

Monday, August 25th

GME Navigation Workshop

BREAKFAST

8:00-9:00am

Saguaro Dining

Welcome & Opening Remarks

9:00-9:15am

Cottonwood

Morning Session

Cottonwood

9:15a-12:00p

LUNCH

12:00-1:00pm

Saguaro Dining

Afternoon Session

1:00-3:00pm

Cottonwood

Closing Remarks

3:30-3:45pm

Cottonwood



Tuesday, August 26th

Charting the Course - Day 1

8:00-9:00am	BREAKFAST Saguaro Dining
9:00-9:15am	Welcome Address Cottonwood
9:15-10:45am	Keynote – Bonnie Graham Cottonwood
10:45-11:00am	Networking Break Cottonwood
11:00a-12:00p	Updates from Grants Management Cottonwood
12:00-1:00pm	LUNCH Saguaro Dining
1:15-2:00pm	Breakout Session One Ocotillo; Brittlebush; Chia; Desert Star
2:15-3:00pm	Breakout Session Two Ocotillo; Brittlebush; Chia; Desert Star
3:15-4:00pm	Closing Remarks Cottonwood



Wednesday, August 27th

Charting the Course - Day 2

8:00-8:30am	BREAKFAST
8:30-8:45am	Saguaro Dining Welcome Address
	Cottonwood
8:45-9:30am	Keynote – Bonnie Graham Cottonwood
9:30-10:30am	Keys to Successful Funding
	Applications Cottonwood
10:30-10:50am	Superintendent's Address
	Cottonwood
10:50-11:10am	Chief Financial Officer's Address
	Cottonwood
11:15a-12:15p	LUNCH
	Saguaro Dining
12:30-1:15pm	Breakout Session One
	Ocotillo; Brittlebush; Chia; Desert Star
1:30-1:50pm	Program Area Gallery Walk
	Cottonwood
2:00-2:45pm	Breakout Session Two
	Ocotillo; Brittlebush; Chia; Desert Star
2:45-3:30pm	Closing Remarks
	Cottonwood



Federal Education Updates

Bonnie Graham – Bruman Group, PLLC August 26th 9:00am, Cottonwood

Will discuss latest guidance and updates from DC affecting federal education programs and grants.

Cracking the Code: The Chart of Accounts

Amanda Winn – Office of the Arizona Auditor General
August 26th 1:15pm, Ocotillo; 2:15pm, Ocotillo

Prepare to learn how to crack the codes of the USFR Chart of Accounts.

Average Daily Membership (ADM) Audits

Angel Santiago – Arizona Department of Education-Audit
August 26th 1:15pm, Chia; 2:15pm, Chia

What the unit does (a brief explanation)

Annual Finance Report Impacts on Grants

Ryan Young – Arizona Department of Education-School Finance
August 26th 1:15pm, Desert Star; 2:15pm, Desert Star

School Finance collects the Annual Financial Reports (AFR) and the corresponding data every year. These reports can create grant holds and affect maintenance of effort (MOE). This presentation will review these impacts and which parts of the AFR are important in regards to grants.



Bumps in the Road: Common Fiscal Monitoring Findings and How to Avoid Them

Kristin Morris – Arizona Department of Education-Grants Management August 26th 1:15pm, Brittlebush;

This presentation will dive into the most common findings identified during the fiscal monitoring process. We will discuss scenarios and ways to avoid receiving findings.

Your Fiscal Roadmap: Best Practices for Reimbursement Requests and Completion Reports

Mhelanie Hernandez – Arizona Department of Education-Grants Management August 26th 2:15pm, Brittlebush;

The presentation will cover best practices for a better fiscal year closeout.

X Marks the Spot: The Grants Fiscal Processing Timeline

Ryan Adame – Arizona Department of Education-Grants Management
August 27th 12:30pm, Desert Star; 2:00pm, Ocotillo

Using the life cycle of a grant, we will cover the primary topics associated with the Fiscal Processing side of Grants Management from being awarded an approved funding application, to reimbursing over the course of an award, and finally closing out the grant via completion report. Other topics include best practices, our two annual closeout periods, and how to best seek assistance.



Effectively Steering the Ship: Policies and Procedures (Procurement & Asset Management)-Part 1 of 2

Roxanne Reese & Veronica Vizcarra – Arizona Department of Education-Grants Management

August 27th 12:30pm, Chia

Do you want to know that your procurement and asset management policies and procedures are audit-proof? Reduce administrative burden by creating and implementing effective systems. Join us in this breakout session where attendees will learn the value of maintaining strong policies and procedures. Participants will also be provided with strategies and best practices for evaluating their current systems.

Effectively Steering the Ship: Policies and Procedures (Time & Effort, Travel, User Access)-Part 2 of 2

Roxanne Reese & Veronica Vizcarra – Arizona Department of Education-Grants Management

August 27th 2:00pm, Chia

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GME Frequently Asked Questions

Aaron Tyler & Desirae Parada – Arizona Department of Education-Grants
Management

August 27th 12:30pm, Ocotillo

Our Grants Management Tech Team has scoured the Help Desk and phone logs for the most common questions we receive related to Grants Management Enterprise (GME) System. Join us as we explore these FAQs and discuss tips and tricks to help you avoid the same issues yourself.

Missed the Turn: Navigating Late Submissions and Rerouting for Success

Mhelanie Hernandez & Nicole Von Prisk – Arizona Department of Education-Grants Management

August 27th 12:30pm, Brittlebush; 2:00pm, Brittlebush

A presentation on missed opportunities and the downstream effects. To wrap up the presentation, we will go over how to plan for success with resources and best practices.

Seeing Both Sides

Tim McCain – Casa Grande Elementary School District-CFO August 27th 2:00pm, Desert Star

Drawing from experience on both the LEA and ADE side of school operations, I'll share important strategies that can make your teams more efficient and streamlined. I'll offer some perspectives that can help ensure you are set up for a successful school year.