

## **Section: Narratives - Assessing Impacts and Needs**

### **LEA ARP ESSER APPLICATION**

The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) recognizes the extraordinary efforts made by Local Education Agencies (LEAs), schools, and educators to support students during the COVID-19 pandemic. The application below requests information from LEAs about: (1) Needs and impacts resulting from the pandemic, (2) Stakeholder engagement in the development of local plans to respond to these needs and impacts, (3) Specific elements in the LEA Plan for the Use of ARP ESSER Funds; and (4) Plans for monitoring and measuring progress. As submitted and accepted by PDE in final form, this application shall become part of the Grant Agreement for ARP ESSER funds as Appendix B. As used in this application, "the LEA" refers to the Grantee defined in the Grant Agreement.

ARP ESSER includes a significant focus on vulnerable student populations. Given these requirements, as well as PDE's own equity commitments, the LEA application includes specific fields requesting information on programs to serve student groups that have experienced disproportionate impacts from the pandemic. Student groups are inclusive of the following:

- Students from low-income families;
- Students from each racial or ethnic group (e.g., identifying disparities and focusing on underserved student groups by race or ethnicity);
- Gender (e.g., identifying disparities and focusing on underserved student groups by gender);
- English learners;
- Children with disabilities (including infants, toddlers, children, and youth with disabilities eligible under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act [IDEA]);
- Students experiencing homelessness;
- Children and youth in foster care;
- Migrant students; and
- Other groups disproportionately impacted by the pandemic that have been identified by the LEA (e.g., youth involved in the criminal justice system, students who have missed the most in-person instruction during the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years, students who did not consistently participate in remote instruction when offered during school building closures, and LGBTQ+ students).

### **Section I: Assessing Impacts and Needs**

In this first section, LEAs are asked to describe the impact of the pandemic on their students, examine disproportionate impacts on specific student groups, and highlight the LEA's promising practices in supporting student needs since March 2020.

#### **Indicators of Impact**

1. Understanding the Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic: Describe how the LEA has identified or will identify the extent of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on student learning and well-being.

Specifically, what methods (i.e., collecting and analyzing data and information from focus groups, surveys, and local assessment results) were used or will be used to identify and measure impacts in four key areas: (1) Academic impact of lost instructional time, (2) Chronic absenteeism, (3) Student engagement, and (4) Social-emotional well-being?

|   | <b>Methods Used to Understand Each Type of Impact</b>  |
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| <b>Academic Impact of Lost Instructional Time</b> | Review of academic grades, District benchmark assessments, future PSSA and Keystone scores, teacher recommendations, and standards based instruction. RASD Students are resilient and staff members provided outstanding instruction to meet grade level curriculum. Academic impact of COVID-19 was present but minimal due to in-person instructional practices.   |
| <b>Chronic Absenteeism</b>                        | Absentism was reviewed through daily attendance. COVID-19 quarantines had a direct impact on student participation/attendance. This PADOH/CDC requirement impacted academic progress for students experiencing absenteeism. Quarantine and positive cases tracked through School Nurse/Google sheet.   |
| <b>Student Engagement</b>                         | Instruction during remote learning timeframes was hindered due to internet access and the RASD's large rural geographical area. Students were provided with learning packets to start. Then moved to asynchronous learning/Project Based Learning. 2020-21 saw inperson instruction and remote learning through Google Classroom. Students without internet were provided content/lessons through resources, flash drives, and teacher communication. Student grades and performance on assessments. |
| <b>Social-emotional Well-being</b>                | The RASD referral process for ESAP, SAP, and MTSS have been used to manage needs for social-emotional well-being. Students in needs of supports have been recommended by teachers and other school staff. The Jr./Sr. High and Elementary Guidance Counselors have been an intergral part of student supports. RASD also contacts with Somerset Bedford DBHS for counseling services.  |
| <b>Other Indicators</b>                           | Parent Engagement; increased within the households to support children during remote learning. Due to school closures and PADOH/CDC recommendations this decreased within the physical environment of the school.  |

**Documenting Disproportionate Impacts**

2. Identify **at least three student** groups in the LEA that faced particularly significant impacts from the pandemic. For each, provide specific strategies that were used or will be used to identify and measure impacts.

