



Nippersink School District 2
Commitment to Lifelong Learning

USE OF FUNDS

American Rescue Plan (ARP)

ESSER I: CARES Act
<p>In March 2020, Congress set aside approximately \$13.2 billion allotted to the Education Stabilization Fund through the Coronavirus Aid Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act for the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) Fund. The Department awarded these grants to State Educational Agencies (SEAs) for the purpose of providing local educational agencies (LEAs) / School Districts with emergency relief funds to address the impact of COVID-19 on elementary and secondary schools across the Nation.</p> <p>Nippersink School District 2 believes that in order to support the educational needs of all students, it is important to ensure a safe environment in which students can learn. Therefore, we feel it is imperative to have the necessary supplies and procedures to ensure student and staff safety for all facets of the educational process. The majority of CARES Act funds NSD2 will be used for prevention; preparedness; and responsiveness services to the threat of COVID-19.</p>
Award Amount: \$75,580
Grant Period: March 13, 2020 - September 30, 2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Supplies for Sanitation• Technology (Learning Management System)

ESSER II: CRRSA Act
<p>The Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act, 2021, was signed into law in December 2020, and provided an additional \$54.3 billion for the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER II) Fund.</p>
Award Amount: \$382,466
Grant Period: March 13, 2020 - September 23, 2023
Use of Funds: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Supplies for Sanitation• Planning for and Coordinating Long-Term Closures (including providing Technology)

- Technology
- Mental Health Service
- Address Learning Loss

ESSER III: ARP Act

In March 2021, the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act was signed into law. It was an unprecedented \$1.9 trillion package of assistance measures, including \$122 billion for the ARP Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER) Fund. Funds are provided to SEAs and LEAs to help safely reopen and sustain the same operation of schools and address the impact of the coronavirus pandemic on the Nation's students. ARP ESSER Fund awards to SEAs are in the same proportion as each State received funds under Part A of Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended, in fiscal year 2020.

The purpose of ESSER III is to provide support to school districts around the country in addressing the impact of COVID-19 on students' academic, social, emotional and mental health needs.

Nippersink School District 2 has developed a plan (which included input from the Joint District Stakeholder Committee) to utilize ESSER III funds to support the "safe return to in-person learning and continuity of services for the purpose of promoting transparency and accountability for funds usage by the District."

- Federal fund distribution requirements:
 - 80% of the funding is to be used for facilities projected provided that they align with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines and help reduce transmission of COVID-19 and other viruses.
 - 20% of the funding is to be used to address learning loss.

Award Amount: \$887,374

Grant Period: March 13, 2020 - September 30, 2024

- Accessibility to Internet
- Student Supports for Related Services
- Technology to Provide Embedded Assessment and Differentiated Instruction
- Diagnostic and Curriculum-Based Assessments
- Repair and Improve School Facilities to Reduce the Risk of Virus Transmission and Exposure to Environmental Health Hazards
- Repair and Upgrade Projects to Improve Air Quality in School Buildings
- Academic Supports to Address the Disproportionate Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic

- Summer and Extended Learning Opportunities
- After-School Programs
- Learning Loss
- Development and Implement Procedures for Preparedness and Response Efforts