

ESSER III Expenditure Plan

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School districts, county offices of education, or charter schools, collectively known as LEAs, that receive Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds under the American Rescue Plan Act, referred to as ESSER III funds, are required to develop a plan for how they will use their ESSER III funds. In the plan, an LEA must explain how it intends to use its ESSER III funds to address students' academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs, as well as any opportunity gaps that existed before, and were worsened by, the COVID-19 pandemic. An LEA may also use its ESSER III funds in other ways, as detailed in the Fiscal Requirements section of the Instructions. In developing the plan, the LEA has flexibility to include community input and/or actions included in other planning documents, such as the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP), provided that the input and actions are relevant to the LEA's Plan to support students.

For more information please see the Instructions.

Other LEA Plans Referenced in this Plan

Plan Title	Where the Plan May Be Accessed
2024-2027 Local Control Accountability Plan	www.chatom.k12.ca.us
COVID-19 Safety Plan	www.chatom.k12.ca.us

Summary of Planned ESSER III Expenditures

Below is a summary of the ESSER III funds received by the LEA and how the LEA intends to expend these funds in support of students.

Total ESSER III funds received by the LEA

\$1,186,048

Plan Section	Total Planned ESSER III
Strategies for Continuous and Safe In-Person Learning	\$877,211
Addressing Lost Instructional Time (a minimum of 20 percent of the LEAs ESSER III funds)	\$242,222
Use of Any Remaining Funds	\$66,615

Total ESSER III funds included in this plan

\$1,186,048

Community Engagement

An LEA's decisions about how to use its ESSER III funds will directly impact the students, families, and the local community. The following is a description of how the LEA meaningfully consulted with its community members in determining the prevention and mitigation strategies, strategies to address the academic impact of lost instructional time, and any other strategies or activities to be implemented by the LEA. In developing the plan, the LEA has flexibility to include input received from community members during the development of other LEA Plans, such as the LCAP, provided that the input is relevant to the development of the LEA's ESSER III Expenditure Plan.

For specific requirements, including a list of the community members that an LEA is required to consult with, please see the Community Engagement section of the Instructions.

A description of the efforts made by the LEA to meaningfully consult with its required community members and the opportunities provided by the LEA for public input in the development of the plan.

In order to solicit feedback from stakeholders, several actions were taken and many meetings were held from March 2020 through March 2021. Additional input was obtained in the development of the ESSER III Plan Revisions. All suggested input was shared at public Board Meetings. The revised ESSER III Plans were approved at public Board Meetings on January 10, 2022, January 3, 2023, and June 25, 2024.

The District will continue to assess student needs and seek input from staff, students, and parents in order to adjust programs and support accordingly.

Multiple Surveys - A survey in English and Spanish was sent to all staff and families to seek input on instructional learning preferences, schedule preferences, student needs, transportation needs, types of additional support needed, and suggestions. Responses were received in English and Spanish. An additional survey was sent out to all staff and parents in English and Spanish to seek questions, concerns, and comments regarding the 2020-2021 school year and learning needs. Most responses were received electronically, but some were received via phone calls to the District Office. All responses were shared with the planning committee. In past years, one survey was sent to all staff and parents in their primary language to seek input on conditions of learning, academic achievement, parent involvement, safety, technology, and attendance. During the pandemic, several surveys were sent to parents and staff to have ongoing communication and input on academic needs, nutritional needs, social-emotional needs, transportation, and safety concerns. New surveys were sent to seek input on different learning models as we transitioned from the school closures in March 2020, individual meetings in August 2020, the hybrid model in October 2020, and full in-person learning in February 2021. The surveys sought input on instructional model preferences, transportation needs, mental health needs, academic support, and safety needs. Surveys were also sent to students to seek input on instructional needs, mental health needs, and safety. Surveys continue to be sent annually or as needed for ongoing input. Programs will also continue to be reviewed and adjusted based on input and student needs.

