



Board of Education

ACTION

TITLE: Consider Approval of the Arkansas Department of Education on Federal Programs Statement of Assurances and GEPA Statement for Programs Under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as Amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA)

DATE: May 18, 2026

RESPONSIBLE ADMINISTRATOR: Dr. Kellie Minton
Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction

BACKGROUND/CONSIDERATIONS:

The Federal Programs Assurances are for local education agency (LEA) use in requesting district funds for programs covered under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESSA) and Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA). To assure the LEA's eligibility for funds, the Superintendent must provide an original signature attesting to compliance with all assurances applicable to each program for which the plan is submitted.

RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends the Board approve the 2026-2027 Assurances and GEPA Statement for Programs under ESSA and IDEA and authorizes the Superintendent to sign the assurances so they may be submitted to the Arkansas Department of Education on or before June 30, 2026.

If the Board agrees, the motion would read:

Move to approve the 2026-2027 Arkansas Department of Education Federal Programs Statement of Assurances for Programs Under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act and the IDEA Law, and authorize the Superintendent to sign the assurances for submission to the Arkansas Department of Education.