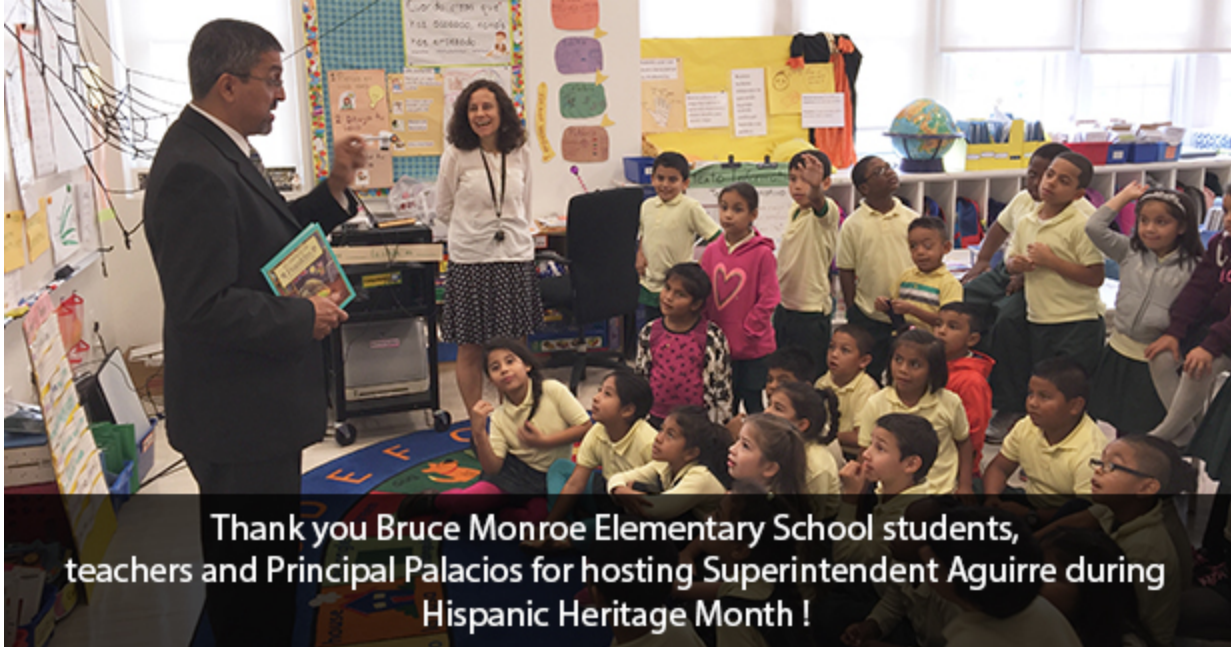




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October 16–23, 2014



Thank you Bruce Monroe Elementary School students, teachers and Principal Palacios for hosting Superintendent Aguirre during Hispanic Heritage Month !

District Highlights

- I. [D.C. Educators Praise Benefits Of Mandatory SAT Tests](#)
- II. [School Leaders: Sign-up today to learn about critical resources to support student achievement!](#)
- III. [Bullying Prevention Awareness Month](#)
- IV. [Save the Date: My School DC EDFest](#)
- V. [Early Childhood Data Boot Camp and Citrix Tutorial](#)
- VI. [5-E DCMR Chapter 30 LEA Focus Group](#)
- VII. [Information Session for Tuition Paying Parents](#)
- VIII. [“Get Started Now!” Secondary Transition Public Awareness Campaign LEA Mixer](#)
- IX. [What is PARCC?](#)

Important Dates and Deadlines

Dates

- 10/23: [Registration Required for “Get Started Now!” Secondary Transition Public Awareness Campaign LEA Mixer](#)
- 10/24: [Food Day 2014](#). [Download Food Day Curriculum](#)
[The Secondary Transition Fair and Community Forum](#)
- 10/28: [Registration Required for EBP Instructional Series / Text Adaptation Webinar](#)



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[Registration Required for The Best Me I Can Be: Implementing Student-led IEPs in the Special Education Planning Process Meeting](#)

- 10/22: [Child Outcomes Summary \(COS\) Monthly Support Webinar](#)

[Related Service Providers SEDS Training](#)

- 10/30: [Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Training](#)
- 10/31: [Registration Required for The Nuts and Bolts of Secondary Transition for Students with Disabilities Training](#)
- 11/3-7: [DC College Application Week](#)
- 11/7: [It Takes a City: Bridging Schools to Resources for Enhanced Student Outcomes](#)
- 11/14: [Special Education Data System \(SEDS\) Train-the-Trainer](#)
- 11/15: [National Science Teachers Association Virtual Conference: NGSS Practices in Action](#)
- 11/19: [Special Education Point of Contact Monthly Support Webinar Series](#)
- 12/9: [PARCC Readiness for Administrators](#)

