School Safety & Social Wellness

School Safety Program

Grant Informational Meeting for New Grantees

Agenda

1. Overview of the three New SSP Applications + Key Changes from Prior Applications

2. Two Applications for New Grantees
   a) FY 2023 SSP – New Grantee SRO JPO – Year 1
   b) FY 2023 SSP New Grantee SC SW – Year 1 Application
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      - Main Sections
      - How to Submit

3. Award Process

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Overview of the New Applications + Key Changes from Prior Applications

New Grantees Applying for an SRO/JPO

Use this application: **FY 2023 School Safety Program – New Grantee SRO JPO – Year 1**

You are a new grantee if your school(s) is **NOT** **currently funded** under one of these grants:

- FY 2023 School Safety Program Expansion Continuation
- FY 2022 School Safety Program ESSER

New schools may apply for a **School Resource Officer or Juvenile Probation Officer** as their first and/or second position under this application. First position requests must be filled by December 31, 2023. Second position requests will be set aside and potentially funded if funds are available.

- Project start date: February 3, 2023
- Project end date: June 30, 2024
- Length of grant: Up to 3.5 years
- Grant open dates: February 3 through April 15, 2023

New Grantees Applying for a SC or SW

Use this Application: **FY 2023 School Safety Program – New Grantee SC SW – Year 1**

You are a new grantee if your school(s) is **NOT** **currently funded** under one of these grants:

- FY 2023 School Safety Program Expansion Continuation
- FY 2022 School Safety Program ESSER

New schools may apply for a **School Counselor or School Social Worker** as their first and/or second position under this application. First position requests must be filled by December 31, 2023. Second position requests will be set aside and potentially funded if funds are available.

- Project start date: February 3, 2023
- Project end date: June 30, 2024
- Length of grant: Up to 3.5 years
- Grant open dates: February 3 through April 15, 2023 – applications will be set aside

Current Grantees Applying for an SRO/JPO or SC/SW

Use this Application: FY 2024 School Safety Program – Current Grantee Applicants – Year 1

You are a current grantee if your school(s) is **currently funded** under one of these grants:

- FY 2023 School Safety Program Expansion Continuation
- FY 2022 School Safety Program ESSER

Current schools may apply for the same positions or different positions than they currently have under one of the above grants. Positions include **school resource officers, juvenile probation officers, school counselors, and school social workers.** You may apply for a first and a second position under this application. First position requests must be filled by December 31, 2023. Second position requests will be set aside and potentially funded if funds are available.

- Project start date: July 1, 2023
- Project end date: June 30, 2024
- Length of grant: 3 years
- Grant open dates: February 3 through April 15, 2023

Key Changes from Prior Applications

1. Applications will be accepted, reviewed, and awarded (if eligible) as they are submitted.

2. School Counselor and Social Worker positions are interchangeable. School Resource Officers and Juvenile Probation Officer positions are interchangeable.

3. Flexibility is provided with filling officer positions
   - Multiple officers can fill one FTE position
   - An officer can be shared between more than two schools
   - Officer positions can be filled with a full-authority reserve peace officer

IMPORTANT NOTE

New Grantee Applications

For new grantee applications, first position requests for SROs will be prioritized over first position requests for SCs and SWs. The statute provides that the State Board awards grants on the recommendation of the Department of Education. The Department favors a counselor or social worker in every school, but first priority is for school resource officers to protect our students and prevent a potential massacre as has tragically occurred in other states.

