

ESSER III Expenditure Plan

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School districts, county offices of education, or charter schools, collectively known as LEAs, that receive Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds under the American Rescue Plan Act, referred to as ESSER III funds, are required to develop a plan for how they will use their ESSER III funds. In the plan, an LEA must explain how it intends to use its ESSER III funds to address students' academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs, as well as any opportunity gaps that existed before, and were worsened by, the COVID-19 pandemic. An LEA may also use its ESSER III funds in other ways, as detailed in the Fiscal Requirements section of the Instructions. In developing the plan, the LEA has flexibility to include community input and/or actions included in other planning documents, such as the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP), provided that the input and actions are relevant to the LEA's Plan to support students.

For more information please see the Instructions.

Other LEA Plans Referenced in this Plan

Plan Title	Where the Plan May Be Accessed
Local Control and Accountability Plan	https://www.busdk12.com/departments/education-services/local-control-accountability-information
Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan	https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1639509777/barstowk12caus/p7ky82yt9zlvjz2ox1f1/ExpandedLearningOpporunitiesGrantPlan05252021.pdf

Summary of Planned ESSER III Expenditures

Below is a summary of the ESSER III funds received by the LEA and how the LEA intends to expend these funds in support of students.

Total ESSER III funds received by the LEA

\$27,374,382	
Plan Section	Total Planned ESSER III Expenditures
Strategies for Continuous and Safe In-Person Learning	\$7,300,000
Addressing Lost Instructional Time (a minimum of 20 percent of the LEAs ESSER III funds)	\$6,174,382
Use of Any Remaining Funds	\$13,900,000

Total ESSER III funds included in this plan

\$27,374,382

Community Engagement

An LEA's decisions about how to use its ESSER III funds will directly impact the students, families, and the local community. The following is a description of how the LEA meaningfully consulted with its community members in determining the prevention and mitigation strategies, strategies to address the academic impact of lost instructional time, and any other strategies or activities to be implemented by the LEA. In developing the plan, the LEA has flexibility to include input received from community members during the development of other LEA Plans, such as the LCAP, provided that the input is relevant to the development of the LEA's ESSER III Expenditure Plan.

For specific requirements, including a list of the community members that an LEA is required to consult with, please see the Community Engagement section of the Instructions.

A description of the efforts made by the LEA to meaningfully consult with its required community members and the opportunities provided by the LEA for public input in the development of the plan.

Barstow Unified School District (BUSD) in coordination with site administration, invited parents to include, but not limited to, BUSD Parent Advisory group, to participate in ESSER III planning meetings. BUSD Parent Advisory group maintain the interest of all

students, but specifically the interests of students with disabilities, English learners, homeless students, foster youth, migratory students, children who are incarcerated, and other underserved students. Parents who attended ESSER III planning meetings have a vested interest in BUSD students and families. BUSD staff, to include all administrative staff and Special Education Administrators and their support staff, teachers, teachers' union (BEA) classified staff and classified union (CSEA) were informed of ESSER III planning meetings during regularly scheduled management and staff meetings. BUSD staff were informed on draft BUSD's ESSER III plan and allowed the opportunity to provide input. BUSD, during strategic planning meetings, invited community members who are working in collaboration with the district to promote the support of all students regardless of race and/or disability to ESSER III planning meetings and/or discussed the district's draft ESSER III plan during these meetings. Barstow's community includes families that identify with or are connected to many different ethnic groups. Meetings for the ESSER III plan were open to all community members, to include families that speak languages other than English. No participants stated they were representing specific tribes, civil rights organizations, or advocacy groups representing children with disabilities, English learners, homeless students, foster youth, migratory students, incarcerated students or other underserved students. During meetings, parents, staff and community members were given the opportunity to review BUSD's draft ESSER III plan for the use of ESSER III funds. Attendees were provided the opportunity to engage with BUSD staff directly connected with the draft ESSER III Expenditure plan and to provide suggestions on uses of ESSER III funds. Some meetings were held in conjunction with the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) development meetings with parents, staff and community members. Other meetings were scheduled specifically for ESSER III planning and held at the district office.

A description of how the development of the plan was influenced by community input.

