# May 2019 GaDOE **Equitable Services Updates & Training**

**Thursday, May 16, 2019** 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM



## Welcome

- To provide updates and relevant training on the provision of equitable services under the Every Student Succeeds Act.
- This webinar is appropriate for private school recipients of equitable services and district providers of equitable services.
- This webinar will be recorded for any interested personnel who are unable to make the live online session.





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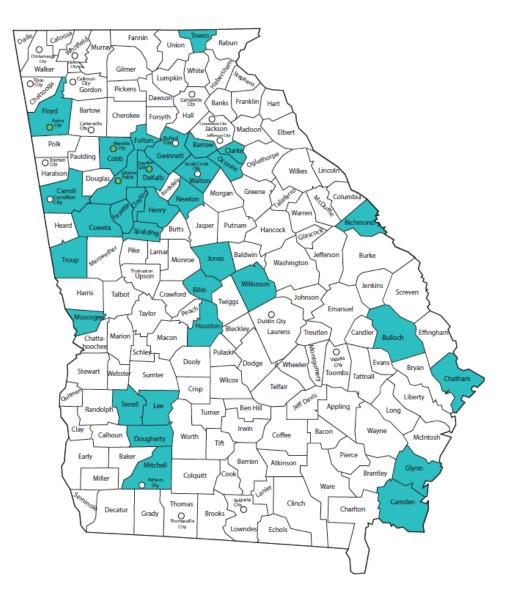
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## **Equitable Services**

Equitable Services are services provided under Title I and Title VIII of the Every Student Succeeds Act to eligible private school students, teachers, leaders and parents that are equitable to services provided to students, teachers, leaders and parents in public schools.

### IN 2018-2019 6 ESSA PROGRAMS ALLOCATED FUNDS TO PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN 36 DISTRICTS.





# Agenda

- Updates to Guidance
- Updates to Resources
- Hot Topics
  - Transferability
  - Carryover
  - Administration
- Question and Answer





## **Updates to Guidance**



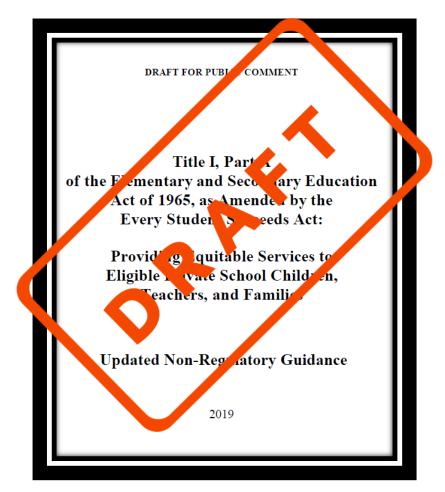
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## **USDE DRAFT Non-Regulatory Guidance, 2019**

DRAFT Title I Equitable Services Guidance Supersedes:

- Title I Services to Eligible Private School Children, Non-Regulatory Guidance (October 17, 2003)
- Ensuring Equitable Services to Private School Children: A Title I Resource Tool Kit (September 2006)
- Non-Regulatory Guidance: Fiscal Changes and Equitable Services Requirements under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as Amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) (November 21, 2016).





# **USDE Crosswalk to New Guidance**

#### **Contributing Guidance**

- 2003 Guidance Informed 57 Q's
- 2006 Guidance Informed 0 Q's
- 2009 Guidance Informed 4 Q's
- 2015 Guidance Informed 4 Q's
- 2016 Guidance Informed 19 Q's
- NEW Guidance 22 New Q's

Crosswalk Between Draft Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Act of 1965, as Amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act: Providing Equitable Services to Eligible Children, Teachers, and Families, Non-Regulatory Guidance and Prior Non-Regulatory Guidance

