

DC ESSA State Plan Engagement Opportunities

LEA Leaders and LEA Staff Engagement

Fall 2016 Focus Groups

OSSE will be hosting a series of focus groups for LEA leaders and other stakeholders between September 28 and October 26. Please find more information on the planned agenda for each session below and register for each session you plan to attend. LEA leaders are strongly encouraged to attend the first and final sessions on Sept. 28 and Oct. 26, and may choose to designate other team members (e.g., data manager, special assistant) to attend sessions on their behalf.

OSSE will also be hosting webinars a week following each in-person session as a second opportunity to provide input and to hear updates. Information on how to register for webinars will be available in the LEA Look Forward and on OSSE's [ESSA webpage](#). Questions may be directed to OSSE.ESSA@dc.gov.

Focus Group on Initial Accountability Framework, Wednesday, September 28, 3:30-5:30 p.m., OSSE Third Floor Grand Hall A&B

During this session, Hanseul Kang will share an initial accountability framework based on feedback gathered from sessions and surveys implemented to date. OSSE will also share a road map of engagement on additional ESSA transition components beyond accountability including a discussion of key timelines and potential policy decisions. [[Register](#)]

Webinar Recap of Initial Accountability Framework Focus Group, Friday, October 7, 12-1 p.m.

During this webinar, Hanseul Kang will review the Sep. 28 meeting with LEA leaders, including materials shared and feedback received during the in-person session. Rescheduled from Thursday, Oct. 6 [[Register](#)]

Focus Group on English Learners in ESSA, Thursday, October 6, 3:30-5:30 p.m., OSSE Third Floor Grand Hall

This session will be a discussion of the requirements and opportunities related to English learners in the state plan. [[Register](#)]

Webinar Recap of English Learners in ESSA Focus Group, Thursday, October 13, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

This webinar will review the Oct. 6 session on opportunities and requirement related to English learners in the state plan. [[Register](#)]

Focus Group on Students in Special Populations in ESSA, Friday, October 14, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Charles Sumner School, 1701 M Street NW

This session is designed to review the requirements and opportunities in ESSA for students in special populations, including students with disabilities; students who are homeless, in foster care, and at risk; and students who are in private school, are homeschooled, or have parents in the active military. [[Register](#)]

Webinar Recap of Students in Special Populations Focus Group, Thursday, October 20, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

This webinar will review the Oct. 14 session on requirements and opportunities related to special populations in the state plan, including students with disabilities; students who are homeless, in foster

care, and at risk; and students who are in private school, are homeschooled, or have parents in the active military. [\[Register\]](#)

ESSA Focus Groups: Concurrent Sessions on Teacher and Leader Quality and Academic Performance Measures, Tuesday, October 18, 3:30-5:30 p.m., OSSE Third Floor Grand Hall

These concurrent sessions will review specific aspects of both the accountability and other portions of ESSA and DC's state education plan.

-Grand Hall A: Teacher and leader quality: discussion of elements and opportunities related to teacher and leader quality in ESSA and DC's state education plan. [\[Register\]](#)

-Grand Hall B: Academic performance: discussion of measures in the accountability system related to academic performance, both overall and by subgroup. [\[Register\]](#)

Webinar Recap of Teacher and Leader Quality Focus Group, Tuesday, October 25, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

This webinar will review the Oct. 18 discussion of teacher and leader quality elements and opportunities in DC's state education plan. [\[Register\]](#)

Webinar Recap of Academic Performance Measures Focus Group, Monday, October 24, 2-3 p.m.

This webinar will review the Oct. 18 discussion on measures in the accountability system related to academic performance, both overall and by subgroup. [\[Register\]](#)

Focus Group on School Quality and Student Success and Graduation Rates, Friday, October 21, 8:30-9:45 a.m., OSSE Room 806 A&B

This session will focus on discussion of school quality and student success measures and graduation rates in the ESSA accountability framework. Rescheduled from Thursday, Oct. 6 [\[Register\]](#)

Webinar Recap of School Quality and Student Success and Graduation Rates Focus Group, October 26, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

This webinar will review the Oct. 21 session on student success measures and graduation rate metrics. [\[Register\]](#)

Focus Group on Updated Proposed Accountability Framework, Wednesday, October 26, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., OSSE Room 806B

During this session, Hanseul Kang will share updates about a version of a proposed accountability framework, high level feedback received to date, lingering questions, and information on next steps. Rescheduled from Oct. 26, 3:30-5:30 p.m. in the Grand Hall at OSSE. [\[Register\]](#)

Webinar Recap of Updated Proposed Accountability Framework Focus Group, Friday, October 28, 9-10 a.m.

During this webinar, Hanseul Kang will review the Oct. 26 meeting with LEA leaders, including materials shared and feedback received during the in-person session. [\[Register\]](#)

Teacher and Principal Engagement Opportunities

Washington Teachers Union Meeting, Tuesday, September 13, 4:30-6:30 p.m., McKinley Tech HS Cafeteria 151 T St NE, Washington, DC 20002

OSSE and the State Board of Education will co-lead a session on ESSA.

Learning Support Network Meeting, Date and time, TBA

Session with teachers and principals in the Learning Support Network (LSN) to gather input and share updates on both the accountability and the other portions of our state plan.

DC Public Schools Principal Meeting, Friday, October 28, 3:30-4:15 p.m., Cardozo EC, 1200 Clifton St NW, Washington, DC 20009

Session with DCPS principals to gather input and share updates on both the accountability and the other portions of our state plan.

Parent and Community Engagement Opportunities

Thursday, September 15, 2016: State Board of Education hosts business leader focus group on ESSA in collaboration with the WIC and DOES.

Saturday, October 22, 2016: DC Parent & Family Engagement Summit, 9 a.m.-2:45 p.m., Walter E. Washington Convention Center, 810 Mount Vernon Place NW, Washington DC

OSSE is hosting a city-wide summit for parents to share and learn about how to support their children's success in school! The summit will provide parents with important resources and give parents a chance to give input on DC's new State Education Plan under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). [[Register](#)]

Fall 2016 and Winter 2016-17: Parent focus groups (time and location TBA)

OSSE will be engaging with parents on messaging and format of the school report card. Per the current proposed regulations DC will submit its first report card based on the new ESSA requirements in December 2018.

January-February, 2017: Community-based meetings (all wards)

OSSE is collaborating with the DC State Board of Education (SBOE) to host meetings in all eight wards to review the draft state education plan once it is posted for a public comment period. Dates and times for these meetings will be shared as they are confirmed.