

Public Notice on Georgia's Proposed 2023 ESEA Consolidated State Plan Amendment

The U.S. Department of Education (ED) [approved](#) Georgia's COVID-19 State Plan [Addendum](#) for the 2021-2022 school year on May 26, 2022. Because the approved changes through the Addendum are not limited to SY 2021-2022, the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) must submit an updated ESEA Consolidated State Plan that incorporates those approved changes. Additionally, GaDOE is requesting the following changes to the state's accountability system.

- Align the literacy indicator with the Georgia Milestones on-grade-level reading measure
- Expand the high school College and Career Readiness indicator to include military readiness as measured by performance on the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) as an additional option to demonstrate postsecondary readiness
- Include additional content areas (career exploratory, computer science) in the Beyond the Core indicator
- Eliminate the overall, single 0-100 score while maintaining 0-100 scores for all indicators and components
- Incorporate students with significant cognitive disabilities who participate in the Georgia Alternate Assessment (GAA) 2.0 in the ELA and mathematics Progress indicators
- Update the Closing Gaps improvement target formula to align with the maintenance level and to reward districts and schools that meet improvement targets for the most at-risk student populations (Economically Disadvantaged, English Learners, Students with Disabilities)
- Continue utilizing the staged Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) identification approach approved in Georgia's one-year addendum (2022), updated to include all components
- Eliminate the Promise Schools designation and replace it with a Universal Supports Schools designation to enable the state to support statewide improvement efforts to provide a high-quality education for all students in Georgia's schools

The proposed updated ESEA Consolidated State Plan and a summary of changes can be viewed [online](#).

Prior to submitting this amendment, GaDOE is providing public notice to all interested parties in the State with a reasonable opportunity to comment on this request. The State is providing such notice by posting the intent on GaDOE's website. In addition, GaDOE has notified all LEAs and provided a webinar with full explanation of the amendment request.

Comments on the proposed ESEA Consolidated State Plan Amendment should be submitted via this [survey](#) no later than **2:00 PM January 31, 2023**. Questions should be directed to Allison Timberlake, Deputy Superintendent for Assessment & Accountability, at atimberlake@doe.k12.ga.us.

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