



**District Educational Improvement Council (DEIC)**

**Agenda**

**Virtual Meeting / LISD Board Room**

**Thursday, December 2, 2021**

The District Educational Improvement Council (DEIC) has been formed in compliance with Education Code 11.252 to advise the Board or its designee in establishing and reviewing the district’s educational goals, objectives, and major district wide classroom instructional programs. BQA (LOCAL)

The DEIC shall serve exclusively in an advisory role except that the council may approve staff development of a district wide nature. The DEIC has the following Standing Committees:

|                        |                    |          |
|------------------------|--------------------|----------|
| 1. Curriculum          | Gerardo Cruz       | Co-Chair |
| 2. Budget              | Flor Ayala         | Co-Chair |
| 3. Planning            | Oscar Perez        | Co-Chair |
| 4. School Organization | Veronica Castillon | Co-Chair |
| 5. Staffing Patterns   | Roberta Ramirez    | Co-Chair |
| 6. Staff Development   | Adriana M. Guzman  | Co-Chair |
| 7. Plant Facilities    | Angel Velasquez    | Co-Chair |

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**1. Call meeting to order/Verify Quorum**

- Oralia Cortez, Federal Program Administrator, DEIC Co-Chairperson
- Adriana M. Guzman, Staff Development Coordinator, DEIC Co-Chairperson

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Welcome**

- Dr. Sylvia G. Rios, Superintendent of Schools
- Gerardo Cruz, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

**4. Discussion and presentation to approve the District of Innovation Renewal Application to the Texas Education Agency**

- Dr. Gerardo Cruz, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

**5. Discussion and presentation of the ESSER III revisions to the Use of Funds Plan and the Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Service Plan**

- Oralia H. Cortez, Executive Director for Federal Programs, School Improvement and Accountability

