

Stimulus Funds (ESSER)

- CARES Act (ESSER I)
- Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (ESSER II)
- American Rescue Plan (ESSER III)

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History

Congress set aside approximately \$13.2 billion of the \$30.75 billion allotted to the Education Stabilization Fund through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act for the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER Funds).

Emergency funds were granted to schools to address the impact that Covid-19 has had and continues to have on elementary and secondary schools across the nation. *Allocations based on student enrollment and free and reduced lunch percentages at each school.*

- **CARES Act (ESSER I)** - Signed into law through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act for the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund on 03/27/20
- **ESSER II** - Signed into law through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSA) on 12/27/20
- **ESSER III** - Signed into law through the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act on 03/11/21

Rules/Considerations

General Rules

- Provide schools with funding to **prevent, prepare for, and respond to the Covid-19 pandemic**
- Three grants - funds must be spent by either 9/30/23 or 9/30/24

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- Meeting student needs
- Sustainability
- Challenges in staffing/timing

CARES Act (ESSER I) - funds available through 09/30/21

General Rules

- Allocations based on student enrollment, free and reduced lunch percentage for each school
- Allowable uses include funding to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the Covid-19 pandemic
- Strong emphasis on using these funds to strengthen infrastructure for remote learning
- Must provide supplemental educational services for eligible private school students

2020-21 ESSER I (CARES GRANT) Grant Allocation: \$100,310	
Expenditure	Cost
Remote Learning Task Force for the Reopening of Schools - Staff Curriculum Development Pay and Benefits	\$17,665
Professional Learning for District Staff (including Social Emotional Learning and Restorative Practices)	\$4,983
Technology to Support Student Learning (including, but not limited to, training, materials, and subscriptions for Newsela, Screencastify, and Zoom, as well as cases for student devices)	\$73,721
Non-Public School Instructional Materials (including laptops and webcams)	\$3,941

Expenditure Categories Key
<i>Technology</i>
<i>Teaching and Learning</i>
<i>PPE & Mitigation Supplies/Equipment</i>
<i>Facilities/Space Modification</i>
<i>Personnel</i>

Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (ESSER II) - funds available through 09/30/23

General Rules

- Allowable uses include funding to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the Covid-19 pandemic
- Additional allowable uses include funds to mitigate learning loss through supplemental learning opportunities, preparing schools for reopening, and closing digital divide
- No requirement for supplemental educational services for eligible private school students

2021-23 ESSER II Grant Allocation: \$338,163	
Expenditure	Cost
Summer Bridge Program - Staff salaries and benefits	\$19,781
Salary and Benefits for Middle School Interventionist	\$57,493
Technology to Support Student Learning (including, but not limited to, iPads, Chromebooks, as well as training, materials, and online student subscriptions such as Newsela)	\$198,580
PPE (including hand sanitizer, wipes, and masks)	\$62,309

Expenditure Categories Key
<i>Technology</i>
<i>Teaching and Learning</i>
<i>PPE & Mitigation Supplies/Equipment</i>
<i>Facilities/Space Modification</i>
<i>Personnel</i>

American Rescue Plan (ESSER III) - funds available through 09/30/24

General Rules

- Available 07/01/21 or later
- 20% of funds to address learning loss
 - Social, emotional, and academic evidence-based interventions
 - Address disproportionate impact of Covid-19 on underrepresented student subgroups
- Remaining funds may be used to address needs arising from the pandemic
- No requirement for supplemental educational services for eligible private school students

American Rescue Plan (ESSER III) - funds available through 09/30/24

2021-24 ESSER III Grant Allocation: \$816,918	
Expenditure	Projected Costs
Social-Emotional Learning Curriculum - 5 year contract	\$30,000
Facilities/Space Modification/Furniture (including, but not limited to, lunch tables to support social distancing)	\$17,150
Technology to Support Student Learning (including, but not limited to, training, materials, and online student subscriptions for Newsela, Reflex Math Fact Fluency, Zoom, as well as chargers and cases for student devices)	\$132,145
Teacher Stipends for Remote Education Program	\$60,000
Tutoring Services to Address Learning Loss - Staff Salaries	\$120,000
Instructional Materials to Support Student Learning (including, but not limited to, materials for tutoring services; materials for students receiving math and literacy support services, emergent bilingual services, special education services; materials to address learning loss or student mental health)	\$86,500
Unallocated Funds (funds that have not been earmarked)	\$371,123

Expenditure Categories Key
<i>Technology</i>
<i>Teaching and Learning</i>
<i>PPE, Mitigation Supplies/Equipment, & Space Modification</i>
<i>Facilities/Space Modification</i>
<i>Personnel</i>

Thank you.

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