COVID-19 Planning Committee - The committee consisted of the following individuals: Nurse/Parent, Elementary Principal/Parent, Elementary Teacher/CUEA Vice President, Middle School Teacher/CUEA President, data Communications/CSEA President, Middle School Secretary/CSEA Vice President, Middle School Principal/Parent, Food Service Director, Preschool Director, After-School C.A.R.E Coordinator, Transportation Director/EL Parent, and Superintendent. The planning committee met for 3-4 hours on May 20, June 4, June 18, July 2, July 16, July 23, July 29, and January 25, 2021, to develop the In-Person, Hybrid, and Remote Learning Models. Additional feedback was collected from a sub-committee of 21 individuals consisting of certificated staff, classified staff, and parents at Chatom Elementary. The information from the sub-committee was shared with the Planning Committee. The Planning Committee also met on August 6 to develop the Re-Engagement Plan and 2020-21 Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan. A draft of the Learning Continuity Plan was shared with the Planning Committee on August 19, 2020, and the Parent Advisory Committee on August 24, 2020. The committee continued to meet as we transitioned to new instructional learning models, received new responses from parent/staff/student surveys, and revised safety protocols in alignment with changes reflected in the California Department of Public Health guidance. The committee will continue to meet to review input and student needs and adjust the LCAP and/or the ESSER plan accordingly.

LCAP Planning Committee - The committee consisted of certificated and classified staff which included the CUEA Union President and Vice President and the CSEA Chapter #585 Union President and Vice President. The committee also included parents and administration from each site and a representative from the Chatom Union School District Board of Trustees. The committee worked together to review parent surveys, staff surveys, student surveys, the Learning Continuity Plan, 2019-2020 LCAP, and provide input to the development of the Expanded Learning Opportunity Grant Plan, the 2021-2024 Local Control Accountability Plan and the 2024-2027 Local Control Accountability Plan. The planning committee met on April 23, 2024, to discuss educational partners' input from the annual survey and prioritized remaining ESSER funds to serve student needs.

Board Meetings - Stakeholders were given an opportunity to share input at every public Board Meeting. There were seventeen (17) public meetings held in 2020-2021 as opposed to eleven (11) in the prior year. There was an increase in public comments and attendance at the 2020-2021 Board Meetings. A lot of the public comments received at the meetings focused on in-person learning and students' social, emotional, and academic needs. ESSER projects and students' needs were reviewed for public input at the Board Meeting on March 12, 2024. The ESSER III Expenditure Plan was revised based on the input received and taken back to the Board of Trustees on June 25, 2024, for approval.

Additional input was also considered from the Parent Advisory Group (DELAC/ELAC), School Site Councils, Parent Teacher Club, Cabinet Meetings which include Special Education Administration, and students.

All of the input received from stakeholders was essential in developing a plan to meet the needs of all students.

A description of how the development of the plan was influenced by community input.

Based on the stakeholder input opportunities listed above, the Chatom Union School District plan was influenced by the following suggestions:

- Suggested use of continuing electronic communication to increase parent engagement
- · Increase student accountability, engagement, and motivation
- Increase areas for outdoor instructional opportunities.
- · Maintain safe facilities for in-person learning
- Make school facility repairs and improvements to enable the operation of schools to reduce the risk of virus transmission
- Obtain and maintain highly qualified staff to support student learning, instruction, supervision, and safety
- Decrease the spread of COVID-19 through regular use of safety protocols, protective equipment, physical distancing, and increased ventilation
- Provide professional learning and training for staff and parents (mental health, motivation, trauma, instructional practices)
- · Provide increased social, emotional, and mental health support for staff, students, and families
- · Provide student access to technology and the internet through continued use of one-to-one devices and hotspots
- Provide instructional support to close the achievement gap for all students including students with disabilities and English learners
- Provide interventions for students to close learning gaps caused by the COVID-19 pandemic
- · Provide extended learning opportunities after school, Saturday school, summer school, and after-school childcare
- Provide standard aligned curriculum and supplemental materials to support student learning
- · Provide communication and ongoing monitoring of COVID-related cases, contacts, testing, and reporting
- · Provide ESSER allowable resources to maintain operations and continuity of services and continuing to employ existing staff

