

## **Fiscal Year 2021 Rural Education Achievement Program (REAP) Master Eligibility Spreadsheet and the Small, Rural School Achievement (SRSA) Application**

Dear Local Educational Agency (LEA) Contact:

We are writing to encourage you to review the information the U.S. Department of Education (Department) will use to determine eligibility for the fiscal year (FY) 2021 Rural Education Achievement Program (REAP) Small, Rural School Achievement (SRSA) and Rural and Low-Income Schools (RLIS) grant awards. Your LEA's information is contained in the **Master Eligibility Spreadsheet**, which can be found on the REAP website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grants/rural-insular-native-achievement-programs/rural-education-achievement-program/rural-and-low-income-school-program/eligibility/>. If you find any inaccurate information in your review of the spreadsheet, please immediately contact the REAP State Coordinator at your State educational agency (SEA) ([see contact list here](#)) who will work with the Department to update the spreadsheet as necessary. If your LEA is in Pennsylvania, please note that the Pennsylvania Department of Education has not yet submitted the required data. We will update the Master Eligibility Spreadsheet once the SEA submits data for LEAs in Pennsylvania.

### **FY 2021 SRSA Application Process**

Every LEA eligible to receive a positive SRSA allocation for FY 2021, according to the Master Eligibility Spreadsheet, will apply for an SRSA grant using a unique invitation link in MAX Survey that will be sent to eligible LEAs on **February 10, 2021**.

The simplified SRSA application in MAX Survey is the result of extensive feedback received from LEA officials and rural stakeholders nationwide. It should take applicants no more than 30 minutes to complete. In addition, the approximately 1,650 LEAs that are eligible for both SRSA and RLIS for FY 2021 will receive enhanced guidance on how to choose between SRSA and RLIS. Each applicant will also receive a confirmation email that includes a summary of responses for their LEA to keep for their records, and directions for next steps.

### **SRSA Application Webinars**

The Department will conduct a series of webinars to demonstrate the SRSA application process in MAX Survey and answer questions from participants, the first of which will be held on **February 11, 2021**. Registration information for these webinars will be forthcoming and will be available on the REAP website at <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grants/rural-insular-native-achievement-programs/rural-education-achievement-program/rural-and-low-income-school-program/eligibility/>.

### **For Further Information**

If you have any questions or need additional information about the FY 2021 SRSA application process, please contact the REAP Team at [REAP@ed.gov](mailto:REAP@ed.gov).

Sincerely,

The REAP Team