| <b>Student Group</b> | <b>Provide specific strategies that were used or will be used to identify and measure</b> |
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|  | impacts  |
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| Other groups disproportionately impacted by the pandemic that have been identified by the LEA (See Help Text for examples) | Rural students outside of larger communities our the District. Lack of Internet service. The RASD administration and staff will continue to monitor student grades, assessment data, and provide support services/instruction to meet the needs of students. |
| Students from low-income families  | Parent/Student engagement. The RASD administration and staff will continue to monitor student grades, assessment data, and provide support services/instruction to meet the needs of students.   |

### Reflecting on Local Strategies

3. Provide the LEA's assessment of the top two or three strategies that have been most effective in supporting the needs of students, in particular specific student groups most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Include at least one strategy addressing **academic needs** and at least one strategy addressing **social-emotional needs**.

|                    | Strategy Description   |
|--------------------|--|
| <b>Strategy #1</b> | In-Person instructional practices while following PADOH and CDC guidelines. In person instruction is irreplaceable. Students benefit most from instruction for teachers and interactions with peers. |

i. **Impacts that Strategy #1 best addresses:** (select all that apply)

- Academic impact of lost instructional time**
- Chronic absenteeism**
- Student engagement**
- Social-emotional well-being**
- Other impact**

ii. **If Other is selected above, please provide the description here:**

iii. **Student group(s) that Strategy #1 most effectively supports:** (select all that apply)

- Students from low-income families
- Students from each racial or ethnic group (e.g., identifying disparities and focusing on underserved student groups by race or ethnicity)
- Gender (e.g., identifying disparities and focusing on underserved student groups by gender)
- English learners
- Children with disabilities (including infants, toddlers, children, and youth with disabilities eligible under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA))
- Students experiencing homelessness
- Children and youth in foster care
- Migrant students
- Other student groups: (provide description below)

iv. If Other is selected above, please provide the description here.

Rural families.

**Reflecting on Local Strategies: Strategy #2**

|                    | Strategy Description  |
|--------------------|---|
| <b>Strategy #2</b> | Food services and materials distribution: use of contracted transportation and support staff to deliver weekly allotments of food and educational materials to families within the entire District. |

i. Impacts that Strategy #2 best addresses: (select all that apply)

- Academic impact of lost instructional time
- Chronic absenteeism
- Student engagement
- Social-emotional well-being
- Other impact

ii. If Other is selected above, please provide the description here:

iii. **Student group(s) that Strategy #2 most effectively supports:** (select all that apply)

- Students from low-income families**
- Students from each racial or ethnic group (e.g., identifying disparities and focusing on underserved student groups by race or ethnicity)**
- Gender (e.g., identifying disparities and focusing on underserved student groups by gender)**
- English learners**
- Children with disabilities (including infants, toddlers, children, and youth with disabilities eligible under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA))**
- Students experiencing homelessness**
- Children and youth in foster care**
- Migrant students**
- Other student groups: (provide description below)**

iv. **If Other is selected above, please provide the description here.**

Rural families.

**Reflecting on Local Strategies: Strategy #3**

|                    | <b>Strategy Description</b>  |
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| <b>Strategy #3</b> | Remote learning/Google Classroom/Technology Deployment: Implementation of a one to one learning environment with Chromebooks RASD wide. Education of students related to remote learning/Google Classroom use and Google Apps. Professional development for teachers to implement remote learning, provide lessons through Google Classroom and Google Meet. |

i. **Impacts that Strategy #3 best addresses:** (select all that apply)

- Academic Impact of Lost Instructional Time**
- Chronic absenteeism**
- Student engagement**

- Social-emotional well-being
- Other impact

ii. If Other is selected above, please provide the description here:

iii. Student group(s) that Strategy #3 most effectively supports: (select all that apply)

- Students from low-income families
- Students from each racial or ethnic group (e.g., identifying disparities and focusing on underserved student groups by race or ethnicity)
- Gender (e.g., identifying disparities and focusing on underserved student groups by gender)
- English learners
- Children with disabilities (including infants, toddlers, children, and youth with disabilities eligible under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA))
- Students experiencing homelessness
- Children and youth in foster care
- Migrant students
- Other student groups: (provide description below)

iv. If Other is selected above, please provide the description here:

Rural families.