**6. Discussion and possible action on the 2022-2023 Scholastic Year Calendar**

- Veronica Castillon, Executive Director of Communications

**7. Announcements**

- Veronica Castillon, Executive Director of Communications

**8. Next Meeting Date – Wednesday, January 19, 2022**

**9. Meeting Adjourned**



# INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP

## CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, & ASSESSMENT



Date | Time 12/02/21 | Meeting Leader Dr. Gerardo Cruz

### PARTICIPANTS

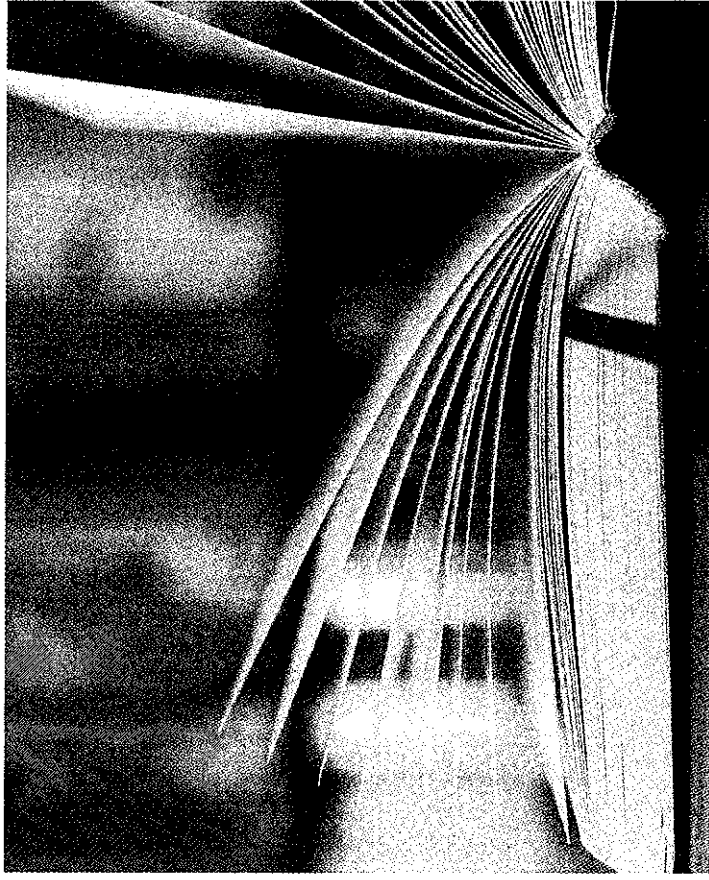
CIA Administration & Principals

At: Nixon High School

| Topic  | Presenter             |
|--|-----------------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Instructional Continuity               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ District of Innovation</li> <li>◇ TTESS Calibration</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | Dr. Cruz              |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Elementary &amp; Secondary Education               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Strongly Calibrated Teacher Observations                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Purpose – Inter-rater reliability</li> <li>• Improve Administrator effectiveness for TTESS evaluation</li> <li>• Scores assigned by appraisers must be comparable.</li> <li>• Intended to identify and correct discrepancies in scoring.</li> </ul> </li> <li>◇ Academic Practitioners Spring Plan of Action</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | M. Ramirez & J. Cerda |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Assessment and Accountability               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ STAAR/EOC High School</li> <li>◇ Submission of STAAR/EOC High School/December 13<sup>th</sup></li> <li>◇ Assessment Conference Highlights</li> <li>◇ Challenge of Change</li> <li>◇ Commissioner’s Thoughts</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   | D. Alaniz-Ramos       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Federal Programs               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ (ESSER) Use of Funds and Safe Return to In-person Instruction</li> <li>◇ Continuity of Services Plan Six Month Review</li> <li>◇ Other Special Programs/Results Driven Accountability 2021</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   | O. Cortez             |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Special Education               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Results Driven Accountability 2021</li> <li>◇ Results Driven Accountability Intervention and Submission Calendar</li> <li>◇ Cyclical Visit/October 2022 (Updates)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   | R. Gomez              |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Bilingual Education               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Bilingual/ESL Program 2021 Results Driven Accountability (RDA)</li> <li>◇ Language Development Plan Updates</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   | C. Cruz               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Advanced Academics &amp; Gifted/Talented               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Texas Performance Standards Projects (TPSP)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | M. Calles             |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Guidance &amp; Counseling               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ The Role of the Crisis Intervention Team</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | R. Silva              |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Closing &amp; Final Thoughts</li> </ul>   | Dr. Cruz              |

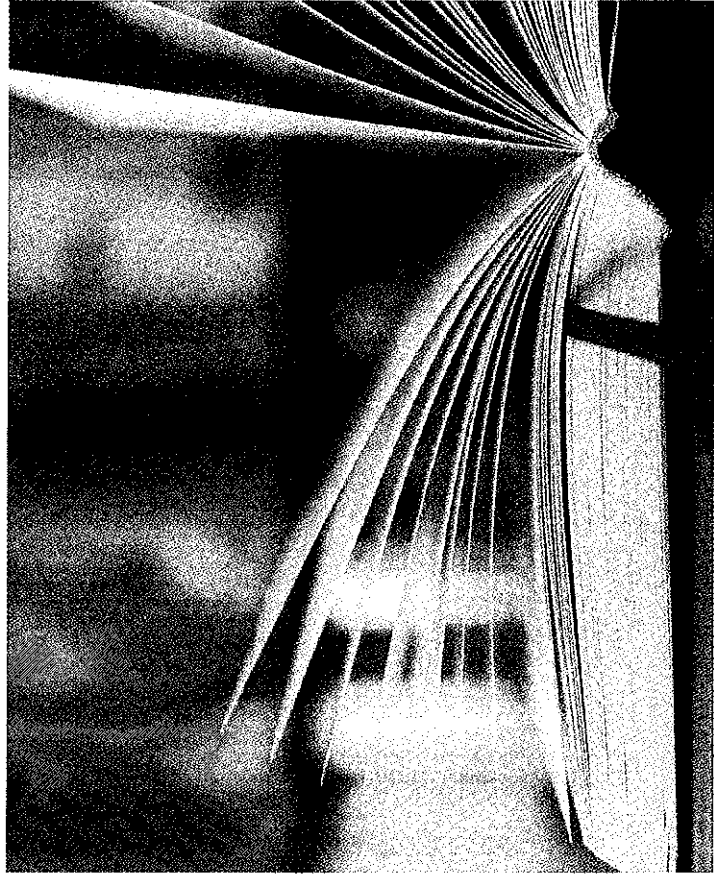
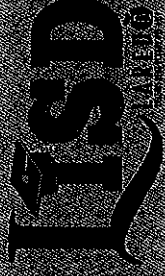
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**ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY  
SCHOOL EMERGENCY RELIEF  
III ESSER FUNDS  
USE OF FUNDS PLAN SIX MONTH  
REVIEW  
D.E.I.C. MEETING  
DECEMBER 2, 2021**

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# **Agenda**

- I. ESSER III Funds Allocations Budget Summary
- II. Summary of Use of Funds by Object Code
- III. Use of Funds: Learning Loss/Mitigation Strategies/Activities
- IV. Use of Funds: Plan Requirements
- V. Questions or Comments

