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PUTTING STUDENTS FIRST







Knowledge Café October 2021

State Aid Planning and Financial Service



Welcome to Year Two!



Agenda



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SBO Calendar for November 2021

NEW: Kathy's Corner

Transportation Contracts



- Budget Development Process
- Questions and Answers



November SBO Calendar

| Task | Due Date | Filing Requirement | Notes | Priority |
|---|------------|-----------------------|--|------------------------------|
| Review/confirm BEDS Day student enrollment data via the Student Information Repository System (SIRS). Enrollment Verification Report should be available for review in early November | 11/1/2021 | Annually | | Recommended Best Practice |
| Complete child nutrition income verification process by November 15th | 11/15/2021 | Annually | | Required |
| District receives SEDCAR-1 Forms from Approved Special Education Programs (ASEP's) requesting sub-allocation of IDEA Section 611 and 619 flow-through funds See SEDCAR Webpage | 11/15/2021 | Annually /2021 | This date changes each year. Please check the SEDCAR "Certification and Due Dates At-A-Glance for the 2021-2022 School Year" when available | Recommended Best Practice |
| State Aid Output Reports | 11/15/2021 | Annually | Review and print from the SED website | Recommended Best Practice |
| Uncollected Taxes - returned to the county/city | 11/15/2021 | Annually | Due November 15th. Any uncollected taxes are to be turned over to the county (or city, if you are a small city school). Payment of uncollected taxes comes in March (must be before April 1st). There are some exceptions as follows: cities have up to two years to pay a city school; districts with two or more collection periods have thirty days after the | Recommended Best Practice |
| Verify reconciliation h | nas occu | rred! | last day of the final collection period to turn over uncollected taxes (this will vary depending on the local agreement). | |
| Federal Grants - FS-10F (Final Reports from last fiscal year) Due no later than 90 days for projects that ended August 31st | 11/29/2021 | Annually | For grants that ended August 31st | Required |
| Billings (transportation, use of facilities, health services, parentally placed non-public etc.) | 11/30/2021 | Monthly | | Recommended Best Practice |
| Budget - continue preparation, set calendar for Board approval | 11/30/2021 | Annually | | Recommended Best Practice |



November SBO Calendar

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| Task | Due Date | Requirement | Notes | Priority |
| Budget Status Reports to Board of Education including revenue and appropriation status reports | 11/30/2021 | Monthly | Commissioner's Regulations 170.2(p) requires the treasurer to render a budget status report for the BoE and for the use of those staff members assigned responsibility for administration of specific portions of the budget, on at least a quarterly basis (monthly in the event that budget transfers have been made since the last report). The report should include estimated revenues, revenues received to date, and estimated revenues yet to be received, original appropriations, adjustments and transfers, revised appropriations, expenditures, encumbrances, and unencumbered balances. Other information may be included as necessary. | Required |
| Cash Flow and Fund Balance - modify assumptions, update, and review for accuracy | 11/30/2021 | Monthly | | Recommended Best Practice |
| Federal and State Cafeteria Reimbursement Form | 11/30/2021 | Monthly | | Recommended Best Practice |
| Fire/Emergency Drills - 8 prior to December 31st | 11/30/2021 | Annually | | Required |
| If not already filed, review transportation contracts to meet SED 120 day filing requirements | 11/30/2021 | Annually | Executed contracts must be filed within 120 days of start of service. | Required |
| Monthly Profit/Loss Statements for School Food Service | 11/30/2021 | Monthly | Perform analysis on prior month's activities | Recommended Best Practice |
| Payroll Reports – ERS/TRS Payments and Reports | 11/30/2021 | Monthly | ERS: Due the 7th day of the month following the report period. TRS: Due within 10 business days after the end of the previous month. | Recommended Best Practice |

November SBO Calendar

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| Task | Due Date | Filing Requirement | Notes | Priority |
| Prepare Final Cost Reports for capital construction projects as soon as certified as substantially complete and all outstanding bills are paid | 11/30/2021 | Monthly | Notes | Recommended Best Practice |
| Review BOCES invoices for appropriate services and charges | 11/30/2021 | Monthly | | Recommended Best Practice |
| State and Federal Projects - review for expenditures and revenues. Submit FS-25's request for funds to Grants Finance | 11/30/2021 | Monthly | This is the form that must be submitted to request additional State and Federal grant funds. Districts may only request funds to cover expenses already incurred and 30 days of anticipated expenses. Payments totaling up to 90% of a grant's budget total may be requested | Recommended Best Practice |
| Submit EEO-5 Report Form on composition of school district work force to U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission by 11/30/2021. Applies to districts with 100 or more employees | 11/30/2021 | Annually | | Required |
| See EEOC Data Website | | | | |
| Treasurer's Report | 11/30/2021 | Monthly | Report on prior month's activities | Required |

Did You Know? In October 2020, the area we "dug into" was grants. If you have any questions about grants, please watch the Knowledge Café or review the PowerPoint, which is available on our website.



