monday, August 6**
Last day for districts to submit AYP, SI, and DI appeals to ODE	Last day for districts to submit data to ODE through EMIS	Last day for ODE to respond to appeals submitted by districts

Superintendents and their designees may access the AYP 2007 Web site either by clicking on the "SAFE Account Sign-In" button in the left-hand navigation menu of the ODE home page

(http://www.ode.state.oh.us/GD/Templates/Pages/ODE/ODEDefaultPage.aspx?page=1) or by going directly to the Web portal (https://webapp2.ode.state.oh.us/portal) and entering the user name and password for their Web portal account.

1. If you do not have a Web portal account, click on the "Sign Up" link on the left menu and follow all instructions for obtaining an account. You will need a valid Ohio Driver's License or Ohio Identification Card in order to complete this automated process.

2. If you are a Superintendent who would like to grant access to the AYP 2007 Web site to a designee, please send an e-mail to Barry Bentley, Director, Office of Quality Assurance, at barry.bentley@ode.state.oh.us. Please include the designee's name and e-mail address, along with your name and your district's name and IRN, in your request.

After signing in to the ODE Web portal, click the "AYP 2007" link to access the AYP 2007 Web site. If the "AYP 2007" link does not appear on your Web portal home page, or if you have other questions regarding Web portal access, please send an e-mail to safe.admin@ode.state.oh.us.

For questions or concerns about the AYP 2007 Web site, please call the AYP Question Line at (614) 995-0098 or send an e-mail to AYP Support at ayp_support@ode.state.oh.us.

Early Childhood Outcomes (ECO) Summary Form

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FYI

If your district employs preschool special education teachers (either center-based or itinerant) the information below is critical regarding your CCIP consolidated application for federal Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) FY08 funds.

BACKGROUND:
Child outcome information is one of the performance measures each state needs to report annually to the federal Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). Beginning with FY08 (school year 2007-08), the Early Childhood Outcomes (ECO) Summary Form will be used to meet the federal reporting requirements in addition to the scores from the *Get It, Got It, Go!*(GGG) literacy assessment and the Ages and Stages Questionnaire–Social Emotional (ASQ-SE). GGG and ASQ-SE scores will be part of the data collected for the Early Childhood Outcomes (ECO) Summary Form.

Preschool special education teachers will be required to use this form for reporting twice a year, beginning in the Fall 2007. In order to prepare teachers to use the ECO Summary Form the ODE Office of Early Learning and School Readiness has established a training process. During early August about 125 Teacher-Supervisor teams from around the state will receive training in the use of the form and how to train others in its use from staff of the Early Childhood Outcomes Center (the developers of the ECO Summary Form). These teams were formed by May 31, 2007, with the facilitation of the Early Childhood Coordinators in the 16 SERRCs. After receiving the training, the ECO Teacher-Supervisor teams will provide a one day-long training in the use of the ECO Summary Form to all preschool special education teachers and supervisors in their geographic area of the state.

In recognition of the additional stress placed on your preschool special education program of having teachers and supervisors trained by early in the 2007-08 school year, we offer a monetary reinforcer to districts. Districts employing members of the ECO Teacher-Supervisor Teams will be eligible for $200 for each member ($100 for the day they receive training in the ECO Summary Form and $100 for providing a day of training locally to teachers and supervisors). Districts employing teachers and/or supervisors who take the local training will be eligible for $100 for each staff person who attends.

ACTIONS REQUIRED TO RECEIVE FUNDS:

CCIP FY08 Consolidated Application

1. On the Planning Tool side of the application, add a strategy or action step related to "Preschool special education teachers and supervisors receive training in the ECO Summary Form in order to provide child outcome information to state and federal funders." This could appropriately go under a professional development strategy under the Reading /Language Arts Goal.

2. On the Budget side of the application –

Budget the training activity as part of your initial FY08 CCIP application, using federal funds.

3. When the training is completed and lists of attendees have been sent to ODE, the additional funds will be added to your CCIP. It is estimated that the addition should occur by November 2007. At that time, you may budget those additional funds for any allowable cost that will occur in the future.

For questions or concerns contact Office of Early Learning and School Readiness at (614) 466-0224.

Ohio Administrative Knowledge System (OAKS)

FYI

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Beginning July 1, you will see changes in the way you receive payments from the state. The latest phase in the ongoing implementation of the state's new accounting system, the Ohio Administrative Knowledge System (OAKS), is the introduction of new and updated processes for sending both EFTs and warrants. Our hope is that this transition is seamless to you. However, any time there are major systems implementations, there are likely to be glitches. Our commitment to you is to stay on top of any issues or concerns that arise and address them in the most expeditious and effective manner possible.

We will keep open communications in cases where issues arise that may impact large numbers of payees. You can help us most by letting us know if you see problems and concerns on your end as soon as possible.

Please take a few moments to review this important information.

Elimination of EFT slips: Those receiving state payments via EFT will no longer receive the old EFT slip identifying payment details. A vendor look-up application is being developed by ODE for users to access detailed information online with regard to each payment made by ODE. The development of that function is nearly complete and you will be notified on how to access it once it becomes available; until that time, please refer to your bank statement to reconcile any uncertainties about your payments. We realize that this is less than ideal at this time, but the functionality should be up and running shortly.

Consolidation of warrants (checks): Those who receive checks from the state will notice that all payments from a given agency for the day will appear on a single, itemized warrant. Therefore, rather than receiving multiple checks for payments issued on the same day by ODE, you need only handle one check covering all of the payments. Payment information will accompany each check to identify each funding source.

Again, our hope is that this changeover will be nearly seamless and will not impact the way you do business. However, despite the excellent work by the state's implementation team and a stringent testing regimen, it is possible that issues will arise. Should you encounter a problem, please contact your usual program administrator or point-of-contact for assistance. ODE and the State of Ohio will work to resolve issues as soon as they are reported. The preferred method of

contact is e-mail. That will help us manage our time resources and gain the broadest perspective on any possible issues that may arise.

Thank you in advance for your patience as we work to implement the new State of Ohio accounting system.

If you have questions regarding CCIP Notes, please call (614) 466-4161 and ask to speak to the consultant for your school district.