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Sequestration and Education in Oklahoma

What is Sequestration?

- A budget sequester is when funds that would otherwise be spent under current law are reserved, and are used instead for deficit reduction.
- This sequestration will force across-the-board budget cuts on almost every discretionary program and would indiscriminately cut services that are essential to every state and community.

Why are Funds Being Sequestered?

Budget Control Act (BCA) of 2011

- Established a Joint Select Committee charged with developing a deficit reduction plan.
- The Joint Select Committee could not reach an agreement which triggered automatic funding cuts for fiscal year 2013.
- Unless Congress and the President approve a balanced deficit reduction plan, sequestration will go into effect January 2, 2013.

Timeline for Sequester

FISCAL YEAR 2013
SCHOOL YEAR 2012-2013
JULY 1, 2012

FISCAL YEAR 2014
SCHOOL YEAR 2013-2014
JULY 1, 2013

SEQUESTRATION GOES
INTO EFFECT
JANUARY 2, 2013

FY13 Funds Not Affected by Sequestration

1 Jul 1 Aug 1 Sep 1 Oct 1 Nov 1 Dec 1 Jan 1 Feb 1 Mar 1 Apr 1 May 1 Jun 1 Jul

ELECTION DAY
NOVEMBER 6, 2012

INAUGURATION DAY
JANUARY 21, 2013

FY14 FUNDS AVAILABLE
(MINUS SEQUESTRATION)
JULY 2013

Potential Effects on Oklahoma Schools

“Although most of the harm from the sequestration would not be felt in education programs until the 2013-2014 school year, the damage from across-the-board cuts in that year would be severe.”—Deputy Secretary Miller

Potential Effects on Oklahoma Schools

- District hiring practices
- Pre-K funding
- Extended Day Kindergarten Programs
- Tutoring Programs
- Implementation of Turnaround Principles
- Parental Outreach Programs
- Support for Oklahoma C3 Standards

Potential Effects on Oklahoma Schools

- Summer School Programs
- Availability of Reading, Math, Language and Graduation Coaches
- Supporting material to enrich student learning in core content areas and language acquisition
- Professional development activities for teachers and school leaders
- Supplemental Technology

Potential Effects on Oklahoma's Federal Funding

Program	FY 2013	FY 2014		
	Funding	Estimated Funding	Estimated if cut 7.8%	Estimated if cut 9.1%
Title I Grant to LEA	\$161,455,151.00	\$162,379,897.00	\$149,714,265.03	\$147,603,326.37
Title IIA (Effective Teachers and Leaders)	\$27,960,275.00	\$20,897,064.00	\$19,267,093.01	\$18,995,431.18
Education for Homeless Grant	\$719,404.00	\$719,114.00	\$663,023.11	\$653,674.63
Rural Low Income Schools Grant	\$3,610,994.00	\$5,105,253.00	\$4,707,043.27	\$4,640,674.98
Title III, Part A State Grant	\$4,499,197.00	\$4,499,199.00	\$4,148,261.48	\$4,089,771.89
Title I, Part C State Grant	\$1,587,352.00	\$1,587,351.00	\$1,463,537.62	\$1,442,902.06
Special Education	\$147,674,175.00	\$147,674,172.00	\$136,155,586.58	\$134,235,822.35
Special Education-Preschool	\$3,563,976.00	\$3,563,983.00	\$3,285,992.33	\$3,239,660.55
TOTAL	\$352,966,664.00	\$346,426,033.00	\$319,404,802.43	\$314,901,264.00



Potential Effects on Oklahoma's Federal Funding

“In a recent poll of school district leaders, 80 percent of them said they would not be able to use state and local funding to replace lost federal funds.”—Secretary Arne Duncan

Potential Effects on Oklahoma's Federal Funding

- Sequestration should not upset planning and hiring decisions for the 2012-2013 school year.
- Supplement not Supplant issues – if federal funding increases after sequestration
- Plan accordingly for the potential effects of sequestration on the 2013-2014 school year.

Potential Effects on the Oklahoma State Department of Education

- Reduced budget for staffing
- Decreased ability to provide technical assistance to the school districts
- Increase in application/reimbursement time
- Reduced budget for professional development
- Difficulty staying abreast of program guidance

Potential Effects on the Oklahoma State Department of Education

- Ability to provide State Conference for School Support/Priority, Focus & Targeted sites
- Decreased funding for low performing districts in the state
- Contracts for School Support Team Leaders
- Effective operation of the Federal Programs offices

Resources

- Budget Control Act of 2011
(<http://www.gpo.gov>)
- Testimony of Secretary Duncan
(<http://www.ed.gov>)
- Clarification of Sequester Impact Memo
(<http://www2.ed.gov>)
- Funds for State Student Aid Programs
(<http://www2.ed.gov>)

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