Section: Narratives - Assessing Impacts and Needs

LEA ARP ESSER APPLICATION

The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) recognizes the extraordinary efforts made by Local Education Agencies (LEAs), schools, and educators to support students during the COVID-19 pandemic. The application below requests information from LEAs about: (1) Needs and impacts resulting from the pandemic, (2) Stakeholder engagement in the development of local plans to respond to these needs and impacts, (3) Specific elements in the LEA Plan for the Use of ARP ESSER Funds; and (4) Plans for monitoring and measuring progress. As submitted and accepted by PDE in final form, this application shall become part of the Grant Agreement for ARP ESSER funds as Appendix B. As used in this application, "the LEA" refers to the Grantee defined in the Grant Agreement.

ARP ESSER includes a significant focus on vulnerable student populations. Given these requirements, as well as PDE's own equity commitments, the LEA application includes specific fields requesting information on programs to serve student groups that have experienced disproportionate impacts from the pandemic. Student groups are inclusive of the following:

- Students from low-income families;
- Students from each racial or ethnic group (e.g., identifying disparities and focusing on underserved student groups by race or ethnicity);
- Gender (e.g., identifying disparities and focusing on underserved student groups by gender);
- English learners;
- Children with disabilities (including infants, toddlers, children, and youth with disabilities eligible under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act [IDEA]);
- Students experiencing homelessness;
- Children and youth in foster care;
- Migrant students; and
- Other groups disproportionately impacted by the pandemic that have been identified by the LEA (e.g., youth involved in the criminal justice system, students who have missed the most in-person instruction during the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years, students who did not consistently participate in remote instruction when offered during school building closures, and LGBTQ+ students).

Section I: Assessing Impacts and Needs

In this first section, LEAs are asked to describe the impact of the pandemic on their students, examine disproportionate impacts on specific student groups, and highlight the LEA's promising practices in supporting student needs since March 2020.

Indicators of Impact

1. Understanding the Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic: Describe how the LEA has identified or will identify the extent of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on student learning and well-being.

Specifically, what methods (i.e., collecting and analyzing data and information from focus groups, surveys, and local assessment results) were used or will be used to identify and measure impacts in four key areas: (1) Academic impact of lost instructional time, (2) Chronic absenteeism, (3) Student engagement, and (4) Social-emotional well-being?

	Methods Used to Understand Each Type of Impact
Academic Impact of Lost Instructional Time	Through the use of FastBridge, an online benchmark testing software, students were identified in reading and math that may have learning gaps based on comparisons to state standards and peer performance. On-going diagnostic testing utilizing the IXL software offers real-time feedback to teachers regarding student performance based on grade-level indicators.
Chronic Absenteeism	The district will continue to utilize our student information system data base to track and compare chronic absenteeism from March 2020 to the present. Absentee data will be collected and analyzed every grading period in an effort to target those students that had or are having a difficult time attending school due to COVID.
Student Engagement	Student engagement data will be obtained from teacher feedback at grade-level meetings, student surveys, and parental contact. Students struggling with engagement will be offered counseling services, after-school learning opportunities, and summer enrichment courses. Success of the student outreach opportunities will be determined by comparing the pre and post student engagement data.
Social-emotional Well-being	A robust social emotional curriculum will be taught to students in grades K-8. The district will identify and measure the impact of the social and emotional program through student surveys, along with feedback from student therapeutic sessions with school counselors, psychologist, and district social worker.
Other Indicators	

Documenting Disproportionate Impacts

2. Identify **at least three student** groups in the LEA that faced particularly significant impacts from the pandemic. For each, provide specific strategies that were used or will be used to identify and measure impacts.