## **Section: Narratives - Engaging Stakeholders in Plan Development**

### **Section II: Engaging Stakeholders in Plan Development**

In this second section, LEAs are asked to provide information on how stakeholders will be engaged in planning for the use of ARP ESSER funds, how stakeholder input will be utilized, and how the LEA will make its LEA Plan for the Use of ARP ESSER Funds transparent to the public—all critical components in developing, implementing, and adjusting plans based on the differential impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### **4. Stakeholder Engagement**

Describe how the LEA, in planning for the use of ARP ESSER funds, has engaged or will engage in meaningful consultation with stakeholders. **(3,000 characters max)**

(Stakeholders include students; families; school and district administrators (including special education administrators); teachers; principals; school leaders; other educators; school staff; and unions. In addition, to the extent that the following groups are present in or served by the LEA, stakeholders also include community partners, civil rights organizations (including disability rights organizations); stakeholders representing the interests of children with disabilities, English learners, children experiencing homelessness, children and youth in foster care, migrant students, children who are incarcerated, and other underserved students; and tribes.)

The Rockwood Area School District has gathered Stakeholder input through the use of Google Form surveys. Three surveys have been sent out throughout the 2020-21 school year. These surveys focused on needs for instruction, resources, instructional delivery, internet access, and other information needed to support our school community. Stakeholders were also asked to participate in the ESSERs II, III, and PCCD survey that directly connected to the use of these funds. Surveys were sent to school staff, administration, School Board/Community Members, and parents/students. The Rockwood Area School District intends to use ESSERs II funding to remodel dilapidated restrooms to improve student hygiene and safety. Ventilation in bathrooms will be improved through this process. ESSER III Funds will be expended to make improvements to select classroom heating and ventilation systems. This will improve efficiency of heating and air quality within the rooms. Technology needs will be addressed through ESSERs III funding by purchasing Chromebooks that support education and engage students. Funding will also be used to support instructional programs that eliminate the COVID-19 learning gaps experienced by students. These programs may include; after school tutoring, summer credit recovery, use of Americorp workers for academic supports, and materials purchases.

#### **5. Use of Stakeholder Input**

Describe how the LEA has taken or will take stakeholder and public input into account in the development of the LEA Plan for the Use of ARP ESSER Funds. **(3,000 characters max)**

Stakeholders were asked to participate in the ESSERs II, III, and PCCD survey that directly

connected to the use of these funds. Surveys were sent to school staff, administration, School Board/Community Members, and parents/students. This survey had over 120 responses. Responses were reviewed and applied to decision making by the RASD School Board, administration, and support staff. Input from stakeholders aligned to RASD recommendations. When state mandates allow, meetings will be held with stakeholders to discuss Federal Programs and Grant fund uses.

#### **6. Public Access to LEA Plan for the Use of ARP ESSER Funds**

Describe the process for development, approval, and making public the LEA Plan for the Use of ARP ESSER Funds. The LEA Plan for the Use of ARP ESSER Funds must be made publicly available on the LEA website and submitted to PDE within 90 days of LEA receipt of ARP ESSER funding, must be written in a language that parents/caregivers can understand, and must be provided in alternate format upon request by a parent/caregiver who is an individual with a disability. **(3,000 characters max)**

The RASD plan will be developed through the use of basic language that represents the stakeholder input, RASD planning, timelines for use of funds, and outline benefits to students and the community. This plan will be developed, saved, and adjusted as needed. Plan will be posted on the website for review by District stakeholders.



## **Section: Narratives - Using ARP ESSER Funds to Plan for Safe, In-Person Instruction**

### **Section III: Using ARP ESSER Funds to Plan for Safe, In-Person Instruction**

In this third section, LEAs are asked to reflect on both the impacts and needs described in Section I and stakeholder engagement described in Section II to provide a description of the LEA plan for the use of ARP ESSER funds, beginning with the minimum 20 percent reservation, to address the impact of lost instructional time as required by section 2001(e)(1) of the ARP Act.