During ESSER III planning meetings, Barstow Unified School District (BUSD) collaborated with parents, staff and community members to solidify a plan for the effective use of ESSER III funds. BUSD presented its draft plan for the use of ESSER III funds to elicit input and suggestions. During these meetings, attendees were encouraged to ask questions and/or provide feedback on the draft plan. Meeting attendees were in support of the development of the Wellness and Media Center. Parents expressed a concern for the social/emotional stress of the pandemic on children and supported the plan to use the vacant facility above Barstow Fine Arts Academy to house a Wellness and Media Center. Attendees inquired on the district's plan to provide tutoring services to students needing additional instructional support to recoup learning lost during school closures. It was expressed that students would need additional supports and ESSER III funds should be utilized to provide these supports, specifically tutoring and summer school. All attendees agreed with the continued purchase of personal protective equipment (PPE) and technology. Suggestions that aligned with the District's philosophy and vision were incorporated into applicable areas of the plan.

Actions and Expenditures to Address Student Needs

The following is the LEA's plan for using its ESSER III funds to meet students' academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs, as well as how the LEA will address the opportunity gaps that existed before, and were exacerbated by, the COVID-19 pandemic. In developing the plan, the LEA has the flexibility to include actions described in existing plans, including the LCAP and/or Expanded Learning Opportunity (ELO) Grant Plan, to the extent that the action(s) address the requirements of the ESSER III Expenditure Plan.

For specific requirements, please refer to the Actions and Expenditures to Address Student Needs section of the Instructions.

Strategies for Continuous and Safe In-Person Learning

A description of how the LEA will use funds to continuously and safely operate schools for in-person learning in a way that reduces or prevents the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

Total ESSER III funds being used to implement strategies for continuous and safe in-person learning

\$7,300,000			
Plan Alignment (if applicable)	Action Title	Action Description	Planned ESSER III Funded Expenditures
N/A	Purchase and use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	BUSD will maintain a continual supply of PPE to include: hand sanitizer, adult and child disposable face masks, disinfectants, hand soap, gloves, etc.	\$250,000
N/A	Purchase of bottled water	<p>BUSD will maintain a supply of bottled water to allow for drinking fountains to remain closed down. Drinking fountains are not being used to minimize the spread of COVID-19.</p> <p>BUSD will utilize refillable water containers and disposable cups to provide access to fresh drinking water during outdoor activities to provide a no-touch solution to drinking fountains to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.</p>	\$500,000
N/A	Installation of touchless drinking fountains and water bottle fillers	Installation of touchless drinking fountains at all elementary schools. Installation of water bottle fillers at junior high and high schools. This installation and use will provide no-touch access to drinking water mitigating the spread of COVID-19.	\$500,000
N/A	Upgrade and improve Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) units where necessary	Upgrade and improve all older, non-HEPA compliant, HVAC systems within the District at those sites requiring upgrades and/or improvements. The upgrades/improvements will increase the quality of air circulation.	5,000,000

Plan Alignment (if applicable)	Action Title	Action Description	Planned ESSER III Funded Expenditures
N/A	Install outdoor shade structures	BUSD will provide shade structures/shelters to allow for outdoor meal service to the extent possible. It is suggested, for the return to in-person learning, that meal service be provided outside whenever possible to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.	\$200,000
N/A	Purchase and provide repackaged food items when possible	BUSD Nutrition Services will use, to the greatest extent possible, prepackaged food items to minimize food exposure/cross-contamination with COVID-19.	\$500,000
N/A	Daily use of disinfecting equipment and disinfectants	BUSD custodial staff will be provided with whole room sanitizing sprayers. Custodial staff will include the use of sanitizing sprayers in their daily cleaning. BUSD will maintain a supply of disinfectant to ensure daily room disinfecting. Disinfecting has been reported to minimize the transmission of COVID-19.	\$250,000
Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan- BUSD's plan to provide supplemental instruction and support page 3	Increase to staff hours	When necessary, increase to staff hours of maintenance and/or custodial staff to ensure the cleanliness of school sites so that students are able to be present and learning in a COVID-19 free environment. Additional hours over and beyond those in the ELO to ensure all requirements of the California Department of Health guidelines for cleanliness are being followed.	\$100,000

Addressing the Impact of Lost Instructional Time

A description of how the LEA will use funds to address the academic impact of lost instructional time.