Actions and Expenditures to Address Student Needs

The following is the LEA's plan for using its ESSER III funds to meet students' academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs, as well as how the LEA will address the opportunity gaps that existed before, and were exacerbated by, the COVID-19 pandemic. In developing the plan, the LEA has the flexibility to include actions described in existing plans, including the LCAP and/or Expanded Learning Opportunity (ELO) Grant Plan, to the extent that the action(s) address the requirements of the ESSER III Expenditure Plan. For specific requirements, please refer to the Actions and Expenditures to Address Student Needs section of the Instructions.

Strategies for Continuous and Safe In-Person Learning

A description of how the LEA will use funds to continuously and safely operate schools for in-person learning in a way that reduces or prevents the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

Plan Alignment (if applicable)	Action Title	Action Description	Planned ESSER III Funded Expenditures
COVID-19 Safety Plan	COVID-19 Prevention	Acquire necessary staff and supplies such as personal protective equipment, testing kits, and cleaning supplies to	\$107,372
		provide a safe environment and decrease the spread of COVID-19.	
LCAP Goal 1 Action 2	Instructional Materials	Provide standard aligned instructional materials and supplemental materials to give additional support and learning tools to close learning gap caused by COVID-19.	\$20,000
LCAP Goal 1 Action 3	Facility Improvements and Maintenance	Increase and improve facilities to reduce risk of COVID-19 transmission to students and staff. Including increased ventilation, handless fixtures, HVACS, and roof structures to improve indoor air quality.	\$623,320
LCAP Goal 1 Action 4	Qualified Staff	Obtain and maintain highly qualified staff to provide instruction, intervention, supervision and safe environment.	\$126,519

Total ESSER III funds being used to implement strategies for continuous and safe in-person learning

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Addressing the Impact of Lost Instructional Time

A description of how the LEA will use funds to address the academic impact of lost instructional time.

Total ESSER III funds being used to address the academic impact of lost instructional time

\$242,222

Plan Alignment (if applicable)	Action Title	Action Description	Planned ESSER III Funded Expenditures
LCAP Goal 1 Action 6	Technology	Maintain access to technology and internet through one-to- one devices, hot spots, and IT support for staff and students	\$207,222
LCAP Goal 2 Actions 2, 3 and 4	Interventions	Implement a variety of intervention and support systems to accelerate learning. Including embedded intervention, after- school intervention, Foundations, I-Ready and diagnostic tools to identify intervention needs.	\$35,000
LCAP Goal 2 Action 3	Extended Learning	Provide extended learning opportunities including Saturday school, summer school, and after-school programs	\$0 - ELOP

Use of Any Remaining Funds

A description of the how the LEA will use any remaining ESSER III funds, as applicable.

Total ESSER III funds being used to implement additional actions

\$66,615			
Pl <mark>an Alignment (if</mark> applicable)	Action Title	Action Description	Planned ESSER III Funded Expenditures
LCAP Goal 3 Action 3	Mental Health	Provide mental health support and resources to students, staff and families. Support whole child including academic,	\$10,000

Plan Alignment (if applicable)	Action Title	Action Description	Planned ESSER III Funded Expenditures
		social and emotional needs to develop positive healthy behaviors.	
LCAP Goal 3 Action 1	Parent/ Family Engagement	Provide parent classes, family events and increased communication	\$10,000
LCAP Goals 1,2 & 3	Program Sustainability	Maintain funds to sustain programs for COVID recovery. Students will still need instructional support, mental support and access to devices for years following the end of the pandemic.	\$46,615

Ensuring Interventions are Addressing Student Needs

The LEA is required to ensure its interventions will respond to the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of all students, and particularly those students most impacted by the COVID–19 pandemic. The following is the LEA's plan for ensuring that the actions and expenditures in the plan are addressing the identified academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of its students, and particularly those students most impacted by the COVID–19 pandemic.

