TO:       Superintendents of Schools  
          Business Managers

FROM:     Kathy Demsey  
          Chief Financial Officer

DATE:     February 8, 2021

SUBJECT:  Update to Coronavirus Relief Funds Expenditure Timeline

As you are aware, H.R. 133 - An Act to Promote Economic Partnership and Cooperation between the United States and Mexico, extended the date by which municipalities can make expenditures with CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) to December 31, 2021. On January 25, 2021, we communicated to you that we were not going to apply the extension to districts for CRF grants that are being administered by the State Department of Education on behalf of the Office of Policy and Management. Many of you reached out and indicated a need for some period of extension.

Based on your input, we are extending the timeline for drawdown of any allocated balance through October 31, 2021. Please note that minor budget revisions will be allowed, but wholesale changes to your approved applications are not. Districts should not view this as an opportunity to redo their applications to now fund items not intended under the original statewide plan. The timeline below may be helpful as you finalize payments and drawdowns for the CRF grant:

- 12/30/2020   End date for CRF coverage for costs incurred.
- 10/31/2021   End date for paying for costs incurred by 12/30/2020.
- 10/31/2021   End date for requesting reimbursement in the electronic grants management system (eGMS).
- 12/30/2021   Last CRF grant payment, which may be slightly earlier, as the exact date is not yet known.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Leah Grenier at leah.grenier@ct.gov.

Thank you.