GEAR UP 1.0 End of Spending

Please remember, team, that we are now in our last month of spending for GEAR UP 1.0. This means that all final spending for GU1.0 must be encumbered by July 31, 2021 (with the exception of personnel costs). If expenses are encumbered on or after August 1, 2021 (without prior approval), these expenses will not be reimbursed.

This will be a great time to shift your focus back to the middle schools. No-cost services to the GU1.0 students can and should continue throughout the duration of the GU1.0 grant (through September 30, 2021). Starting on October 1, 2021, GU 2.0 funds can be used to serve 1.0 students (up to 25% of the GU 2.0 operational budget).

August QCM Program Proposals

The August QCM provides an opportunity for all staff to share their GEAR UP expertise! Consider developing a program session, and submit your proposal today! Program proposals are due July 16.
Welcome Hayden Laws!

We are pleased to announce that Hayden Laws accepted the position of GEAR UP Data Management Specialist and started on Monday, June 28th. Hayden has been working with us part-time temporarily for the past 6 months and also worked with the GEAR UP evaluation team previously as a team member on our external evaluation team. We are grateful to have found someone to fill this role that has a strong statistical analysis background as well as GEAR UP evaluation experience.

"My name is Hayden Laws, and I am the Data Management Specialist for GEAR UP. I previously worked with GEAR UP in partnership with CARE in 2019. I then came back to GEAR UP part-time before coming on full-time as the Data Management Specialist. All of my postsecondary education was completed at Appalachian State University. I received a Bachelor’s in Mathematics with a concentration in Statistics and a minor in Computer Science in 2019 and a Master’s in Data Analytics with a concentration in Sustainability in 2020. Outside of GEAR UP I love to crochet and go fishing in Stardew Valley."

Marketing & Communications Files

Do you need anything in our GEAR UP Resource Folder personalized? Do you want us to create something similar in your district? We can tweak any resource to fit the needs of your district, and we encourage you to brainstorm any ideas of how our resources can serve your needs! Districts may use any of the resources from this folder at any time. If a district wants to make any edits to an existing item in the folder, they will need to complete the Resource Request form. We will continually add items to this folder, so be sure to check back often. If you would like App State to print a resource in the folder, please allow 30 days for printing and delivery of the materials. Contact Elyssee Gibson (gibsonse@appstate.edu) with any questions.

New items in the folder include GEAR UP Zoom backgrounds, test date reminders, social media posts, GEAR UP services login flyers, survey graphics, and more!

Have Suggestions?

We love to hear your ideas! Do you have suggestions that will help us improve? At any time, please provide your feedback by clicking the button on the left. Thanks for taking the time to help us continuously grow and improve.