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Migrant Education Program

Purpose

The purpose of the Oklahoma Migrant Education Program (MEP) is to locate migratory children to determine whether they are eligible for the program, and provide them with the supplemental instructional and support services they need to succeed in school.

Eligibility

In alignment with the United States Department of Education (USDE) eligibility requirements, the Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE) has established state requirements for Identification and Recruitment (ID&R) of migratory children and Out-of- School-Youth (OSY).

OSDE MEP eligibility requirements are:

- The migratory child must be at least 3 years of age, and under 22 years of age
- The migratory child has not completed high school or a high school equivalency
- The migratory child or family have made qualifying moves between school districts/state/countries within 36 months
- The work obtained or sought by the parent of a migratory child, or by the child itself, was temporary or seasonal agriculture or fishing related

Once the MEP student eligibility is determined, the student is eligible to receive MEP services for 3 years. If there is a new qualifying move, they will be eligible for another 3 years.

Q&A

Question: How does a Local Educational Agency (LEA) start a Migrant Education Program in their school district?

Answer: Please contact Erin Clapper (405) 522-8354 in the Office of Federal Programs at OSDE to obtain details of the process. Generally, the process begins with the LEA sending out a parent survey. Depending on the responses given on the survey, OSDE determines if a family would qualify for the migrant program. Then, Jose Henriquez, the Oklahoma Migrant Education Specialist, will interview the parents to make a final eligibility determination. If at least 10 families are found to be eligible within a school district, the LEA can receive the migrant grant.

Title IV, Part A Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grant

All LEAs in the school year 2020-2021 receiving a Title IVA grant, will receive a minimum of \$10,000. Please note that this minimum amount has changed from \$15,000 to \$10,000. Under section 4105(a) of the ESEA, an SEA that makes subgrants to its LEAs by formula must do so based on their relative shares of funds under Title I, Part A for the preceding fiscal year, except that no LEA may receive an allocation that is less than \$10,000. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Federal Programs at 405-521-2846.

Title IA and Title IIA FY20 Revised Allocations

The Office of Federal Programs has been working with representatives from the US Department of Education to revise Oklahoma's allocation process. During this process, representatives from USDE came to Oklahoma to revise our allocation process. That process has been finalized and USDE has instructed Oklahoma to use the revised process to calculate the revised allocations for FY 20. The revised allocations have been updated in the GMS system. Please amend the FY20 consolidated application to reflect this allocation change. Please contact the Office of Federal Programs at 405-521-2846 if you have any question.

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