## ESSER III Fund Allocations Budget Summary

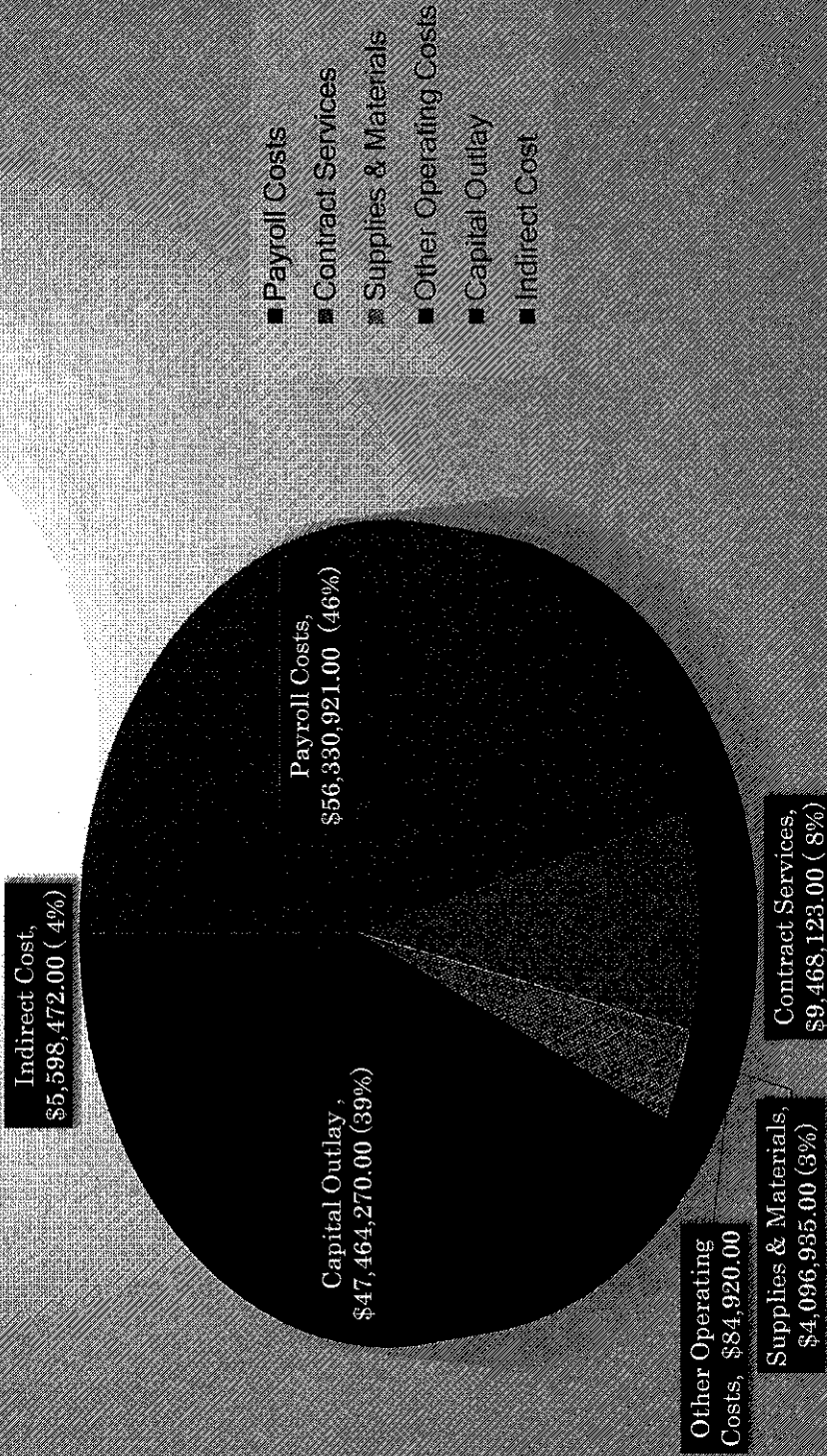
| Grant Amount          | \$123,043,641*    |                 |                |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Description           | Class Object Code | Original Budget | Budget (Draft) |
| Payroll Costs         | 6100              | \$61,427,372    | \$56,330,921   |
| Contracted Services   | 6200              | \$7,613,001     | \$9,468,123    |
| Supplies & Materials  | 6300              | \$2,264,758     | \$4,096,935    |
| Other Operating Costs | 6400              | \$75,000        | \$84,920       |
| Capital Outlay        | 6600              | \$45,511,328    | \$47,464,270   |
| Indirect Costs        |                   | \$6,152,182     | \$5,598,472    |

