





# LEA LOOK FORWARD

DC OFFICE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION COMMUNITY BUDGET FORUMS

## "PATHWAYS TO THE MIDDLE CLASS"

OVERVIEW OF FY 2016 PROPOSED BUDGET AND FINANCIAL PLAN

TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 6 P.M. – 7 P.M.  
FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 3 P.M. – 4 P.M.

810 1ST STREET, NE, GRAND HALL  
WASHINGTON, DC 20002

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## Knock It Out of the PARCC: Next Generation Assessments Tips and Resources

- Resources for Schools
  - [PARCC Parent Toolkit](#)
  - [2015 DC PARCC Administrative Guidance on Timing and Cell Phones](#)
  - [DC PARCC Infrastructure Trial Guide](#)
  - [PARCC FAQs by LEAs](#)
  - [NGA Ambassador Information](#)
  - [2015 DC State Test Security Guidelines](#)
- Resources for Parents/Community
  - [PARCC Parent Resources](#)
  - [OSSE PARCC Parent Letter](#) (Available in Multiple Languages)
  - [Want to see PARCC items in action?](#)
  - [Next Generation Science Standards \(NGSS\) Ideas for Parents](#)
  - [Guide to the New PARCC Assessment \(For Parents\)](#)

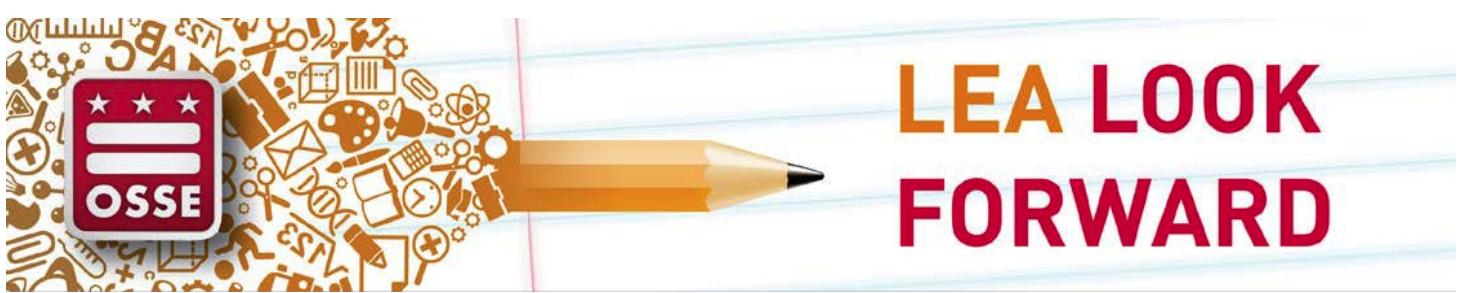
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## Important Dates and Deadlines

### Dates

- [2015 DC Assessment Timeline](#)
- 4/11: [OSSE Adult College Completion Fair](#)
- 4/28: [2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Infant and Toddler Conference](#)





how to meet the technology requirements now to ensure successful implementation of the assessment. There is no pre-registration for the event; interested LEAs can join the webinar by clicking [here](#).

Date: May 1, 2015

Time: 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

### **Healthy Schools Act Meal Reimbursement**

Local Education Authorities:

This memorandum serves as a notice that Healthy Schools Act (HSA) meal reimbursements prior to April 2013 will not be paid by the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) without sufficient proof that claims were submitted within the 60 day timeframe and are complete with proper documentation.

Prior to April 2013, Healthy Schools Act additional meal reimbursement payments were determined through menu verification and tracking of local food items. Many times this verification altered the total number of meals allowed for local reimbursement compared to the federal National School Lunch (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP). Upon verification, LEAs were responsible to revise the local meal claim and resubmit to OSSE within a timely manner as well as follow up around payment.

Unless OSSE can verify through official records from the LEA that the claim information matches the menu verification, unverified claims prior to April 2013 will not be processed. Any verified claims beginning with April 2013 will be handled on a case by case basis to determine if payment is warranted.

Any inquiries for HSA claims, other than for Fiscal Year 2015, must be sent to OSSE by June 30, 2015.

If there are any questions regarding this matter, please email [nslp.claims@dc.gov](mailto:nslp.claims@dc.gov).

