

Department of Grant Compliance and Administration

Statewide Training Series

Questions & Answers

Training Title: ESSA Title V, Part A and B Overview - Funding Transferability & Rural Education Initiative or REAP

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Q1: If an LEA is dual eligible, which is better to apply for/offers more to the LEA?

A1: This is a local decision. LEAs can contact ESC to get the projected allocation amounts provided by USDE.

Q2: Is there the traditional presumption of supplanting with Rural and Low-Income Schools Program (RLIS)?

A2: RLIS does follow the traditional presumption of supplanting.

Q3: When will the RLIS grant application will be released and when is it due?

A3: The RLIS application opens on September 15, 2021 and is due on November 16, 2021.

Q4: If an LEA is dual eligible and the LEA missed the Small Rural Schools Achievement Program (SRSA) application deadline and applies for RLIS, will the SRSA application be available to the LEA the following year?

A4: An LEA that is dual eligible and elects to apply for RLIS does not prevent the LEA to apply for SRSA the following year if it meets the SRSA eligibility requirements.

Q5: When will the SRSA application be released?

A5: SRSA application period is closed. Superintendents should have received an email from USDE regarding availability of the Grant Award Notice (GAN).

- Q6: Please explain the budgeting and draw down process for funding transferability. How do LEAs account for funding transferability on the ESSA application budget schedule?**
- A6: There is no draw down process. The funding stays with the original program. LEAs will report the actual percentage and expenditure amounts on the program compliance report.