\*Only 2/3 awarded: \$82,029,094



# Summary of Use of Funds by Object Code

## ARP ESSER III (Budget \$123,043,641)

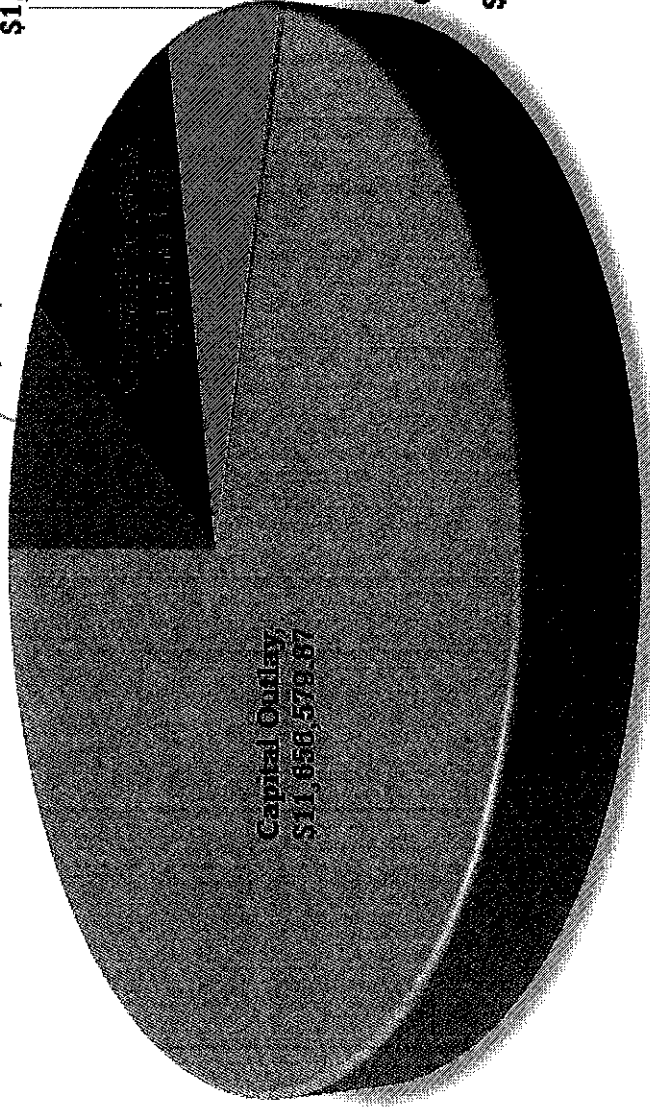


# Summary of Expenses

**YTD EXPENSES (\$16,484,859.31)**

Payroll,  
\$1,468,125.54

Supplies &  
Materials,  
\$1,177,360.36



Other  
Operating  
Costs,  
\$67,477.48

■ Payroll ■ Contract Services ■ Supplies & Materials ■ Other Operating Costs ■ Capital Outlay



## Use of Funds: Learning Loss/Mitigation Strategies

| Extend Instructional Time                    |                |                        |                              |  |
|--|----------------|------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Activity                                     | Estimated Cost | Other Funding Sources  | Sustainability               |  |
| Extended Day                                 | \$8,506,080    | Title I, SCE, BIL      | Yes                          |  |
| Extended Week                                | \$3,301,452    | Title I, SCE, BIL      | Yes                          |  |
| Summer Learning                              | \$4,192,800    | Title I, SCE, BIL, CTE | Yes                          |  |
| Performance Compensation (moved to ESSER II) |                |                        |                              |  |
| Professional                                 | \$10,490,000   | N/A                    | No (June 2022,<br>June 2024) |  |
| Para-Professional                            | \$5,188,400    | N/A                    | No (June 2022,<br>June 2024) |  |

## Use of Funds: Learning Loss/Mitigation Strategies

### Additional Instructional Staff

| Activity                            | Estimated Cost | Other Funding Sources | Sustainability            |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Reading and Math Practitioners (EL) | \$9,000,000    | N/A                   | No (July 2021-Sept. 2024) |
| Tutors (K-12)                       | \$2,133,000    | N/A                   | No                        |
| Class Size Reduction Teachers       | \$4,800,000    | Title II              | No                        |
| ELA & Math Teachers (MS)            | \$2,250,000    | N/A                   | No                        |
| Technology Integration Specialist   | \$2,250,000    | N/A                   | No                        |

## Use of Funds: Learning Loss/Mitigation Strategies

### Additional Instructional Staff

| Activity                           | Estimated Cost | Other Funding Sources | Sustainability            |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Dyslexia Teachers                  | \$900,000      | Local and State       | Yes                       |
| Instructional Lead Practitioners   | \$900,000      | N/A                   | No (July 2021-Sept. 2024) |
| Coordinator For School Improvement | \$267,045      | N/A                   | No                        |
| IT Technician                      | \$225,000      | N/A                   | No                        |

