

# American Rescue Plan (ARP)

## ESSER III

Battle Creek Public Schools created a google survey and shared that survey via the school's website with the parents, students, patrons, and staff members of the district. The survey contained information about the allowable uses of the funds. Several prepopulated options for specific uses the funds were available for those completing the survey to choose. Additionally, space was provided for input on areas of use for funding that was not amongst the choices available.

Battle Creek Public Schools will use the ARP Act ESSER III funds to expand and extend educational technology to address learning loss for all students including students of low-income, students with disabilities, English learners, migrant students, homeless students, and children in foster care. Funds will also be used to: provide high quality curriculum to all students, including those students that have been historically marginalized; purchase additional school vehicles to aid in social distancing while transporting students; hire additional custodial/maintenance staff. District policies and procedures are in place to ensure that no students or staff members will be discriminated against in using these funds. BCPS will ensure that no student or teacher will be denied participation based on gender, race, national origin, disability or age.

The following budget was developed based on the survey results, the guidelines of the ESSER III Grant, and the needs of the district:

### **Total allocation for Battle Creek Public Schools - \$274,867**

***\*A minimum of 20% needs to be allocated to "Unfinished Learning" – (\$54,974)***

Current plan for use of the ARP-ESSER III funds:

To address "unfinished learning", Battle Creek Public Schools has or plans to purchase new research based, high quality reading curriculum. Estimated cost \$64,000

### **Total dollars allocated to "unfinished learning" - \$64,000(23%).**

The remainder of ARP-ESSER III funds will be used for the following:

Hiring additional custodial/maintenance staff - \$43,367

Contracting additional Licensed Mental Health Practitioner time for students/staff - \$10,000

Replacement of current drinking fountains with water bottle filling stations - \$8,104

Replacing/updating classroom instructional technology - \$55,372

Purchasing classroom furniture for additional classroom space - \$8,024

Purchase two 10 passenger vans - \$86,000

### **Total dollars allocated for technology - \$210,867**