Total ESSER III funds being used to address the academic impact of lost instructional time

\$6,174,382

Plan Alignment (if applicable)	Action Title	Action Description	Planned ESSER III Funded Expenditures
LCAP Goal 1 Action 3	Increase to staff hours to increase/improve instructional time	Increase to staff hours to increase/improve instructional time that will benefit students by giving them more opportunities for direct instruction, peer to peer collaboration, extended learning time and assignment clarification and completion. This action creates additional time for elementary and secondary teachers for activities such as: planning, collaboration, and professional learning communities to improve strategies that will address mitigating learning loss created by COVID-19 and school closures. This action will benefit all students as teachers gain more time to plan, collaborate with peers, and align curriculum. In addition, this action will provide additional hours for staff to extend the school day to incorporate needed time to plan and provide instruction directed toward learning loss.	\$2,000,000
Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan- BUSD's plan to provide supplemental instruction and support page 3	District provided tutoring	Tutoring will be offered to students who are at risk based upon the outcome of i-Ready assessment feedback analyzed and administered beginning with the first days of the 2021-22 school year and continuing through the 2023-24 school year. The outcome of i-Ready data will produce opportunities both in an individual setting as well as in small groups to address any sub-standard achievement in the California Standards of Math and ELA. Student instruction will focus on ELA and Math and be presented by certificated employees and supported by classified employees in a style that is engaging and positive. This action will allow for all schools in the district who have identified students needing intervention for learning loss to provide tutoring extending into the 2021-22 through 2023-24 school years.	\$2,000,000

Plan Alignment (if applicable)	Action Title	Action Description	Planned ESSER III Funded Expenditures
Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan- BUSD's plan to provide supplemental instruction and support page 2	District provided TK-12 summer school	A TK-12th grade summer school program will be provided to all "at-risk" students during the summer between the 2022-23 and 2023-24 school year. Summer school will be provided with a ratio of 24:1 for each elementary section and 30:1 for each secondary section. Student instruction will focus on ELA and Math and be presented by certificated employees and supported by classified employees in a style that engaging and positive. This action will allow for all schools in the district who have identified students needing intervention for learning loss to provide summer school extending into the 2021-22 through 2023-24 school years. Counselors will be assigned to summer school to support social emotional learning opportunities and trauma informed support for students.	\$2,000,000
N/A	Provide staff professional development	Provide professional development for certificated and classified staff, where needed, to promote and engage efforts to assist all students with mitigating learning loss and addressing social/emotional needs of students.	\$174,382

Use of Any Remaining Funds

A description of the how the LEA will use any remaining ESSER III funds, as applicable.

Total ESSER III funds being used to implement additional actions

\$13,900,000

Plan Alignment (if applicable)	Action Title	Action Description	Planned ESSER III Funded Expenditures
N/A	Wellness and Media Center	Modernization of District vacant facilities located above the Barstow Fine Arts Academy school site to utilize space needed to create a wellness and media center. Space will include counseling offices for students to address learning loss through tutoring and credit recovery, psychologist offices to support mental health needs of students, staff, parents and the community, media center to ensure efficient tracking of curriculum and supplies and to provide support to instructional staff. Additionally, the facility may be used for COVID-19 vaccination and testing site space, when needed.	\$11,900,000
LCAP Goal 1 Action 1 and Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan- BUSD's plan to provide supplemental instruction and support page 3	District-wide purchase of technology and technology equipment	Continued technology refresh will be purchased by the BUSD technology department to maintain a 1:1 student to device ratio in our schools and replace devices that have reached end of life. Technologies will include Chromebooks, iPads, laptops, desktops, projectors, and infrastructures. The technology will be purchased for students, teachers, and support staff to ensure each group will have up to date devices that will support continued efforts to address learning loss created by COVID-19 and school closures. Purchases will be over and beyond those stated in the LCAP and Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan to allow for a 100% refresh of technology. Included in the action will be the purchase of infra-structure equipment related to the district's network, Internet connectivity and data accessibility/security.	\$2,000,000

Ensuring Interventions are Addressing Student Needs

The LEA is required to ensure its interventions will respond to the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of all students, and particularly those students most impacted by the COVID–19 pandemic. The following is the LEA’s plan for ensuring that the actions and expenditures in the plan are addressing the identified academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of its students, and particularly those students most impacted by the COVID–19 pandemic.