Action Title(s)	How Progress will be Monitored	Frequency of Progress Monitoring
COVID-19 Prevention	COVID-19 District data for COVID-19 positive cases are collected and recorded within 24 hours of notification.	COVID-19 cases/data is publicly posted on the Chatom Union School District website and outbreaks are reported to the Stanislaus County Health Services Agency and reported publicly at each regular Board Meeting held on the second Tuesday of each month.
Instructional Materials	SARC Report and Williams Report	SARC- Annual and Williams Report- Quarterly
Facility Improvements and Maintenance	Facility Inspection Tool	Annually
Qualified Staff	Credential and assignment monitoring	August and February
Technology	Inventory of distribution and collection	August and May

Action Title(s)	How Progress will be Monitored	Frequency of Progress Monitoring
Intervention & Extended Learning	Report Cards, SBAC and Exiting of Program	Report Cards - Quarterly/ Trimester, SBAC- Annually and Program evaluation ongoing
Mental Health	Referrals by parents, staff and students	Quarterly
Parent/ Family Engagement	Parent Square notifications, attendance and events	Monthly

ESSER III Expenditure Plan Instructions

Introduction

School districts, county offices of education (COEs), or charter schools, collectively known as local educational agencies (LEAs), that receive Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds under the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act, referred to as ESSER III funds, are required to develop a plan for how they will use ESSER III funds to, at a minimum, address students' academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs, as well as the opportunity gaps that existed before, and were exacerbated by, the COVID-19 pandemic.

The plan must be adopted by the local governing board or body of the LEA at a public meeting on or before October 29, 2021 and must be submitted for review and approval within five days of adoption. A school district must submit its ESSER III Expenditure Plan to its COE for review and approval; a COE must submit its plan to the California Department of Education for review and approval. A charter school must submit its plan to its chartering authority for review and to the COE of the county in which the charter school operates for review and approval.

In addition, consistent with the requirements of the ARP, Volume 86, *Federal Register*, page 21201, April 22, 2021, the ESSER III Expenditure Plan must be:

- Written in an understandable and uniform format;
- Written in a language that parents can understand, to the extent practicable;
 - If it is not practicable to provide written translations to a parent with limited English proficiency, the plan must be orally translated for parents
- Provided in an alternative format to a parent who is an individual with a disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act, upon request; and
- Be made publicly available on the LEA's website.

For additional information regarding ESSER III funding please see the ARP Act Funding web page at <u>https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/cr/arpact.asp.</u>

For technical assistance related to the completion of the ESSER III Expenditure Plan, please contact EDReliefFunds@cde.ca.gov.

Fiscal Requirements

- The LEA must use at least 20 percent (20%) of its ESSER III apportionment for expenditures related to addressing 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.
 - For purposes of this requirement, "evidence-based interventions" include practices or programs that have **evidence** to show that they are effective at producing results and improving outcomes when implemented. This kind of evidence has generally been produced through formal studies and research. There are four tiers, or levels, of evidence:

