



## **Elementary & Secondary Emergency Relief for Schools (ESSER)**

The district will receive a total of three funding packages from the federal government in response to the covid-19 pandemic. Each funding package is a one time allocation with rules and a timeline for spending. This overview briefly highlights the three different funding packages, the intended uses and timelines.

### **ESSER I**

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, Economic Security (CARES) Act was approved in the spring of 2020 to provide districts with funding to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus. The district's allocation of \$1.9M was determined by the total enrollment and Title 1 and must be spent by Sept. of 2022. Funds were used for PPE, cleaning supplies, devices and connectivity, nurses, social-emotional support, etc.

### **ESSER II**

The Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund II was approved in December of 2020 and the district was able to apply for the funds in April of 2021. The allocation of \$7.5M was determined by total district enrollment and Title 1 and must be spent by Sept. of 2023. The intended use for these funds will be (1) for assisting with academic recovery needs by hiring additional certified teachers across all schools and levels to assist with learning loss, summer programs, student interventions, core subject support, credit recovery, and more (2) for improving air quality and ventilation in the majority of our remaining non-air conditioned schools including: Addams, Butterworth, Jefferson, Logan, Lincoln-Irving, and Washington.

### **ESSER III**

The American Rescue Plan was approved in the spring of 2021. The application will become available in July of 2021. The allocation of \$17.5M was determined by total district enrollment and Title 1 and must be spent by Sept. of 2024. 20% must be spent directly on addressing learning loss and social-emotional support and the remainder can be used toward general district needs. These monies will be combined with the ESSER II package to accomplish the priorities of additional certified teachers to assist with academic recovery over the next two years and HVAC projects for six remaining non-air conditioned schools in the district including: Addams, Butterworth, Jefferson, Logan, Lincoln-Irving, and Washington.