**AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN AT-A-GLANCE**

**SPENDING TIMELINE:** March 2021-September 2024

- **$206.9 MILLION**
  - College & Career Readiness: $14.1 million
  - Effective & Culturally Responsive Instruction: $44 million
  - Positive School & District Culture: $9.2 million
  - Systemic Equity: $8.5 million
  - Program Evaluation Resource Allocation: $63.6 million
  - Family & Community Engagement: $6.3 million
  - Safe Schools: $51.6 million
  - Operational Expenses: $9.6 million

**SPENDING BY YEAR**

- **2021-22**
  - $24.7 MILLION
- **2022-23**
  - $52.7 MILLION
- **2023-24**
  - $129.5 MILLION

**NEW, ENHANCED OR CONTINUED STRATEGY**

- 75 UNIQUE STRATEGIES
- Continuation of an existing SPPS strategy/program/service (11)
- Enhancement to existing SPPS strategy/program/service (40)
- New strategy (22)

**STRATEGIES BY GRADE LEVEL**

- Early Childhood: 19
- Elementary School: 55
- Middle School: 55
- High School: 53

**OVERALL IMPACT**

- Students Served: 17,336
- Staff Trained: 3,052
- Community Partners: 116

1 Several strategies encompass multiple components
2 Includes districtwide strategies that touch multiple grade levels

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Saint Paul Public Schools (SPPS) received $206.9 million in federal COVID-19 relief funding, called the American Rescue Plan (ARP), to be used between March 2021 and September 2024. Over these three years, SPPS has launched, enhanced or continued to implement 75 unique strategies to address long-term student outcomes impacted by the pandemic. **Take a look at the impact 14 of these strategies have made on students, staff and the community.**

The strategies listed below are grouped by the four ARP spending priorities, which include:
- safely reopening schools for all students;
- addressing pre- and post-pandemic unfinished learning;
- building lasting, equitable systems of teaching and learning; and
- supporting students’ and staff’s social emotional needs when returning to in-person learning.

### SAFELY REOPEN SCHOOLS

**School Health Staff**
Held 146 vaccine clinics and administered 7,620 COVID-19 vaccines in 2022 and 2023.

**Custodial Staff**
Hired over 40 custodians to provide an additional 1,600 hours of cleaning per week; fully staffed maintenance workers to decrease response time to reported issues by 48%.

**Bus Driver Recruitment & Retention**
Offered $1.1M in stipends to recruit and retain bus drivers; increased the number of yellow bus routes from 175 in 2021 to 235 in 2023.

### ADDRESS UNFINISHED LEARNING

**Credit Recovery**
Provided additional intervention specialists and credit recovery support during school hours to help students recover 39,216 credits between 2021-23.

**Early Childhood Special Education Assessment**
Processed 1,863 referrals from schools and the community for special education evaluation for 3- to 5-year-olds.

**K-8 Core Literacy Instruction (What I Need Now - WINN)**
Hired 105 WINN teachers to provide small-group reading instruction to 5,785 students between 2021-23. 74% of WINN students in grades 2-8 showed “typical” or “aggressive” growth on reading assessments in 2022, compared to 55% of their peers.

**Seal of Biliteracy Testing**
Increased the number of students who took a Bilingual Seals assessment by 61% between 2020-23. Over the last two years, 689 students graduated with a Bilingual Seal in 18 different languages.
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IMPACT SUMMARY

January 2024

BUILD EQUITABLE SYSTEMS OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

Earn As You Learn
286 students earned 685 paid industry certifications and completed financial literacy and career skills training between 2021-23.

Language Supports for Families
Provided 3,942 hours of language interpretation services in 48 languages in-person and over the phone.

Recruitment & Retention of Teachers of Color
Increased the number of teachers of color by 18% over three years; SPPS employs 827 teachers of color in 2023-24 compared to 702 in 2020-21.

Elementary School Libraries
Staffed 2,412 open library hours at nine schools, leading to a 75% circulation increase in 2022-23, with 93,274 books checked out compared to 53,389 the previous year.

SUPPORT STUDENT AND STAFF SOCIAL EMOTIONAL NEEDS

Counselors at Every School
Added nine school counselors across 11 schools to provide 4.6 times as many counseling visits with students compared to 2020-21.

Student & Staff Wellness Spaces
Created 34 wellness spaces for students and 16 for staff in schools across the district, where students and educators can relax, recharge, and get in the right mindset to learn and teach.

Mental Health Community Partnerships
Partnered with 24 community organizations to provide mental health and social emotional learning services to 1,698 students at 60 schools.

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