**Instructions:** For both (a) the 20 percent reservation to address the impact of lost instructional time and (b) remaining funds, describe the LEA's principles for emphasizing educational equity in expending ARP ESSER funds, including but not limited to:

- Responding to students' academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs, and addressing opportunity gaps that existed before—and were exacerbated by—the pandemic.
- Allocating funding to individual schools and for LEA-wide activities based on student need.
- Implementing an equitable and inclusive return to in-person instruction. An inclusive return to in-person instruction includes, but is not limited to, establishing policies and practices that avoid the over-use of exclusionary discipline measures (including in- and out-of-school suspensions) and creating a positive and supportive learning environment for all students.
- Taking steps to permit students, teachers, and other program beneficiaries to overcome barriers (including barriers based on gender, race, color, national origin, disability, and age) that impede equal access to, or participation in, the ARP ESSER-supported program, in compliance with the requirements of section 427 of GEPA (20 U.S.C. 1228a).
- Attending to sustainability of plans supported by non-recurring ARP ESSER funds beyond the ARP ESSER funding period.

### **7. Plan for 20 percent Reservation to Address the Impact of Lost Instructional Time (Learning Loss)**

How will the LEA use the funds it reserves under section 2001(e)(1) of the ARP Act to address the academic impact of lost instructional time through the implementation of evidence-based interventions, such as summer learning or summer enrichment, extended day, comprehensive afterschool programs, or extended school year programs? **(3,000 characters max)**

The response must include:

- a. A description of the evidence-based interventions (e.g., providing intensive or high-dosage tutoring, accelerating learning) the LEA has selected, and how the LEA will evaluate the impact of those interventions on an ongoing basis to determine effectiveness.
- b. How the evidence-based interventions will specifically address the needs of student groups most disproportionately impacted.
- c. The extent to which the LEA will use funds it reserves to identify, engage, and support (1) students who have missed the most in-person instruction during the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years; and (2) students who did not consistently participate in remote instruction when offered during school building closures.

The Rockwood Area School District has and plans to continue the implementation of Summer Core Credit Recovery during the 2021 and 2022 summer months. This program will provide students who have failed a course to complete remediation instruction to pass. 5th to 12th grade students are identified through review of grades and teacher recommendations. The RASD will also continue to implement an After School Tutoring Program to students. This program was provided in 2020-21 and will hopefully, with staff support, continue in the fall and winter of 2021-22. The RASD is working with AMERICORP to develop four positions of 1200 hours to support identified student needs through supplemental instruction. These positions would provide remedial instruction throughout the school day to targeted student. Students would be identified through assessment data, teacher recommendations, and referral processes. These positions would be overseen by certified teachers. Summer Course Recovery and Summer Academic Camps will be held to support student academic growth.

#### **8. Plan for Remaining Funds** *(funds not described under the question above)*

How will the LEA spend its remaining ARP ESSER funds including for each of the four fields below, as applicable? **(3,000 characters max)**

- a. Continuity of Services: How will the LEA use ARP ESSER funds to sustain services to address students' academic needs; students' and staff social, emotional, and mental health needs; and student nutrition and food services?
- b. Access to Instruction: How will the LEA use ARP ESSER funds to support the goals of increasing opportunity to learn and equity in instructional delivery? Consider regular attendance/chronic absenteeism data from the 2020-21 school year, including data disaggregated by student groups, in developing the response.
- c. Mitigation Strategies: How will the LEA use ARP ESSER funds to support prevention and mitigation policies in line with the most up-to-date guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for the reopening and operation of school facilities and transportation services to effectively maintain the health and safety of students, educators, and other staff? Consider the LEA's Health and Safety Plan in developing the response.
- d. Facilities Improvements: How will the LEA use ARP ESSER funds to repair and improve school facilities to reduce risk of virus transmission, address environmental health hazards, and/or improve ventilation? Consider the LEA's Health and Safety Plan in developing the response.