Student Group	**Provide specific strategies that were used or will be used to identify and measure impacts**
	The district is using benchmark testing as well as teacher feedback to better understand the learning loss associated with school closures

Student Group	Provide specific strategies that were used or will be used to identify and measure impacts
Students from low-income families	and extensive remote learning. Benchmark testing will provide meaningful quantitative data to complement the qualitative observations from classroom teachers as they instruct and interact with students daily. Elementary students are also actively monitored through data teams and our MTSS process.
Children with disabilities (including infants, toddlers, children, and youth with disabilities eligible under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act [IDEA])	The district is using benchmark testing as well as teacher feedback to better understand the learning loss associated with school closures and extensive remote learning. Benchmark testing will provide meaningful quantitative data to complement the qualitative observations from classroom teachers as they instruct and interact with students daily. Elementary students are also actively monitored through data teams and our MTSS process.
Other groups disproportionately impacted by the pandemic that have been identified by the LEA (See Help Text for examples)	The district is using benchmark testing as well as teacher feedback to better understand the learning loss associated with school closures and extensive remote learning. Benchmark testing will provide meaningful quantitative data to complement the qualitative observations from classroom teachers as they instruct and interact with students daily. Elementary students are also actively monitored through data teams and our MTSS process.

Reflecting on Local Strategies

3. Provide the LEA's assessment of the top two or three strategies that have been most effective in supporting the needs of students, in particular specific student groups most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Include at least one strategy addressing **academic needs** and at least one strategy addressing **social-emotional needs**.

	Strategy Description
Strategy #1	Through the use of FastBridge, an online benchmark testing software, students were identified in reading and math that may have learning gaps based on comparisons to state standards and peer performance. On-going diagnostic testing utilizing the IXL software offers real-time feedback

	Strategy Description
	to teachers regarding student performance based on grade-level indicators.

i. **Impacts that Strategy #1 best addresses:** (select all that apply)

☑ **Academic impact of lost instructional time**

☐ **Chronic absenteeism**

☐ **Student engagement**

☐ **Social-emotional well-being**

☐ **Other impact**

ii. **If Other is selected above, please provide the description here:**

iii. **Student group(s) that Strategy #1 most effectively supports:** (select all that apply)

☑ **Students from low-income families**

☑ **Students from each racial or ethnic group (e.g., identifying disparities and focusing on underserved student groups by race or ethnicity)**

☑ **Gender (e.g., identifying disparities and focusing on underserved student groups by gender)**

☑ **English learners**

☑ **Children with disabilities (including infants, toddlers, children, and youth with disabilities eligible under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA))**

☑ **Students experiencing homelessness**

☐ **Children and youth in foster care**

☐ **Migrant students**

☐ **Other student groups: (provide description below)**

iv. **If Other is selected above, please provide the description here.**

Reflecting on Local Strategies: Strategy #2

	Strategy Description
Strategy #2	A robust social emotional curriculum will be taught to students in grades K-8. The district will identify and measure the impact of the social and emotional program through student surveys, along with feedback from student therapeutic sessions with school counselors, psychologist, and district social worker.

i. **Impacts that Strategy #2 best addresses:** (select all that apply)

☐ **Academic impact of lost instructional time**

☐ **Chronic absenteeism**

☐ **Student engagement**

☑ **Social-emotional well-being**

☐ **Other impact**

ii. **If Other is selected above, please provide the description here:**

iii. **Student group(s) that Strategy #2 most effectively supports:** (select all that apply)

☑ **Students from low-income families**

☑ **Students from each racial or ethnic group (e.g., identifying disparities and focusing on underserved student groups by race or ethnicity)**

☑ **Gender (e.g., identifying disparities and focusing on underserved student groups by gender)**

☑ **English learners**

☑ **Children with disabilities (including infants, toddlers, children, and youth with disabilities eligible under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA))**

☑ **Students experiencing homelessness**

☐ **Children and youth in foster care**

☐ **Migrant students**

☐ **Other student groups: (provide description below)**

iv. **If Other is selected above, please provide the description here.**

Reflecting on Local Strategies: Strategy #3

	Strategy Description
Strategy #3	

i. **Impacts that Strategy #3 best addresses:** (select all that apply)

☐ **Academic Impact of Lost Instructional Time**

☐ **Chronic absenteeism**

☐ **Student engagement**

☐ **Social-emotional well-being**

☐ **Other impact**

ii. **If Other is selected above, please provide the description here:**

iii. **Student group(s) that Strategy #3 most effectively supports:** (select all that apply)

