

ESSER Funding Update

AHSD25

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STIMULUS FUNDS (ESSER Funds)

General Rules

- Provide schools with funding to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic
- Funds must be spent by either 9/30/23 or 9/30/24

D25 Considerations

- Sustainability - funds are time limited (2-3 years)
- Challenges in staffing/timing
- Systematic changes to better serve all students
- Paying certified staff from federal funds costs an additional 10.41% of salary for TRS
- Further investment in our high-quality D25 staff

CARES Act (ESSER I) - funds available through 9/30/21

General Rules

- Allocations based on student enrollment, free and reduced lunch percentage for each school, and other informative data
- Strongly encouraged to explore using these funds to strengthen infrastructure for remote learning
- Must provide supplemental educational services for eligible *private* school students

D25 Funding Priorities (\$200,439)	Budget	Actual
Expansion of 1:1 Technology to include K-8	\$162,310	\$162,310
Microphones and speakers were provided in some classrooms to assist with sound for dual modality teaching	\$22,828	\$22,828
Nonpublic Share	\$15,301	\$7,736
Total	\$200,439	\$192,874

Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (ESSER II) - funds available through 9/30/23

General Rules

- Encouraged to use funds to mitigate learning loss through supplemental learning opportunities, close the digital divide, and address the mental health needs of our students
- NO requirement for supplemental educational services for eligible *private* school students

D25 Funding Priorities (\$675,717)	Budget	Actual
Interventionist personnel costs	\$281,072	\$332,749
Literacy Resources	\$214,345	\$146,085
2021 Summer U personnel costs & materials	\$173,300	\$189,883
Executive Functioning PD	\$7,000	\$7,000
Total	\$675,717	\$675,717

American Rescue Plan (ESSER III and ESSER III Setaside) – funds available through 9/30/24

General Rules

- Available 7/1/21 or later
- 20% of funds to address learning loss
 - Social, emotional, and academic evidence-based interventions
 - Address disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on underrepresented student subgroups
- Remaining funds may be used for a wide range of activities to address needs arising from the coronavirus pandemic
- NO requirement for supplemental educational services for eligible *private* school students
- ESSER III Setaside is an additional \$136,027
 - 14% summer, 14% afterschool, 71% learning loss

American Rescue Plan (ESSER III and ESSER III Setaside) (continued)

D25 Funding Priorities	Original Budget (\$1,516,831)	Revised Budget (\$1,652,858)
Interventionist personnel costs* (4 staff for 2 years)	\$592,181	\$719,393
2022 Summer U personnel costs & materials	\$101,450	\$103,889
Tutoring	\$265,781	\$36,321
Literacy Resources	\$250,000	\$296,926
Professional Learning	\$48,000	\$87,800
Math Resources	\$91,000	\$135,375
Social and Emotional Learning Facilitators & Materials	\$101,450	\$120,741
Remote Academy Guest Teachers	\$90,928	\$63,995
Technology		\$40,617
Achievement Gap/Growth Analysis Consulting		\$34,801
Curriculum and Instruction Projects		\$13,000
TOTAL	\$1,516,831	\$1,652,858

*Personnel costs include salaries, benefits, FICA/MED and pension costs

Summary

In accordance with the intent of the ESSER funding “to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic” with a focus on supplemental learning opportunities, closing the digital divide, and addressing the mental health needs of our students, including but not limited to social, emotional, and academic evidence-based interventions District 25 is providing a variety of additional supports to students including:

- Summer U
- Intervention
- Tutoring
- Expanding/Maintaining 1:1 technology
- Literacy and Math materials
- Professional learning to enhance instruction
- Certified staff support for the remote academy