Continuity of Services; The RASD Plans to implement the strategies listed in #7 until funds related to learning loss have been expended. These strategies are seen as the best ways to support the academic learning loss of students. Social/emotional needs will continue to be supported through our ESAP, SAP teams, and school level Guidance counselors. The RASD is also using District funds to hire a full time Social Worker during the 2021-22 school year. Access to Instruction: The use of funds to continue development of technology implementation and Google Classroom will provide access to all students. The implementation of AMERICORP positions will support learners needing academic remediation and tutoring. The Tutoring program will focus on students demonstrating academic needs. Chromebooks will be used to support remote/virtual instruction. This resource will also be used to access software and online resources to support learning during in-person instruction and while at home. The use of Google Classroom and assignments will support intervention practices. Chromebook are

important to the development of a one to one technology program. The Chromebooks allow for offline work completion that automatically updates when WIFI. Students in the K-12 environment are encouraged to take their assigned Chromebooks home for assignment completion and drill and skill practice. The Rockwood Area School District plans to remodel school restrooms to support the mitigation of COVID 19. Mitigation efforts and Facilities improvements will focus on student hygiene, safety, and air quality. Funds may be expended to improve these needs. The renovations include increased air flow through updated ventilation systems. The RASD also intends to update classroom univent systems. The univents are used to assist heating and cooling of classrooms while filtering air through the ventilation of outside air into the classroom. These systems are anywhere from 30 to 60 years old. This will improve air quality within the classrooms.

**9. For LEAs with one or more Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) or Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) school only**

Please verify consultation of the [Evidence Resource Center](#) in developing the LEA Plan for the Use of ARP ESSER Funds and provide a justification for any intervention that is not supported by tier 1, 2, 3, or 4 evidence. If the LEA does not include a school with a CSI or ATSI designation, indicate “Not Applicable.” **(3,000 characters max)**

Not Applicable.

**10. 20% Reservation Calculation**

Please enter your ARP ESSER total allocation amount and then click Save.

**\*Please ensure that your 20% (or greater) budgeted amount for Learning Loss is itemized in your Budget.**

|                               | ARP ESSER Allocation | Reservation Requirement | Reservation Amount (calculated on save) |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|---|
| <b>20 Percent Reservation</b> | 1,040,331            | 20%                     | 208,066                                 |

**Section: Narratives - Monitoring and Measuring Progress**

**Section IV: Monitoring and Measuring Progress**

In this fourth section, LEAs are asked to describe efforts to build local capacity to ensure high-quality data collection and reporting to safeguard funds for their intended purposes.

**11. Capacity for Data Collection and Reporting**

LEAs must continuously monitor progress and adjust strategies as needed. Describe the LEA's capacity and strategy to collect and analyze data (disaggregated by student group, where applicable), for each of the following measures:

|  | <b>Data Collection and Analysis Plan (including plan to disaggregate data)</b>  |
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| <b>Student learning, including academic impact of lost instructional time during the COVID-19 pandemic</b> | Data from CBAs, RASD benchmarks, PSSAs and Keystone assessments, teacher recommendations, and academic referral processes will be used to identify students needing academic interventions. RASD administrators, support staff, and teachers will review data from these sources, at least one time per grading period. |
| <b>Opportunity to learn measures (see help text)</b>   | Remedial and accelerated learning opportunities through daily instruction. Access to technology through Chromebooks and Google Apps. Supplemental instruction through tutoring and small group activities. Professional development related to the implementation and use of Google Apps.                               |
| <b>Jobs created and retained (by number of FTEs and position type) (see help text)</b>                     | Four AMERICORP Positions - 1200 hours. No full time teaching positions created.   |
| <b>Participation in programs funded by ARP ESSER resources (e.g., summer and afterschool programs)</b>     | Summer and After School Tutoring programs. AMERICORP positions will support students during the school day and after school programs.   |

**Section: Narratives - ARP ESSER Assurances**

**ARP ESSER Fund Assurances**

Please complete each of the following assurances prior to plan submission:



The LEA will implement appropriate fiscal monitoring of and internal controls for the ARP ESSER funds (e.g., by updating the LEA's plan for monitoring funds and internal controls under the CARES and CRRSA Acts; addressing potential sources of waste, fraud, and abuse; conducting random audits; or other tools).