Question from Draft Guidance	Relevant Prior Guidance <sup>1</sup>
	(Document Title and Question Number)
A-1. What is consultation?	Title I Services to Eligible Private School Children, Non-Regulatory
	Guidance (October 2003) (available at
	http://www2.ed.gov/programs/titleiparta/psguidance.doc)
	Reference: A-1
A-2. Who is responsible for initiating	Title I Services to Eligible Private School Children, Non-Regulatory
consultation and how should it begin?	Guidance (October 2003)
	Reference: A-2
A-3. What is an "Intent to Participate" form?	Title IX, Part Uniform Provisions, Subpart 1, Private Schools, Equitable
	Services for Eligible Private School Students, Teachers, and Other
	Educational Personnel, Non-Regulatory Guidance (Rev. March 2009)
	(available at https://www2.ed.gov/policy/elsec/guid/equitableserguidance.doc)
	Reference: D-13
A-4. May an LEA set a deadline for private	Title IX, Part Uniform Provisions, Subpart 1, Private Schools, Equitable
school officials to indicate their intent to	Services for Eligible Private School Students, Teachers, and Other
participate?	Educational Personnel, Non-Regulatory Guidance (Rev. March 2009)
	Reference: D-23
A-5. How does an LEA determine which	Title IX, Part Uniform Provisions, Subpart 1, Private Schools, Equitable
private schools to contact?	Services for Eligible Private School Students, Teachers, and Other
	Educational Personnel, Non-Regulatory Guidance (Rev. March 2009)
	Reference: D-2



# **Nonprofit Status**

- Objective: To verify the nonprofit status of participating private schools
- When to Verify: Annually, during consultation
- Who is Responsible: LEAs & Participating Private Schools
- What Documentation is Required:
  - Private School is Nonprofit: Screenshot, printout, confirmation or receipt from Secretary of State in current year verifying nonprofit status of the private school
  - Private School is Subordinate to Another Organization that is a Nonprofit:
    - Foundational Documentation verifying private school is subordinate to a primary organization, including the legal business name of the primary organization
    - Screenshot, printout, confirmation or receipt from Secretary of State in current year verifying nonprofit status of the primary organization
- Where to File Documentation: Documentation should be kept on file at the LEA and is subject to GaDOE monitoring



#### ESSA Equitable Services Verifying and Documenting Private School Nonprofit Status

Private schools must demonstrate nonprofit status in order to participate in equitable services under Title IA and Title VIII (IC, IIA, IIIA, IVA, IVB)

The Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA), like the earlier No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB), requires LEAs to ensure that private schools that participate in equitable services have active nonprofit status.

Nonprofit, as defined by 34 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 77.1, means an "agency, organization, or institution, that is owned and operated by one or more corporations or associations whose net earnings do not benefit, and cannot lawfully benefit, any private shareholder or entity."

It is important to note that nonprofit does not mean tax-exempt. While all tax-exempt entities are nonprofits, not all nonprofits are tax-exempt. Tax-exempt status is granted by the IRS and nonprofit status is granted by states.

Georgia's students attend private schools in and out-of-state which means that the documentation available for verifying nonprofit status may vary depending on the state.

#### How to Verify Nonprofit Status

In Georgia, private school nonprofit status must be verified <u>annually</u>. Annual verification is available on Secretary of State websites. In order to look up the status of a private school, LEAs will need the legal business name of the school and/or legal business name of the primary business under which the school falls.

If the school is registered/covered under another business, the school must provide foundational documentation to verify the relationship between the school and other organization and will require the legal business name of the umbrella business to verify nonprofit status.

