

CONNECTICUT STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) American Rescue Plan Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools (ARP EANS): Informational Webinar

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GEER ARP EANS Overview

- The U.S. Department of Education awarded grants by formula to each Governor to provide services or assistance to eligible non-public schools to address the impact of COVID 19
- A non-public school may apply to receive services or assistance to address educational disruptions resulting from COVID-19.
- Services and assistance include, supplies to sanitize, disinfect, and clean school facilities; personal protective equipment (PPE); training and professional development for staff on sanitation, PPE, and minimizing the spread of COVID-19; temporary physical barriers to facilitate social distancing; educational technology to assist students and teachers with remote or hybrid learning



Application Highlights

- The GEER ARP EANS Application is completed online.
- Application and supporting forms are available for preview on SERC website here <u>https://ctserc.org/about/serc-programs/eans-program</u>
- Downloadable forms are included within the application and should be completed and uploaded with submission
 - WB Mason Order Form
 - SERC Contracted Services Request Form
 - CDW Order Form
- Use the "Save and Continue Later" feature to return to the application after starting
- Impact of the COVID-19 Emergency on the Non-Public School



Application Highlights

• Public Control of Funds

The State must gain title to the equipment and supplies purchased with GEER ARP EANS funds. A non-public school may use the equipment and supplies up to September 30, 2024, at which time:

(1) the State must remove them,

(2) the school may use it for another federal program (with the State or the LEA having title and control of such items), or

(3) the school may purchase the items at fair market value (the United States Department of Education is still determining how that would work).



SERC's Role

- To disseminate and collect GEER ARP EANS applications from nonpublic schools on behalf of CSDE
- To communicate the final decisions
- To provide requested eligible items or services to nonpublic schools in accordance with their CSDE approved GEER ARP EANS application



SERC's Role

- Requesting Services/Assistance
- Purchasing Process
- Helpful Tips



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