The LEA will complete quarterly Federal Financial Accountability Transparency Act (FFATA) reports and comply with all PDE reporting requirements, including on matters such as:

- How the LEA is developing strategies and implementing public health protocols including, to the greatest extent practicable, policies and plans in line with the CDC guidance related to mitigating COVID-19 in schools;
- Overall plans and policies related to LEA support for return to in-person instruction and maximizing in-person instruction time, including how funds will support a return to and maximize in-person instruction time, and advance equity and inclusivity in participation in in-person instruction;
- Data on each LEA's and school's mode of instruction (fully in-person, hybrid, and fully remote) and conditions;
- LEA uses of funds to meet students' social, emotional, and academic needs, including through summer enrichment programming and other evidence-based interventions, and how they advance equity for underserved students;
- LEA uses of funds to sustain and support access to LEA-supported early childhood education programs;
- Impacts and outcomes (disaggregated by student subgroup) through use of ARP ESSER funding (e.g., quantitative and qualitative results of ARP ESSER funding, including on personnel, student learning, and budgeting at the school and district level);
- Student data (disaggregated by student subgroup) related to how the COVID-19 pandemic has affected instruction and learning;
- Requirements under the FFATA; and
- Additional reporting requirements as may be necessary to ensure accountability and transparency of ARP ESSER fund use.



The LEA will cooperate with any examination of records with respect to such funds by making

records available for inspection, production, and examination, and authorized individuals available for interview and examination, upon the request of: (a) the United States Department of Education and/or its Inspector General; (b) any other federal agency, commission, or department in the lawful exercise of its jurisdiction and authority; (c) the Pennsylvania Department of Education; and/or (d) the Pennsylvania Auditor General, Pennsylvania Inspector General, or any other state agency.



Records pertaining to ARP ESSER Funds, including financial records related to the use of grant funds, will be tracked and retained separately from those records related to the LEA's use of other Federal funds, including ESSER I and ESSER II Funds.



The LEA will maintain inventory records, purchase orders and receipts for equipment (over \$5,000) purchased, all computing devices, and special purpose equipment (\$300 - \$4,999), and will conduct a physical inventory every two years. Please note: inventory of equipment purchased with federal funds must be broken out by funding source.



Any LEA receiving funding under this program will have on file with the SEA a set of assurances that meets the requirements of section 442 of the General Education Provisions Act (GEPA) (20 U.S.C. 1232e).



The LEA will conduct its operations so that no person shall be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under the ARP ESSER program or activity based on race; color; national origin, which includes a person's limited English proficiency or English learner status and a person's actual or perceived shared ancestry or ethnic characteristics; sex; age; or disability. These non-discrimination obligations arise under Federal civil rights laws, including but not limited to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975. In addition, the LEA must comply with all regulations, guidelines, and standards issued by the United States Department of Education under any of these statutes.



The LEA will comply with all ARP Act and other ARP ESSER requirements, including but not limited to complying with the maintenance of equity provisions in section 2004(c) of the ARP

Act. Under Maintenance of Equity, per-pupil funding from state and local sources and staffing levels for *high poverty schools* may not be decreased by an amount that exceeds LEA-wide reductions in per-pupil funding and staffing levels for *all schools* served by the LEA<sup>1</sup>. High poverty schools are the 25 percent of schools serving the highest percent of economically disadvantaged students in the LEA as measured by information LEAs submitted in PIMS that includes individual student data and identifying if the student meets economically disadvantaged criteria. This data is used to calculate school poverty percentages . Note: An LEA is exempt from the Maintenance of Equity requirement if the LEA has a total enrollment of fewer than 1,000 students, operates a single school, serves all students in each grade span in a single school, or demonstrates an exceptional or uncontrollable circumstance, as determined by the United States Secretary of Education.

<sup>1</sup>Calculations for Maintenance of Equity: Per Pupil Funding from combined State and local funding = Total LEA funding from combined State and local funding for all schools served by the LEA in the given fiscal year, divided by the number of children enrolled in all schools served by the LEA in the given fiscal year. Full time equivalent staff = Total full-time equivalent staff in all schools served by the LEA in the given fiscal year, divided by the number of children enrolled in all schools served by the LEA in the given fiscal year. These calculations should be completed for all schools in the LEA as well as for high poverty schools in the LEA for FY 2021-22 and 2022-23. Reductions must not be greater for high poverty schools than for all schools in the LEA.



The LEA will implement evidence-based interventions, as required by section 2001(e)(1) of the ARP Act.



