



Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

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Overview

- December 10, 2015
- Uncertain about final regulations
- Expectations
 - one statewide comprehensive plan for accountability
 - implementation in the 2017-18 school year

ESSA Highlights

- Limits on US Secretary of Education's authority
- Returns many decisions back to the States
- Eliminates ESEA Flexibility Waivers on August 1, 2016
- Requires support of current list of priority and focus schools until the 2017-18 school year

ESSA Highlights

- Retains requirements for annual assessments
 - in grades 3-8 in Mathematics, Reading or Language Arts
 - Science at least once in grades 3-5, 6-9 and all three subjects once in high school grades 10-12

ESSA Highlights

- Teacher evaluations - determined by the States
- Reporting of student data disaggregated to now include homeless, foster, and military-connected

ESSA Highlights

- Accountability model – must include an indicator of school quality and student success
 - student and educator engagement
 - access and completion of advanced coursework
 - postsecondary readiness
 - school climate and safety

Timeline and Potential Stakeholder Groups

- Timeline subject to change based on final regulations issued by the USED
- Numerous stakeholders to be involved
- Two rounds of six (6) regional public comment/input sessions
- Two meetings of representatives from external stakeholder groups



Federal & State Comparison of Requirements

Standards	Assessments	Accountability
Interventions	Reporting	Teacher Quality

Key State Decisions Required Under the Every Student Succeeds Act

- Document includes many more details than the *Brief Highlights of ESSA*