Appendix 1

BOE Agenda Item Executive Summary
Date: November 8, 2021

Topic: Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) Plans

Background Information: In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Congress passed three stimulus bills in 2020 and 2021 that provided nearly $190.50 billion to the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) fund. States receive funds based on the same proportion that each state receives under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Title IA, and the District receives an allocation three federal aid packages based on the same criteria. The total allocation of federal relief funds from the three packages is almost $262 million, not including the non-public portion of the first package under the CARES Act. Almost $245 million from the second and third packages is being planned and implemented in response to COVID-19 impacts.