The LEA will address the disproportionate impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on underserved students (i.e., students from low-income families, students from underserved racial or ethnic groups and gender groups, English learners, children with disabilities, students experiencing homelessness, children and youth in foster care, migrant students, and other groups disproportionately impacted by the pandemic that have been identified by the LEA) as required by section 2001(e)(1) of the ARP Act.



The LEA will develop and make publicly available a Plan for the Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services, hereinafter referred to as the LEA Health and Safety Plan, that complies with section 2001(i) of the ARP Act. The plan will be submitted to PDE, in a manner and form determined by PDE, no later than July 30, 2021.



The LEA's Health and Safety Plan will include (1) how the LEA will, to the greatest extent practicable, support prevention and mitigation policies in line with the most up-to-date guidance from the CDC for the reopening and operation of school facilities to effectively maintain the health and safety of students, educators, and other staff; (2) how the LEA will ensure continuity of services, including but not limited to services to address the students' academic needs, and students' and staff members' social, emotional, mental health, and other needs, which may include student health and food services; (3) how the LEA will maintain the health and safety of students, educators, and other staff and the extent to which it has adopted policies, and a description of any such policy on each of the following safety recommendations established by the CDC: (a) universal and correct wearing of masks; (b) modifying facilities to allow for physical distancing (e.g., use of cohorts/podding); (c) handwashing and respiratory etiquette; (d) cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation; (e) contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State and local health departments; (f) diagnostic and screening testing; (g) efforts to provide vaccinations to school communities; (h) appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies; and (i) coordination with state and local health officials.



The LEA will review its Health and Safety Plan at least every six months during the duration of the ARP ESSER grant period and make revisions as appropriate. When determining whether revisions are necessary, the LEA will take into consideration significant changes to CDC guidance on reopening schools and will seek public input and take public input into account.



The LEA's Health and Safety Plan will be made publicly available on the LEA website and must be written in a language that parents/caregivers can understand or be orally translated for parent/caregivers and must be provided in alternate format upon request by a parent/caregiver who is an individual with a disability.



The LEA will provide to PDE: (1) the URL(s) where the public can readily find data on school operating status; and (2) the URL(s) for the LEA websites where the public can find the LEA's Health and Safety plan as required under section 2001(i) of the ARP Act; and the LEA Plan for the Use of ARP ESSER Funds.



**Section: Narratives - LEA Health and Safety Plan Upload**

**LEA HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN**

Please upload your LEA Health and Safety Plan below, and check the assurance indicating that you have completed your upload. Please name the file using your LEA name followed by Health and Safety Plan. example: "**LEA Name-Health and Safety Plan**"



**CHECK HERE** - to assure that you have successfully uploaded your LEA Health and Safety Plan.

**Section: Budget - Instruction Expenditures**

**BUDGET OVERVIEW**

**Budget**

\$1,040,331.00

**Allocation**

\$1,040,331.00

**Budget Over(Under) Allocation**

\$0.00

**INSTRUCTION EXPENDITURES**

| Function   | Object         | Amount       | Description   |
|--|----------------|--------------|---|
| 1100 - REGULAR PROGRAMS – ELEMENTARY / SECONDARY             | 600 - Supplies | \$190,000.00 | Purchase of Chromebooks, software, and filtering software. 400 Chromebooks to be purchased to support students and the integration of technology.   |
| 1400 - Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary | 200 - Benefits | \$72,647.00  | Benefits for professional and support staff providing instructional services to students to close the COVID - 19 achievement gap. Used for Summer courses, tutoring, and summer learning camps. |
|  |                |              | Salaries for professional and support staff providing   |

**Project #: 223-21-0367**  
**Agency: Rockwood Area SD**  
**AUN: 108566303**  
**Grant Content Report**  
**Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ARP ESSER)**

| Function   | Object                         | Amount              | Description  |
|--|--------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| 1400 - Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary | 100 - Salaries                 | \$135,272.00        | instructional services to students to close the COVID - 19 achievement gap. Used for Summer courses, tutoring, and summer learning camps.      |
| 1400 - Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary | 500 - Other Purchased Services | \$91,000.00         | Amercorps: 3 or 4 positions that support tutoring and supplemental instruction to decrease learning loss for all students related to COVID 19. |
|  |                                | <b>\$488,919.00</b> |  |

