



# **Elementary & Secondary Emergency Relief (ESSER) Grant Presentation**

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# How much money was allocated to D50?

**ESSER** - \$474,930

**ESSER II** - \$1,797,498

**ESSER III** (ARP - American Rescue Plan) - \$5,560,463

**Grand total:** \$7,832,891



# What are the restrictions to the use of ESSER III?

**Initial allocation - \$4,034,974** (\$806,995 to learning loss)

State-Level Reservation: Learning Loss - **\$1,089,635**

State-Level Reservation: Summer Enrichment - **\$217,927**

State-Level Reservation: After-School - **\$217,927**

**ESSER III Total - \$5,560,463**



# How is the money to be spent?

- ESSER I, II and III all have the same basic requirements for allocating funds
- Only ESSER III has the additional planning requirements and includes specific allocations from the state
- We will consult with District 50's legal team to ensure all expenditures are compliant with requirements



# How was this plan designed?

Administrators met to assess needs and priorities of District as a result of COVID-19. Ideas were presented at Facility and Finance Committee Meetings.

1. Cabinet
2. District Instructional Team
3. Principal's Council
4. Committee Meetings - review administrative ideas for:
  - Fit into District Initiatives -- (Washington HVAC, Furniture, Chromebooks, etc.)
  - Budgeting -- Each initiative was cost out to determine effect size



# What is the plan so far?

1. Expanded Spacing and Air Quality
2. COVID Mitigation
3. Technology Support
4. Family/Community Support
5. Student Support
6. Staff Support for Student Success



# 1. Expanded Space & Air Quality

Additional improvements to high school locker rooms - \$550,000 (II)

HVAC - junior high cabinet heaters, high school renovate two units - \$17,500 (II)

Washington air conditioning - \$1,200,000 estimate (III)



## **2. COVID Mitigation - Cleaning and Safety**

Clark Focus II floor scrubber - \$13,426 (II)





# 3. Technology

Sound systems - \$243,746 (II)

200 Chromebooks - \$50,008 (II)

800 Chromebooks - \$209,600 (III)

600 Chromebook licenses - \$24.40 ea - \$14,640 (III)



## 4. Family/Community Support

Registration fees FY 22 - \$236,000 (II)

Registration fees FY 23 - \$236,000 (III)

Consolidate hotspot contracts FY 22 - \$140,640 (III), FY 23 - \$140,640 (III)



## 5. Student Support

**Guidance Counselors at Jefferson & Harvard Junior High**  
for two years - \$300,000 total (II & III)

**Summer school** - FY 21 \$150,000 (II), FY 22 \$150,000 (III), FY  
23 \$150,000 (III) - \$450,000 total



# 6. Staff Support for Student Success

College and Career Coordinator - expand to 120 days - FY 22 \$6,887.40 (III)



# Once presented to the Board, what's next?

- District 50 must seek public comment when developing its Return to School plan (August 4 Board Meeting before August 18 approval)
- District 50 must take such comments into consideration when creating the plan for safe return to school as well as the plan for continuity of services
- This plan must be made available on the District 50 website within 30 days of receiving the ESSER III allocation (August 13, 2021)
- District 50 must create an ESSER Use of Funds Plan within 90 days of receiving its allocation. This plan must also be made available on the District 50 website when the grant is submitted to ISBE



# **Is there a deadline to spend it all?**

Each grant has specific deadlines on when the grant ends and for how long districts can seek reimbursement for grant-approved expenditures.



# How will decisions with unallocated funds be shared?

- Finance and Facility Committee Meetings to discuss and endorse expenditures
- Board Meetings to update public
- Plan updates posted on website



# How will unallocated funds be spent?

- Responsive and Responsible
- Constant Monitoring
- Grant Amendments





# ESSERS Spending Plan

Any questions?