- **Tier 1 Strong Evidence**: the effectiveness of the practices or programs is supported by one or more well-designed and well-implemented randomized control experimental studies.
- Tier 2 Moderate Evidence: the effectiveness of the practices or programs is supported by one or more well-designed and wellimplemented quasi-experimental studies.
- Tier 3 Promising Evidence: the effectiveness of the practices or programs is supported by one or more well-designed and wellimplemented correlational studies (with statistical controls for selection bias).
- Tier 4 Demonstrates a Rationale: practices that have a well-defined logic model or theory of action, are supported by research, and have some effort underway by a State Educational Agency, LEA, or outside research organization to determine their effectiveness.
- For additional information please see the Evidence-Based Interventions Under the ESSA web page at https://www.cde.ca.gov/re/es/evidence.asp.
- The LEA must use the remaining ESSER III funds consistent with section 2001(e)(2) of the ARP Act, including for:
 - Any activity authorized by the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965;
 - Any activity authorized by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA);
 - o Any activity authorized by the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act;
 - Any activity authorized by the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006;
 - Coordination of preparedness and response efforts of LEAs with State, local, Tribal, and territorial public health departments, and other relevant agencies, to improve coordinated responses among such entities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19;
 - Activities to address the unique needs of low-income students, students with disabilities, English learners, racial and ethnic minorities, homeless students, and foster youth, including how outreach and service delivery will meet the needs of each population;
 - o Developing and implementing procedures and systems to improve the preparedness and response efforts of LEAs;
 - Training and professional development for staff of the LEA on sanitation and minimizing the spread of infectious diseases;
 - o Purchasing supplies to sanitize and clean the facilities of an LEA, including buildings operated by such agency;
 - Planning for, coordinating, and implementing activities during long-term closures, including providing meals to eligible students, providing technology for online learning to all students, providing guidance for carrying out requirements under IDEA, and ensuring other educational services can continue to be provided consistent with all Federal, State, and local requirements;
 - Purchasing education technology (including hardware, software, and connectivity) for students who are served by the LEA that aids in regular and substantive educational interaction between students and their classroom instructors, including low-income students and children with disabilities, which may include assistive technology or adaptive equipment;
 - Providing mental health services and supports, including through the implementation of evidence-based full-service community schools;
 - Planning and implementing activities related to summer learning and supplemental after school programs, including providing classroom instruction or online learning during the summer months and addressing the needs of underserved students;

- Addressing learning loss among students, including underserved 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 differentiated instruction,
 - Implementing evidence-based activities to meet the comprehensive needs of students,
 - Providing information and assistance to parents and families of how they can effectively support students, including in a distance learning environment, and
 - Tracking student attendance and improving student engagement in distance education;

Note: A definition of "underserved students" is provided in the Community Engagement section of the instructions.

- School facility repairs and improvements to enable operation of schools to reduce risks of virus transmission and exposure to environmental health hazards, and to support student health needs;
- Inspection, testing, maintenance, repair, replacement, and upgrade projects to improve the indoor air quality in school facilities, including mechanical and nonmechanical heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems, filtering, purification and other air cleaning, fans, control systems, and window and door replacement;
- Developing strategies and implementing public health protocols including, to the greatest extent practicable, policies in line with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for the reopening and operation of school facilities to effectively maintain the health and safety of students, educators, and other staff;
- Other activities that are necessary to maintain the operation of and continuity of services in LEAs and continuing to employ existing staff of the LEA.

Other LEA Plans Referenced in this Plan

In developing the plan, the LEA has flexibility to include community input and/or actions included in other planning documents, such as the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) and/or the Expanded Learning Opportunities (ELO) Grant Plan, provided that the input and/or actions address the requirements of the ESSER III Expenditure Plan.

An LEA that chooses to utilize community input and/or actions from other planning documents must provide the name of the plan(s) referenced by the LEA and a description of where the plan(s) may be accessed by the public (such as a link to a web page or the street address of where the plan(s) are available) in the table. The LEA may add or delete rows from the table as necessary.

An LEA that chooses not to utilize community input and/or actions from other planning documents may provide a response of "Not Applicable" in the table.

Summary of Expenditures

The Summary of Expenditures table provides an overview of the ESSER III funding received by the LEA and how the LEA plans to use its ESSER III funds to support the strategies and interventions being implemented by the LEA.

Instructions

For the 'Total ESSER III funds received by the LEA,' provide the total amount of ESSER III funds received by the LEA.

In the Total Planned ESSER III Expenditures column of the table, provide the amount of ESSER III funds being used to implement the actions identified in the applicable plan sections.

For the 'Total ESSER III funds included in this plan,' provide the total amount of ESSER III funds being used to implement actions in the plan.

Community Engagement

Purpose and Requirements

An LEA's decisions about how to use its ESSER III funds will directly impact the students, families, and the local community, and thus the LEA's plan must be tailored to the specific needs faced by students and schools. These community members will have significant insight into what prevention and mitigation strategies should be pursued to keep students and staff safe, as well as how the various COVID–19 prevention and mitigation strategies impact teaching, learning, and day-to-day school experiences.

