

## Administrative Memo

**Date:** July 24, 2012  
**To:** School Administrators, Federal Sub grantees/Recipients, and Finance Staff  
**From:** Ron Lankford, Deputy Commissioner  
**Subject:** FAS-12-006, Clarification on Impact of Sequestration for 2012-13  
School Year

The Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education recently addressed the impact of sequestration of current year funding through a letter sent to the Chief State School Officers. In the letter, Deputy Secretary Anthony Miller indicates there is no reason to believe that sequestration would affect funding for the 2012-13 school year, assuming Congress enacts a 2013 appropriations bill that is structured similarly to the pending House or Senate bills, which is a reasonable assumption based on past practice.

Deputy Secretary Miller also goes on to say that the potential for sequestration should not upset planning and hiring decisions for the upcoming 2012-13 school year, as federal funds have already been appropriated and will be provided for this school year.

If Congress does not act to avoid sequestration, districts will experience the impact in the 2013-14 school year funding levels.

To view the letter, please go to the following link: <http://dese.mo.gov/fas/Sequestration.html>