Frequently Asked Questions Federal (COVID-19) Fiscal Waiver

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Does this waiver also apply to FY22?

No, the waiver only applies to FY21.

Will I have to apply for the 15% Carryover for FY21?

No, this fiscal waiver allows the SEA to approve the carryover of LEA funds for all Title I-A funds awarded in FY21 to FY22. However, LEAs will have to acknowledge within their completion reports that they are taking advantage of this waiver flexibility granted by USDOE and are carrying over more that 15 percent of the total current FY21 allocation and that they understand upon approval of their completion reports they will not be eligible for another Title I-A carryover waiver for another three years. Please note, an LEA must have an approved FY22 Title I-A grant for FY21 funds to be carried over.

Will my LEA still be eligible if I have used the 15% carryover provision within the last three years? Yes, this waiver will allow ALL LEAs to carryover funds from FY21 to FY22 due to the unique circumstances of COVID 19, regardless of whether a carryover waiver was requested within the last three years. However, moving forward, this will count against your limit or 1 waiver in three years.

What does the period of availability waiver mean to the LEA?

The waiver extends the period of availability of FY20 ESSA funds to September 30, 2022. This waiver allows FY20 SEA funds and LEA carryover funds to be leveraged for a longer period of time, rather than having to return to them Federal Government on September 30, 2021, as would otherwise be required.

How does the waiver apply to Title IV-A?

The period of availability waiver allows LEAs to carryover FY20 funds to September 30, 2022. These carryover funds would not be subject to the 20-20 Portion Rule or the 15% Technological Infrastructure Rule, however, FY22 Title IV-A funds are subject to both the 20-20-Portion and 15% Infrastructure rule. LEAs may email TitleIV-a@azed.gov or contact their Title IV-A Specialist should they have any questions.