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**Commonwealth of Virginia
Virginia Department of Education
Superintendent's Memo #145-22**

DATE: July 1, 2022
TO: Division Superintendents
FROM: Jillian Balow, Superintendent of Public Instruction
SUBJECT: CARES Act Grants Ending September 30, 2022

This is a reminder that federal pandemic CARES Act grant awards are ending on September 30, 2022.

Grant Award	Grant Description
S425D200008	CARES Act Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) I
S425C200042	CARES Act Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) I

All funds under these awards must be encumbered by September 30, 2022. The final approved reimbursement request must be received by the Virginia Department of Education no later than November 15, 2022, unless you have been provided with a reimbursement request due date that is sooner than this date. School division federal pandemic relief funds coordinators were provided with individualized spend down reports on CARES Act grant awards in January and May 2022. The Spend-Down Calendar available in the Online Management of Education Grant Awards (OMEGA) system reflects current balances.

This summer, the U.S. Department of Education is expected to release guidance on the liquidation extension request process. CARES Act late liquidation requests will not be accepted until the end of the performance period for the grant, and the September 30, 2022 obligation deadline will not be extended. Based upon the information received to date, school

divisions should take action to ensure that CARES Act funds are fully obligated and expended in accordance with the timelines above. The Virginia Department of Education will provide notification if the liquidation deadline is extended.

For more information

Questions about the CARES Act grants ending on September 30, 2022 should be directed to vdoefederalrelief@doe.virginia.gov.

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