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ALABAMA	APRIL/SEPTEMBER	http://arc-sos.state.al.us/CGI/CORPNAME.MBR/INPUT	Exists
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NORTH CAROLINA	ROLUNG DEADLINE	https://www.sosnc.gov/search/index/corp	CURRENT ACTIVE
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TENNESSEE	SEPTEMBER	https://tnbear.tn.gov/ecommerce/default.aspx	ACTIVE



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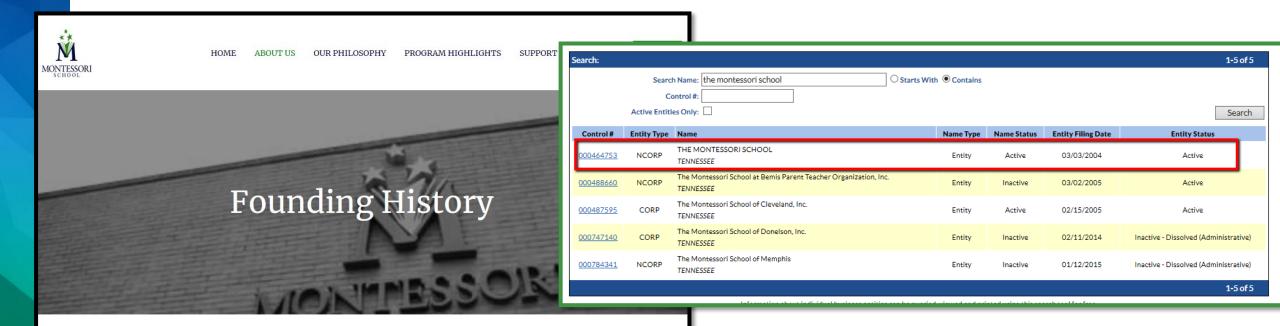
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The Montessori philosophy came to Chattanooga in 1973 when Roberta (Bobbe) Spink started The Montessori World of Children in a small house on Signal Mountain. In 1981, Bobbe and her husband moved the school to a leased building downtown, a location that would allow children from all parts of Chattanooga and the surrounding areas to attend.

The Montessori World of Children became The Montessori School in 2004, wh

n staff and parents worked together to form a non-profit school classes, a full elementary (grades 1-5), and middle

school (grades 6, 7, and 8), with a total enrollment of 250.



## **Updates to Resources**



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- GaDOE is in its final stages of developing an online platform for the implementation of equitable services in Georgia.
- The platform is housed in the GaDOE State Longitudinal Data System (SLDS) accessible to LEA Federal Programs Directors. It allows LEA staff to
  - Maintain Private School Contact Information
  - Issue Equitable Services Consultation Invitations
  - Indicate Private School Participation in Equitable Services (Form A)
  - Verify Receipt of Equitable Services and Ongoing Consultation (Form B)

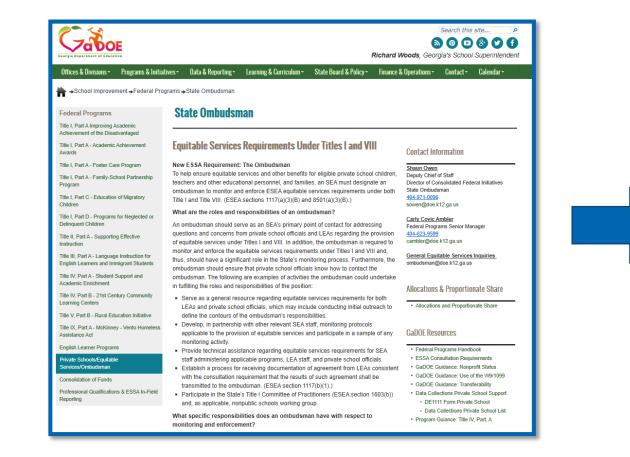


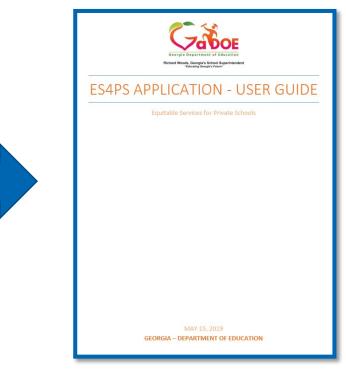
- The platforms also allows LEAs to customize invitation templates and track invitations and form submission.
- The platform allows the state to better serve both private schools and districts.
- This allows private schools to complete the information virtually.