SEDCAR 1 Report Due 11/26/21

SEDCAR 1 APPROVED SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM REQUEST FOR §4410(b) VENDOR FUNDING FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

The following types of schools use this form to request §4410(b) vendor funding from school districts that have Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE) or Committee on Special Education (CSE) responsibility for students with disabilities:

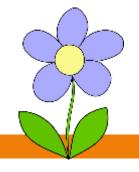
- Approved private schools for students with disabilities (preschool and school-age).
- BOCES that operate an approved preschool special education program.
- School districts that operate an approved preschool special education program and enroll students from other school districts.
- Approved out-of-state schools in which students with disabilities are placed by New York State school districts.
- Approved out-of-state schools that provide educational services to students with disabilities placed by New York State courts or social service agencies.

| Instructions: | 1. | A completed SEDCAR 1 form, with original signature, is sent to each local education agency (LEA) from |
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| | | which §4410(b) vendor funding for the 2022-2023 school year is requested. NYSED suggests that this form |
| | | be sent to each LEA by November 26, 2021, however, a subsequent date may be established by each LEA. |
| | 2. | There is no need to submit a copy of this form to the State Education Department. |
| | 3. | A listing of the names of students comprising the counts reported in Section 3, Tables A and B, is submitted to the |
| | | LEA with this form. This listing must be marked "confidential". |
| | 4. | Retain one copy (and supporting documentation) in your school for reference and audit purposes. The required |
| | | retention period ends on June 30, 2029 |
| | 5. | If you have any questions about §4410(b) funding, please email your questions to datasupport@nysed.gov. |



Introduction to Kathy's Corner

New Monthly Section – Thoughts from a Newer SDBL



Kathy's Corner

Where Do I Find Information About:

- 1. State Aid
- 2. Child Nutrition
- 3. State and Federal Grants
- 4. Facilities Planning
- 5. STAC Process



Have State Aid Related Question?

- Questions about specific area, e.g., Building Aid,
 Transportation, ST-3, Property Tax Report Cards
- Good news is that someone at SED is assigned to be the Contact for each area
- Check out NYSED Contact List:
 https://stateaid.nysed.gov/contactus/sa_staff_assignments.htm
- Main phone number is: (518) 474-2977
- Email address for everyone at SED:

first name.last name@nysed.gov

Have a Question About Child Nutrition?

- Website:
 http://www.cn.nysed.gov/
- Addresses Questions About:
 - Reimbursement rates
 - Verification of funding sources, by programs
 - Food Service reporting requirements
 - Grants available for food service equipment
 - Procurement standards
 - Food Service management contracts
 - Related training opportunities



Questions About State/Federal Grants?

- □ Grants Finance Website: http://www.oms.nysed.gov/cafe/
- Contact them: (518) 474-4815
- General email: grantsweb@nysed.gov



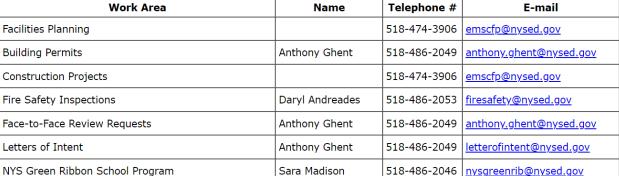
- Related to new federal grants: caresact@nysed.gov
- Good source for information about:
 - State and federal grants your district is eligible for
 - Status on if grant is approved or not
 - Blank reporting forms FS-10, FS-10A, FS-25
 - Guidance on the grants process

Questions About Capital Projects?

Facilities Planning's Website: http://www.p12.nysed.gov/facplan/

Functional Index

Staff Directory



Staff List

| | | E-mail |
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| Supervisor, School Business Management | 518-474-0016 | jaime.byron@nysed.gov |
| Associate Accountant | 518-474-2380 | wendy.clark@nysed.gov |
| Office Assistant 2 | 518-474-3097 | tasha.colgan@nysed.gov |
| Associate School Business Management | 518-486-2055 | sigrid.coons@nysed.gov |
| | Professional Engineer 1 Supervisor, School Business Management Associate Accountant Office Assistant 2 | Professional Engineer 1 518-486-9127 Supervisor, School Business Management 518-474-0016 Associate Accountant 518-474-2380 Office Assistant 2 518-474-3097 |

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Have Questions About STAC?

- STAC Website: http://www.oms.nysed.gov/stac/
- Phone number: (518) 474-7116
- Email: omsstac@nysed.gov
- Has access to EFRT System
 - Password protected system that is used to claim aid for certain SWD and other special situations
- Has access to FTM System
 - Password protected system that is used to transmit/retrieve confidential information with STAC Unit
- E-mail list serv: oms.nysed.gov/stac.listserv/

Transportation Contracts

Have They Been Submitted?