### **Healthy Lunchtime Challenge**

Calling all kid chefs! Submit a recipe for the 2015 Healthy Lunchtime Challenge, now through April 30. There will be a winner from each state and you could be one of them! [#LetsMove #MyPlate](http://to.pbs.org/HLC)

### **FFY15 New or Significantly Expanding Public Charter School Forms**

All charter LEAs received notification regarding the FFY15 New or Significantly Expanding Public Charter School Forms on Tuesday, April 7, 2015. These forms must be submitted to [PCS.Notification@dc.gov](mailto:PCS.Notification@dc.gov) by no later than **Noon, on Thursday, April 30, 2015**. Incomplete submissions or submissions without an official certifying signature will not be accepted. A webinar will be held to review the New or Significantly Expanding Public Charter School Notification Policy, Guidance document, and data submission form. This webinar will be held on **Thursday, April 23, 2015, at 2:30 p.m.**, please join at <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/133049741>.



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## Call for Exhibitors - It Takes a City: DC Does it Best!

OSSE invites organizations to [exhibit](#) at its **LEA Institute on Best Practices in Education** at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center on **May 1-2, 2015**.

Organizations should exhibit programming around the following areas:

- Early Childhood
- Summer Camps
- STEM and the Next Generation Science Standards
- Positive Behavior Supports
- Parent/Family and Engagement

The State Institute Committee will review proposals. All proposals must be received by **Wednesday, April 15, 2015 at 11:59 PM**—selected organizations will be contacted by Tuesday, April 20, 2015. Exhibitors that include programming around evidence- and/or research-based practices, creative summer programming, and summer youth employment will be given preference. Display tables should include program literature and hands on support for families that wish to sign up as participants. **Selected exhibitors must be available for both Friday, May 1, 2015 (8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.) and Saturday, May 2, 2015 (9 a.m. to 2 p.m.)**. There is no registration fee associated with this conference for exhibitors or attendees. Feel free to spread the word!

### Reminder

## Go Blue for Strong Families and Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect Month

We all want every child in our city to grow up in safe and healthy families. Yet the tragic fact is that thousands of our young people fall victim to abuse and neglect each year.

In April 2015, as part of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month, OSSE has partnered with the Mayor's Advisory Committee on Child Abuse and Neglect (MACCAN) to increase public awareness related to the prevention and treatment of child abuse and neglect. On April 10, 2015, OSSE, along with many other DC Government agencies, will **GO BLUE**. Wearing BLUE indicates that you are standing up for strong children and families in DC through the prevention and treatment of child abuse and neglect. So, **GO BLUE** on April 10, 2015.

## Professional Development

### Reminder

## Next Generation Science Standards -NGSS 2.0

This is an in-person training session targeted for school leaders. Sessions will focus on implementation of the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) in classrooms and schools. LEAs will learn about the instructional shifts associated with the new science standards and discuss how to support transition successfully.

Presenter: Division of Elementary, Secondary, and Specialized Education

Date: April 15, 2015





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Presenter: OSSE Division of Elementary, Secondary, and Specialized Education

Date: Wednesday, April 22, 2015

Time: 10:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.

[Register](#)

## **LEA Homeless Liaison Orientation**

Under the federal mandates of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, every LEA is required to have an identified homeless liaison to assist students and parents experiencing homelessness. We recognize that during the course of the school year, staffing changes may occur and there may be newly appointed homeless liaisons in need of guidance regarding their role and responsibilities. OSSE is offering the following training for newly appointed homeless liaisons and homeless liaisons in need of a refresher training:

### **LEA Homeless Liaison Orientation: McKinney-Vento 101, Resources & QuickBase Homeless Student Referrals**

Wednesday, April 29, 2015, 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Training Location: OSSE, 810 First Street, NE, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor (Rm 3002), Washington, DC 20002

A training invite will be sent directly to LEA Homeless Liaisons. Please note that space is limited. Therefore homeless liaisons should confirm their attendance as soon as possible after receiving the training invite. For any questions regarding this training, please contact Nicole Lee-Mwandha.

## **Training for High School Homeless Liaisons on Youth Vulnerability Index and Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT)**

At least one in every twenty-four enrolled public school students in the District of Columbia is homeless. OSSE is working aggressively to remove educational barriers for students in unstable and/or transitory housing. In 2015, as a part the work of the DC Interagency Council on Homelessness (DC ICH), OSSE is partnering with other District agencies to design, implement, and test a system of coordinated entry for at least 150 unaccompanied homeless youth (without children in their custody) within 100 days. The primary focus of this effort is to ensure that the most vulnerable students receive more timely supports and interventions. In order to succeed in achieving this ambitious goal, OSSE is encouraging homeless liaisons from every District high school to attend this important training facilitated by The Community Partnership for the Prevention of Homelessness, if they have not attended a previous VI-SPDAT training.

