



WEYMOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Budget Sub-Committee ARP ESSER (III)

June 9, 2021

Overview

- The American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021, Public Law 117-2, was enacted on March 11, 2021
- The Education portion of ARP is known as the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds (ESSER III or ARP ESSER)



Allocation

- ESSER III based on share of total Title I funding (FY21)
- Districts should anticipate an award that is approximately 2.2 times larger than their ESSER II award



COVID-19 Grants (one time)

Grant	Amount	Available	Use	Status
COVID-19 Supplemental State Budget	\$250,000	N/A	Earmarked through ESSER-2 for K learning lag	pending
ESSER/Cares Act	\$677,844	Encumbered	Mental Health/ Remediation/Testing/Tech/Supplies	approved
ESSER-II/Cares Act	\$2,911,054	\$2,911,054	prepare, prevent and respond to COVID-19	pending
ARP-ESSER-III/Cares Act	\$6,766,467	\$6,766,467	Guidance still being developed	pending
FY21 MA COVID-19 Prevention Fund	\$290,713	Encumbered	prepare, prevent and respond to COVID-19	pending
Remote Learning Tech Essentials	\$217,601	Expended	Chromebooks/IPads/Asst Tech/Internet	approved
Summer/Vaca Learning Program	\$23,745	Encumbered	Special Ed Staffing - Feb Vaca program	approved
School Reopening	\$1,268,100	Expended	approx. \$225/pupil - COVID-19 related expenses	approved
CvRF School Meal Programs	\$17,821	Encumbered	Food Service Costs not covered by Fed & MA	approved
	\$12,423,345	\$9,677,521		
				*Funds Received

ESSER III Key Info

- The period of performance is through 9/30/24
- Unlike ESSER I/II, ESSER III contains new requirements
 - District Plan for Safe Return to In-Person Instruction
 - Consultation with district stakeholders
 - 20% of the award must be spent on mitigating lost instructional time
 - A new "Maintenance of Equity" provision



ESSER III Timeline

- Summer 2021
 - District priorities on the use of funds
 - Review RFP, Allocations, and District Application
 - Consider stakeholder feedback
- On or before **October 4, 2021**
 - Complete and Submit District Application
 - Within 30 days of receipt of ESSER III funds, post District Return to School Plan Distr
 - Update plan every six months through 9/30/23



ESSER USES

Anything authorized in ESSA, IDEA, AEFLA, Perkins, McKinney-Vento

Coordination of COVID preparedness and response efforts

Activities for low-income, SWD, EL, racial and ethnic minorities, homeless, and foster

Developing and implementing procedures and systems

Training and PD on minimizing spread of infectious diseases

Purchasing supplies to sanitize and clean

Planning for, coordinating, and implementing activities, incl. meals

Technology for students and staff

Mental health services and supports

Summer learning and supplemental afterschool programs

Providing principals with resources necessary to address individual needs of schools

Implementing public health protocols

Addressing learning loss (assessments, evidence-based activities, parents, attendance)

School facility repairs to reduce risk of virus transmission

Air quality improvements

Other activities that are necessary to maintain operation and keep staff employed



Questions and Comments