	Equitable Services 2017-2018	Equitable Services 2018-2019	Equitable Services 2019-2020	Equitable Services 2020-2021
Invitations	On File at LEA	On File at LEA	On File at LEA	Due October 2019 Use ES4PS
Form A	On File at LEA	On File at LEA	Due June 30, 2019 Use ES4PS <u>OR</u> FY20 ConApp Attachments	Due June 30, 2020 Use ES4PS
Form B	Due February 2019 ES4PS <u>OR</u> FY18 ConApp Attachments <u>OR</u> FY19 ConApp Attachments	Due December 2019 Use ES4PS	Due December 2020 Use ES4PS	Due December 2021 Use ES4PS









# **Initial Consultation Meetings**

- GaDOE will NOT be hosting statewide meetings in 2019-2020
- LEAs might consider:
  - Collaborating to provide regional meetings
  - Scheduling one district meeting for all private schools to attend
  - Meeting with private schools one-on-one
- GaDOE will provide training resources that may be use in initial consultation. Resources should be released in July and will be announced.





## **Hot Topics**



## Allocations

- USDE to GaDOE
  - May or June 2019
- GaDOE to LEA
  - Preliminary are posted
  - July 2019
- LEA to Private Schools
  - July 2019
  - Subject to adjustment upon final budget approval





## Carryover – 2016 Fiscal Changes NRG

### **Questions N-6, N-7**

### **Obligation of Funds**

- Funds allocated to an LEA for educational services and other benefits to eligible private school children, teachers and other educational personnel, and families must be obligated in the fiscal year for which the funds are received by the LEA. (ESEA sections 1117(a)(4)(B) and 8501(a)(4)(B).)
- However, there may be extenuating circumstances in which an LEA is unable to obligate all funds within this timeframe in a responsible manner. Under these circumstances, the funds may remain available for the provision of equitable services under the respective program during the subsequent school year. In determining how such carryover funds will be used, the LEA must consult with appropriate private school officials. (ESEA sections 1117(b) and 8501(c).)



## Carryover – 2019 DRAFT Equitable Services NRG

#### **Obligation of Funds**

• B-25. What is the purpose of the obligation of funds requirement given that an LEA may carry over funds from a given fiscal year and spend those funds in the succeeding fiscal year? The purpose of this requirement is to ensure that an LEA uses the funds available under Title I to provide equitable services in the fiscal year for which the funds were appropriated so that eligible students, teachers and other educational personant and the requirement that an LEA conduct timely are entitled in a timely manner. This provision minor eacher equitable services so that those services can begin at the beginning of the source year for which the funds are appropriated.

## B-26. May an LEA carry over unablighter funds despite this new statutory requirement regarding obligation of funds?

The Department expect the UP will comply with the law and obligate the funds allocated for equitable services in the carbor which they are appropriated. Occasionally, however, there may be circumstances in which an EA is unable to obligate all funds within this timeframe in a responsible manner. Examples of such circumstances might include a natural disaster that delayed services for public and private school students or a situation in which an LEA has a small amount of unobligated funds after having provided equitable services that cost less than the amount generated. Under these circumstances, an LEA must carry over the unobligated funds from the proportional share for the provision of equitable services during the subsequent fiscal year. In determining how such carryover funds will be used, the LEA must consult with appropriate private school officials.



