

November 3, 2021

- A second round of funding for the EANS program was included in the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act, passed in March 2021.
- On October 19, 2021, the US Department of Education approved a \$251.2 million EANS II allocation for New York State.
- Similar to EANS I, preschool (Pre-K) students cannot be included in enrollment counts.
 - However, schools with Pre-K students may apply if they serve older children as well.
- EANS II is specifically targeted toward schools that serve a significant population of students from low-income households.
 - Enrollment of low-income students must be at least 24.4% of the total population for the 2019-2020 school year.
- EANS II does not allow for any direct cash reimbursements to non-public schools.



- EANS II Eligibility—What is Similar to EANS I
 - EANS II requires that schools meet the following criteria:
 - The school must be a not-for-profit that serves students in grades K-12.
 - The school requesting services or assistance must be approved to operate in accordance with State law.
 - The school must have been in existence prior to March 13, 2020 and be providing instruction in the current (2021-22) school year.
 - The school did not participate in the Small Business Administration's Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) (15 U.S.C. 636(a)(37)) after December 27, 2020. PPP loans taken prior to December 27, 2020 have no impact on a school's eligibility to participate in EANS.



- EANS II Eligibility—What is Different from Previous Round
 - EANS II provides targeted support to non-public schools that enroll a significant proportion of students from low-income households.
 - Schools wishing to receive assistance through EANS II must provide verifiable enrollment data showing that at least 24.4% of its K-12 population for the 2019-20 school year consisted of students from low-income households.



- EANS II Eligibility—What is Different from Previous Round
 - EANS II does not allow schools to submit receipts for direct reimbursement.
 - Funds allocated to New York State may still be used to purchase eligible items, however all items must be purchased directly by NYSED on behalf of the school.
 - Examples of eligible items include (but are not limited to):
 - instructional technology,
 - personal protective equipment (PPE),
 - sanitization and cleaning supplies,
 - portable air purifiers.



- EANS II Eligibility—What is Different from Previous Round
 - EANS II funds can be used to pay labor costs for certain "capital" projects
 - D-16. May an SEA use EANS funds to pay for the installation of equipment or supplies purchased by a non-public school for purposes of improving its ventilation system? (New September 17, 2021)

Yes. EANS funds generally may only be used for the costs of installation of supplies or equipment that is otherwise allowable and not for installation of supplies or equipment that is not otherwise allowable. However, because section 312(d)(4)(C) of the CRRSA Act authorizes the use of funds for improving ventilation systems, an SEA may use EANS funds to install supplies or equipment that are otherwise unallowable as long as such supplies or equipment are needed to improve a non-public school's ventilation system. For example, as noted in E-2, purchasing new windows for a non-public school using EANS funds would be inconsistent with the public control of funds requirements in section 312(d)(7) of the CRRSA Act and 34 C.F.R. § 76.661. However, to the extent a non-public school uses its own funds to purchase new windows for the purpose of improving ventilation (e.g., replacing windows that do not open with ones that do), an SEA may use EANS funds for the installation of such windows.

 In other words, if your school purchases the physical equipment, EANS funds can be used to cover (or offset) the labor costs associated with the major repair or upgrade.



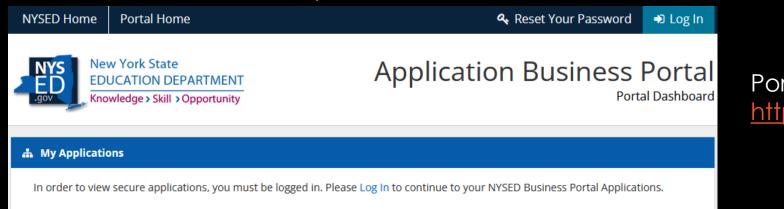
EANS II TIMELINE

New York State ARP EANS Program Timeline –The EANS II program implementation timeframes are listed below:

- Governor submitted State's application to USDE September 9, 2021;
- USDE approves State's application October 19, 2021;
- SED releases Letter of Intent to schools October 27, 2021;
- Deadline for schools to submit Letter of Intent November 8, 2021;
- SED releases application to schools November 18, 2021
- Schools' applications due to SED December 9, 2021;
- SED review of school's applications January 7, 2022; and
- State required to obligate all funds April 19, 2022

SUBMIT A LETTER OF INTENT (LOI)

The LOI form can be completed online via the SEDMON in the SED Business Portal:

