

## **MEMORANDUM NO. 2021-086**

- TO: School District Superintendents Business Manager Consolidated Grant Managers
- FROM: Shelley Hamel, Chief Academic Officer

**DATE:** July 12, 2021

SUBJECT: Public Comment ESEA Federal Fiscal Waiver

## WDE SEEKS PUBLIC COMMENT FOR FEDERAL FISCAL WAIVER

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) seeks public comment regarding a waiver for federal fiscal year 2019 to extend the funding available for Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) grant programs. The extension would allow any grant balances to remain available to serve students and schools for an additional year, through September 30, 2022.

The specific federal grant programs impacted are:

- Title I-A (Improving Basic Programs).
- Title I-B (State Assessment Formula Grants).
- Title I School Improvement Grants, Section 1003A.
- Title I-D Subpart 1 (Prevention and Intervention Programs for Children and Youth Who are Neglected, Delinquent, or At Risk).
- Title I-D Subpart 2 (Neglected and Delinquent).
- Title II-A (Supporting Effective Instruction).
- Title III (English Language Acquisition, Language Enhancement, and Academic Achievement).
- Title IV-A (Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants).
- Title IV-B (21st Century Community Learning Centers).
- McKinney-Vento Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program.

In addition to extending the deadline for spending FY19 federal funds, the waiver request includes an option for recipients of FY20 Title I-A federal funds to request a carryover waiver that would otherwise only be available once every three years. A carryover waiver allows a district to spend less than 85% of its Title I-A grant funds by September 30, 2021 if they apply and receive approval from the WDE. The WDE seeks public comment for this waiver request as well.

Use this <u>link</u> to provide public comment. Comments will be collected through July 31, 2021.

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