

ESSER Funds Update

Board Meeting July 13, 2021

Where Learning Leads the Way!

Supplemental Federal Funds





ESSER = Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund

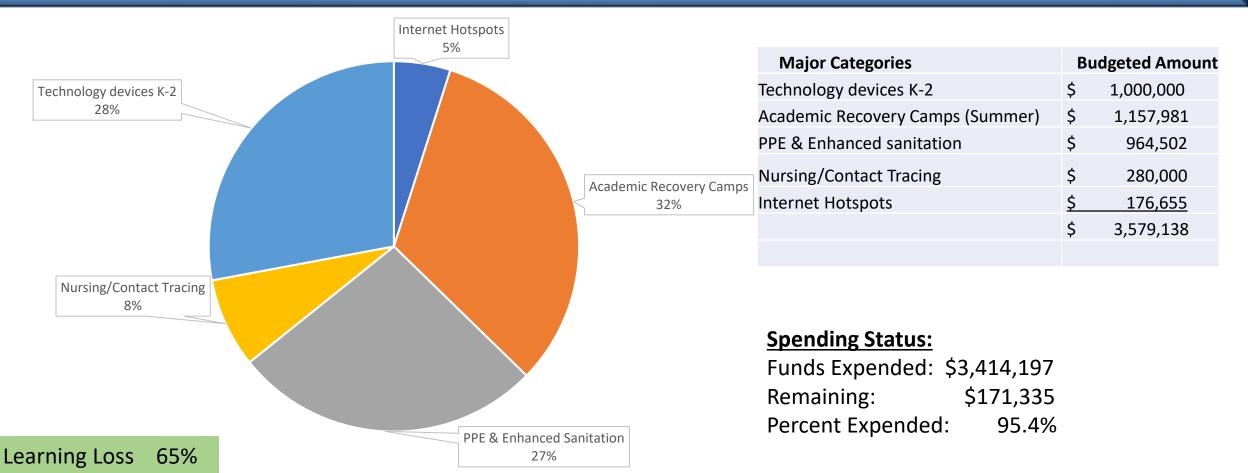
Summary of ESSER Funds



	ESSER I	ESSER II	ESSER III
Source	Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act(CARES) Act	Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act	American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act Allocation Received April 30, 2021
Approved by State	June 5, 2020	March 26, 2021	Pending Application
Amount for BCSD	\$4,903,078	\$22,681,781	\$50,940,057
Status	All funds have been distributed by the state. We are in the process of expending.	Plan submitted and approved. We are in the process of expending.	2/3 of advance funding provided to BCSD. State and BCSD must submit plans. Reopening plan submitted and Input received via surveys from 5 key groups: Parents, Students, Community, Teachers/Staff, and Principals.
Expiration Date	Sep. 30, 2022	Sep. 30, 2023	Sep. 30, 2024