**Section: Budget - Support and Non-Instructional Expenditures**

**BUDGET OVERVIEW**

**Budget**

\$1,040,331.00

**Allocation**

\$1,040,331.00

**Budget Over(Under) Allocation**

\$0.00

**NON-INSTRUCTIONAL EXPENDITURES**

| Function                         | Object                            | Amount       | Description  |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|--|
| 2600 - Operation and Maintenance | 400 - Purchased Property Services | \$250,000.00 | Purchasing and installation of new heating and ventilation units for classrooms. Improved air quality and air flow within the RASD buildings.  |
| 2600 - Operation and Maintenance | 400 - Purchased Property Services | \$301,412.00 | The Rockwood Area School District will be renovating six pairs of restrooms for student use. These restrooms need to be upgraded to improve the cleanliness, sanitization, and meet ADA/Health codes. The improvement of air quality through installation of ventilation within these areas will take place. Also used to improve entrance doors within the District. This will improve hygiene and air quality with |

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| Function | Object | Amount              | Description                             |
|----------|--------|---------------------|---|
|          |        |                     | touchless/easy pull-push door hardware. |
|          |        | <b>\$551,412.00</b> |   |

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**Section: Budget - Budget Summary**

**BUDGET SUMMARY**

|  | 100<br>Salaries | 200<br>Benefits | 300<br>Purchased<br>Professional<br>and<br>Technical<br>Services | 400<br>Purchased<br>Property<br>Services | 500 Other<br>Purchased<br>Services | 600<br>Supplies<br>800<br>Dues<br>and<br>Fees | 700<br>Property | Totals       |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|--|--|------------------------------------|---|-----------------|--------------|
| 1000 Instruction   | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| 1100 REGULAR<br>PROGRAMS –<br>ELEMENTARY /<br>SECONDARY                | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$190,000.00                                  | \$0.00          | \$190,000.00 |
| 1200 SPECIAL<br>PROGRAMS –<br>ELEMENTARY /<br>SECONDARY                | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| 1300 CAREER<br>AND TECHNICAL<br>EDUCATION                              | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| 1400 Other<br>Instructional<br>Programs –<br>Elementary /<br>Secondary | \$135,272.00    | \$72,647.00     | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$91,000.00                        | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$298,919.00 |
| 1600 * ADULT<br>EDUCATION<br>PROGRAMS                                  | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| 1700 Higher<br>Education<br>Programs                                   | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| 1800 Pre-K   | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| 2000 SUPPORT<br>SERVICES   | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| 2100 SUPPORT<br>SERVICES –<br>STUDENTS                                 | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| 2200 Staff<br>Support  | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |

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|---|-----------------|-----------------|--|--|------------------------------------|---|-----------------|--------------|
| <b>Services</b>   |                 |                 |  |  |                                    |   |                 |              |
| <b>2300 SUPPORT SERVICES – ADMINISTRATION</b>                             | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| <b>2400 Health Support Services</b>                                       | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| <b>2500 Business Support Services</b>                                     | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| <b>2600 Operation and Maintenance</b>                                     | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$551,412.00                             | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$551,412.00 |
| <b>2700 Student Transportation</b>  | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| <b>2800 Central Support Services</b>                                      | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| <b>3000 OPERATION OF NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES</b>                       | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| <b>3100 Food Services</b>   | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| <b>3200 Student Activities</b>  | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| <b>3300 Community Services</b>  | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |
| <b>4000 FACILITIES ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT SERVICES</b> | \$0.00          | \$0.00          | \$0.00   | \$0.00                                   | \$0.00                             | \$0.00  | \$0.00          | \$0.00       |

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|---|-----------------|-----------------|--|--|------------------------------------|---|-----------------|----------------|
|   | \$135,272.00    | \$72,647.00     | \$0.00   | \$551,412.00                             | \$91,000.00                        | \$190,000.00                                  | \$0.00          | \$1,040,331.00 |
| Approved Indirect Cost/Operational Rate: 0.0000 |                 |                 |  |  |                                    |   |                 | \$0.00         |
| Final   |                 |                 |  |  |                                    |   |                 | \$1,040,331.00 |