☐ **Students from low-income families**

☐ **Students from each racial or ethnic group (e.g., identifying disparities and focusing on underserved student groups by race or ethnicity)**

☐ **Gender (e.g., identifying disparities and focusing on underserved student groups by gender)**

☐ **English learners**

☐ **Children with disabilities (including infants, toddlers, children, and youth with disabilities eligible under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA))**

☐ **Students experiencing homelessness**

☐ **Children and youth in foster care**

☐ **Migrant students**

☐ **Other student groups: (provide description below)**

iv. **If Other is selected above, please provide the description here:**

Section: Narratives - Engaging Stakeholders in Plan Development

Section II: Engaging Stakeholders in Plan Development

In this second section, LEAs are asked to provide information on how stakeholders will be engaged in planning for the use of ARP ESSER funds, how stakeholder input will be utilized, and how the LEA will make its LEA Plan for the Use of ARP ESSER Funds transparent to the public—all critical components in developing, implementing, and adjusting plans based on the differential impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

4. Stakeholder Engagement

Describe how the LEA, in planning for the use of ARP ESSER funds, has engaged or will engage in meaningful consultation with stakeholders. **(3,000 characters max)**

> (Stakeholders include students; families; school and district administrators (including special education administrators); teachers; principals; school leaders; other educators; school staff; and unions. In addition, to the extent that the following groups are present in or served by the LEA, stakeholders also include community partners, civil rights organizations (including disability rights organizations); stakeholders representing the interests of children with disabilities, English learners, children experiencing homelessness, children and youth in foster care, migrant students, children who are incarcerated, and other underserved students; and tribes.)

The Shenango Area School District will utilize funding from this program to accelerate learning in three areas: summer enrichment, after-school programs, and overall learning loss of our students. It is our intent to target, but not limited to, students from low-income families and children with disabilities. The SASD will utilize our Health and Safety Committee to discuss specific academic areas of remediation and acceleration. The committee, comprised of school board members, administrators, and teachers, was formed in response to COVID-19. The committee has had its initial meeting and is committed to meeting twice annually to assess ongoing risks. Areas of focus are those that are present throughout the school and are likely to impact student learning and teachers' ability to deliver education. To examine educational needs that were identified and are anticipated for the 2021-2022 school year and beyond, the district has also begun using an Administrative Committee to look more deeply at student progress data, learning loss, instructional delivery needs/barriers, building/operational impacts, mental health needs/supports, and general academic planning in light of the global pandemic. This committee brings together lead representation from elementary education, secondary education, special services, financial/business personnel, technology and building/operations representation to look more closely at the academic and educational needs of the district moving forward. The committee will also continue to seek input from teachers, non-instructional employees, students, and parents to guide decision-making and needs assessments toward educational needs.

5. Use of Stakeholder Input

Describe how the LEA has taken or will take stakeholder and public input into account in the

development of the LEA Plan for the Use of ARP ESSER Funds. **(3,000 characters max)**

The SASD will take recommendations from the Health and Safety Committee, Administrative Committee, as well as input from parents to determine specific programming we would offer for our students. Teachers will provide input and have the ability to apply for grant money for after-school remediation as well as summer enrichment opportunities. Final approval of the remediation/enrichment programs will be based on evidence and data on the impact the program has on students. Stakeholders will have the opportunity to provide feedback after a draft of the plan will be posted on the district website and communicated utilizing our ParentSquare communication platform. In addition, foreseen obstacles such as transportation for after-school programs as well as course hours/length for summer enrichment activities will be solidified after receiving input from parents.

6. Public Access to LEA Plan for the Use of ARP ESSER Funds

Describe the process for development, approval, and making public the LEA Plan for the Use of ARP ESSER Funds. The LEA Plan for the Use of ARP ESSER Funds must be made publicly available on the LEA website and submitted to PDE within 90 days of LEA receipt of ARP ESSER funding, must be written in a language that parents/caregivers can understand, and must be provided in alternate format upon request by a parent/caregiver who is an individual with a disability. **(3,000 characters max)**

To begin the development of the district's plan to utilize ESSER funds, the SADS will meet with our Health and Safety and Administrative Committees to explore academic programming to address learning loss. After academic programming has been recommended and finalized by the aforementioned committees, a public presentation will be made to the school board of directors for final approval. Once the SASD LEA Plan is approved by the school board of directors, documentation outlining after-school programming, summer enrichment courses, and efforts to address learning loss will be posted on the district website. In addition, parents will have the ability to provide feedback/comments through notification sent district-wide utilizing our ParentSquare platform.