# **Administrative Caps**

ESSA Program	Maximum Percentage for Administration
Title I, Part A - Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged	<u>≤</u> 10%
Title I, Part C – Education of Migratory Children	<u>≤</u> 2%
Title II, Part A - Supporting Effective Instruction	<u>≤</u> 10%
Title III, Part A – Language Instruction for English Learners and Immigrant Students	<u>≤</u> 2%
Title IV, Part A - Student Support and Academic Enrichment	<u>≤</u> 2%
Title IV, Part B - 21st Century Community Learning Center (CCLC)	<u>≤</u> 10%



## How are administrative costs determined?

- B-33. How does an LEA reserve Title I funds for its administration of the Title I program to provide equitable services for private school students?
  - After consultation with private school officials, an LEA may reserve an amount that is reasonable and necessary from the proportional share for the LEA's administration of equitable services. (See 2 C.F.R. § 200.403(a)). (This term refers to administrative activities that are directly attributable to the equitable services program such as the time an LEA's Federal programs director spends on equitable services; it does not refer to indirect costs, discussed below in B-37.) An LEA determines this amount separately from the amount of funds needed for the administration of the Title I program for students in public schools. ESEA section 1117(b)(1)(E) requires the LEA to consult with appropriate private school officials about the size and scope of the equitable services for eligible private school children. Therefore, because the amount of the proportional share used for administration directly affects the size and scope of equitable services, the LEA must consult with private school officials regarding the administrative costs for implementing equitable services before it decides the amount to reserve for this purpose. If an LEA is considering charging indirect costs to the proportional share, as discussed below in B-37, this would also be a topic during consultation in addition to discussing administrative costs during consultation.



## What are Administrative Costs?

- Grant management Consultation (Time, Travel, Materials)
- Processing purchase orders
- Registering participants for professional development
- Negotiating contracts 3rd party
- Conducting accounting activities budgeting, reconciliations
- Collecting travel documentation
- Processing reimbursements
- Maintaining Documentation including inventory
- Program implementation and monitoring



### **Transferability – 2016 Fiscal Changes NRG**

• U-4. What are the responsibilities of an SEA or LEA for the provision of equitable services to private school children and teachers with respect to funds being transferred? Excluding Title I, Part D and Title V, Part B, each program covered by the transferability authority is subject to the equitable services requirements under Title I or VIII, which may not be waived. (ESEA section 8401(c)(5).) Before an SEA or LEA may transfer funds from a program subject to equitable services requirements, it must engage in timely and meaningful consultation with appropriate private school officials. (ESEA section 5103(e)(2).) With respect to the transferred funds, the SEA or LEA must provide private school students and teachers equitable services under the program(s) to which, and from which, the funds are transferred, based on the total amount of funds available to each program after the transfer.

 U-5. May an SEA or LEA transfer only those funds that are to be used for equitable services to private school students or teachers?
 No. An SEA or LEA may not transfer funds to a particular program solely to provide equitable services for private school students or teachers. Rather, an SEA or LEA, after consulting with appropriate private school officials, must provide equitable services to private school students and teachers based on the rules of each program and the total amount of funds available to each program after a transfer. (See ESEA section 5103(e).)



### **Transferability – 2019 DRAFT Equitable Services NRG**

• B-24. May an LEA, after timely and meaningful consultation, retain funds in a program from which it transfords to Title I solely to provide equitable services under the pam? No. Just as an LEA may not transfer inds to a particular program solely to provide equitable services, he hay not retain funds solely for this purpose. Thus, if an LEA chees to transfer its Title II, Part A or Title IV, Part A funds to Title Whay not retain a portion of those funds solely to provide equitable encices under Title II, Part A or Title IV, Part A. Under this scenario, an LEA would apply the proportional share available for equitable services to all Title I funds, including the amounts transferred into Title I. (ESEA section 5103(e)(1)).





## Equitable Services Working Group



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## **Equitable Services Working Group**

Calling for Volunteers!

- GaDOE is looking for participants for their FY20 Equitable Services Working Group.
- We hope for individuals that represent:
  - New and Veteran Private School Officials
  - New and Veteran Public School Officials
  - Varying types & locations of private schools
  - Varying sizes & locations of school districts
- Passionate individuals who support student success
- Meetings: Quarterly Annually as needed
- Location: Virtual





## **Question and Answer**



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