

## **FY 2015 and FY 2016 SIG 1003(g) Request for Comments Notice**

Missouri is requesting waivers of the period of availability of the FY 2015 and FY 2016 funds for the 1003(g) School Improvement Grant (SIG) program. These waivers will allow the State to extend the period of availability of the FY 2015 funds until September 30, 2021 and FY 2016 funds until September 30, 2021 for the State Educational Agency (SEA) and all of its eligible Local Educational Agencies (LEAs). This extension will allow Missouri to use FY 2014, FY 2015 and FY 2016 funding to run a new grant competition for Cadre 4 1003(g) SIG in 2016. The extension of the availability of funds will allow the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to grant up to five-year awards to LEAs that are approved for funding. The waiver request from the US Department of Education can be found in the **School Improvement Grants, Application for Fiscal years 2015 and 2016, New Awards Competition** application. The application can be found at <http://www2.ed.gov/programs/sif/index.html> under “Information for Grantees”, FY 2015-16 Application.

Please send comments to [craig.rector@dese.mo.gov](mailto:craig.rector@dese.mo.gov) by **May 3, 2016**.