

EANS Program Update #24 2/28/24

Greetings Wisconsin EANS Program Participants and Interested Parties,

We hope you are all doing well as this “winter” winds down and we head into spring. We’re writing to give you EANS program updates related to:

- CRRSA EANS wrap-up
- **2nd ARP EANS statewide pool application opportunity**
- CESA 6 ARP EANS pool webinar

CRRSA EANS

As you know, the CRRSA EANS program ended on 9/30/2023, and the administrative closeout period ended on 1/31/2024. CRRSA EANS was an unqualified success story in Wisconsin! Thanks to you and our terrific partners at CESA 6, we spent about **\$76 million** on supports, goods and services to 450 private schools between May 2021 and September 2023! It’s been an example of great collaboration that has benefitted thousands of students, teachers and schools.

2nd ARP EANS statewide pool

Speaking of ongoing success: as of Feb 22, ARP EANS schools have expended or encumbered about \$70 million, or about 96% of the total funds available. That’s great news. However, over the past month or so, CESA 6 has been reaching out to schools that had approved, but still outstanding, ARP EANS statewide pool requests from June 2023 to see if those projects/purchases were still going to be completed. As a result of those discussions, certain purchase orders have been liquidated because the school has indicated that the funds will no longer be needed or completed in time. Therefore, we are now anticipating there will be a relatively small pool of ARP EANS funds remaining to consider for additional requests from participating private schools to spend before the program ends on 9/30/24.

Thus, CESA 6 will be running a 2nd ARP EANS statewide pool application. This application will run similarly to the 1st ARP EANS statewide pool from last summer, with a couple of exceptions noted below.

- The 2nd ARP EANS pooled-funds request process **will begin on Monday April 15, 2024.** Those claims will be reviewed and approved based upon the extent of need in the school and availability of state-level pooled funds **on a first-come, first-served basis.**
- At this point we would expect most 2nd pool requests to fall under Category 12: “Initiating and maintaining education and support services or assistance for remote or hybrid learning or to address learning loss.”
- Due to the impending end of ARP EANS on 9/30/24, the following restrictions on pool requests will be in place:
 - **No requests will be approved for equipment with a value of over \$5,000.** This is to avoid disposition of assets needed after such a short period of time.
 - **Any curriculum purchases must be put into use in the classroom by September 2024.** This is so that they may be considered “used supplies” and not be subject to return/disposition at the end of ARP EANS.

ARP EANS 2nd Pool Webinar March 14

CESA 6 staff is offering an ARP EANS 2nd Pool webinar: Thursday March 14, 2024 from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Register here: [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

Sincerely,
DPI EANS staff