Section: Narratives - Using ARP ESSER Funds to Plan for Safe, In-Person Instruction

Section III: Using ARP ESSER Funds to Plan for Safe, In-Person Instruction

In this third section, LEAs are asked to reflect on both the impacts and needs described in Section I and stakeholder engagement described in Section II to provide a description of the LEA plan for the use of ARP ESSER funds , beginning with the minimum 20 percent reservation, to address the impact of lost instructional time as required by section 2001(e)(1) of the ARP Act.

Instructions: For both (a) the 20 percent reservation to address the impact of lost instructional time and (b) remaining funds, describe the LEA's principles for emphasizing educational equity in expending ARP ESSER funds, including but not limited to:

- Responding to students' academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs, and addressing opportunity gaps that existed before—and were exacerbated by—the pandemic.
- Allocating funding to individual schools and for LEA-wide activities based on student need.
- Implementing an equitable and inclusive return to in-person instruction. An inclusive return to in-person instruction includes, but is not limited to, establishing policies and practices that avoid the over-use of exclusionary discipline measures (including in- and out-of-school suspensions) and creating a positive and supportive learning environment for all students.
- Taking steps to permit students, teachers, and other program beneficiaries to overcome barriers (including barriers based on gender, race, color, national origin, disability, and age) that impede equal access to, or participation in, the ARP ESSER-supported program, in compliance with the requirements of section 427 of GEPA (20 U.S.C. 1228a).
- Attending to sustainability of plans supported by non-recurring ARP ESSER funds beyond the ARP ESSER funding period.

7. Plan for 20 percent Reservation to Address the Impact of Lost Instructional Time (Learning Loss)

How will the LEA use the funds it reserves under section 2001(e)(1) of the ARP Act 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? **(3,000 characters max)**

The response must include:

a. A description of the evidence-based interventions (e.g., providing intensive or high-dosage tutoring, accelerating learning) the LEA has selected, and how the LEA will evaluate the impact of those interventions on an ongoing basis to determine effectiveness.
b. How the evidence-based interventions will specifically address the needs of student groups most disproportionately impacted.
c. The extent to which the LEA will use funds it reserves to identify, engage, and support (1) students who have missed the most in-person instruction during the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years; and (2) students who did not consistently participate in remote instruction when offered during school building closures.

The Shenango Area School District will utilize funding to accelerate learning in three areas: summer enrichment, after-school programs, and overall learning loss of our students. It is our intent to target, but not limited to, students from low-income families and children with disabilities. With ARP funds, the district was afforded the opportunity to hire an additional special education teacher in our elementary school and a district-wide social worker to support students emotional and social needs. The funds from this program will enable the district to target students on a larger scale by offering quality after-school and summer programming, and in turn, accelerate learning and help close achievement gaps for those students identified. As part of our scaffolded support system, a robust social and emotional learning curriculum will be established in order to support all students including those students with mental health difficulties. Since the start of COVID, the district has experienced a decline in enrollment and had a potential need to furlough teachers based on shrinking class sizes. However, ARP funding has allowed the district to continue with an ample amount of teachers and staff, which will result in directly impacting student achievement in a positive way. More specifically, teachers and staff are better able to target those students who have missed instruction due to COVID or have failed to consistently participate in remote learning.