To register for this VI-SPDAT training, please click on the registration link below:

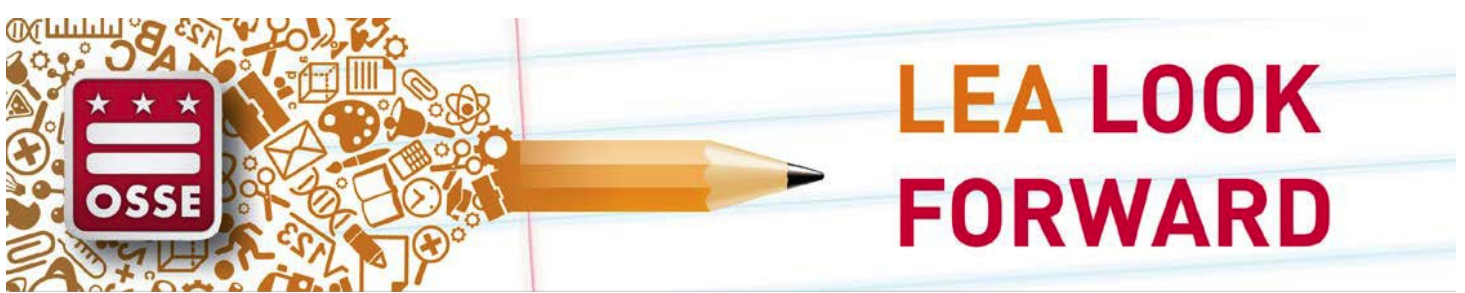
### **McKinney-Vento Liaison VI-SPDAT Training for Unaccompanied Youth**

Tuesday, April 22, 2015, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

[Register here](#)







Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2015  
Time: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Location: OSSE, 810 First Street, NE, 3rd Floor Grand Hall

[Register](#)

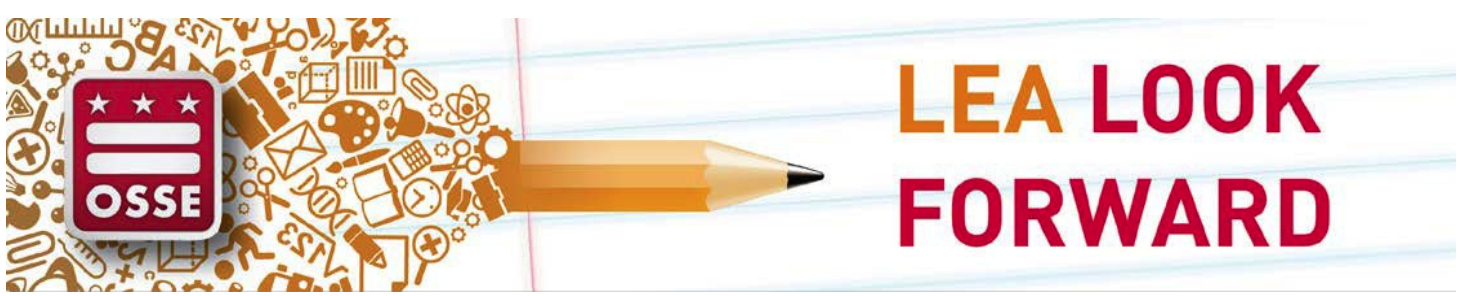
### **Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Training**

The Nonviolent Crisis Intervention training program, developed by Crisis Prevention Institute (CPI), is embraced worldwide as a highly effective behavior management system for organizations committed to providing quality care and services in a respectful, safe environment. The strategies taught in the Nonviolent Crisis Intervention training program provide participants with a proven framework for decision making and problem solving to prevent, de-escalate, and safely respond to disruptive or assaultive behavior. This event will not go over physical restraint techniques. Please wear comfortable clothing, closed-toed shoes, and bring a water bottle.