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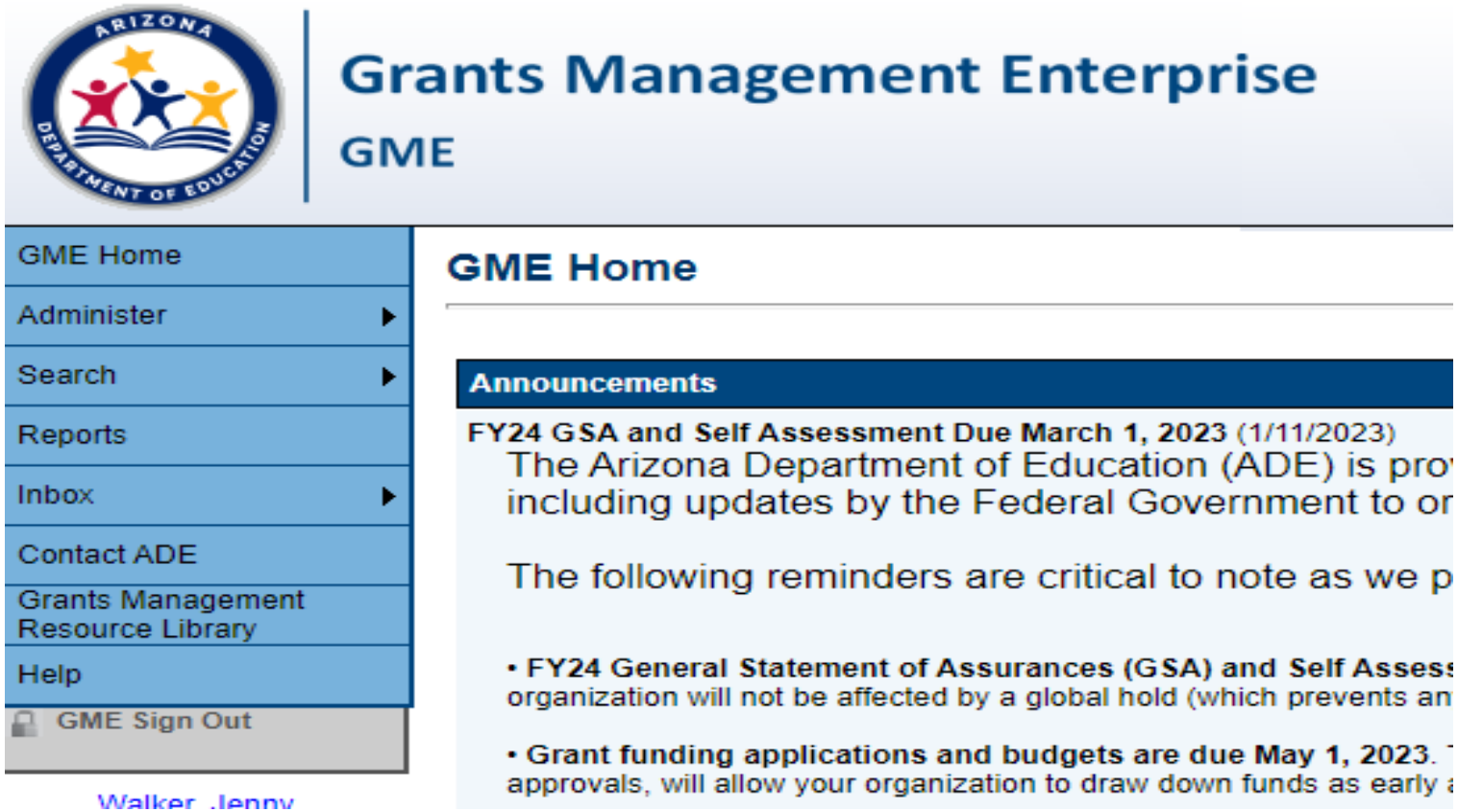
Two Applications for New Grantees