8. Plan for Remaining Funds *(funds not described under the question above)*

How will the LEA spend its remaining ARP ESSER funds including for each of the four fields below, as applicable? **(3,000 characters max)**

a. Continuity of Services: How will the LEA use ARP ESSER funds to sustain services to address students' academic needs; students' and staff social, emotional, and mental health needs; and student nutrition and food services?

b. Access to Instruction: How will the LEA use ARP ESSER funds to support the goals of increasing opportunity to learn and equity in instructional delivery? Consider regular attendance/chronic absenteeism data from the 2020-21 school year, including data disaggregated by student groups, in developing the response.

c. Mitigation Strategies: How will the LEA use ARP ESSER funds to support prevention and mitigation policies in line with the most up-to-date guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for the reopening and operation of school facilities and transportation services to effectively maintain the health and safety of students, educators, and other staff? Consider the LEA's Health and Safety Plan in developing the response.

d. Facilities Improvements: How will the LEA use ARP ESSER funds to repair and improve school facilities to reduce risk of virus transmission, address environmental health hazards, and/or improve ventilation? Consider the LEA's Health and Safety Plan in developing the response.

Shenango Area School District (SASD) proposes to utilize the ESSER funding to replace existing HVAC equipment with upgraded equipment to improve indoor air quality and ventilation to mitigate the spread of the COVID 19 virus. The new system will use the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) Guides on Reopening of Schools and Universities & Building Readiness to design the proposed improvements and select the new equipment needed. Most of the HVAC systems and equipment in the school buildings where the proposed improvements will take place are past

their useful life. They have limited capabilities to provide the mitigation improvements being considered that include: MERV 13 air filtration installation, increase ventilation rates to code minimum and/or greater, installation of cooling in these systems that are heating only now for humidity control, installation of Direct Digital Controls (DDC) for improved temperature and humidity control, control strategies to flush spaces utilizing the new DDC controls and the installation of heat recovery devices to allow greater outdoor air flows without affecting the capacity of the central heating and cooling equipment, and improve air distribution to limit the spread of virus particles. The improvements outlined above require the replacement of the present HVAC equipment (unit ventilators, air handlers, exhaust fans) because due to their age and configuration cannot accommodate the implementation of the above COVID mitigation strategies. This proposal is in alignment with the SASD's health and safety plan.

9. For LEAs with one or more Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) or Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) school only

Please verify consultation of the Evidence Resource Center in developing the LEA Plan for the Use of ARP ESSER Funds and provide a justification for any intervention that is not supported by tier 1, 2, 3, or 4 evidence. If the LEA does not include a school with a CSI or ATSI designation, indicate "Not Applicable." **(3,000 characters max)**

Not Applicable

10. 20% Reservation Calculation

Please enter your ARP ESSER total allocation amount and then click Save.
  *Please ensure that your 20% (or greater) budgeted amount for Learning Loss is itemized in your Budget.

	ARP ESSER Allocation	Reservation Requirement	Reservation Amount (calculated on save)
20 Percent Reservation	2,902,611	20%	580,522

Section: Narratives - Monitoring and Measuring Progress

Section IV: Monitoring and Measuring Progress

In this fourth section, LEAs are asked to describe efforts to build local capacity to ensure high-quality data collection and reporting to safeguard funds for their intended purposes.

11. Capacity for Data Collection and Reporting

LEAs must continuously monitor progress and adjust strategies as needed. Describe the LEA's capacity and strategy to collect and analyze data (disaggregated by student group, where applicable), for each of the following measures:

	Data Collection and Analysis Plan (including plan to disaggregate data)
Student learning, including academic impact of lost instructional time during the COVID-19 pandemic	The district is using benchmark testing as well as teacher feedback to better understand the learning loss associated with school closures and extensive remote learning. Benchmark testing will provide meaningful quantitative data to complement the qualitative observations from classroom teachers as they instruct and interact with students daily. Elementary students are also actively monitored through data teams and our MTSS process. Based on data results, academic achievement gains will be monitored and programming will adjusted as needed.
Opportunity to learn measures (see help text)	Though ESSER funding, the district was afforded the opportunity to facilitate a one-to-one chromebook ititiative for students to create a platform for successful in-school and/or at-home learning. In the event the district will have a future need to return to remote learning, our goal was to develop a platform that is student-friendly, easy to navigate from the parent perspective, and ensures continuity of education regardless of whether the child is physically in the school building or at home receiving instruction. Attendance and academic data will be tracked to determine if this opportunity to learn program was successful and if any adjustments need to be made.
Jobs created and retained (by number of FTEs and position type) (see help text)	Due to available ESSER money, the district was able to hire an additional special education teacher to better serve our students and to help close the achievement gap in this targeted area. In addition, the district will contract with a social worker to serve students in grades K-12 in order to assist those students who need additional mental health services caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Finally, the district was able to retain two teaching positions that would have possibly been furloughed due to declining enrollment as a result of remote learning challenges. The ability to not only maintain our current teaching staff but increase our student resources will be beneficial to our entire school community. Through academic and social-emotional data collected, the district will have the ability to measure the impact of the additional staff secured utilizing ARP ESSER resources.

