

FY 2023 Elementary and Secondary Relief – Digital Equity Formula Grant (4998-D3)
Frequently Asked Questions

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1. Does this grant contain new funds or is it a carryover of previous funds?

This grant contains new funds for fiscal year 2023. "Carryover" just means that the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) III funds were released in FY 2022; it is referring to the funding source not the allocation.

2. Which subcode do I use for this grant?

D3

This Program Allows you to have multiple projects.
Would you like to create a new project for the current year? Yes

Year: Project Code:

Project Title: Allotment Amount: \$0

3. Why does my allocation say \$0?

This is due to the grant being a carryover of ESSER III funds. Your allotment will appear on the Budget page once the project is created.

4. Which option do I choose in the Activity Period section on the Applicant Information page?,

Choose the ARP-ESSER New Award Applicants ONLY option.

Activity Period:

ARP-ESSER New Award Applicants ONLY - Activities completed through 06/30/2024. No new obligations/activities after 06/30/2024 except to pay outstanding obligations made prior to 06/30/2024.
 ESSER I and GEER I FY21 Carryover Applicants ONLY - Activities completed through 9/30/2022.

Grant Period:

Begin Date: July 1, 2022 If received by the due date, or the receipt date of a substantially approvable application, whichever is later 7/1/2022. (Application due date for ARP-ESSER/New Award Applicants ONLY is 2/28/2023)
End Date:
(NOTE: The end date will display when the page is saved.)

Applicant Comments:
Use this text area for any needed explanations to ISBE regarding this program, including the need to change end dates.
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5. What are the eligible items for this grant?

- Devices to bring the ratio of devices to students to 1:1.
- Replacement of devices identified as being five years old or older on previous Technology Surveys.
- Educational technology items, provided that the items listed above have been addressed via other means (e.g., prior grant rounds, other funding such as the Emergency Connectivity Fund, local funding). This should be reflected in data reported on the FY 2023 Technology Survey.

6. **How do I access the Technology Survey?**

Go to <https://tccillinois.tfaforms.net/f/FY23TechSurvey>.

7. **Is the Technology Survey required to be completed before the grant can be approved?**

Yes.

8. **Are there other reports that need to be completed before this grant can be approved?**

Yes. Please make sure that you have no outstanding grant periodic reports for previous rounds of funding. These periodic reports are accessed via the Grant Periodic Reporting System in the IWAS system. Make sure that you change the fiscal year to view previous years as the default setting will show only the current fiscal year. It will not display past due reports from prior years. Additionally, please make sure that any outstanding Expenditure Reports have been filed. This is done via the Electronic Expenditure Reporting System in IWAS.