FY 2023 SSP – New Grantee SRO JPO – Year 1

FY 2023 SSP – New Grantee SC SW – Year 1

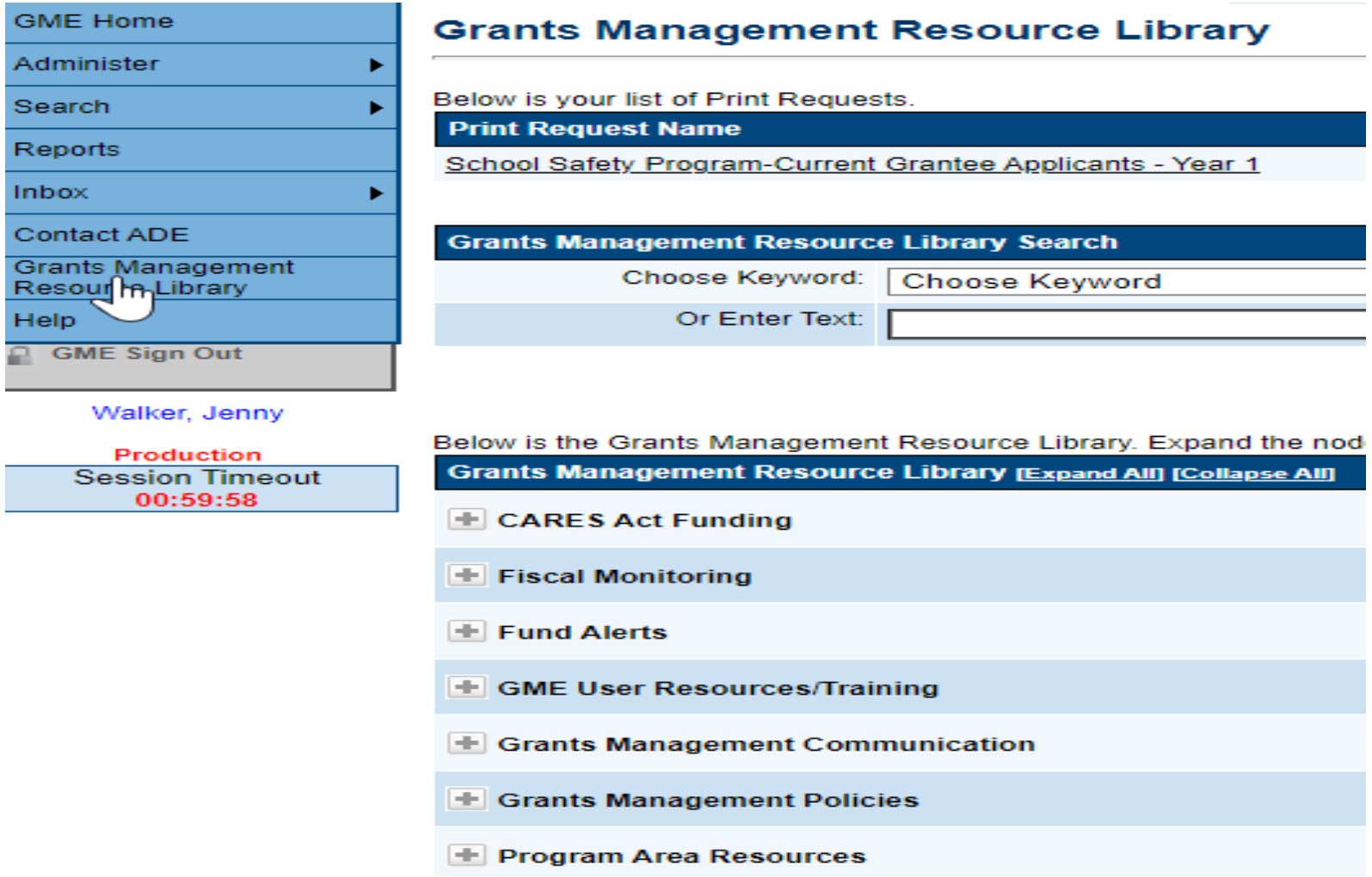
Application Instructions

Before beginning the application, please read the Application Instructions located in the Grants Management Resource Library.



