

**BCASBO  
County BA Notes  
April 2023**

1. [Public Hearing of Budget](#)

- [Budget Guidelines and Electronic Data Collection Manual](#) – refer to page 238

**Results of Public Hearing – Quick review**

- Go the “**County Review and Approval**” tab in the budget software and click “**Go to public hearing**” at the bottom of the screen
- On the Public Hearing screen Select Statement (aka box) **A or B**
  - If No changes from the public hearing - check box “**A**” – process is complete ☺
  - If changes from the Public Hearing:
    - **Check box “B” – “...budget was revised”**
      - Send ECS/ECBO an email with the budget resolution and summarize the changes and using this template to give us the before/after of the lines in the budget that are changing [Budget changes from public hearing 2023-24](#)
      - Upon receipt of the email w/attachments, we check the **ECS/ECBO - Budget Changes Needed for Final Preparation box** which will open the budget for the district to make the necessary changes. ***Please be sure to run the edit report.***
      - Once the district has completed the changes and reviewed the edit report, check the “**Ready for Review**” box.
    - County office compares what was sent us to the changes we see in the budget, if everything matches we approve the budget. Process complete

2. [Filing of 2023 Personal/Relative and Financial Disclosure Statements](#)

**Key Deadlines:**

- **April 30, 2023:** Deadline for returning school officials to file their Disclosure Statements.
- **April 30, 2023:** Deadline for board secretaries and charter and renaissance school project designees to review the Disclosure Statements filed by their new and returning school officials.

**Note:** Failure to file Disclosure Statements by the deadline will cost points in the QSAC Governance DPR

School ethics email: [school.ethics@doe.nj.gov](mailto:school.ethics@doe.nj.gov)

3. [NJSDA and NJDOE Announce \\$120 Million for Preschool Facilities Expansion Projects](#)

Preschool Expansion Projects Open Application Period is March 1, 2023 to **May 31, 2023.**

4. [NJSDA and NJDOE Announce Upcoming \\$350 Million Grant Program for Regular Operating Districts:](#)

The ROD Grant School District Open Application Period is January 30, 2023 – **May 1, 2023**

## Other Items of Interest

1. [Enrollment in the State School HEPA Distribution Program](#) - Free HEPA filters, see broadcast
2. [Important Dates for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 ESEA, IDEA, Perkins Grant Programs, CRSSA \(ESSER II\)](#)  
Click the link above for important dates and information regarding the close-out of the FY 2023 federal entitlement grant programs.
3. [Regarding the ARP ESSER Requirement to Reserve 20 Percent to Address Learning Loss](#)
4. [School District Consultations with Nonpublic Schools Regarding State-Funded Programs](#)
5. [Guidance: Preschool Education Aid Funding for Transportation and Renovations](#)
6. [Fiscal Year 2023 Reimbursement Payments – ESEA, IDEA, Perkins and ESSERF](#)  
As of January 10, 2023, payments to LEAs totaling approximately \$4.8 million have been paid in Perkins funding; \$99 million in IDEA funding; \$69.987 million in ESSA funding; \$681 million in CRSSA-ESSERF; and \$432 million in ARP-ESSERF. While these figures confirm that many districts have submitted regular reimbursement requests and received their funds, the records show that a significant number of districts have not submitted regular reimbursement requests and, as a result, a substantial amount of funds remain in each grant program.
7. [SDA and NJDOE Announce \\$75 Million for Emergent and Capital Maintenance Needs](#)  
The funding is available to offset district costs associated with taking those important measures and ensuring students have safe and healthy learning environments. Districts can use these funds for emergent or capital maintenance projects or to offset appropriate project costs incurred this fiscal year.
8. **Employment of Teachers and Certain professionals staff members who are retired from TPAF:**  
<https://www.nj.gov/education/broadcasts/2022/march/9/Chapter%20408%20Hiring%20TPAF%20Retirees.pdf>
9. **Employment of Retired Certified School Nurses:**  
<https://www.nj.gov/education/broadcasts/2022/march/9/Hiring%20Retired%20Nurses%20Broadcast.pdf>
10. **The Board Secretary Report guide and sample reports** have been updated for 2022-2023 and can be found at: <https://www.nj.gov/education/finance/fp/af/BSRS.shtml>

11. **[Providing Additional or Compensatory Services to Students with Disabilities Beyond Age 21 and Addressing Compensatory Services in the Individualized Education Program](#)** The law requires boards of education to offer up to one year of additional or compensatory special education and related services, including transition services, to students with disabilities if a determination is made by the student's Individualized Education Program (IEP) team and the student's parent that the student requires such additional or compensatory special education and related services.
  
12. **[Reminder: SAM Requirement for All Discretionary Grant Applicants](#)**  
In accordance with the Federal Fiscal Accountability Transparency Act (FFATA), all grant recipients must have a current Unique Entity Identifier (UEI). UEIs are the primary means of entity identification for Federal awards and administered by the Federal Government in SAM.gov (System for Award Management).
  
13. **[Office of School Facilities](#)**  
Project Application Information: <https://www.nj.gov/education/facilities/projectapplication/>  
Projects must be submitted to [Submission.Project@doe.nj.gov](mailto:Submission.Project@doe.nj.gov) for Non-Educational projects be sure to include the Superintendent transmittal. Non-Ed projects still routed by Trenton to the county office for review and approval after project number is issued. Feel free to cc [stephen.burke@doe.nj.gov](mailto:stephen.burke@doe.nj.gov) when submitting projects to the above email.  
***Non-educational projects that are part of a referendum are handled by Trenton***