An LEA must engage in meaningful consultation with the following community members, as applicable to the LEA:

- Students;
- Families, including families that speak languages other than English;
- School and district administrators, including special education administrators;
- Teachers, principals, school leaders, other educators, school staff, and local bargaining units, as applicable.

"Meaningful consultation" with the community includes considering the perspectives and insights of each of the required community members in identifying the unique needs of the LEA, especially related to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Comprehensive strategic planning will utilize these perspectives and insights to determine the most effective strategies and interventions to address these needs through the programs and services the LEA implements with its ESSER III funds.

Additionally, an LEA must engage in meaningful consultation with the following groups to the extent that they are present or served in the LEA:

- Tribes;
- Civil rights organizations, including disability rights organizations (e.g. the American Association of People with Disabilities, the American Civil Liberties Union, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, etc.); and
- Individuals or advocates representing the interests of children with disabilities, English learners, homeless students, foster youth, migratory students, children who are incarcerated, and other underserved students.
 - For purposes of this requirement "underserved students" include:
 - Students who are low-income;

- Students who are English learners;
- Students of color;
- Students who are foster youth;
- Homeless students;
- Students with disabilities; and
- Migratory students.

LEAs are also encouraged to engage with community partners, expanded learning providers, and other community organizations in developing the plan.

Information and resources that support effective community engagement may be found under *Resources* on the following web page of the CDE's website: <u>https://www.cde.ca.gov/re/lc.</u>

Instructions

In responding to the following prompts, the LEA may reference or include input provided by community members during the development of existing plans, including the LCAP and/or the ELO Grant Plan, to the extent that the input is applicable to the requirements of the ESSER III Expenditure Plan. Descriptions provided should include sufficient detail yet be sufficiently succinct to promote a broad understanding among the LEA's local community.

A description of the efforts made by the LEA to meaningfully consult with its required community members and the opportunities provided by the LEA for public input in the development of the plan.

A sufficient response to this prompt will describe how the LEA sought to meaningfully consult with its required community members in the development of the plan, how the LEA promoted the opportunities for community engagement, and the opportunities that the LEA provided for input from the public at large into the development of the plan.

As noted above, a description of "meaningful consultation" with the community will include an explanation of how the LEA has considered the perspectives and insights of each of the required community members in identifying the unique needs of the LEA, especially related to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

A description of the how the development of the plan was influenced by community input.

A sufficient response to this prompt will provide clear, specific information about how input from community members and the public at large was considered in the development of the LEA's plan for its use of ESSER III funds. This response must describe aspects of the ESSER III Expenditure Plan that were influenced by or developed in response to input from community members.

- For the purposes of this prompt, "aspects" may include:
 - Prevention and mitigation strategies to continuously and safely operate schools for in-person learning;

- Strategies to address the academic impact of lost instructional time through implementation of evidence-based interventions (e.g. summer learning or summer enrichment, extended day, comprehensive afterschool programs, or extended school year programs);
- Any other strategies or activities implemented with the LEA's ESSER III fund apportionment consistent with section 2001(e)(2) of the ARP Act; and
- Progress monitoring to ensure interventions address the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs for all students, especially those students disproportionately impacted by COVID-19

For additional information and guidance, please see the U.S. Department of Education's Roadmap to Reopening Safely and Meeting All Students' Needs Document, available here: <u>https://www2.ed.gov/documents/coronavirus/reopening-2.pdf</u>.

Planned Actions and Expenditures

Purpose and Requirements

As noted in the Introduction, an LEA receiving ESSER III funds is required to develop a plan to use its ESSER III funds to, at a minimum, address students' academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs, as well as the opportunity gaps that existed before, and were exacerbated by, the COVID-19 pandemic.

