

Emergency Assistance for Non-Public Schools (EANS) Applicant Training



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EANS Purpose and Overview

- Passed as part of second round of the Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) funding
- Provide reimbursement or services to eligible non-public schools impacted by COVID-19
- Approximately \$40,000,000 available
- Applicants may apply for assistance and reimbursement as defined by statute
- Funds are not directly provided to applicants
- Services funded based on per pupil amounts tentatively set at
 - \$400 for each student enrolled
 - additional \$250 for each low-income student enrolled.



Types of Assistance Available

- Supplies to sanitize, disinfect, and clean school facilities;
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Improving ventilation systems, including windows or portable air purification systems
- Training and professional development for staff on sanitization, the use of PPE, and minimizing the spread of infectious diseases
- Physical barriers to facilitate social distancing
- Other materials, supplies or equipment recommended by the CDC for reopening and operation of school facilities to effectively maintain health and safety
- Expanding capacity to administer coronavirus testing to effectively monitor and suppress the virus



Types of Assistance Available

- Educational technology
- Redeveloping instructional plans for remote or hybrid learning or to address learning loss
- Leasing sites or spaces to ensure social distancing;
- Reasonable transportation costs
- Initiating and maintaining education and support services or assistance for remote or hybrid learning or to address learning loss
- Reimbursement for the expenses of any services or assistance described above that a non-public school incurred on or after March 13, 2020.



Types of Assistance Available

Note: The U.S. Department of Education (USDE) has issued guidance the following activities **are not allow**ed to be reimbursed.

- Improvements to ventilation systems (including windows), except for portable air purification systems, which may be reimbursed;
- Any expenses reimbursed through a loan guaranteed under the PPP (15 U.S.C. 636(a)) prior to December 27, 2020;
- Staff training and professional development on sanitization, the use of PPE, and minimizing the spread of COVID-19;
- Developing instructional plans, including curriculum development, for remote or hybrid learning or to address learning loss; and
- Initiating and maintaining education and support services or assistance for remote or hybrid learning or to address learning loss.



Applicant Eligibility

Non-public or home schools wishing to apply must:

- Serve students in grades K-12 (Non-public preschools are not eligible to apply.);
- Be non-profit (Note: In Kentucky home schools are considered to be non-profit by nature, so long as they are not charging tuition for services.);
- Be Accredited, licensed, or otherwise operate in accordance with State law (Note: Non-public schools are approved to operate within Kentucky without accreditation, licensure, or certification.);
- Have been in existence prior to March 13, 2020, the date the President declared the national emergency due to COVID-19; and
- Not have applied 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.



Applicant Responsibilities

Complete an application

- Contact information
- Signed certification
- Assurances
- Total student enrollment and low-income data
- Information about participation in the federal Payroll Protection Program prior to December 27, 2020
- Submit a W9 and EZ Vendor Application



Applicant Responsibilities

Complete an application

- Define the impact of COVID-19
- Participation under the first round of Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CARES) services
- Define reimbursement/services requested, the needs the requests will meet, and the amount requested for each



Special Considerations for Applicants

- Applications that fail to provide all required information, including the completion of each application section, will be deemed non-responsive, and funding will not be provided.
- No guarantee of funding based on application submission, no guarantee of funding maximums
- Applicants must be open to consultation with the KDE.



Special Considerations for Applicants

Assistance requested must be reasonable, necessary, and allocable.

- Reasonable: Not excessive in cost and based on prudent and sound purchasing practices
- Necessary: Essential for carrying out a needsbased assistance associated with COVID-19 impacts
- Allocable: Cost is an allowable activity and meets the intent of EANS



KDE Responsibilities

- Communicate with and provide assistance to applicants
- Receive and evaluate applications for quality, consistency with allowed expenditures, reasonableness, and connection to program intent
- Allocate reimbursements and provide for services
- Inventory materials and equipment
 - Non-consumable materials and equipment remain the property of KDE.
 - KDE must assume title to non-consumable materials and equipment for which a non-public school receives reimbursement or which is purchased.



Application Submission Process

- Application window open from March 23-26.
- Applications will not be accepted beyond the closing date.
- Official submissions will only be accepted using the provided SurveyMonkey link.
- Once received, applications will be scored and assistance awarded within 30 days.
- Funds must be obligated for services within 6 months.



Questions and Resources

- **USDE EANS Guidance**
- **USDE EANS website**
- Questions may be sent to kpso@education.ky.gov.

