

ESSER III Update

Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief

January 18, 2022

Children First, Always!

ESSER Programs



- Support schools in safely reopening and sustaining safe operations of schools.
- Intended to meet the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of students resulting from the pandemic.

ESSER III Grant

Initial Grant Amount: \$28,053,907

May 17, 2021 Board Meeting - Overview and July
19, 2021 Board Meeting - Update

- Authorized by the ARP Act of 2021
- Funds available: 03/13/2020 to 09/30/2024

ESSER III Grant

Remaining Allocation: \$14,026,954

Total ESSER III: \$42,080,861

- Initial release was scheduled for September. Remaining funds just now made available.
- 20% of the grant total is required for instruction

ESSER III Program Plan

Use of Funds Plan 2021-2024

Allowable Use of Funds	Planned Activities	Actual Activities	Planned Spending
Planning for long-term closures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide meals to eligible students • Technology for online learning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide meals to eligible students • Technology for online learning 	\$966,000
Purchasing supplies to sanitize facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal protective equipment (PPE) and sanitizing supplies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal protective equipment (PPE) and sanitizing supplies 	\$1,200,000
Purchasing educational technology (not covered by other grants)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hardware, software, connectivity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hardware, software, connectivity 	\$1,797,477
Addressing the needs of underrepresented student populations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social workers • Behavior specialists • Campus Intervention Coaches (CIC) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social workers – 2 • Behavior specialists and • CIC (transfer from general) 	\$4,917,916
Providing mental health services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional development to address social and emotional challenges • Counselors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional Development • Counselors (split with general) 	\$1,958,264
Implementing summer learning activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extended summer learning programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scheduled for summer 2022 	\$500,000

ESSER III Program Plan

Use of Funds Plan 2021-2024 (cont.)

Allowable Use of Funds	Planned Activities	Actual Activities	Planned Spending
Addressing learning loss through evidence-based interventions (20% minimum)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Director, Student Services Interventionists and Class-size reduction teachers Academic intervention programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dir, Student Services - 1 Interventionists and Class-size reduction teachers – 25 Fueling Brains, Branching Minds, Intervention Programs 	\$11,335,750
Improving indoor air quality to reduce virus transmission risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upgrades-HVAC and ventilation controls EMS ventilation optimization 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upgrades-HVAC and ventilation controls EMS ventilation optimization 	\$1,838,000
Implementing health protocols in line with CDC on reopening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bus purchase to meet social distancing requirements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bus purchase to meet social distancing requirements 	\$100,500
Activities necessary to maintain operations and continuity of services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subs for COVID leave Paid leave and benefits for employees due to COVID Retention stipend 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subs for COVID leave Paid leave and benefits for employees due to COVID Retention stipend 	\$10,664,193
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indirect costs (16.193%) 		\$6,816,355
Total			\$42,094,455

Next Steps

- Continued stakeholder input & review over the 4-year grant period
- Scrutinize the use of funds and impact
- Continued updates to the Board

Questions?