Deadlines

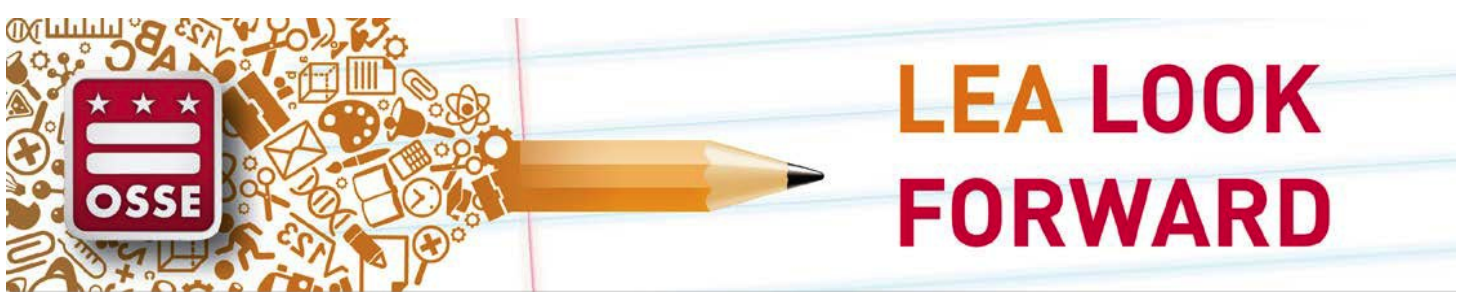
- 10/17: [5-E DCMR Chapter 30 LEA Focus Group Registration](#)
- 10/24: [OSSE Scholars Applications Due](#)
- 11/5: [The Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program Application Submission Deadline](#)

Announcements

New

The image is a promotional graphic for a Wall Street Journal article. It features a photograph of a young woman with curly hair, wearing a green shirt, smiling and looking towards the camera. The background is slightly blurred, showing other people in a classroom setting. Overlaid on the left side of the image is a dark grey box containing white text. The text reads: 'WALL STREET JOURNAL', 'Group Will Rethink School Testing', and a quote: '"It's not about 'Do we test?'; it's about making sure they are valid tests.'" followed by '- DC State Superintendent of Education Jesús Aguirre'. At the bottom of the box is a white button with the text 'Learn more'.

[OSSE Superintendent Jesus Aguirre comments on School Testing](#)



GED Program Office Offers Flexibility in Testing

The DC GED Program Office (GEDPO) administers the GED tests Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the computer laboratory at One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW. Candidates for GED tests choose their own dates and times to fit their schedules and may take one test module or a maximum of three test modules on any given weekday. Now more affordable than ever, the cost of the GED tests is \$3.75 per module, and \$15 for the full battery of four modules.

For questions and more information, contact [Ms. Deysi Ramirez](#).

Update

Special Education Point of Contact Monthly Support Webinar Series

During the school year, the OSSE Division of Specialized Education hosts a monthly webinar support series for all LEA Special Education (SE) Point of Contacts (POC), formerly LEA Data Administrators.

This webinar series takes place on the third Wednesday of every month from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Each month various topics will be discussed, including:

- SEDS updates and alerts
- The release of new OSSE special education policies
- OSSE Support Tool updates
- Data quality, including enrollment, records transfers, compliance reports, etc.
- Training tips
- Resources and announcements

All LEA SE POCs should plan to register and participate in all 10 monthly webinars, from August 2014 through May 2015. All webinars are recorded and archived. Please register for the webinar series using the link below. This registration link will automatically register participants for all 10 webinar dates, on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, August 2014 through May 2015.

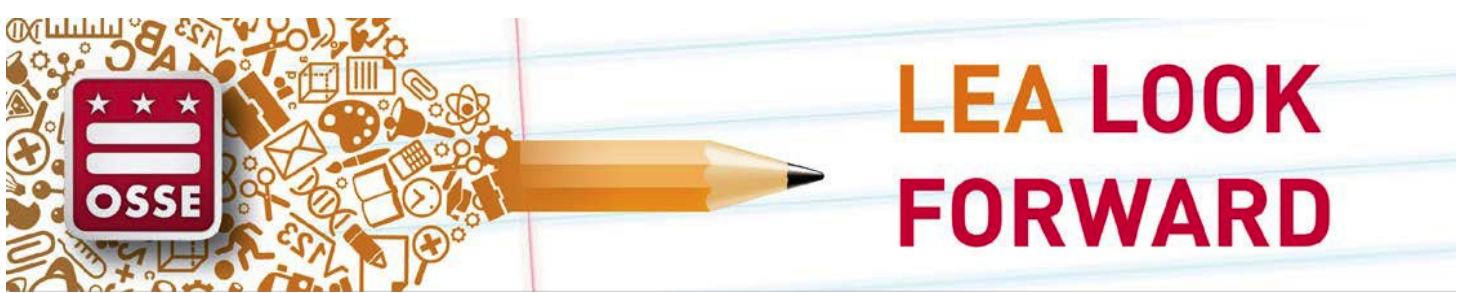
Presenter: OSSE

Dates: 3rd Wednesday of Each Month (next broadcast is Wednesday, November 19, 2014*)

Time: 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Register here: [LEA SE POC Monthly Webinar](#)

*All webinars are an hour in length.



Events

New

Distribution of School Supplies to Students in Transitory Housing

In collaboration with Feed the Children, Inc., OSSE's Transitory Services Unit in the Community Learning and School Support (CLASS) Team, will distribute free backpacks, school supplies, books, and snacks to shelter organizations, DC Public Schools, and DC Public Charter Schools that serve homeless.

The event will be held on Friday, October 31, 2014. The amount of supplies given will be based on the number of identified homeless students served by an organization. To be eligible to receive the supplies, homeless school liaisons and shelter representatives must ensure that updated liaison/shelter contact information and homeless student census forms (SY 2014-2015) are submitted to Transitory.Services@dc.gov by the close of business on October 20, 2014.

If you did not complete a census form from last school year (SY 2013-2014), you are ineligible to participate until the form is completed. A copy of the [form](#) is available online. Once this form is submitted, contacts will receive a confirmation email with information regarding how to pick up materials.

No forms will be accepted the day of the event. Please contact [Danielle Rollins](#) with any questions you may have.