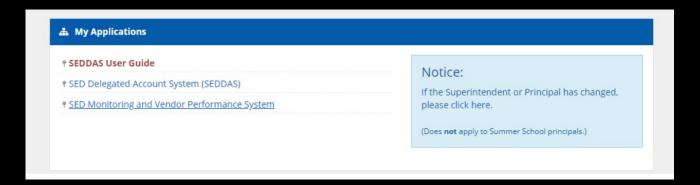


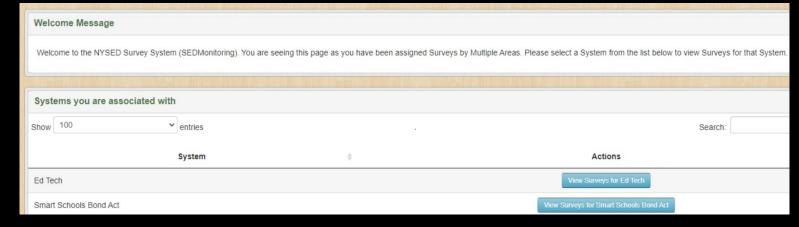
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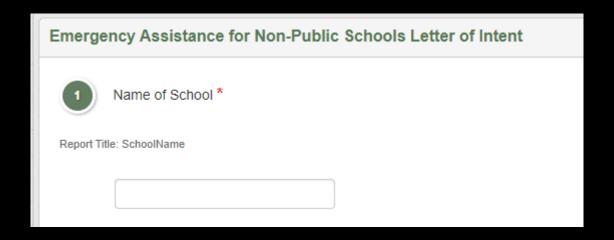


- Sign-in to the SED Business Portal and select "SED Monitoring and Vendor Performance System"
- Next, click "View Surveys for SORIS"
- Once at the SORIS surveys, select "EANS II – Letter of Intent"





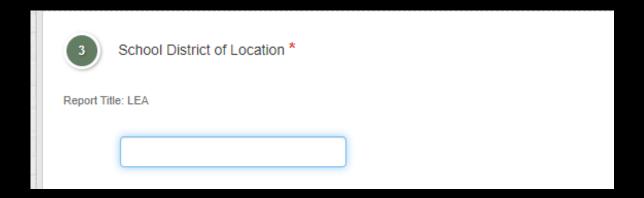
 Question 1 – Enter the School Name



- Question 2 Enter the 12-digit BEDS code.
 - If school does not have a BEDS code, enter "No Code"

2	School's BEDS Number *
Report Ti	itle: BEDS

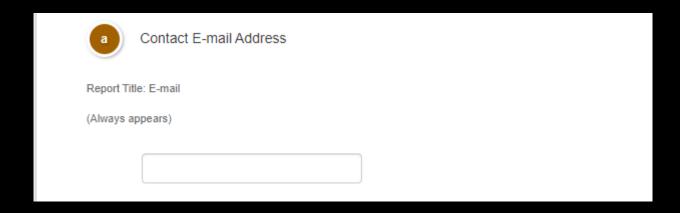
- Question 3 Enter the District of Location
 - In what public school district is the private school located?



- Question 4 Enter the name of the EANS II contact person
 - Who can NYSED contact at your school regarding EANS?

4	Contact Name for School Representative *
Report Title	e: Contact Name

- Question 4a Enter the contact person's email address
 - This is not a required field, however communications and updates will generally be sent via email



- Question 4b Enter the contact person's phone number
 - All submissions must include a phone contact

b	Contact Phone Number *
Repor	rt Title: Phone Number
(Alwa	ys appears)

- Question 5 Attestations and affirmations
 - All boxes MUST be checked for all applicants
 - If your school does not meet one of these 5 criteria, it is likely ineligible for EANS II. Please contact SORIS at eans@nysed.gov for more information.

By **checking each box** below, I affirm that the following is true and correct regarding my school.

NOTE: If a non-public school applies for a PPP loan on or after December 27, 2020, but does not receive funds under the PPP, the school may apply for services or assistance under the EANS program, as long as the non-public school meets the requirements and deadlines of this letter of intent. If a non-public school applied for or received a PPP loan prior to December 27, 2020, it remains eligible for the EANS program. Similarly, if a non-public school applies for but does not receive services or assistance through EANS, nothing in the Education Stabilization Fund would preclude that non-public school from applying for and receiving a PPP loan on or after December 27, 2020. Please also see revised PPP Loan guidance in the EANS II Cover Letter. *

