



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ESEA

STATE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS

Ensuring Student Equity & Access

The **Effective Programs Committee met via conference call on March 28, 2019** at 3:00PM EST, 2:00PM CST, 1:00PM MST, 12:00PM PST.

ATTENDING

Committee Members

Ken Banter (GA); Betsy Chapman (SD); Heather Denny (MT); Kathy Gauby (ID); Jason Miller (WA); Sonya Morris (FL); Fred Williams (MI)

Association Management

Marcus Cheeks – Deputy CPO; Jeri Erickson – Membership Director

Meeting Agenda:

1) Review of [2019 Distinguished Schools modifications](#)

Committee reviewed all of the modifications to the qualifying criteria and committee concluded:

- States may use their state's average poverty rate to qualify a school.
- To include academic growth as part of qualifying criteria
- Schools must meet or exceed state determined accountability criteria

These modifications are intended to make as many schools eligible to participate as possible.

Committee reviewed the recommendation to allow the submission of more than one school under the same category and concluded:

- The current computer system will not allow the submission of multiple schools in a particular category and the system modification would be expensive. Therefore, it will remain that only one school will be able to selected per category.
- Suggestion was made to update Distinguished Schools page on the website to include that coordinators can only select one school per category, in bold print.

2) Discussion of Distinguished Schools instructions one-pager ideas.

- Marcus Cheeks and Gayle Pauley are creating a one-pager, which will include examples of how states get funding to attend the conference.
- Ken Banter and Kathy Gauby have submitted their states procedures for naming Distinguished Schools to Gayle Pauley and Marcus Cheeks
- Remaining committee members were encouraged to send examples of the procedures used by their respective states to name schools and where the funding came from, to Marcus and Gayle.

3) Other

- Ken Banter and Randy Phillips highlighted that they are in the process of creating a webinar that features the Distinguished Schools that won last year, to encourage others to apply for it, if eligible. Once complete, Ken will share the webinar with Marcus and Gayle.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, **April 25 at 3:00PM EDT**, 2:00PM CDT, 1:00PM MDT, 12:00PM MST & PDT.