

CARES-ESSER Reporting Modules FAQ

Reporting deadline: January 19, 2021

ALL MODULES

What is the reporting period?

- All questions are based on the reporting period from March 13, 2020 through September 30, 2020.

Does the information in each module SAVE automatically?

- Use the “Save” icon within each module after completing each module.
- To submit the application, select “Submit to State” on the drop-down menu and click “Save.”

Do the “Other” sections have to be completed?

- If there is an amount greater than “0” in any “Other” field, the LEA must describe what “Other” is in the field below it.

How are “Elementary” and “Secondary” defined?

- Elementary is preschool through grade 6; Secondary is grades 7-12.

LEA EXPENDITURES-ESSER FUNDS

Why is there an “ERROR” message?

- The “Amount Expended by LEA” and “Total Amount” must match. Recheck the amounts in the six categories under “Uses of Funds.”

What does the “Amount Expended by the LEA on Equitable Services” refer to?

- This refers to *participating private schools* and applies only to districts serving private schools using CARES-ESSER funds. This amount will be “0” for most LEAs.

LEA EXPENDED QUESTIONS

Why was the data collection returned for correction if the LEA answered “No” to both questions?

- If there is an amount expended in the “Purchasing Educational Technology” field in the “LEA Expenditures-ESSER Funds Module,” the LEA must complete the “LEA Expended Questions Module” with a positive response.

Do all questions require an answer?

- Questions answered with “Yes” require all sub-questions to be answered.
- Questions answered with “No” do not require sub-questions to be answered.

What does “Dedicated Device” refer to?

- “Dedicated Device” refers to laptops, desktops, and tablets purchased with CARES-ESSER funds. This includes Chromebooks and iPads. This does not include smartphones.
- The “Students with dedicated device provided by the LEA” will be less than “Students enrolled on first reporting period” for most LEAs because only CARES-ESSER funded devices should be reported.