

**BCASBO
County BA Notes
September 2023**

1. ROD Grant Program

Applications are being reviewed and once complete a signed PEC (Preliminary Eligible Cost) letter with and stamped drawing will be sent to districts. Bergen County had **104 eligible projects funded** across **44 districts** for approximately **\$67M**. Look for letters during next 2-3 weeks

2. ESSER II – [Fiscal Year 2023 Reimbursement Payments and Project End Date](#)

Late Liquidation Request **Due N/L/T Friday 9/29**. [Late Liquidation FAQs](#)
[Late Liquidation for Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund \(ESSER II\)](#) Final Expenditure Report (FER) **Due 10/20**

3. QSAC – Deadline to upload is 11/15/2023.

Main QSAC Website: <https://www.nj.gov/education/qsac/>

QSAC H&S website => <https://www.nj.gov/education/qsac/facilities/>

Individual H&S Links:

- [Statement of Assurance](#)
- [Health & Safety Guidance Checklist Instructions](#)
- [Health & Safety Evaluation Checklist \(Word Doc\)](#)

4. [Release of Independent Auditor Information for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023](#)

The 2022-2023 Audit Program and Compliance Supplement have been updated and revised to reflect changes to laws, regulations, programs and financial reporting standards effective for FY2023. For ease of use, new guidance added to the Audit Program has been summarized in the Introductory Section (Significant Changes and Other Changes and Updates). For more information, please email doe.acfr@doe.nj.gov

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

Be sure to update the June list with qualifying new hires, board members etc.
[School Ethics Commission](#)

6. [October 2023 District Report of Transported Resident Students](#)

The District Report of Transported Resident Students (DRTRS) will be available on or about September 20, 2023. The system will close on Wednesday, November 15, 2023.

7. [2023-2024 Application for State AID](#)

The Application for State School Aid (ASSA) will be available on the New Jersey Department of Education's (NJDOE) Homeroom webpage by early November 2023. The ASSA manual, questions and answers, work papers, and PowerPoint presentation for staff training can be found on the NJDOE's School Finance webpage. **The count date for this year is October 13, 2023**. Prior to the NJSMART snapshot date of October 13, 2023, log into NJSMART and view your school district's Enrollment Report. Please make corrections in NJSMART prior to the October 13, 2023 snapshot.

Other Items of Interest

1. [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.
2. [Guidance: Preschool Education Aid Funding for Transportation and Renovations](#)
3. **The Board Secretary Report guide and sample reports** have been updated for 2022-2023 and can be found at: [Board Secretary Report \(BSR\) Samples](#)
4. [ESSER Federal Education Funding Dashboard](#) This publicly accessible dashboard is updated on the 10th and 30th of each month.
5. [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.
6. [Preschool Expansion Aid Guidance to Support FY24 Application Submission](#) The Division of Early Childhood Services (DECS) is providing guidance for planning and completing the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NFO) that is anticipated being released immediately following the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2024 state budget.
7. [Federal Programs-Pension and Social Security Reimbursement to State of New Jersey for Contributions Paid by the State](#) The New Jersey Department of Education's (NJDOE) Office of Budget and Accounting has received notification by the New Jersey Department of the Treasury's Division of Pensions and Benefits that the estimated State payment to the Teacher's Pension and Annuity Fund for Fiscal Year (FY)2022-2023 will be 44.94%. **The NJDOE's website will provide the reporting form for Federal Programs at or around July 2023.**
8. [Employment of Teachers and Certain Professional Staff Members Who Are Retired From TPAF](#)
In August 2023, the New Jersey State Department of Treasury's Division of Pensions and Benefits (NJDPB) released a Notice to Certifying Officers regarding the one-year extension of P.L.2021, c.408 (Chapter 408) for the 2023-2024 school year. On July 20, 2023, Governor Murphy signed S3798, permitting LEAs to submit new Chapter 408 applications for the 2023-2024 school year.
9. [Purchases and Sales by Schools and Affiliated Organizations \(state.nj.us\)](#)
NEW JERSEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
New Jersey local school districts are political subdivisions of the State of New Jersey. Their purchases, **except purchases of energy**, are exempt from New Jersey Sales and Use Taxes, pursuant to Section 9(a)(1) of the New Jersey Sales and Use Tax Act.