Have They Been Received?

Transportation Contracts Highlights

- Separate contracts required for Regular routes
 vs. Other Purpose Miles routes
- Needs to be executed before the contract work begins
- Contracts are subject to GML 104(b) bidding requirements
 - >\$20,000 between all contracts, not just individually
- Superintendent needs to approve (EL 3625(1))
 - Before submitted to SED

Transportation Contracts

- Each contract must be submitted to Education Management Services
 - Due within 120 calendar days following the first day of service
 - If Ed Mgt Services (EMS) doesn't approve the contract, the contract isn't eligible for Transportation Aid



- EMS will inform district of assigned contract # when contract is approved
- Approved contracts are listed in Schedule J

What Codes on Approval/Disapproval Letters Mean

Best Practice: Make sure you get a letter back on every contract



We have heard several stories of contracts that didn't get to EMS for various reasons, so they were not approved or aided. \odot

Contract Type Key:

ATH - Athletic Trips

EMR - Emergency Contract

FDT - Field Trips

MNT - Maintenance Only Contract

OPM - Operations & Maintenance Contract

PAR - Partial Year Contract

REG – Regular Contract

RFP - Request For Proposal

SPC - Special Education

SUE - Summer Emergency Contract

SUM – Summer School Contract

SUP - Partial Summer School Contract

SUT - Summer Multi-Year Term Contract

TRM – Multi-year Term Contract

Schedule J: Contract Bus Expense

Schedule J: Contract Bus Expense Report below transportation expenditures for contracted pupil transportation, **including** BOCES-provided student transportation contracts. **DO NOT INCLUDE** contracts for Summer 4408 transportation or for maintenance of school buses. Summer 4408 transportation expenditures must be reported under the ST3 Special Aid Fund. Summer 4408 transportation contracts will not be listed in the Show All Contracts Table (if you click Show All Contracts below) and will show as unapproved on Schedule J. Maintenance contracts should be claimed under Schedule I. List each contract separately, entering the actual expense incurred, not the Anticipated Cost listed in the "Show All Contracts" link below. DO NOT **OMIT** unapproved contracts that the district utilized during the year. Enter known contract or extension numbers in Column A even if approval is pending or if the contract was disapproved. Total expenditures claimed on this Schedule plus Form FT Ent 125a plus 125b must match the ST-3 total in account codes A5540.4 and/or A5581.49. For additional information, or for information about recording fuel costs, see Help files. SED Contract Expend Number Number Exp Regular Exp Other Number (Letter Contractor Name **Expend Regular** Chapter 173 Contract Buses/ Pupils/ Months or Purposes (See District Op and 6 #'s + Routes Pass Miles/ Trips Help) Days Summer Letter) **Through** D Ε F(a) F(b) Show All Contracts 1. 2. 3.



If Contract Not Submitted Timely

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- Deductions will be made on a contract:
 - That is not properly executed until after service has begun, or
 - A contract which is filed with the Educational Management Services Unit more than 120 calendar days after service has begun.
- The deduction is calculated based on:
 - The expenditures for the period prior to the execution of the contract, or on the expenditures in the period between the end of the one hundred twenty-day period and the date of the filing of the contract.

Example of Late Filed Contract

Transportation Contract: \$1,750,000

Days of Service: 180 days

120-calendar day grace period: Jan 6th

Submitted contract: March 22nd (45 school days past 120 days)

Deduct: $45/180 \times $1,750,000 = $437,500$

Wouldn't receive your Aid Ratio on this portion

120 Days based on calendar days

Penalty – based on school days

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School Calendar for 2021-2022

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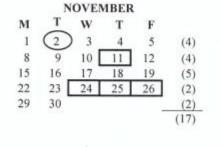
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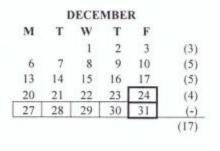




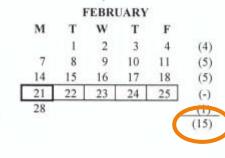








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Additional Fine Print

- Only contract
 expenditures up to the
 amount in the contract
 may be allowed for aid.
 - Any excess expenditures must be deducted in computing transportation expenditures eligible for aid.