CARES \$3.6M

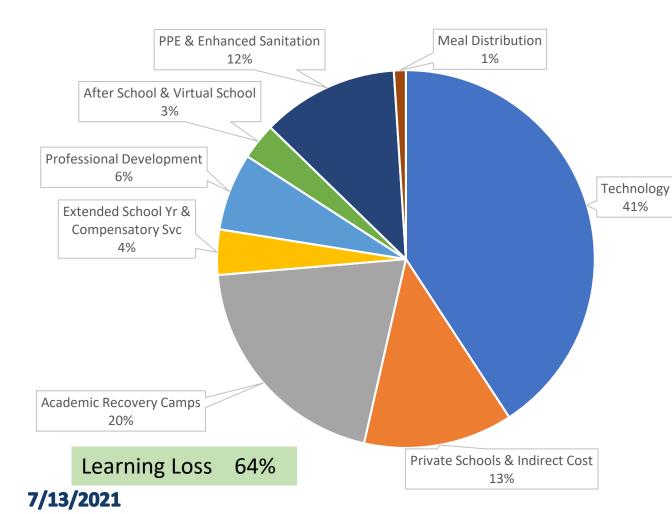




Expiration: September 2021

ESSER I-\$4.9M





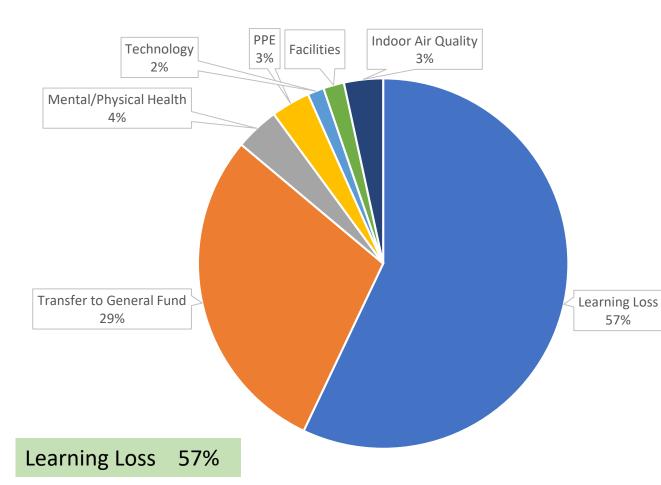
Major Categories		Budgeted Amount
Technology devices		2,000,000
Academic Recovery Camps		
(Summer)		985,000
Extended School Year &		
compensatory services		190,000
Teacher training		325,000
PPE & Enhanced sanitation		573,954
Meal Distribution	\$	50,000
After School & virtual school	\$	153,000
Private Schools & Indirect Cost	\$	626,124
	\$	4,903,078

Spending Status:

Funds Expended:\$3,874,147Remaining:\$1,028,931Percent Spent:79%Expiration:September 2022

ESSER II-\$22.7M





Major Categories		Budgeted Amount	
Learning Loss		12,942,640	
Transfer to General Fund		6,587,818	
Mental/Physical Health		871,000	
PPE		771,963	
Technology		324,000	
Facilities	\$	411,536	
Indoor Air Quality	<u>\$</u>	772,824	
	\$	22,681,781	

 Funds Expended:
 \$1,352,725

 Remaining:
 \$21,329,056

 Percent Spent:
 6%

Expiration: September 2023

ESSER III (ARPA)-\$50.9M

- Allocation received: April 30, 2021
- Deadline for application: August 24, 2021
- Application Status: In Progress

ESSER III Eligible Activities

- Address learning loss
- Provide professional development
- Purchase education technology
- Return face to face safely
- Plan and implement summer learning and afterschool programs
- Provide mental health services
- Enhance sanitation efforts
- Address indoor air quality issues

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Phases of the ESSER Grant Process

- Phase I Grant Award
- Phase II- Public Input (ESSER III)
- Phase III- Plan Preparation
- Phase IV- Submission
- Phase V-Implementation
- Phase VI- Claims/Monitoring

Public Input -ESSER III Uses

- ESSER-public input on use of funds
- Format of Survey-Survey Monkey
 - Three questions requesting prioritization
 - One open-ended response
 - Survey developed for:
 - Principals
 - Teachers
 - Students (high school)
 - Parents (English and Spanish)
 - General Public (English and Spanish)
 - District Administration
 - Ecumenical Partners
 - Community Partners

Survey Responses

- Parents 1,769
- Students 274
- Community 171
- Teachers 1,092
- Principals 31





Common Themes

- Learning Loss
- Tutoring
- After School Programs
- Professional Development
- Addressing the needs of highly vulnerable populations
- Educational Technology

Public Input-Reopening Plan

- Format of Survey
 - 10 Open ended questions on various topics (masks, social distancing, sanitation, accommodations for students with disabilities, etc.)
- How did we communicate it?
 - District website-slider on home page
 - Social Media
 - Emails to families via Bright Arrow
 - Emails to all employees
 - Emails to community partners
 - In English and Spanish



Reopening Plan Survey Responses

•	Parents	913

- Students 8
- Community 63
- Teachers 315
- Principals 20
- Other School staff 99

1,418

Common Themes

- Continue enhanced sanitation efforts
- Questions about vaccinations
- COVID protocols
- Smaller class sizes
- Eating in the cafeteria
- Offer a virtual learning option
- Mental health supports for students and staff

Transparency

- Monthly Presentations
 - Finance Committee meeting
 - 2nd Board meeting of each month
- Website
 - ESSER Information with links to the SC Dept of Education
 - Monthly presentations/reports

Next Steps

- Review Feedback
- Compile Information
- Prioritize Submissions
- Prepare the Application
- Submit the Application by August 24, 2021



Comments