

# CLARENCE SCHOOL DISTRICT Recommendations for Federal Funds

May 10, 2021

### Federal Grants

- Clarence Allocations from Federal Grants
  - □ESSER: \$3,941,899
  - □ American Rescue Plan: \$3,627,847

#### CRRSA & ARPA – Allowable Uses

- Providing principals and other school leaders with the resources necessary to address the needs of their individual schools.
- Activities to address the unique needs of low-income children or students, children with disabilities, English learners, racial and ethnic minorities, students experiencing homelessness, and foster care youth, including how outreach and service delivery will meet the needs of each population.
- Purchasing supplies to sanitize and clean the facilities of a LEA, including buildings operated by such agency.
- Planning for, coordinating, and implementing activities during long-term closures
- Purchasing educational technology (including hardware, software, and connectivity) for students.
- Providing mental health services and supports.

## CRRSA & ARPA – Allowable Uses

- Planning and implementing activities related to summer learning and supplemental after-school programs, including providing classroom instruction or online learning during the summer months.
- Addressing learning loss among students by:
  - Administering and using high-quality assessments that are valid and reliable, to accurately assess students' academic progress and assist educators in meeting students' academic needs, including through differentiating instruction.
  - Implementing evidence-based activities to meet the comprehensive needs of students.
  - Providing information and assistance to parents and families on how they can effectively support students, including in a distance learning environment.
  - Tracking student attendance and improving student engagement in distance education.

#### ARPA – Allowable Uses

- Districts will be required, by July 1, to post on their websites plans for the use of the aid which will "prioritize spending on non-recurring expenses" for:
  - safe return to in-person instruction,
  - addressing effects of pandemic disruptions upon students,
  - purchasing technology,
  - investing in early childhood education, and
  - other purposes, including "operating schools and meeting the needs of students."
- To the extent district plans entail costs which would recur beyond the availability of federal aid, districts are to identify local funds to continue these programs.
- Districts will be required to seek public comment before submitting their plans.

# ARPA - Spending Schedule

- Require districts to reserve at least half their allocation and spend 12.5% of their allocation each year between 2021-22 and 2024-25, not including any spending from the remaining half
- Districts would not be able to spend more than 62.5% of their total allocation in a single year and would have to spend at least 12.5% each year
- Allocations from the December federal stimulus legislation and the March American Rescue Plan will be deemed grants-in-aid and be recorded and reported as special aid funds.

#### Variables

- Plan for what happens with personnel when the federal money is gone
- Potential for a remote instruction model (total number of students participating)
- □ Non-recurring expenses
- □ Time waiver from NYSED (900 or 990 minutes)

## Distribution of Federal Grant Funds

CRRSA & ARPA Funds	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	Total Allocation
TOTAL Annual Expenditures	\$2,372,088	\$2,372,088	\$2,372,088	\$453,481	\$7,569,746

# Recommendations For Grant \$

Additional Positions	Location	FTE	Cost
Psychologists & Intern	CMS, CHS, HH, Dist	4.0	\$255,000
Social Worker	FSC	1.0	\$80,000
LAC Teachers	CMS & CHS	2.0	\$160,000
Math Intervention Teachers	CC, HH, LV, SH	4.0	\$320,000
Reading Specialists	CC, HH, LV, SH	2.0	\$160,000
Special Education Teacher	Elementary	1.0	\$80,000
Summer School Programs	K-12		\$480,000
Contracted Mental Health Services	Districtwide	*	\$320,000
Additional stipends for current staff for after/before school intervention & tutoring	Districtwide	*	\$100,000
Technology Purchases	Districtwide	*	\$150,000
Implementing evidence-based activities to meet the comprehensive needs of students (staff training & facilitation).	Districtwide	*	\$200,000
*subject to reduction for remote learning		TOTAL	\$2,305,000

## Recommendations for Grant \$

If remote instruction is mandatory for school districts in the 2021-22 school year & 10% of the students choose it:

	Elementary Remote Academy (K-6)	Secondary Remote Academy (7-12)	
Teachers	8 new (use 2 existing teachers)	2 new (use 7 existing teachers)	
# of Students (10% of total)	200	200	
Total Cost	\$480,000	\$160,000	

 \$640,000 would need to be reduced from previous recommendation list.