	Data Collection and Analysis Plan (including plan to disaggregate data)
Participation in programs funded by ARP ESSER resources (e.g., summer and afterschool programs)	The summer and afterschool programs are designed to target overall learning loss, social-emotional well-being, and provide enrichment for students. The success of the programs will be measured through, academic achievement data, student participation data, parent surveys, and feedback from student therapeutic sessions with school counselors, psychologists, and district social worker.

Section: Narratives - ARP ESSER Assurances

ARP ESSER Fund Assurances

Please complete each of the following assurances prior to plan submission:

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The LEA will implement appropriate fiscal monitoring of and internal controls for the ARP ESSER funds (e.g., by updating the LEA's plan for monitoring funds and internal controls under the CARES and CRRSA Acts; addressing potential sources of waste, fraud, and abuse; conducting random audits; or other tools).

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The LEA will complete quarterly Federal Financial Accountability Transparency Act (FFATA) reports and comply with all PDE reporting requirements, including on matters such as:

- **How the LEA is developing strategies and implementing public health protocols including, to the greatest extent practicable, policies and plans in line with the CDC guidance related to mitigating COVID-19 in schools;**
- **Overall plans and policies related to LEA support for return to in-person instruction and maximizing in-person instruction time, including how funds will support a return to and maximize in-person instruction time, and advance equity and inclusivity in participation in in-person instruction;**
- **Data on each LEA's and school's mode of instruction (fully in-person, hybrid, and fully remote) and conditions;**
- **LEA uses of funds to meet students' social, emotional, and academic needs, including through summer enrichment programming and other evidence-based interventions, and how they advance equity for underserved students;**
- **LEA uses of funds to sustain and support access to LEA-supported early childhood education programs;**
- **Impacts and outcomes (disaggregated by student subgroup) through use of ARP ESSER funding (e.g., quantitative and qualitative results of ARP ESSER funding, including on personnel, student learning, and budgeting at the school and district level);**
- **Student data (disaggregated by student subgroup) related to how the COVID-19 pandemic has affected instruction and learning;**
- **Requirements under the FFATA; and**
- **Additional reporting requirements as may be necessary to ensure accountability and transparency of ARP ESSER fund use.**

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The LEA will cooperate with any examination of records with respect to such funds by making

records available for inspection, production, and examination, and authorized individuals available for interview and examination, upon the request of: (a) the United States Department of Education and/or its Inspector General; (b) any other federal agency, commission, or department in the lawful exercise of its jurisdiction and authority; (c) the Pennsylvania Department of Education; and/or (d) the Pennsylvania Auditor General, Pennsylvania Inspector General, or any other state agency.

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Records pertaining to ARP ESSER Funds, including financial records related to the use of grant funds, will be tracked and retained separately from those records related to the LEA's use of other Federal funds, including ESSER I and ESSER II Funds.

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The LEA will maintain inventory records, purchase orders and receipts for equipment (over $5,000) purchased, all computing devices, and special purpose equipment ($300 - $4,999), and will conduct a physical inventory every two years. Please note: inventory of equipment purchased with federal funds must be broken out by funding source.

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Any LEA receiving funding under this program will have on file with the SEA a set of assurances that meets the requirements of section 442 of the General Education Provisions Act (GEPA) (20 U.S.C. 1232e).

