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March 2, 2022

TO: BOCES District Superintendents School District Superintendents School District Business Officers Charter School Leaders

FROM: Phyllis D. Morris, Chief Financial Officer

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RE: Required Reporting on LEA Allocations of Federal Elementary and Secondary Education Emergency Relief (ESSER) and Governor's Education Emergency Relief (GEER) Funds – DUE APRIL 1, 2022

As a condition of receiving federal ESSER and GEER funding under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) and Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Acts, and federal ESSER funding under the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act, LEAs assured that they would comply with all required reporting requirements to ensure accountability and transparency in the use of these funds.

The Department has developed a data collection tool to satisfy U.S. Department of Education (USDE) reporting requirements. The reporting period is October 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021.

LEAs must complete this survey by no later than April 1, 2022.

The survey may be accessed in the <u>SED Monitoring and Vendor Reporting System</u> by completing the following steps:

- 1. Go to the Business Portal
- 2. Click on the "Log In" button
- 3. Enter your username and password
- 4. Click on "SED Monitoring and Vendor Performance System" under My Applications
- 5. Select "View Surveys for the Office of ESSA-Funded Programs"
- 6. Find the survey titled "Education Stabilization Fund Reporting ESSER/GEER Reporting"
- 7. Click on 'view' to begin/continue to input information

The Department will hold a webinar on March 9, 2022 from 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. to assist LEAs in completing the survey. Please join the webinar using this <u>Zoom link</u>.

(Meeting ID: 874 3716 7429; Passcode: K74bjG).

LEAs should note that USDE will be requiring additional data elements to be reported for subsequent reporting periods. LEAs should review the USDE <u>ESSER</u> and <u>GEER</u> data collection tools and begin tracking expenditures accordingly.

If your LEA is unable to meet the mandatory reporting requirements and submit its Education Stabilization Fund Report by April 1, 2022, NYSED may take action necessary to ensure compliance with the reporting requirements. These actions may include placing special conditions on your LEA's grant award which may include, but not be limited to initiating actions to withhold, suspend, or terminate your remaining ESSER and/or GEER funds in accordance with NYSED's enforcement authority in section 2 CFR Part 200.208 and section 2 CFR Part 200.339 of the Uniform Grants Guidance.

Please direct questions to the Office of ESSA-Funded Programs at CARESAct@nysed.gov.

cc: Commissioner Betty A. Rosa Sharon Cates-Williams Jim Baldwin Jason Harmon Ed Lenart Erica Meaker