Non-public schools can apply for federal emergency assistance

(BOISE) – The Idaho Superintendent of Public Instruction’s office is administering the Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools (EANS) program on behalf of the Governor’s Office. The purpose of the EANS program is to provide emergency services or assistance related to COVID-19 to non-public schools.

In order to participate in the program, non-public elementary and secondary school must meet the following requirements:

- Is a non-profit;
- Is registered with the Idaho Secretary of State;
- Was in existence prior to March 13, 2020;
- Did not and will not apply for and receive a loan under the Small Business Administration’s Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) on or after December 27, 2020.

Eligible non-public schools are required to submit an EANS application to the superintendent’s office. The application form, frequently asked questions and more information are available at https://www.sde.idaho.gov/federal-programs/crrsa-act/.

Applications are due March 31, 2021.

The allocation for each school will be based on the information submitted in the application, including the COVID-19 impact/need, number/percent of economically disadvantaged students, overall student population, and total funding requests.

The Superintendent of Public Instruction’s office will be the fiscal agent and work with the non-public schools to provide the services or assistance. The Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act 2021 requires the state to “prioritize services or assistance to non-public schools that enroll low-income students and are most impacted by the qualifying emergency.”

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