Action Title(s)	How Progress will be Monitored	Frequency of Progress Monitoring
1. Purchase and use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) 2. Purchase of Bottled Water 3. Install outdoor shade structures 4. Purchase and provide repackaged food items when possible 5. Daily use of disinfecting equipment and disinfectants	By review of purchase orders, site warehouse re-orders, and email requests for supplies by district staff. On-site administrative monitoring and updates.	Monthly
1. Installation of touchless drinking fountains and water bottle fillers 2. Wellness and Media Center 3. Upgrade and improve Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) units where necessary	By review of plan, design and implement phases of agreement with district architectural firm and construction contract.	Quarterly
1. Increase to staff positions and/or staff hours 2. Increase to staff positions and/or hours to increase/improve instructional time	On-site administrative review of staff performance and request for additional hours/staff.	Monthly

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1. Provide staff professional development	On-site administrative review of staff performance and request for professional development, professional development provided and the number of staff in attendance.	Monthly
1. District provided tutoring 2. District provided TK-12 summer school	On-site administrative review of student attendance and performance. Routine check-in with staff.	Weekly
1. District-wide purchase of technology and technology equipment	Inventory of equipment and assessment of site needs. Monitoring of equipment purchased and its distribution and use.	Bi-Annual

ESSER III Expenditure Plan Instructions

Introduction

School districts, county offices of education (COEs), or charter schools, collectively known as local educational agencies (LEAs), that receive Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds under the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act, referred to as ESSER III funds, are required to develop a plan for how they will use ESSER III funds to, at a minimum, address students' academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs, as well as the opportunity gaps that existed before, and were exacerbated by, the COVID-19 pandemic.

The plan must be adopted by the local governing board or body of the LEA at a public meeting on or before October 29, 2021 and must be submitted for review and approval within five days of adoption. A school district must submit its ESSER III Expenditure Plan to its COE for review and approval; a COE must submit its plan to the California Department of Education for review and approval. A charter school must submit its plan to its chartering authority for review and to the COE of the county in which the charter school operates for review and approval.

In addition, consistent with the requirements of the ARP, Volume 86, *Federal Register*, page 21201, April 22, 2021, the ESSER III Expenditure Plan must be:

- Written in an understandable and uniform format;
- Written in a language that parents can understand, to the extent practicable;

- If it is not practicable to provide written translations to a parent with limited English proficiency, the plan must be orally translated for parents
- Provided in an alternative format to a parent who is an individual with a disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act, upon request; and
- Be made publicly available on the LEA's website.

For additional information regarding ESSER III funding please see the ARP Act Funding web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/fq/cr/arpact.asp>.

For technical assistance related to the ESSER III Expenditure Plan template and instructions, please contact LCFF@cde.ca.gov. For all other questions related to ESSER III, please contact EDReliefFunds@cde.ca.gov.

Fiscal Requirements

- The LEA must use at least 20 percent (20%) of its ESSER III apportionment for expenditures related to addressing the academic impact of lost instructional time through the implementation of evidence-based interventions, such as summer learning or summer enrichment, extended day, comprehensive afterschool programs, or extended school year programs.
 - For purposes of this requirement, “evidence-based interventions” include practices or programs that have evidence to show that they are effective at producing results and improving outcomes when implemented. This kind of evidence has generally been produced through formal studies and research. There are four tiers, or levels, of evidence:
 - **Tier 1 – Strong Evidence:** the effectiveness of the practices or programs is supported by one or more well-designed and well-implemented randomized control experimental studies.
 - **Tier 2 – Moderate Evidence:** the effectiveness of the practices or programs is supported by one or more well-designed and well-implemented quasi-experimental studies.
 - **Tier 3 – Promising Evidence:** the effectiveness of the practices or programs is supported by one or more well-designed and well-implemented correlational studies (with statistical controls for selection bias).
 - **Tier 4 – Demonstrates a Rationale:** practices that have a well-defined logic model or theory of action, are supported by research, and have some effort underway by a State Educational Agency, LEA, or outside research organization to determine their effectiveness.
 - For additional information please see the Evidence-Based Interventions Under the ESSA web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/re/es/evidence.asp>.
- The LEA must use the remaining ESSER III funds consistent with section 2001(e)(2) of the ARP Act, including for:
 - Any activity authorized by the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965;
 - Any activity authorized by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA);