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The LEA will conduct its operations so that no person shall be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under the ARP ESSER program or activity based on race; color; national origin, which includes a person's limited English proficiency or English learner status and a person's actual or perceived shared ancestry or ethnic characteristics; sex; age; or disability. These non-discrimination obligations arise under Federal civil rights laws, including but not limited to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975. In addition, the LEA must comply with all regulations, guidelines, and standards issued by the United States Department of Education under any of these statutes.

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The LEA will comply with all ARP Act and other ARP ESSER requirements, including but not limited to complying with the maintenance of equity provisions in section 2004(c) of the ARP

Act. Under Maintenance of Equity, per-pupil funding from state and local sources and staffing levels for *high poverty schools* may not be decreased by an amount that exceeds LEA-wide reductions in per-pupil funding and staffing levels for *all schools* served by the LEA[1]. High poverty schools are the 25 percent of schools serving the highest percent of economically disadvantaged students in the LEA as measured by information LEAs submitted in PIMS that includes individual student data and identifying if the student meets economically disadvantaged criteria. This data is used to calculate school poverty percentages . Note: An LEA is exempt from the Maintenance of Equity requirement if the LEA has a total enrollment of fewer than 1,000 students, operates a single school, serves all students in each grade span in a single school, or demonstrates an exceptional or uncontrollable circumstance, as determined by the United States Secretary of Education.

[1]**Calculations for Maintenance of Equity: Per Pupil Funding from combined State and local funding = Total LEA funding from combined State and local funding for all schools served by the LEA in the given fiscal year, divided by the number of children enrolled in all schools served by the LEA in the given fiscal year.Full time equivalent staff = Total full-time equivalent staff in all schools served by the LEA in the given fiscal year, divided by the number of children enrolled in all schools served by the LEA in the given fiscal year.These calculations should be completed for all schools in the LEA as well as for high poverty schools in the LEA for FY 2021-22 and 2022-23. Reductions must not be greater for high poverty schools than for all schools in the LEA.**

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The LEA will implement evidence-based interventions, as required by section 2001(e)(1) of the ARP Act.

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The LEA will address the disproportionate impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on underserved students (i.e., students from low-income families, students from underserved racial or ethnic groups and gender groups, English learners, children with disabilities, students experiencing homelessness, children and youth in foster care, migrant students, and other groups disproportionately impacted by the pandemic that have been identified by the LEA) as required by section 2001(e)(1) of the ARP Act.

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The LEA will develop and make publicly available a Plan for the Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services, hereinafter referred to as the LEA Health and Safety Plan, that complies with section 2001(i) of the ARP Act. The plan will be submitted to PDE, in a manner and form determined by PDE, no later than July 30, 2021.

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The LEA's Health and Safety Plan will include (1) how the LEA will, to the greatest extent practicable, support prevention and mitigation policies in line with the most up-to-date guidance from the CDC for the reopening and operation of school facilities to effectively maintain the health and safety   of students, educators, and other staff; (2) how the LEA will ensure continuity of services, including but not limited to services to address the students' academic needs, and students' and staff members' social, emotional, mental health, and other needs, which   may include student health and food services; (3) how the LEA will maintain the health and safety of students, educators, and other staff and the extent to which it has adopted policies, and a description of any such policy on each of the following safety recommendations established by the CDC: (a) universal and correct wearing of masks; (b) modifying facilities to allow for physical distancing (e.g., use of cohorts/podding); (c) handwashing and respiratory etiquette; (d) cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation; (e) contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State and local health departments; (f) diagnostic and screening testing; (g) efforts to provide vaccinations to school communities; (h) appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies; and (i) coordination with state and local health officials.

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The LEA will review its Health and Safety Plan at least every six months during the duration of the ARP ESSER grant period and make revisions as appropriate. When determining whether revisions are necessary, the LEA will take into consideration significant changes to CDC guidance on reopening schools and will seek public input and take public input into account.

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The LEA's Health and Safety Plan will be made publicly available on the LEA website and must be written in a language that parents/caregivers can understand or be orally translated for parent/caregivers and must be provided in alternate format upon request by a parent/caregiver who is an individual with a disability.

