



Michigan Department of Education
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AGENDA


- ARRA Section 1512 Reporting
- FFATA Reporting
- ARRA Education Stabilization Fund
- Education Jobs Fund
- MEGS +



ARRA Section 1512 Reporting

- October 2011 Quarterly Report:
 - All ARRA funds must be drawn down in the Cash Management System (CMS) by **November 29, 2011**.
 - All jobs numbers should be FINAL for most ARRA grants.
 - Exceptions
 - ARRA School Improvement Grant
 - Education Jobs Fund
 - New ARRA awards due to waiver

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ARRA Section 1512 Reporting

- For the report due January 5, 2012:
 - If a vendor payment (paid between the date of submission for the October report and November 29, 2011) meets the 1512 reporting requirements, it must be reported in January 2012.
 - Quarterly Reporting requirements will continue for ARRA School Improvement and Education Jobs Fund.

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ARRA Section 1512 Reporting

- Districts that indicated on the October report that all Final Expenditure Reports were completed will not be required to report in January.
- To see prior amendments , locate the ARRA Section 1512 Report on the main menu in MEGS and click 'View History'.
- Contact Eric Lipinski at 517-373-8451 with any questions.

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FFATA Reporting

- Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) increases transparency.
- Applicable to sub awards for all new Federal grants funded at \$25,000 or more on or after October 1, 2010.
- Reporting Executive Compensation.

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ARRA Education Stabilization Fund Close Out

- Final Expenditure Report due **November 29, 2011**.
- MDE staff is working to complete any outstanding monitoring reviews.
- Record Retention Reminder - The General Education Provisions Act (GEPA) and EDGAR require that grant records must be maintained for three years after the submission of all required reports, or longer if there are other audit or legal matters pending.

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Education Jobs Fund

- Final Expenditure Reports
 - 60 days from final draw or from grant end date, whichever is sooner.
 - For those with end dates of September 30, 2011, last day to submit is November 29, 2011.
- Monitoring
 - Now scheduling fall and spring visits.
 - Desk review notices will be sent out shortly.
 - Format will be similar to Education Stabilization Fund reviews.

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Education Jobs Fund Supplemental Awards

- Michigan received approximately \$4.6 million in supplemental funds.
- In addition, funds rejected by charter schools will be reallocated.
- Reallocation based on the State's primary funding formula(e).
- Information will be sent out as it becomes available.
- Additional funds may be used to support allowable expenses incurred on or after August 10, 2010.

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Ed Jobs Use of Funds

- Compensation, benefits, and other expenses
 - Support services, necessary to retain existing employees
 - Recall or rehire former employees
 - Hire new employees in order to provide early childhood, elementary, or secondary educational and related services
 - Building level focus; no central administration

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Ed Jobs Use of Funds

In addition to teachers:

- Principals, assistant principals
- Academic coaches, athletic coaches
- In-service teacher trainers, classroom aides, counselors
- Librarians, secretaries
- Social workers, psychologists, interpreters, physical therapists, speech therapists, occupational therapists, nurses
- Information technology personnel
- Security officers, custodians, maintenance workers, bus drivers, and cafeteria workers

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Ed Jobs Prohibited Use of Funds

- General Administrative Expenses
 - Operation of the superintendent's office or board of education, including the salaries and benefits of district-level administrative employees
 - District-level support services
 - Payment of expenditures for fiscal services, program planners and researchers, and human resource services

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Ed Jobs PSA Wrinkle

- A PSA may **not** use the funds to pay for contractual school-level services by individuals who are not employees of the PSA (e.g., janitors employed by an outside firm)
 - Management companies are contractors
 - Common Law Agency Test
 - Contract with another LEA
- Updated USED guidance dated November 15, 2010
- MDE guidance dated November 25, 2010

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Ed Jobs Grant Report

- Grant Report now available in MEGS+
 - Required to stay in compliance
 - No new funding tied to this application
 - Due June 30, 2012
 - Recommend submitting after plans have been made for supplemental funds
- Contact Alyssa Sagolla at 517-335-9618 with any questions

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Michigan Electronic Grants System Plus (MEGS+) Overview

<https://mdoe.state.mi.us/megsplus>



MEGS+ Objectives

- Provides a new base for performing application/program activity
- Replace MEGS and Child Nutrition Application Program (CNAP) with current technology
- Improve performance
- Improve usability
- Increase reliability
- Reduce costs of rollovers, enhancements and changes



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MEGS+ Objectives

MEGS+ will handle "going forward" applications and programs

- Older applications will still be handled in MEGS and CNAP
- Over the next 12-18 months, applications will be rolled over or added to MEGS+ so a single system will handle both MEGS and CNAP
 - Contact your Program Office to find out when your Grant Program will be available in MEGS+

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MEGS+ Access

- To access MEGS+ you need to have a Michigan Education Information System (MEIS) login and password
 - MEIS provides a central authentication site so users have a single logon to access several MDE applications including MEGS, CNAP, CMS and now MEGS+
 - Obtain a MEIS account by going to <https://cepi.state.mi.us/MEISPublic/> and click **Create a MEIS Account**
 - MEIS has been modified to allow users to change their password and recover their login name and password
 - Once you have a MEIS account, your Authorized Official must enter your MEIS account into MEGS+
 - If you are in MEGS, you have automatic access to MEGS+

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MEGS+ Access

New users must be added into MEGS+ by a Level 5 Authorized Official:

- Click on 'Agencies'
- Click the name of your agency
- Click on 'Agency Contacts'
- Click 'Add Contacts'
- In the Person Search box, enter the MEIS number of the user. If the user shows up, select the appropriate level and save.
- If there is no result, click 'New Contact' and enter the MEIS number of the user.
- In the following screen, select the appropriate level and complete any boxes with an asterisk. Save the page.
- This process will add the user into both Legacy MEGS and MEGS+.

Note: You can also make users inactive on the 'Agency Contacts' screen. Each user has two dates – an active date and an inactive date. Fill in the inactive date box for users who should no longer have access.

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MEGS+ Available Training Resources

- MEGS+: System Requirements and Access
- MEGS+: Homepage and Application Initiation
- MEGS+: Application Task Information

Note: All three Power Point Presentations are located on the MEGS Public Website under "Trainings" → "Presentations"

<https://megs.mde.state.mi.us/megsweb>

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MEGS+ Login Screen



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