- Any activity authorized by the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act;
- Any activity authorized by the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006;
- Coordination of preparedness and response efforts of LEAs with State, local, Tribal, and territorial public health departments, and other relevant agencies, to improve coordinated responses among such entities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19;
- Activities to address the unique needs of low-income students, students with disabilities, English learners, racial and ethnic minorities, homeless students, and foster youth, including how outreach and service delivery will meet the needs of each population;
- Developing and implementing procedures and systems to improve the preparedness and response efforts of LEAs;
- Training and professional development for staff of the LEA on sanitation and minimizing the spread of infectious diseases;
- Purchasing supplies to sanitize and clean the facilities of an LEA, including buildings operated by such agency;
- Planning for, coordinating, and implementing activities during long-term closures, including providing meals to eligible students, providing technology for online learning to all students, providing guidance for carrying out requirements under IDEA, and ensuring other educational services can continue to be provided consistent with all Federal, State, and local requirements;
- Purchasing education technology (including hardware, software, and connectivity) for students who are served by the LEA that aids in regular and substantive educational interaction between students and their classroom instructors, including low-income students and children with disabilities, which may include assistive technology or adaptive equipment;
- Providing mental health services and supports, including through the implementation of evidence-based full-service community schools;
- Planning and implementing activities related to summer learning and supplemental after school programs, including providing classroom instruction or online learning during the summer months and addressing the needs of underserved students;
- Addressing learning loss among students, including underserved students, by:
 - Administering and using high-quality assessments that are valid and reliable, to accurately assess students' academic progress and assist educators in meeting students' academic needs, including through differentiated instruction,
 - Implementing evidence-based activities to meet the comprehensive needs of students,
 - Providing information and assistance to parents and families of how they can effectively support students, including in a distance learning environment, and
 - Tracking student attendance and improving student engagement in distance education;

Note: A definition of “underserved students” is provided in the Community Engagement section of the instructions.

- School facility repairs and improvements to enable operation of schools to reduce risks of virus transmission and exposure to environmental health hazards, and to support student health needs;
- Inspection, testing, maintenance, repair, replacement, and upgrade projects to improve the indoor air quality in school facilities, including mechanical and nonmechanical heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems, filtering, purification and other air cleaning, fans, control systems, and window and door replacement;
- Developing strategies and implementing public health protocols including, to the greatest extent practicable, policies in line with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for the reopening and operation of school facilities to effectively maintain the health and safety of students, educators, and other staff;
- Other activities that are necessary to maintain the operation of and continuity of services in LEAs and continuing to employ existing staff of the LEA.

Other LEA Plans Referenced in this Plan

In developing the plan, the LEA has flexibility to include community input and/or actions included in other planning documents, such as the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) and/or the Expanded Learning Opportunities (ELO) Grant Plan, provided that the input and/or actions address the requirements of the ESSER III Expenditure Plan.

An LEA that chooses to utilize community input and/or actions from other planning documents must provide the name of the plan(s) referenced by the LEA and a description of where the plan(s) may be accessed by the public (such as a link to a web page or the street address of where the plan(s) are available) in the table. The LEA may add or delete rows from the table as necessary.

An LEA that chooses not to utilize community input and/or actions from other planning documents may provide a response of “Not Applicable” in the table.

Summary of Expenditures

The Summary of Expenditures table provides an overview of the ESSER III funding received by the LEA and how the LEA plans to use its ESSER III funds to support the strategies and interventions being implemented by the LEA.

Instructions

For the ‘Total ESSER III funds received by the LEA,’ provide the total amount of ESSER III funds received by the LEA.

In the Total Planned ESSER III Expenditures column of the table, provide the amount of ESSER III funds being used to implement the actions identified in the applicable plan sections.

For the ‘Total ESSER III funds included in this plan,’ provide the total amount of ESSER III funds being used to implement actions in the plan.