Application Instructions

Click on the Grants Management Resource Library



Application Instructions

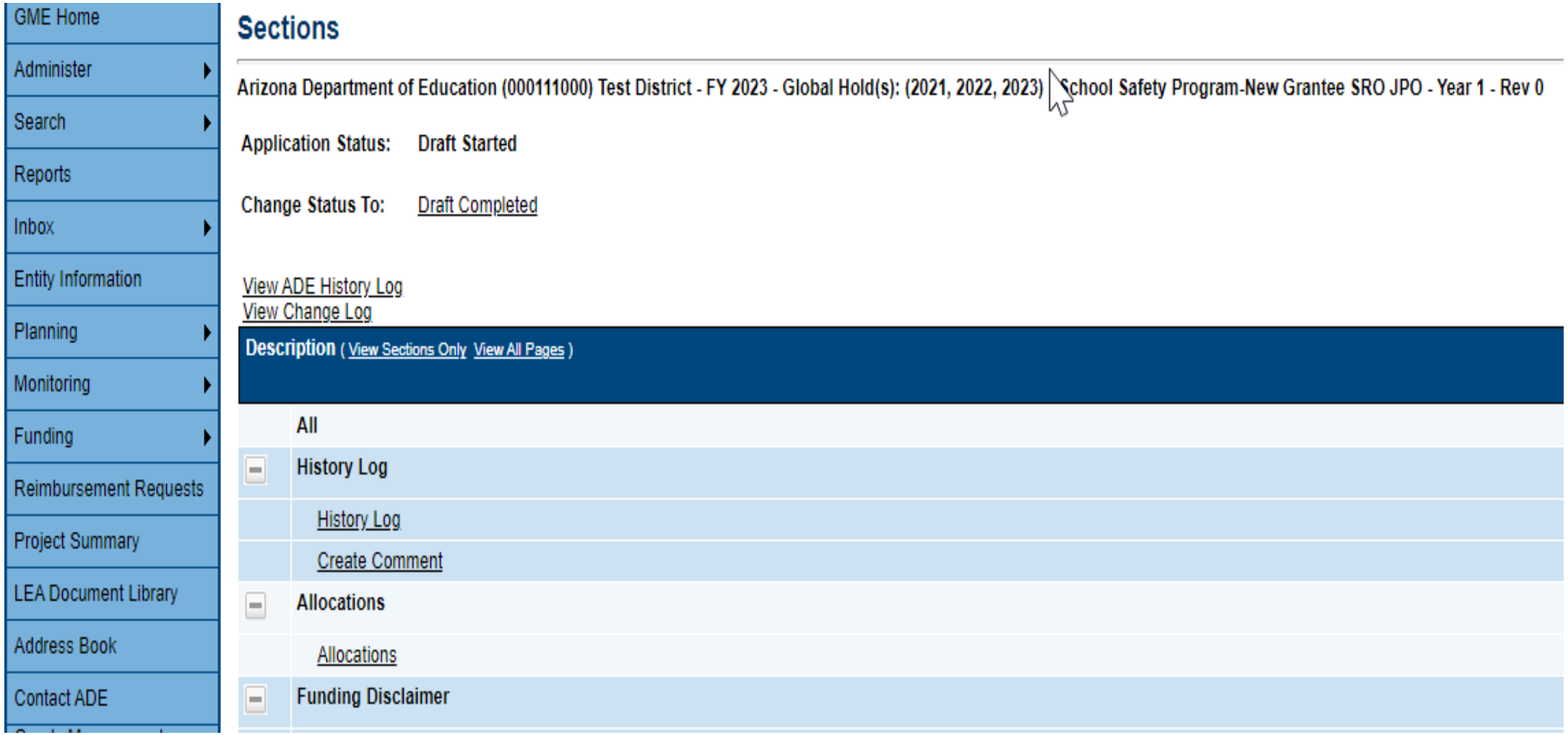
Click on Program Area Resources, scroll down and click on School Safety and Social Wellness, then on School Safety Program Grants

Accessing the Applications

Both of the FY 2023 – School Safety Program New Grantee Funding Applications are accessed through the Arizona Department of Education's (ADE) Grants Management Enterprise (GME) at https://gme.azed.gov. Once access to GME has been made, please follow the steps below to start the application:

