ESSA Explained
Inside the Nation’s New K-12 Law

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What ESSA Leaves in the Dust

• Adequate Yearly Progress, the “AYP” of No Child Left Behind, is gone.

  • In fact, NCLB waivers are officially null and void on Aug. 1, 2016.

  • Race to the Top is gone, too.
Some Key Changes ESSA Makes

• When are states’ accountability plans due?
  • And what has to be in them?
And About Accountability: Where Do States Stand Now, Pre-ESSA?

• In some cases, states aren’t too far away from matching what ESSA requires. But in other cases, they have a lot of work to do.

*Image: Center for American Progress Report*
ESSA and School Turnarounds

- Which schools need to be identified?

The School Improvement Grant program is gone, but that’s not the whole story.
This Is a Test: ESSA and Assessment
The Teacher Evaluation Wars

... ESSA Doesn't End Them. But It Shifts Where the Major Fight is Fought.
And Speaking of Wars: How ESSA Handles Common Core

• Remember How Arne Duncan Incentivized States to Adopt the Standards?
ESSA’s New Data and Transparency Requirements
Family and Community Engagement

Are states up to the task of broadening who gives them important input about ESSA?
Block Grants, Preschool, and Special Education

- Dozens of programs covering Advanced Placement, ed-tech, and more are consolidated.
- And there’s a new joint program between two federal agencies.
Money Matters: ESSA and K-12 Finance

• The Major Formulas Stay the Same, But There’s a Funding Pilot Program.

• What Did ESSA Change About Funding? Not Much ...

• ... At Least Not Yet.
So Where’s the Early Action With ESSA?

• Sen. Lamar Alexander Is Not Happy With Secretary of Education John King. Why?

• What’s Happening at the State Level?
Can’t Get Enough ESSA?

• Check Out Our ESSA “Explainer” Video: http://www.edweek.org/ew/issues/every-student-succeeds-act/

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What is Canvas?

The Canvas Learning Management System is a way to simplify teaching and learning by connecting all the digital tools teachers use in one easy place.

- Personalize learning
- Provide flexible and adaptive learning opportunities
- Create 21st century learners

Access anywhere, anytime, from any device!
As the most usable, customizable, adaptable, and reliable learning platform (think 99.9% uptime), Canvas is adopted faster and deeper (or, is used in more ways by more users) than any other LMS.
ESSA and Canvas

Under ESSA, decision-making in hands of states and districts

ESSA requires schools to consider more than just student test scores when evaluating opportunity to learn.

3 examples of how Canvas can help:
• Provide advanced coursework online with Canvas
• Use the Canvas platform to experiment with new kinds of testing
• States choose to require PD for all teachers to ensure high-quality of teaching. Use Canvas to build, offer, and track progress of every teacher in the course.
Track Record of Success

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Required Reading from *Education Week*:

**Inside ESSA: The New Federal K-12 Law**
In this essential guide to the Every Student Succeeds Act, *Education Week* explains what the law will mean for: accountability and testing, teacher quality, early-childhood education, special education, academic standards including the Common Core, English-Language Learners, and teacher evaluation.
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