

The Honorable Miguel A. Cardona, Ed.D.  
Secretary of Education  
U.S. Department of Education  
400 Maryland Ave, SW  
Washington, DC 20202

July 22, 2022

Dear Secretary Cardona:

States and districts are continuing to act with urgency in investing ESSER dollars in schools and



funds, it presumably also extends the period in which services can be carried out under federal cost principles as long as those services relate back to a timely and valid obligation. It would be very helpful, however, if the Department could reaffirm this interpretation.

We appreciate your consideration of this request and look forward to continuing to work in partnership with the Department of Education as we support our students and schools in recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sincerely,

National Member Organizations:

AASA, The School Superintendents Association  
Council of Chief State School Officers  
Council of Great City Schools  
Association of School Business Officials International  
Association of Education Service Agencies  
National Rural Education Association  
Large Countywide and Suburban District Consortium

National Service Providers:

Achievement Network  
Education Resource Strategies  
Instruction Partners  
Leading Educators