Community Engagement

Purpose and Requirements

An LEA's decisions about how to use its ESSER III funds will directly impact the students, families, and the local community, and thus the LEA's plan must be tailored to the specific needs faced by students and schools. These community members will have significant insight into what prevention and mitigation strategies should be pursued to keep students and staff safe, as well as how the various COVID-19 prevention and mitigation strategies impact teaching, learning, and day-to-day school experiences.

An LEA must engage in meaningful consultation with the following community members, as applicable to the LEA:

- Students;
- Families, including families that speak languages other than English;
- School and district administrators, including special education administrators;
- Teachers, principals, school leaders, other educators, school staff, and local bargaining units, as applicable.

“Meaningful consultation” with the community includes considering the perspectives and insights of each of the required community members in identifying the unique needs of the LEA, especially related to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Comprehensive strategic planning will utilize these perspectives and insights to determine the most effective strategies and interventions to address these needs through the programs and services the LEA implements with its ESSER III funds.

Additionally, an LEA must engage in meaningful consultation with the following groups to the extent that they are present or served in the LEA:

- Tribes;
- Civil rights organizations, including disability rights organizations (e.g. the American Association of People with Disabilities, the American Civil Liberties Union, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, etc.); and
- Individuals or advocates representing the interests of children with disabilities, English learners, homeless students, foster youth, migratory students, children who are incarcerated, and other underserved students.
 - For purposes of this requirement “underserved students” include:
 - Students who are low-income;
 - Students who are English learners;
 - Students of color;
 - Students who are foster youth;
 - Homeless students;
 - Students with disabilities; and

- Migratory students.

LEAs are also encouraged to engage with community partners, expanded learning providers, and other community organizations in developing the plan.

Information and resources that support effective community engagement may be found under *Resources* on the following web page of the CDE's website: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/re/lc>.

Instructions

In responding to the following prompts, the LEA may reference or include input provided by community members during the development of existing plans, including the LCAP and/or the ELO Grant Plan, to the extent that the input is applicable to the requirements of the ESSER III Expenditure Plan. Descriptions provided should include sufficient detail yet be sufficiently succinct to promote a broad understanding among the LEA's local community.

A description of the efforts made by the LEA to meaningfully consult with its required community members and the opportunities provided by the LEA for public input in the development of the plan.

A sufficient response to this prompt will describe how the LEA sought to meaningfully consult with its required community members in the development of the plan, how the LEA promoted the opportunities for community engagement, and the opportunities that the LEA provided for input from the public at large into the development of the plan.

As noted above, a description of "meaningful consultation" with the community will include an explanation of how the LEA has considered the perspectives and insights of each of the required community members in identifying the unique needs of the LEA, especially related to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

A description of the how the development of the plan was influenced by community input.

A sufficient response to this prompt will provide clear, specific information about how input from community members and the public at large was considered in the development of the LEA's plan for its use of ESSER III funds. This response must describe aspects of the ESSER III Expenditure Plan that were influenced by or developed in response to input from community members.

- For the purposes of this prompt, "aspects" may include:
 - Prevention and mitigation strategies to continuously and safely operate schools for in-person learning;
 - Strategies to address the academic impact of lost instructional time through implementation of evidence-based interventions (e.g. summer learning or summer enrichment, extended day, comprehensive afterschool programs, or extended school year programs);
 - Any other strategies or activities implemented with the LEA's ESSER III fund apportionment consistent with section 2001(e)(2) of the ARP Act; and

- Progress monitoring to ensure interventions address the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs for all students, especially those students disproportionately impacted by COVID-19

For additional information and guidance, please see the U.S. Department of Education's Roadmap to Reopening Safely and Meeting All Students' Needs Document, available here: <https://www2.ed.gov/documents/coronavirus/reopening-2.pdf>.

Planned Actions and Expenditures

Purpose and Requirements

As noted in the Introduction, an LEA receiving ESSER III funds is required to develop a plan to use its ESSER III funds to, at a minimum, address students' academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs, as well as the opportunity gaps that existed before, and were exacerbated by, the COVID-19 pandemic.