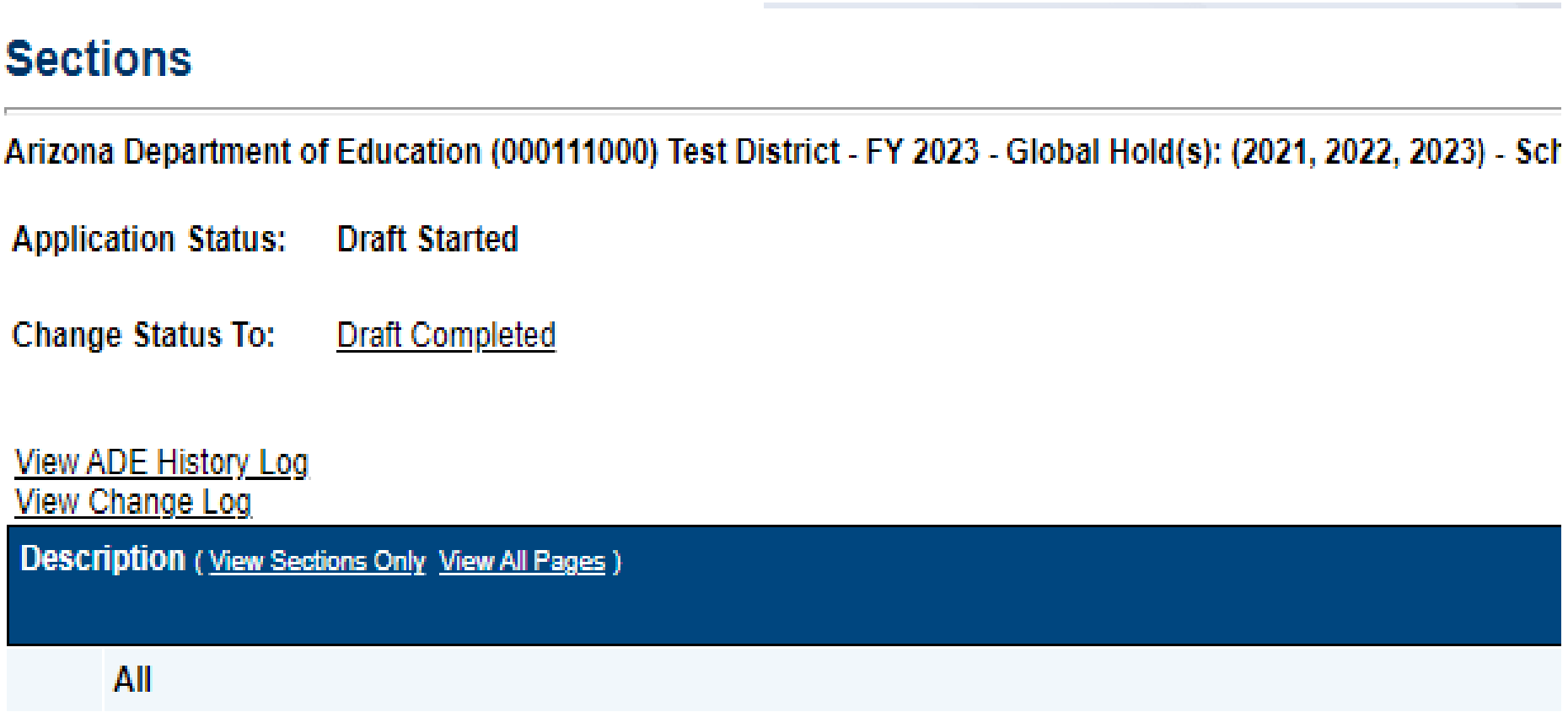
1. On the main GME homepage, hover over Search to access the drop-down menu list to select & click on Grants
2. Select the Fiscal Year drop-down menu button, **2023**
3. Find the Funding Application drop-down menu button. Scroll, select & click on **School Safety Program – New Grantee SRO JPO – Year 1** or the **School Safety Program – New Grantee SC SW – Year 1 application**
4. Click on the Search button
5. A list of District/Organization Names will appear. Scroll and find your district/charter.

