



ESSER Education Advocates Update

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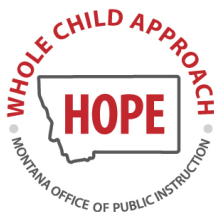
ESSER FUNDING UPDATE:

	ESSER I (CARES)	ESSER II (CRRSA)	ESSER III (ARP)
Total Number of Applicants	304 (Final)	186 (to date)* <i>61% of anticipated applicants</i>	36 (to date)* <i>12% of anticipated applicants</i>
Total Allocation	\$41,295,230	\$170,099,465	\$382,019,573
Total Budgeted	\$37,759,698	\$87,619,573 (to date)**	\$16,528,777 (to date)**
Total Expended	\$25,759,674 (to date)***	\$7,982,567 (to date)***	\$0 (to date)***
Types of Usage	<i>Percentages based on actual expenditures.</i>	<i>Percentages based on budgets to date.</i>	<i>Percentages based on budgets to date.</i>
	46% Staffing: Educators, Technology Support, Facilities, Health and Wellness	38% Staffing: Educators/Paraprofessionals, Counseling Support, Administration, Facilities	44% Staffing: Educators/Paraprofessionals, Summer Program Staff, Counseling Support, Administration, Facilities
	40% Supplies: Technology and PPE	19% Supplies: Technology, Curriculum, PPE	7% Supplies: Curriculum, Technology, PPE
	6% Property: Renovation and HVAC upgrades	34% Property & Property Services: HVAC Replacement/Upgrades, Facility Renovations, Facility Expansion	47% Property & Property Services: HVAC Replacement/Upgrades, Facility Renovations, Facility Expansion
	5% Professional/Technical Services: Technology Support and Capacity, Facility Maintenance	3% Professional/Technical Services: HVAC Maintenance, Technical Support Capacity, Other Facility Maintenance	1% Professional/Technical Services: HVAC Maintenance, Technical Support Capacity, Other Facility Maintenance

*ESSER II applications are due by 9/1/21, ESSER III District Plans are due 8/24/21 and applications due 9/1/21.

**ESSER II and III budgets are due 9/1/21

*** ESSER I funds must be expensed by 11/10/22, ESSER II by 11/10/23, and ESSER III by 11/10/24



ESSER DATA COLLECTION AND REPORTING:

- ESSER data collection comments are due to USED by August 31, 2021
<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/07/02/2021-14200/agency-information-collection-activities-comment-request-education-stabilization-fund-elementary-and>
- Data Reporting Elements

Fiscal	Program	Personnel
Total amounts allocated, obligated and actual expenditures, disaggregated by activity type, within each grant and funding source with the reporting period.	Includes combination of y/n, numeric and open-ended responses from SEA, LEAs and SEA set-aside funded entities, regarding planned uses and actual expenditures of funds, disaggregated by activity type.	FTE data by position type supported with all ESSER funds for both hiring and retention by categories and position type.
Data disaggregated by each LEA and SEA set aside funded entity	Disaggregated student participation data by funded activity type	FTE counts for each school in the LEA, disaggregated by position type, including apportioned FTE across schools
Descriptions of how each LEA allocated funds for students most impacted by COVID	Safe school reopening polices	Total LEA FTE
	Maintenance of Equity Data	

- Potential areas of concern:
 - The amount obligated by subrecipients, such as subgrants to after-school providers.
 - There is no requirement to allocate ESSER funds to individual schools, and districts may be spending funds centrally on behalf of schools.
 - How the SEA allocated funds to students most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic which is not a federal requirement. ARP state-reserve funds must support activities that meet the needs of most impacted students, but there is no requirement to have an allocation process for SEA-reserve funds based on COVID-19 impact.
 - SEA reserve emergency funds. No requirement to allocate these funds to LEAs on activities to address instructional time.
 - The instrument only lists a few activities for social and emotional supports. There is no “other” option.