

Section: Narratives - Needs Assessment

Introduction

The findings of a recent study showed that there is a significant benefit to students who participate in out-of-school-time (OST) programs. In fact, the [Return on Investment of Afterschool Programs in Pennsylvania](#) study determined that for every dollar invested in after-school programming for students there was a return of \$6.69 in potential benefits to students, including reduced rates for drop-outs, teen pregnancy, substance abuse, crime and delinquency ([Link to PSAYDN.org](#)).

In accordance with the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act and Pennsylvania Act 24 of 2021 (Act 24), the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) will award approximately \$50,000,000 or one percent (1%) of Pennsylvania's ARP Elementary and Secondary School Education Relief (ESSER) State Reserve funds to support school districts, charter schools and cyber charter schools (collectively, LEAs) in the development and implementation of comprehensive after-school programs to address learning loss in response to the academic, social, emotional and mental health needs of students and subgroups of students impacted by COVID-19 public health emergency that supplement school programs and activities.

Act 24 requires that, when available, existing personnel shall be utilized by school districts, charter schools and cyber charter schools to staff programs and activities established with these grant funds.

Within 90 days of receipt of these allocations, school districts, charter schools and cyber charter schools must submit a three-part plan to PDE, that outlines the proposed use of the grant money, itemized by program and activity. This plan is part of a consolidated application that includes after-school programming, summer programming, and a comprehensive plan to address learning loss. The plan shall include:

- 1) A description of each program and activity
- 2) A narrative outlining the expected benefit of each program and activity
- 3) A budget for each program and activity detailing personnel and operating costs

PDE has developed the Accelerated Learning Toolkit, a significant cadre of resources and trainings, to support LEAs in the development of their plans. The Accelerated Learning Toolkit can be found [Link to Accelerated Learning Toolkit](#).

Needs Assessment: In this 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 students' needs since March 2020.

Indicators of Impact

1. Describe how the LEA identified students for inclusion in after-school programming. Include a brief description of the indicators used in the decision-making process.

Summer Academy is open to all students. Both remedial and enrichment activities will be offered. Principals will reach out to families of students who are identified as being in need of academic interventions. Students will be identified through PSSA, Keystone, PASA, and WIDA assessments.

Section: Narratives - After-school Program

After-school Program Questions: In this section, LEAs are asked to describe the activities they have designed to provide after- school programming for their students.

2. Identify the target student-group for the summer school program. Will the focus be on academic growth, social and emotional wellness, or some other factor to support student growth? For each group, provide specific strategies that were used or will be used to identify and measure impacts.

Student Group	Area of Focus	Number of Students Served	Provide specific strategies that were used or will be used to identify and measure impacts
Children from Low-Income Families	Academic Growth	1,500	After school extended day instruction was offered in 2021 in elementary buildings and will be expanded into all 16 buildings K-12. A pre-test and post-test assessment are used for all students enrolled. Attendance is used as a secondary measure of program success.
English Learners	Academic Growth	200	ESL teachers will be hired alongside regular education teachers. Students will be pretested and based on those results ESL teachers will collaborate with classroom teachers to provide individualized instruction.
Students Experiencing Homelessness	Academic Growth	53	Attendance and participation and will demonstrate growth on the pretest and posttest administered to all participants.

Student Group	Area of Focus	Number of Students Served	Provide specific strategies that were used or will be used to identify and measure impacts
Children from Low-Income Families	Some Other Factor	500	Enrichment programs will be offered. Attendance and participation in the final showcase of learning will demonstrate student learning.

3. Describe the evidence-based resources that will be used to support student growth during the after- school program.

Acadience Reading Assessment is delivered at the beginning, middle, and end of the school year and can be used to demonstrate growth. Supports from the McGraw Hill reading and Savvas math textbook curriculum materials and cross curricular activities will be employed. After school programs will be unique to each school building and will have teacher-created formative and summative based projects. These may include: STEM projects, music and/or dance enrichment and a final culminating showcase will demonstrate learned material.

4. Describe the staff that will provide the after- school program (i.e., Internal staff or outside resources).

Number of Staff Members	Internal/Outside Provider	Role
65	Internal	K-12 Teachers who provided instruction, which entails ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies, ESL. The After School Program also includes school nurses, clerks and counselors and a program coordinator.



- a. The LEA assures it understands it is responsible to offer the work to its internal

employees prior to engaging outside entities.



b. The LEA assures it understands it is responsible to ensure that all after-school program staff hold the appropriate certifications for the program that is being delivered.

5. How will the LEA assess the success of the after-school program? Please identify the tool, frequency of use, and expected results.

Tool Used to Evaluate Success	Frequency of Use	Expected Results
Survey	Post program	The SSD will survey parents on the success of the program

6. How will the LEA engage families in the after-school program?

The SSD will contact families through social media, flyers sent home and through direct communication from teachers or principals. Parents and families will be invited to an open house at the end of the program to showcase student learning.

Section: Budget - Instruction Expenditures

Instruction Expenditures

Budget

\$397,416.00

Allocation

\$397,416.00

Budget Over(Under) Allocation

\$0.00

Budget Overview

Function	Object	Amount	Description
1400 - Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary	100 - Salaries	\$300,000.00	Salaries for teachers, nurses, ESL teachers, and translators for After School programs.
1400 - Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary	200 - Benefits	\$50,130.00	Benefits for teachers, nurses, ESL teachers, and translators for After School programs.
1400 - Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary	500 - Other Purchased Services	\$10,000.00	Student transportation for field trips.
1400 - Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary	600 - Supplies	\$37,286.00	Supplies to support instructional activities during the after school programs.
		\$397,416.00	

Section: Budget - Support and Non-Instructional Expenditures

Support and Non-Instructional Expenditures

Budget

\$397,416.00

Allocation

\$397,416.00

Budget Over(Under) Allocation

\$0.00

Budget Overview

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		\$0.00	

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	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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	\$300,000.00	\$50,130.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$37,286.00	\$0.00	\$397,416.00
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	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2200 Staff Support	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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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	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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	\$300,000.00	\$50,130.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$37,286.00	\$0.00	\$397,416.00
Approved Indirect Cost/Operational Rate: 0.0000								\$0.00
Final								\$397,416.00