Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)
Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
Requirement between Local Educational Agency (LEA) and Head Start

CHARTER SCHOOL with a physical location where children attend daily and kindergarten in the building.

* You are required to upload MOU with county Head Start agency.

Q: I don’t have head start in my school building.
A: You are required to develop an MOU with your county Head Start agency.

LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY (LEA) at a school district.

Q: What if I don’t have a Head Start classroom in my school building?
A: YES, you are required to develop an MOU. The MOU is not at a local level. The MOU must be developed with your county Head Start Agency and is a federal requirement.

Q: How do I find out who my county Head Start agency is?
A: You can google search your county Head Start agency.

CHARTER SCHOOL with a physical location where children attend school daily with NO kindergarten.

Q: We already have an MOU with our Pre-K Counts program. Can we use that?
A: Yes, BUT the MOU must have all 5 of the required activities and must be inclusive of Head Start. It cannot just have “Pre-K Counts”. It must also be signed by the county Head Start agency.

*Refer to the MOU template in e-grants with example activities.

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CYBER-CHARTER SCHOOL without a brick-and-mortar building where children attend daily.

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