Accessing the Applications



Completing the Application

- Change the status of the application from **Not Started to Draft Started.**



Important Points to Note

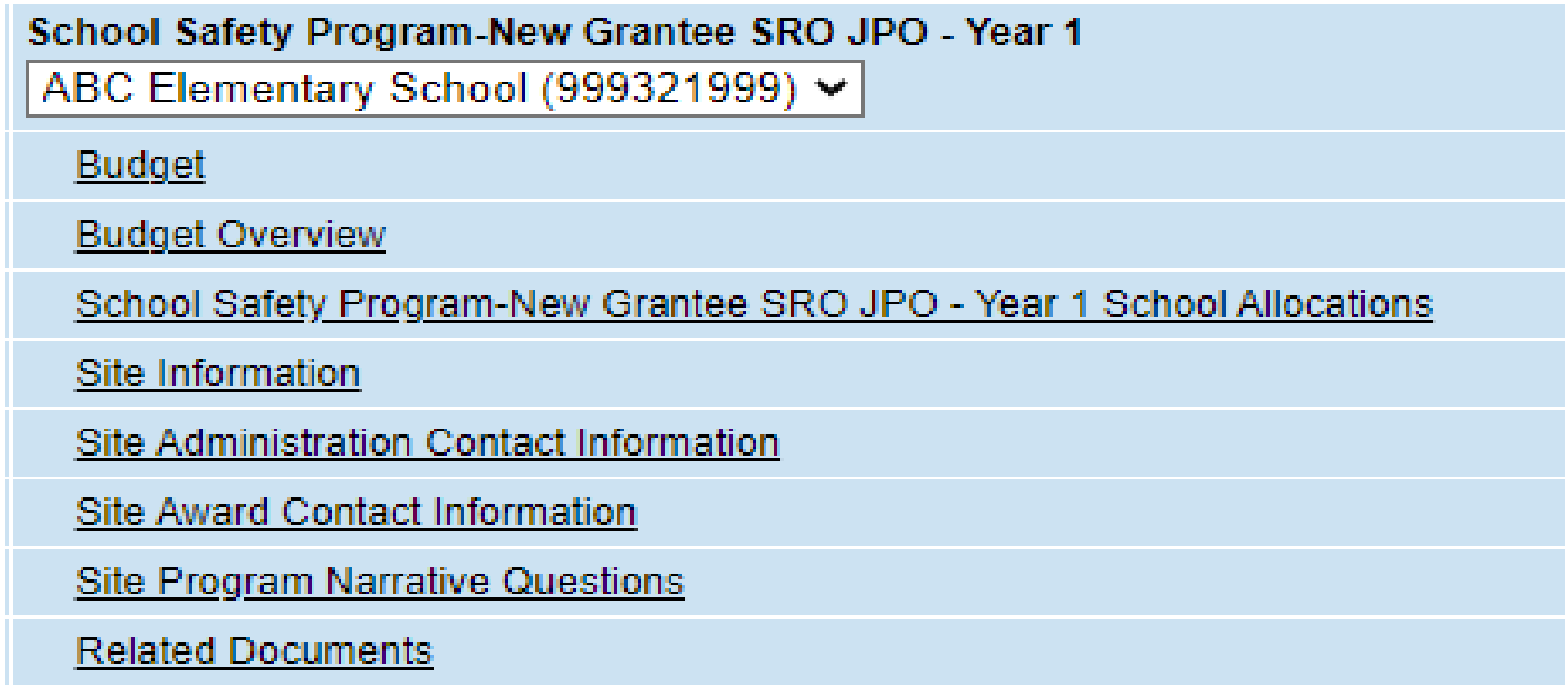
Please read the Application Instructions for more detailed information.

Selecting the School(s) from the Drop-Down Box

- This is a site-based application. Do not select the District Level Program option in the drop-down box otherwise the application will be returned to the LEA to complete as a site-based application and your place in the queue will be lost.

Completing the Application

- Select the school(s) from the drop-down box.
  - Reminder - Only select schools that are NOT currently funded under SSP Expansion Continuation or SSP ESSER grants. Do not select the District Level Program option.