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The LEA will provide to PDE: (1) the URL(s) where the public can readily find data on school operating status; and (2) the URL(s) for the LEA websites where the public can find the LEA's Health and Safety plan as required under section 2001(i) of the ARP Act; and the LEA Plan for the Use of ARP ESSER Funds.

Section: Narratives - LEA Health and Safety Plan Upload

LEA HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN

Please upload your LEA Health and Safety Plan below, and check the assurance indicating that you have completed your upload. Please name the file using your LEA name followed by Health and Safety Plan. example: "*LEA Name*-Health and Safety Plan"

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Section: Budget - Instruction Expenditures

BUDGET OVERVIEW

Budget

$2,902,611.00

Allocation

$2,902,611.00

Budget Over(Under) Allocation

$0.00

INSTRUCTION EXPENDITURES

Function	Object	Amount	Description
1000 - Instruction	100 - Salaries	$253,096.00	Music teacher (75444)x2 years1st grade teacher (51104)x2 years (learning loss-maintaining staff in lieu of furlough)
1000 - Instruction	200 - Benefits	$115,504.00	Music teacher (18224)x2 years1st grade teacher (6829)x2 years (learning loss-maintaining staff in lieu of furlough)
1000 - Instruction	600 - Supplies	$48,246.00	Afterschool programming supplies
		$416,846.00	

Section: Budget - Support and Non-Instructional Expenditures

BUDGET OVERVIEW

Budget

$2,902,611.00

Allocation

$2,902,611.00

Budget Over(Under) Allocation

$0.00

NON-INSTRUCTIONAL EXPENDITURES

Function	Object	Amount	Description
4000 - FACILITIES ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT SERVICES	400 - Purchased Property Services	$2,264,719.00	Air quality upgrades to HVAC
2600 - Operation and Maintenance	600 - Supplies	$57,370.00	Classroom air purifiers
2100 - SUPPORT SERVICES – STUDENTS	100 - Salaries	$100,000.00	Social Worker- 2 years (learning loss- social worker to assist students)
2100 - SUPPORT SERVICES – STUDENTS	200 - Benefits	$63,676.00	Social Worker- 2 years (learning loss- social worker to assist students)
		$2,485,765.00	

Section: Budget - Budget Summary

BUDGET SUMMARY

	100 Salaries	200 Benefits	300 Purchased Professional and Technical Services	400 Purchased Property Services	500 Other Purchased Services	600 Supplies 800 Dues and Fees	700 Property	Totals
1000 Instruction	$253,096.00	$115,504.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$48,246.00	$0.00	$416,846.00
1100 REGULAR PROGRAMS – ELEMENTARY / SECONDARY	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
1200 SPECIAL PROGRAMS – ELEMENTARY / SECONDARY	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
1300 CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
1400 Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
1600 * ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
1700 Higher Education Programs	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
1800 Pre-K	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
2000 SUPPORT SERVICES	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
2100 SUPPORT SERVICES – STUDENTS	$100,000.00	$63,676.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$163,676.00
2200 Staff Support	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00

	100 Salaries	200 Benefits	300 Purchased Professional and Technical Services	400 Purchased Property Services	500 Other Purchased Services	600 Supplies 800 Dues and Fees	700 Property	Totals
Services								
2300 SUPPORT SERVICES – ADMINISTRATION	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
2400 Health Support Services	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
2500 Business Support Services	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
2600 Operation and Maintenance	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$57,370.00	$0.00	$57,370.00
2700 Student Transportation	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
2800 Central Support Services	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
3000 OPERATION OF NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
3100 Food Services	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
3200 Student Activities	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
3300 Community Services	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
4000 FACILITIES ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT SERVICES	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$2,264,719.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$2,264,719.00

	100 Salaries	200 Benefits	300 Purchased Professional and Technical Services	400 Purchased Property Services	500 Other Purchased Services	600 Supplies 800 Dues and Fees	700 Property	Totals
	$353,096.00	$179,180.00	$0.00	$2,264,719.00	$0.00	$105,616.00	$0.00	$2,902,611.00

Approved Indirect Cost/Operational Rate: 0.0000	$0.00
Final	$2,902,611.00