



Public Notice: (Posted April 29, 2022) American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND (ARP ESSER) Data shows that the pandemic has had a significant impact on student learning, both across the country and in Stafford MSD.

According to the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education. The Interim final requirements of the American Rescue Plan Act Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund requires... *"what an LEA's plan for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services must address and requires periodic review and, when needed, revision of the plan to ensure it remains relevant and meets statutory and regulatory requirements."*

The Stafford MSD Team would like you, as an SMSD Stakeholder to take a moment to review the current Return to In Person and Continuity of Services Plan that is posted to our website at: <https://www.staffordmsd.org/esser>. The document was clarified and reposted in both English and Spanish as of 2/15/2022.

As a reminder, the ESSER funds are allocated specifically to respond to the impact of COVID-19. The American Rescue Plan (ARP) was signed into law by President Biden and it included \$122 billion for Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds for school districts across the country. This is the third law providing funding as a response to the pandemic, the ARP is also referred to as ARP ESSER III or ESSER III.

Any member of the community wishing to provide a comment may submit feedback via the Stafford MSD Stakeholder Engagement Survey by 5:00 pm on Friday, May 13, 2022. For support or additional information on submitting your input, please contact the Department of Federal and State Programs at: [fedstateprograms@staffordmsd.org](mailto:fedstateprograms@staffordmsd.org). Here is the link for the survey:

English: <https://forms.office.com/r/kjWKcv0Gh8>

Spanish: <https://forms.office.com/r/WtM71Sj3x8>