

Subject: Private School Alternate Certification for EANS

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From: EANS email account

Greetings, private school contacts.

I am writing because your school has indicated that there is an issue with your enrollment or school status as provided (or not) in the sheet containing [preliminary allocations for the Emergency Assistance for Non-Public Schools \(EANS\) Program](#).

In order to be eligible to participate in the EANS program - and thus receive reimbursement and/or direct service or assistance - a non-public school must be an elementary or secondary school that

- Is non-profit;
- Is accredited, licensed, or otherwise operates in accordance with State law*;
- Was in existence prior to March 13, 2020, the date COVID-19 was declared a national emergency; and
- Did not, and will not, apply for and receive a loan under the Small Business Administration's Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) that is made on or after December 27, 2020.

*DPI indicated to schools that certification of operation in accordance with State law would be satisfied by a completed PI-1207 form. Some private schools do not submit this form, and we have learned of some others that have errors on their form - either incorrectly identifying the school as closed in 2019-20 or reporting an enrollment of zero students for the Third Friday of September of that year.

Our goal is to ensure that as many eligible and interested non-public schools as possible are able to participate in the EANS Program. As such, we have created this Alternate Private School Certification Form, which will allow schools with the issues described above to provide updated enrollment information, which will thereby certify that the school was open in 2019-20.

Please complete [this form](#) no later than Friday, April 16. If you have not yet submitted your EANS application, but plan to do so, please remember that applications are due no later than April 12 - before the due date for this alternate certification. That's okay. We will cross-reference responses from the EANS application with this form, so you may respond that your school "is accredited, licensed, or otherwise operates in accordance with State law" in your EANS application.

If you have any questions about this Alternate Private School Certification Form, or about your EANS application, please email EANS@dpi.wi.gov.

Thank you,

Laura