Report Title: Certification Eligibility

The school requesting services or assistance has a low-income student percentage of 24.4 percent or greater in the 2019-20 school year (2019-20 low-income student count divided by total 2019-20 K-12 enrollment).
☐ The school requesting services or assistance is a non-profit school.
☐ The school requesting services or assistance is approved to operate in accordance with State law.
☐ The school requesting services or assistance existed and operated prior to March 13, 2020 and has been providing instruction in the current (2021-22) school year.
The school requesting services or assistance did not and will not apply for and receive a loan under the Small Business Administration's Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) (15 U.S.C. 636(a)(37)) that is
made on or after December 27, 2020. (Please see revised PPP Loan guidance in the EANS II Cover Letter)

- Question 6 Indicate whether your school intends to apply for EANS II
 - Selecting "NO" will exclude your school from receiving an allocation for EANS II



Does your school intend to apply for EANS II?

NOTE: selecting "NO" means your school will not receive an allocation for EANS II and will not be considered for participation in the EANS II program. *

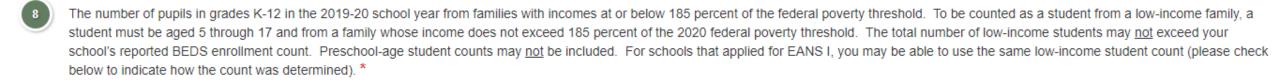
Report Title: Plan to Apply

- YES, my school intends to apply.
- NO, my school will not participate

- Question 7 Enter the total enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year
 - NYSED will verify using 2019-20 BEDS data if applicable
 - Preschool (Pre-K) enrollment may **NOT** be included

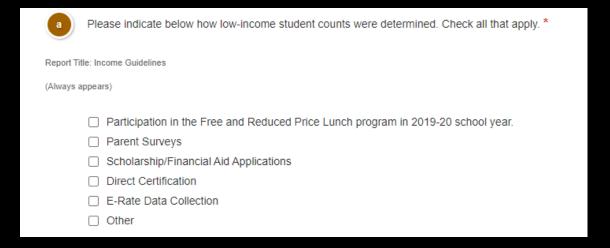
	K-12 BEDS enrollment reported in the 2019-20 school year. Preschool-age student counts may <u>not</u> be included. For schools that applied for EANS I, you may be able to use the same enrollment count. If you meet the other criteria, your school is eligible even if you did not report BEDS data last year (e.g. elected not to report BEDS data). If this is your situation, please contact SORIS at EANS@nysed.gov
ort Tit	lle: K-12Enrollment

- Question 8 Enter the count of students enrolled in 2019-2020 from households with incomes at or below 185 percent of the federal poverty threshold
 - Counts must be verifiable by NYSED
 - Preschool (Pre-K) counts may **NOT** be included

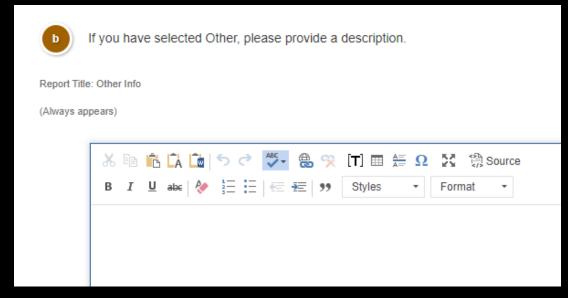


Report Title: K-12LowIncome

 Question 8a – Indicate how the school verifies its low-income enrollment counts



 Question 8b – If you selected "Other," please describe in detail



 Question 9 – You <u>MUST</u> certify that the information provided is accurate to the best of your knowledge

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I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief, all of the information in this application is true and correct. I further understand that knowingly making a false statement or misrepresentation on this application may subject me to criminal or civil penalties under applicable State and Federal laws.

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Report Title: Certification

O I certify.

- Dioceses or multi-building organizations operating multiple school buildings as part
 of the same organization may submit the requested information in bulk. For this
 purpose, NYSED will provide a Letter of Intent spreadsheet that can be found at this
 link: http://www.nysed.gov/nonpublic-schools/emergency-assistance-nonpublic-schools-program-eans. Email the completed spreadsheet to SORIS@nysed.gov.
- If your school does not use the internet, you may submit the Letter of Intent by mail (must be postmarked by November 8, 2021) to:

State Office of Religious and Independent Schools

EBA Room 1074

New York State Education Department

89 Washington Avenue

Albany, NY 12234

ATTN: Emergency Assistance to Nonpublic Schools (EANS)

Questions?





STATE OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT AND RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS (SORIS)

HTTP://WWW.P12.NYSED.GOV/NONPUB/

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