Completing the Application

- For each selected school, complete the following sections:
  - Budget
  - Site Information
  - Site Administrator Contact Information
  - Site Award Contact Information
  - Site Program Narrative Questions
  - Related Documents

Important Points to Note

Budgets

- First Position:
  - Budget Line Item:
    - Enter the salary and benefits for your first or only position. No other expenses (e.g., supplies) are allowable.
    - If the position is not hired at the time of submitting the application, please provide an estimate of salary and benefits.
  - Budget Narrative: Enter if the position is full- or part-time, and if an officer is 10, 11, or 12 months.
- Second Position:
  - If you are applying for a second position, this information is captured in the program narrative.

Please Note: If the budget is entered incorrectly, the application will be returned for edits and your place in the queue will be lost.

Important Points to Note

Site Information

- Joint Applicants: Position Sharing Between Schools
  - SRO/JPOs: Schools may request to share an officer between two or more schools where the district, school, and partnering agency feel that it is feasible and in the community's best interest to share an officer. If there are more than two schools applying, enter the additional site level information in the History Log (name of school and site administrator contact info).
  - SC/SW: Schools can request to share a SC or SW between a maximum of two schools.

Program Narrative Questions

- Indicate which position(s) you are requesting.
- If applying for a second position, enter the estimated salary/benefits and if the position will be full- or part-time. Please leave this section blank if you are applying for a first position only.

Important Points to Note

Related Documents

- SRO/JPO Applications
  - Cooperative Agreement Signature Page – due when submitting the application (template is under Related Documents)
  - Statement of Officer Salary and Benefits – due upon hire
    - Create on law enforcement letterhead and upload

- SC/SW Applications
  - SC/SW Contract – due upon hire
  - SC/SW ADE Certification – due upon hire
  - Please ensure that no personal information, such as SSN or cell phone numbers, is included.

Cooperative Agreement Signature Page

Officer: _____ ☐ 10 months ☐ 11/12 month **District:** _____

Site(s): _____

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School Safety Program
Cooperative Agreement

Position must be filled by December 31, 2023

We, the undersigned, acknowledge we will coordinate and cooperate in the School Safety Program if funds are awarded. By signing this agreement, we also give our assurance of the following items:

- We agree with the budget submitted
- We will uphold the intent of the grant, which includes but not limited to:
  - Provide for 180 hours of law-related education
  - Ensure full-time officer presence on campus during school hours consistent with grant requirements
  - Maintain weekly activity logs completed by the officer and submitted and monitored by the school administrator and agency supervisor
  - Facilitate access to appropriate educational records and data to officers in accordance with FERPA
  - Utilize a multidisciplinary School Safety Assessment and Prevention Team that meets quarterly for safety needs assessment, program planning, and continuous improvement
- We understand that, to the best of our ability, we are committed to ensuring officer continuity over the duration of the three-year grant cycle
- We understand that a school will be disadvantaged in the next School Safety Program competitive application by having more than three officers within a three-year grant cycle
- We will share the program design and operational plan with the assigned officer
- We will enter into a Service Agreement (or IGA)
- We understand each party's responsibility under the program

Print Name: _____
School Principal(s)

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____
District Superintendent

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Title: _____
Authorized Local Law Enforcement Agent/Authorized County Juvenile Probation Agent

Signature: _____

Agency: _____

Submitting the Application

There is not a ‘Submit’ button in the GME system. Instead, various levels of approval must occur for an application to be submitted and processed by ADE. When the application is ready to be ‘submitted’ to ADE, return to the “Sections” page, and change the status to “Draft Completed” to initiate the LEA levels of approval.

Authorized LEA representatives will need to review the application and change the status to the following:

- LEA Business Manager Approved
- **LEA Authorized Representative Approved** (‘submitted’)

Reminder: Before submitting the application, read through it to ensure the application is complete. Incomplete applications will be returned to the LEA.