Instructions

An LEA has the flexibility to include actions described in existing plans, including the LCAP and/or ELO Grant Plan, to the extent that the action(s) address the requirements of the ESSER III Expenditure Plan. When including action(s) from other plans, the LEA must describe how the action(s) included in the ESSER III Expenditure Plan supplement the work described in the plan being referenced. The LEA must specify the amount of ESSER III funds that it intends to use to implement the action(s); these ESSER III funds must be in addition to any funding for those action(s) already included in the plan(s) referenced by the LEA. Descriptions of actions provided should include sufficient detail yet be sufficiently succinct to promote a broad understanding among the LEA's local community.

Strategies for Continuous and Safe In-Person Learning

Provide the total amount of funds being used to implement actions related to Continuous and Safe In-Person Learning, then complete the table as follows:

- If the action(s) are included in another plan, identify the plan and provide the applicable goal and/or action number from the plan. If the action(s) are not included in another plan, write "N/A".
- Provide a short title for the action(s).
- Provide a description of the action(s) the LEA will implement using ESSER III funds for prevention and mitigation strategies that are, to the greatest extent practicable, in line with the most recent CDC guidance, in order to continuously and safely operate schools for in-person learning.

• Specify the amount of ESSER III funds the LEA plans to expend to implement the action(s); these ESSER III funds must be in addition to any funding for those action(s) already included in the plan(s) referenced by the LEA.

Addressing the Impact of Lost Instructional Time

As a reminder, the LEA must use not less than 20 percent of its ESSER III funds to address the academic impact of lost instructional time. Provide the total amount of funds being used to implement actions related to addressing the impact of lost instructional time, then complete the table as follows:

- If the action(s) are included in another plan, identify the plan and provide the applicable goal and/or action number from the plan. If the action(s) are not included in another plan, write "N/A".
- Provide a short title for the action(s).
- Provide a description of the action(s) the LEA will implement using ESSER III funds 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.
- Specify the amount of ESSER III funds the LEA plans to expend to implement the action(s); these ESSER III funds must be in addition to any funding for those action(s) already included in the plan(s) referenced by the LEA.

Use of Any Remaining Funds

After completing the Strategies for Continuous and Safe In-Person Learning and the Addressing the Impact of Lost Instructional Time portions of the plan, the LEA may use any remaining ESSER III funds to implement additional actions to address students' academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs, as well as to address opportunity gaps, consistent with the allowable uses identified above in the Fiscal Requirements section of the Instructions. LEAs choosing to use ESSER III funds in this manner must provide the total amount of funds being used to implement actions with any remaining ESSER III funds, then complete the table as follows:

- If the action(s) are included in another plan, identify the plan and provide the applicable goal and/or action number from the plan. If the action(s) are not included in another plan, write "N/A".
- Provide a short title for the action(s).
- Provide a description of any additional action(s) the LEA will implement to address students' academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs, as well as to address opportunity gaps, consistent with the allowable uses identified above in the Fiscal Requirements section of the Instructions. If an LEA has allocated its entire apportionment of ESSER III funds to strategies for continuous and safe in-person learning and/or to addressing the impact of lost instructional time, the LEA may indicate that it is not implementing additional actions.
- Specify the amount of ESSER III funds the LEA plans to expend to implement the action(s); these ESSER III funds must be in addition to any funding for those action(s) already included in the plan(s) referenced by the LEA. If the LEA it is not implementing additional actions the LEA must indicate "\$0".

Ensuring Interventions are Addressing Student Needs

The LEA is required to ensure its interventions will respond to the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of all students, and particularly those students most impacted by the COVID–19 pandemic, including students from low-income families, students of color, English learners, children with disabilities, students experiencing homelessness, children in foster care, and migratory students.

The LEA may group actions together based on how the LEA plans to monitor the actions' progress. For example, if an LEA plans to monitor the progress of two actions in the same way and with the same frequency, the LEA may list both actions within the same row of the table. Each action included in the ESSER III Expenditure Plan must be addressed within the table, either individually or as part of a group of actions.

Complete the table as follows:

- Provide the action title(s) of the actions being measured.
- Provide a description of how the LEA will monitor progress of the action(s) to ensure that they are addressing the needs of students.
- Specify how frequently progress will be monitored (e.g. daily, weekly, monthly, every 6 weeks, etc.).

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