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## BULLETIN NO. 010-23 FINANCIAL RESOURCES

TO: Educational Service District Superintendents  
School District Superintendents  
School District Business Managers

FROM: Chris Reykdal, Superintendent of Public Instruction

RE: Rollout of the Education Grant Management System (EGMS)

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## PURPOSE/BACKGROUND

The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) is changing its strategic approach to the Education Grant Management System (EGMS) rollout. In interactions with our customers and support team during the EGMS launch last spring of the consolidated grant application, several themes were identified that informed a revision to our approach. As a result, we now plan to slow the pace of our EGMS rollout while meeting intentional and targeted improvements for school districts. Below is a summary of the plan.

### Revised Approach

Reduce the number of competitive grants and streamline remaining grants to benefit school districts as EGMS gets fully implemented.

### Revised Timeline

All federal grants except Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) will be transitioned into EGMS this spring/early summer according to their normal renewal schedule. ESSER grants will remain in iGrants for the duration of their authorization period.

All state grants will be transitioned into EGMS in the spring/early summer of 2024. This extends the project timeline for an additional year. Because state grants will remain in iGrants for another year, a dual-system approach to grant management will be required for that year.

## Measurable Outcomes

As a result of this extended timeline, OSPI will be able to ensure the following outcomes:

- Reduce the number of competitive grants, by using a more targeted approach that requires less effort by school districts to access funds.
- Reduce the overall number of tasks required in the grants management system, by utilizing other payment methods (i.e., apportionments, contracts) to districts.
- Streamline grant applications so that information entered once is utilized wherever applicable.
- Consider alternative solutions to ensure that districts have access to additional types of system licenses to better meet district needs.

We appreciate your patience as we continue to work through this complex change. Transitioning IT systems always requires a thoughtful and intentional approach.

We can commit to you that allowing us the additional time described in this bulletin will create a smoother transition for our state grants and an overall better user experience.

## INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE

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