

SOUTH SENECA SCHOOL DISTRICT



**American Rescue Plan Act
(ARPA)**

July 2021 to Sep 2024

ARPA New Provisions for LEAs

- The ARPA statute and Interim Financial Requirements (IFR) include several new provisions for LEAs.
 - LEA Plan for Use of ARPA Funds – Under the IFR, the LEA must develop a plan for its use of ARPA funding and submit it to NYS. The plan must contain, at a minimum, the extent to which and how funds will be used to/for:
 - Implement prevention and mitigation strategies that are consistent with CDC guidance.
 - Address academic impact of lost of instructional time.
 - The remaining ARPA funds.
 - Public Input – The LEA must engage in meaningful consultations with stake holders including students, families, school and district administrators, teachers, principals, other educators, school staff, and their unions. The LEA must take such input into account in the developing of the plan. The plan must also be posted on the LEA's website.

South Seneca's Plan

- In accordance with the provisions of the ARPA, South Seneca held an open meeting on June 9th where various suggestions were presented. Since June 9th, stakeholders, families, students and school staff have continued to provide suggestions (via email, BOE meeting and face to face) which have been taken into account by SSCSD Administration when developing this plan.
- The following is a general outline of what the community and SSCSD believe the funds should be used (non-recurring expense) by potential areas:

South Seneca's Plan Cont.

- Safely Returning Students to In-Person Instruction
 - Upgrade AC Units, HVAC Systems and Air Filters in both buildings.
 - Purchase of supplies to sanitize and clean facilities.
 - Extended Staff/Training/Development opportunities.
- Maximizing In-Person Instruction Time
 - Addition of Art Teacher (Sept 2021 to June 2024).
 - Addition of SPED Teacher (Sept 2021 to June 2024).
 - Addition of RTI Math Teacher (Sept 2021 to June 2024).
- Purchasing of education equipment
 - Laptops for staff
 - Chromebooks for students
 - Broadband Connectivity for students

South Seneca's Plan Cont.

- Implementing Evidence-Based Strategies to Meet Students' Social, Emotional, Mental Health, and Academic Needs
 - Addition of MTSS Coordinator (Sept 2021 to June 2024).
 - Extended Staff/Training/Development opportunities.
- Offering Evidence-Based Summer, Afterschool, and Other Extended Learning and Enrichment Programs
 - Expansion of current Extended Day grant (for 3 of the 5 years).