Instructions

An LEA has the flexibility to include actions described in existing plans, including the LCAP and/or ELO Grant Plan, to the extent that the action(s) address the requirements of the ESSER III Expenditure Plan. When including action(s) from other plans, the LEA must describe how the action(s) included in the ESSER III Expenditure Plan supplement the work described in the plan being referenced. The LEA must specify the amount of ESSER III funds that it intends to use to implement the action(s); these ESSER III funds must be in addition to any funding for those action(s) already included in the plan(s) referenced by the LEA. Descriptions of actions provided should include sufficient detail yet be sufficiently succinct to promote a broad understanding among the LEA's local community.

Strategies for Continuous and Safe In-Person Learning

Provide the total amount of funds being used to implement actions related to Continuous and Safe In-Person Learning, then complete the table as follows:

- If the action(s) are included in another plan, identify the plan and provide the applicable goal and/or action number from the plan. If the action(s) are not included in another plan, write "N/A".
- Provide a short title for the action(s).
- Provide a description of the action(s) the LEA will implement using ESSER III funds for prevention and mitigation strategies that are, to the greatest extent practicable, in line with the most recent CDC guidance, in order to continuously and safely operate schools for in-person learning.
- Specify the amount of ESSER III funds the LEA plans to expend to implement the action(s); these ESSER III funds must be in addition to any funding for those action(s) already included in the plan(s) referenced by the LEA.

Addressing the Impact of Lost Instructional Time

As a reminder, the LEA must use not less than 20 percent of its ESSER III funds to address the academic impact of lost instructional time. Provide the total amount of funds being used to implement actions related to addressing the impact of lost instructional time, then complete the table as follows:

- If the action(s) are included in another plan, identify the plan and provide the applicable goal and/or action number from the plan. If the action(s) are not included in another plan, write “N/A”.
- Provide a short title for the action(s).
- Provide a description of the action(s) the LEA will implement using ESSER III funds to address the academic impact of lost instructional time through the implementation of evidence-based interventions, such as summer learning or summer enrichment, extended day, comprehensive afterschool programs, or extended school year programs.
- Specify the amount of ESSER III funds the LEA plans to expend to implement the action(s); these ESSER III funds must be in addition to any funding for those action(s) already included in the plan(s) referenced by the LEA.

Use of Any Remaining Funds

After completing the Strategies for Continuous and Safe In-Person Learning and the Addressing the Impact of Lost Instructional Time portions of the plan, the LEA may use any remaining ESSER III funds to implement additional actions to address students’ academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs, as well as to address opportunity gaps, consistent with the allowable uses identified above in the Fiscal Requirements section of the Instructions. LEAs choosing to use ESSER III funds in this manner must provide the total amount of funds being used to implement actions with any remaining ESSER III funds, then complete the table as follows:

- If the action(s) are included in another plan, identify the plan and provide the applicable goal and/or action number from the plan. If the action(s) are not included in another plan, write “N/A”.
- Provide a short title for the action(s).
- Provide a description of any additional action(s) the LEA will implement to address students’ academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs, as well as to address opportunity gaps, consistent with the allowable uses identified above in the Fiscal Requirements section of the Instructions. If an LEA has allocated its entire apportionment of ESSER III funds to strategies for continuous and safe in-person learning and/or to addressing the impact of lost instructional time, the LEA may indicate that it is not implementing additional actions.
- Specify the amount of ESSER III funds the LEA plans to expend to implement the action(s); these ESSER III funds must be in addition to any funding for those action(s) already included in the plan(s) referenced by the LEA. If the LEA it is not implementing additional actions the LEA must indicate “\$0”.

Ensuring Interventions are Addressing Student Needs

The LEA is required to ensure its interventions will respond to the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of all students, and particularly those students most impacted by the COVID–19 pandemic, including students from low-income families, students of color, English learners, children with disabilities, students experiencing homelessness, children in foster care, and migratory students.

The LEA may group actions together based on how the LEA plans to monitor the actions' progress. For example, if an LEA plans to monitor the progress of two actions in the same way and with the same frequency, the LEA may list both actions within the same row of the table. Each action included in the ESSER III Expenditure Plan must be addressed within the table, either individually or as part of a group of actions.

Complete the table as follows:

- Provide the action title(s) of the actions being measured.
- Provide a description of how the LEA will monitor progress of the action(s) to ensure that they are addressing the needs of students.
- Specify how frequently progress will be monitored (e.g. daily, weekly, monthly, every 6 weeks, etc.).

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