Digging into the Budget Development Process

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We Have Several Tools to Assist You

- 22-23 Budget Guidebook should be posted during November 2021, under Guidebook Link
- Budget Related Calendars Have Been Posted, under Resources, Office/Planning/Budget Link:

| Budget and Other | |
|---|-------------------|
| | |
| 丛 2022-23 Sample Budget Calendar | September 2021 |
| △ 2022-23 Sample Budget Deadlines and Actions | September 2021 |

2022

2023 SAMPLE BUDGET DEVELOPMENT

STATE AID & FINANCIAL PLANNING SERVICE

| DATE | BUDGET DEVELOPMENT |
|---------------|--|
| October 2021 | Present 2022-23 budget calendar and budget development procedures to the Board of Education for adoption |
| November 2021 | Meet with budget builders and distribute budget guidelines |
| December 2021 | Meet with finance committee (preliminary budget presentation by budget builders) |
| January 2022 | Meet with finance committee and/or Board of Education (on parameters) |
| January 2022 | Meet with budget builders various throughout the month |
| February 2022 | Budget builders submit program budget composite to Business Office |
| February 2022 | Present 2022-23 preliminary budget forecast and budget assumptions to the Board of Education |
| March 1, 2022 | Submit 2022-23 calculation for tax levy limit to Office of State Comptroller, Tax & Finance & SED (single submission to OSC only) |
| March 2022 | Present 2022-23 operational and general support budget to the Board of Education for review and comment (Operations & Maintenance, Transportation and General support) |
| March 2022 | Present 2022-23 debt service and employee benefits budget to the Board of Education for review and comment |
| March 2022 | Present 2022-23 instructional and special education budget to the Board of Education for review and comment |

Key Budget Dates

| | DATE | BUDGET DEVELOPMENT |
|---|----------------|---|
| • | April 22, 2022 | Final date for the adoption of the property tax report card by the Board of Education. Budget document available to the public. Arrange for the pickup and return of voting machines with the Board of Elections contractor |
| | April 25, 2022 | Property tax report card must be submitted to SED within 24 hours of adoption, but no later than April 25, 2022 |
| | May 17, 2022 | Statewide annual meeting / board election / budget vote day |

Best Practice:

Using the three dates that are not negotiable, establish your district's budget calendar with your Superintendent and Board of Education now

DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY

REPORT OF EXAMINATION | 2021-MS-1

School District Website Transparency

Recommended that you view this report at the beginning of the budgeting process

MARCH 2021

2 An original budget presents administrative, capital and program components; categories of revenues, expenditures and fund balance information and comparison data and changes from the prior school budget; and appended documents including administrator salary disclosure and property tax report card with a schedule of reserves.

Budget Development Process

Guiding Principle: It is never too early to start.

2022-23 Special Considerations:

Ongoing expenditures that are scheduled to be funded from either the CRRSA or ARPA grants in 2022-23

- How will they be handled in the General Fund budget?
- Budgeted in General and also in Special Aid?
- Only budgeted in Special Aid?
 - What will that mean for the following year?



Budget Development Process

- 2022-23 Special Considerations:
 - □ Foundation Aid if your district is scheduled to get significant increases
 - What is the plan? Believe it or wait, and see?
 - Reminder: Districts that weren't being funded at the Foundation Aid formula were promised to receive 50% of the difference in 22-23
 - What is the plan for those funds and how will they be included in 22-23 budget draft?

Budget Development Process

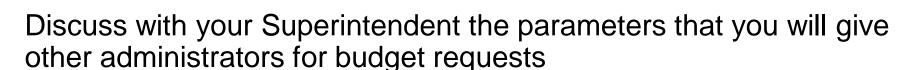
- 2022-23 Special Considerations:
 - Additional funding from IDEA through ARPA funds
 - Guidance just issued in October 2021
 - Grant application recommended it be applied for by 7/1/22
 - Funds can be spent from 7/1/21-9/30/23
 - Funds need to be shared with parentally placed children and Article 81 schools
 - Recommended for one-time goods or services
 - Caution if supplanting expenses as MOE standards are in effect

Budget Development Tips



- We have heard from a lot of districts that their audits were delayed and may just be finishing up
- Before you go forward for 22-23:
 - Make sure that all audit adjustments for 6/30/21 have been posted to the books
 - Verify 7/1/21 fund balance agrees to audit
 - Make sure all the accruals for receivable and payables been collected/paid and accounted for properly, e.g., balances are now zero or you know why
 - This helps give you confidence in current year numbers

Budget Development Summary



Now is the time to decide if the format of the budget/structure of the presentations is going to change

Give budget requestors sufficient history for them to make reasonable requests – generally they are not financial people so check their calculations and get backup, as appropriate

If you have new administrators or BOE, consider having a training session about how budget requests should be determined and supported as well as what they should be prepared for during the budget process

Best wishes for a successful budget!

Questions?

State Aid and Financial Planning Service

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Option 1 (SAP)

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Upcoming dates:

Wednesday:

11/17/21, 12/15/21, 1/19/22, 2/16/22, 3/23/22, 4/20/22, 5/18/22, 6/22/22