CCIP Note #516

Re: **9/30 Report Open; New Resources for ESSER, GEER and Federal Funding for STEM**
Date: December 12, 2022
To: Superintendents, Treasurers, and Application Contacts

9/30 Report Now Open
Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) can now access the September 30 Report from the CCIP. Districts that have unspent FY22 allocation carried forward from prior years need to complete this report. The last day to liquidate FY22 funds is December 30, 2022. Districts should include all outstanding obligations as well as paid expenditures incurred from July 1, 2022 through September 30, 2022 for 1select programs. **The deadline for completion of the 9/30 report is January 23, 2023 at 5:00 PM.**

To access the report, log in to CCIP. Click Funding Application on the left blue menu. On the drop-down list that appears, select 9/30 Report. Detailed information is shown on the report itself. ONLY the Treasurer/Fiscal Representative is able to SAVE data for this report. ***If the Report does not show up in the CCIP to the authorized user, it means the LEA does not have to complete the report.*** Please contact your Office of Federal Programs consultant with any questions.

Guidance on ESSER and GEER – Updated FAQ
On December 8, 2022, the U.S. Department of Education (USED) released a comprehensive update to the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) programs and Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) programs May 2021 Use of Funds Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs). This guidance, which includes 27 new FAQs drawn from inquiries from State and local educational agencies, along with revisions to eight existing FAQs, may be found HERE.

This guidance:

- Expands FAQs on school construction (B-6) and HVAC (B-7) to include information on prior approval and minor remodeling and HVAC improvements;
- Provides additional information on liquidations (E-3b) and the circumstances under which program activities can continue after the liquidation period (E-3d); and
- Outlines additional options for using ESSER and GEER funds to support mental health services for students and educators (C-14), reduce rates of chronic absenteeism (C-11), and promote workforce stability (D-1 and D-1.a).

The FAQs also includes a new Appendix B incorporating previously released, standalone FAQs such as those addressing the use of ESSER or GEER funds to support COVID-19 testing and vaccinations, public safety, and transportation.

Guidance on Federal Funding for Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM)
The USED recently released a Dear Colleague letter to support State Education Agencies (SEAs) and Local Education Agencies (LEAs) with the blending of federal funds for STEM programs and activities. This guidance may be found HERE.

For assistance, please contact the Office of Federal Programs at federalprograms@education.ohio.gov.