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Current Grantees: ADE Award Process

ARS 15-154 Provisions

Per ARS 15-154, applications will include:

- Detailed description of school safety needs
- Information on the success, compliance, and implementation of previous SSP participation

SRO/JPO applications only

- Law Related Education (LRE) implementation plan
- Plan to use trained SROs/JPOs

Counselor/Social Worker applications only:

- Relationship between position and community resources
- Plan for using position, including policies on confidentiality and parental notification and procedures for referral for services

Per ARS 15-154, ADE must use:

- Crime data to assess need of SRO proposals
- Academic and social emotional data to assess need of SC/SW proposals

Tier 1 Scoring

SRO/JPO		SC/SW	
Complete application responses		Complete application responses	
Current grantee compliance with training requirements	0 – 3 points	Current grantee compliance with training requirements	0 – 3 points
Rural school designation	0 – 1 point	Rural school designation	0 – 1 point
LEA enrollment less than 500	0 – 1 point	LEA enrollment less than 500	0 – 1 point
County juvenile crime rate	0 – 2 points	Targeted Support and Improvement designation	0 – 1 point
Number of firearms reported on campus	0 – 2 points	High percentage for chronic absenteeism or dropout, or low graduation rate in relation to the state	0 – 2 points
		High percentage of homeless, foster care or refugee students in relation to the state	0 – 1 points
Low attendance rate	0 – 1 point	Low attendance rate	0 – 1 point
Points for Award	**4/10 points**	**Points for Award**	**4/10 points**

Scoring Metrics

Measure	Further Detail	Data Source/Year
Rural	Rural fringe, rural distant and rural remote	NCES Common Core of Data (FY22)
LEA enrollment less than 500		Oct 1 enrollmenteligibility (FY23)
Crime – county, juvenile	Crime: county population crime>=0.48: 2pts 0.48>crime>= 0.23: 1pt crime <0.23: 0 pts	DPS Juvenile Crime in Arizona (2019 calendar year)
Firearms reported on campus	incidents=0: 0 pts incidents=1: 1 pt incidents>=2: 2 pt	Gun-Free Schools Act data collection/EdFacts (FY22)
Chronic absenteeism	Students with at least 18 absences Chr Absences>=0.43: 2pts 0.43>Chr Absences>= 0.22: 1pt Chr Absences<0.22: 0 pts	Student Absences (FY22)
Dropout	Dropout rate>=0.0799: 2pts 0.0799>Dropout rate>= 0.0178: 1pt Dropout rate <0.0178: 0 pts	Oct 1 enrollmenteligibility (FY22)
Graduation	Grad rate<=0.407: 2pts 0.407<Grad rate<= 0.778: 1pt Grad rate <0.778: 0 pts	Oct 1 enrollmenteligibility (FY22)
Targeted School Improvement	TSI designation	Provided by ADE Accountability (FY23)
Low attendance rate	Attendance <= 0.913: 1 pt	Student Absences (FY23)
High percentage homeless	Homeless >= 0.011: 1 pt	Oct 1 enrollmenteligibility (FY23)
High percentage foster care	Foster >= 0.007: 1 pt	ADE Student Fostercare report (FY22)
High percentage refugee (LEA)	Refugees <=0.00021: 1 pt	azeds.leadata.StudentNeed (FY23)

ADE Award Process

New Applicants

- SRO applications will be assessed as they are submitted, and LEAs will be notified whether their school(s) have been awarded in the order the application is received.
- Complete applications will be scored for their first position request.
- Schools with a score of 4 and above will be awarded first as applications are submitted. Schools will be awarded in this manner until the funding has been depleted or the April 15 deadline is reached, whichever occurs first.
- Schools not awarded at this time will be placed on a waitlist for a possible award in late Spring if funding is still available after high need places are awarded. Similarly, applicant second position requests and SC/SW requests will be set aside and potentially funded if funds are still available.

Award Notification

- LEAs will be notified whether their school(s) has been awarded in the order the application is received.
- Award Notification will be via the History Log of the application.

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Questions & Answers

Thank You

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