Presenter: OSSE Division of Elementary, Secondary, and Specialized Education  
Date: July 21 and August 11, 2015  
Time: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
Location: OSSE, 810 First Street, NE, 3rd Floor Grand Hall

[Register](#)





## Events

### New

#### **Registration Now Open! Federal Grants Management Conference**

The District of Columbia Office of the State Superintendent of Education is pleased to announce the opening of registration for its annual Federal Grants Management Conference. The conference, sponsored by OSSE's Office of Grants Management and Compliance (OGMC), will take place on Thursday, June 4, 2015, 8AM – 4:30PM, at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center at Gallaudet University.

The conference will address issues related to:

- The federal grants management process;
- Available funding opportunities and resources;
- Basic grants management; and
- Procurement.

These topics and more will be discussed during the conference. To register, click [here](#).

Date: Thursday, June 4, 2015, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Location: Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center at Gallaudet University - 800 Florida Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20002

For further information about the conference, please contact [Angela Clemons](#).

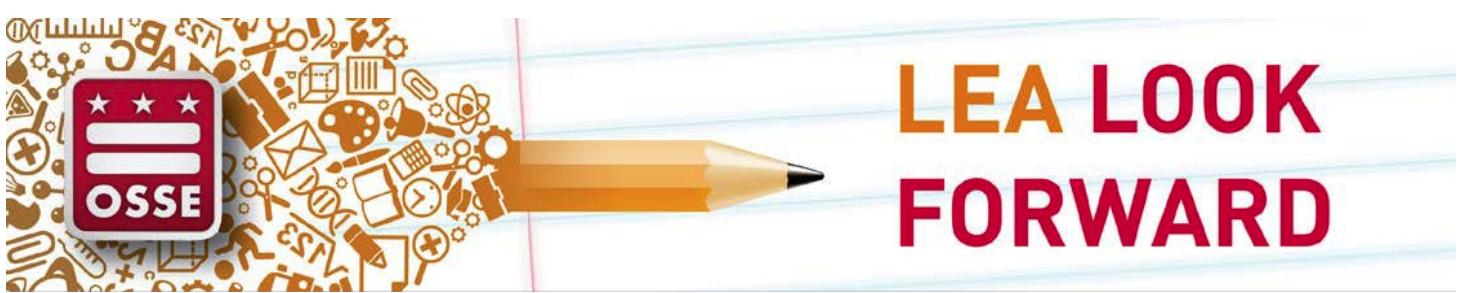
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#### **Register Now: It Takes a City: DC Does it Best!**

OSSE is pleased to announce that **registration is now open** for its final 2014-15 LEA Institute, "It Takes a City: DC Does it Best!", to be held May 1-2, 2015, at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in downtown Washington, DC.

DC public school and public charter school teachers, administrators, service providers, parents and families are invited to attend this exciting two-day event. During the institute, participants will select from over 100 workshop sessions on topics including:

- Instruction and the Common Core
- STEM and the Next Generation Science Standards
- Positive Behavior Supports
- Special Education
- English Language Learners



- Educator Effectiveness
- Early Childhood
- Parent and Family Engagement (including sessions for parents/families, as well as LEA staff)

Participants will receive OSSE Professional Learning Units (PLUs) for workshop attendance.

[Register Now](#)

### **Meet and Greet: New State Superintendent of Education Hanseul Kang (FOR LEA LEADERS ONLY)**

Join Acting State Superintendent Hanseul Kang for a meet-and-greet on Friday, April 10, at 3:30 p.m. LEA leaders are invited to come and share information, insight, and suggestions for moving OSSE forward.

Dates: Friday, April 10, 2015, 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Location: OSSE, 810 1<sup>st</sup> Street, NE, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor (GRAND HALL)

Click [here](#) to RSVP.

### **Growing Young Minds: Nurturing Healthy, Happy and Secure Children**

The Office of the State Superintendent of Education's Division of Early Learning presents the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Infant and Toddler Conference. This engaging conference will bring together more than 900 professionals in Infant/toddler early care and education. Conference attendees will include early intervention and infant/toddler specialists; home visitors; social workers; mental health providers; physical and occupational therapists; pediatricians; dietitians and other professionals.

This exciting and interactive conference will feature:

- Nationally acclaimed speakers, presenters and authors
- The Early Head Start Framework
- Early identification, intervention and support services
- Hands-on interactive exhibits
- Education scholarships and training programs

Dates: April 28, April 29 or April 30, 2015 (waiting list only)

Time: 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.

Location: Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center on the Campus of Gallaudet University  
800 Florida Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20002