

ARPA Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) III Funds

September 22, 2021

ARPA Act ESSER III



- Authorized under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)
- HCS Allocation: \$54,800,634.28
- Grant period: March 13, 2020 September 30, 2024
- Link to Allowable Uses
- Additional Guidelines:
 - o 20 percent of funds must be used to address learning loss using evidence-based interventions
 - School divisions must make return to in-person instruction and spending plan publicly available on the division's website
 - No equitable services for private schools
 - School divisions may not reduce per-pupil funding or staff in FY 2022 or FY 2023 for high poverty schools by an amount that exceeds the total reduction in funding for all schools divided by the number of children enrolled in all schools.
- Grant application due date September 1, 2021

ARPA ESSER III Budget Development Timeline



May 18, 2021 - Presentation on ARPA ESSER III Funds to Return to School Task Force

May 19-20, 2021 - Release of ARPA ESSER III Stakeholder Feedback Survey

June 17 2021 - Submission of funding request by Division Leadership Team (DLT) in collaboration with departments and survey results

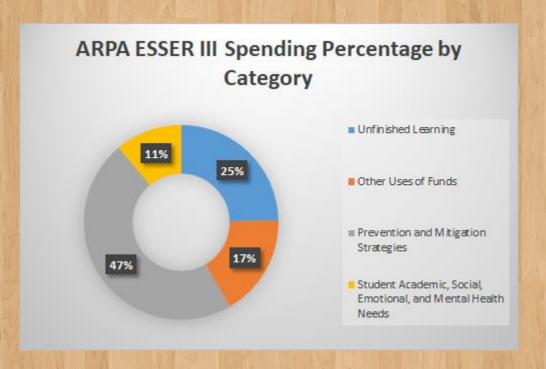
July 6-22 2021- Budget meetings with DLT and completion of first draft of the spending plan. Met with City to discuss ways to collaborate in the use of ESSER III funds.

July 29, 2021 - Spending plan placed on HCS website for public access by August 1, 2021

August 4, 2021 - Presentation to School Board and Public Comment

August 25, 2021 - Grant application submitted to Virginia Department of Education

ARPA ESSER III Spending Plan Summary



Full spending plan can be found at this LINK



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Prevention and Mitigation Strategies

\$25,925,165.02

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- Transportation Fleet Replacement with Air Conditioning (and installation of HEPA Air filtration system)
- Personal Protective Equipment for approved work accommodation requests as needed
- Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) replacements
- Roof and building infrastructure (siding) replacements





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Unfinished
Learning/
Learning Loss

\$13,786,210.86

Unfinished Learning/Learning Loss

- 22 Classroom Teachers
- 6 Early Reading Intervention Instructional Assistants
- Additional Remediation
- External Tutor Services
- Student Books/Texts and Literacy Kits
- Middle School Literacy Camp
- Continued funding of current digital learning resources
- Expansion of 21st Century Program to 10 elementary, 2 Prek-8, and 3 middle schools



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Other Uses of Funds

\$9,016,542.27

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- Zoom License Renewal
- Hard to Staff Position Bonus
- Additional Pay for Substitutes
- Food Service Van and Truck
- 5-Day Meal Kit for Virtual Learners
- Chromebook Replacement
- Teacher Laptop Replacement
- Indirect Costs 5.3%
- Continued funding for Digital Program Technicians (2) and Internet Connectivity staff (1)



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Student Academic, Social, Emotional, and Mental Health Needs

\$6,072,716.14

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- Communities in School of Hampton Roads
- Restorative Justice Model Consultant
- Critical Incident Stress Management Program for staff
- Social Emotional Screener and Climate Survey (Panorama)
- Enrollment/Attendance Specialist (Temporary Employee)
- Social Work Paid Internship
- Early Childhood Student Engagement Specialist
- Student Achievement Assessment Stipend
- After School Counseling Sessions
- Partnership with Community Service Board



Next Steps



- Grant application approval from VDOE
- Develop detailed plans on the use of funds (e.g., goals, objectives, target student groups, VDOE pre-approval renovation forms)

Questions