## Use of Funds: Learning Loss/Mitigation Strategies

| Additional Instructional Staff               |                |                       |                           |
|--|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Activity                                     | Estimated Cost | Other Funding Sources | Sustainability            |
| Attendance/Enrollment Scouts                 | \$2,100,000    | N/A                   | No (July 2021-Sept. 2024) |
| Custodians                                   | \$612,000      | N/A                   | No                        |
| Coordinator for Safety and Compliance Closed | \$267,045      |                       |                           |
| Health Services Facilitators                 | \$450,000      | N/A                   | No                        |

## Use of Funds: Learning Loss/Mitigation Strategies

### Additional Instructional Staff (NEW)

| Activity                                   | Estimated Cost | Other Funding Sources | Sustainability |
|--|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Special Education Intervention Coordinator | \$300,000      | N/A                   | No             |
| Special Ed. Homebound Teachers (3) 2 Years | \$396,000      | N/A                   | No             |
| Nurse Assistants (LVN's) (5) 2 Years       | \$350,000      | N/A                   | No             |

## Use of Funds: Learning Loss/Mitigation Strategies

### Additional Instructional Staff (NEW)

| Activity  | Estimated Cost | Other Funding Sources | Sustainability |
|---|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Remote Conferencing Teachers (40) 1 Year          | \$2,600,000    | N/A                   | No             |
| CCMR Coordinator                                  | \$300,000      | N/A                   | No             |
| Coordinator for At-Risk Disciplinary Intervention | \$300,000      | N/A                   | No             |

## Use of Funds: Learning Loss/Mitigation Strategies

| Professional Development |                |                       |                               |
|--------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Activity                 | Estimated Cost | Other Funding Sources | Sustainability                |
| Professional Development | \$600,000      | Title I, II, IV, BIL  | Yes                           |
| Extra Duty Pay (PD)      | \$360,000      | Title I, II           | Yes                           |
| Extra Duty Pay (Nurses)  | \$24,750       | N/A                   | No (July 2021-<br>Sept. 2024) |



## Use of Funds: Learning Loss/Mitigation Strategies

| High Quality Programs   |                |                       |                |
|---|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Activity  | Estimated Cost | Other Funding Sources | Sustainability |
| Intervention, Enrichment, Acceleration and Social Emotional Learning Programs | \$4,434,001    | Title I, BIL          | Yes            |

| High Quality Assessments         |                           |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Progress Monitoring Tool-Removed | No (July 2021-Sept. 2024) |

## Use of Funds: Learning Loss/Mitigation Strategies

### Technology Programs

| Activity  | Estimated Cost | Other Funding Sources | Sustainability |
|---|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Network Security, Data Backup Servers, Firewall | \$1,829,000    | Title I, Local Fund   | Yes            |

### High Quality Materials

|                                    |             |                         |     |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----|
| Document Cameras, Voice Amplifiers | \$2,264,758 | SCE, BIL, SPED, Title I | Yes |
| Sanitizing and Cleaning            | \$3,209,800 | N/A                     | No  |

### Contracted Services

|                                       |          |     |                               |
|---------------------------------------|----------|-----|-------------------------------|
| Cellular Data for Attendance Officers | \$75,000 | N/A | No (July 2021-<br>Sept. 2024) |
|---------------------------------------|----------|-----|-------------------------------|

## Use of Funds: Learning Loss/Mitigation Strategies

| Capital Outlay  |                |                       |                           |
|---|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Activity  | Estimated Cost | Other Funding Sources | Sustainability            |
| Instructional (Student & Teacher Laptops, Projectors, Smart Boards, Adaptive Equipment) | \$18,703,176   | Title I, SPED         | No (July 2021-Sept. 2024) |
| Mitigation (HVAC System Upgrades, Purifiers, Disinfecting Equipment, Security Cameras)  | \$24,243,152   | N/A                   | No (July 2021-Sept. 2024) |

## Use of Funds: Learning Loss/Mitigation Strategies

| Capital Outlay  |                |                       |                           |
|---|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Activity  | Estimated Cost | Other Funding Sources | Sustainability            |
| Construction (IT Training Center (removed), Door Replacements, Enclose Reception Areas) | \$565,000      | N/A                   | No (July 2021-Sept. 2024) |
| Employee and Community Facility (New-Pending Approval from TEA)                         | \$2,000,000    |                       |                           |

# Updates to Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan

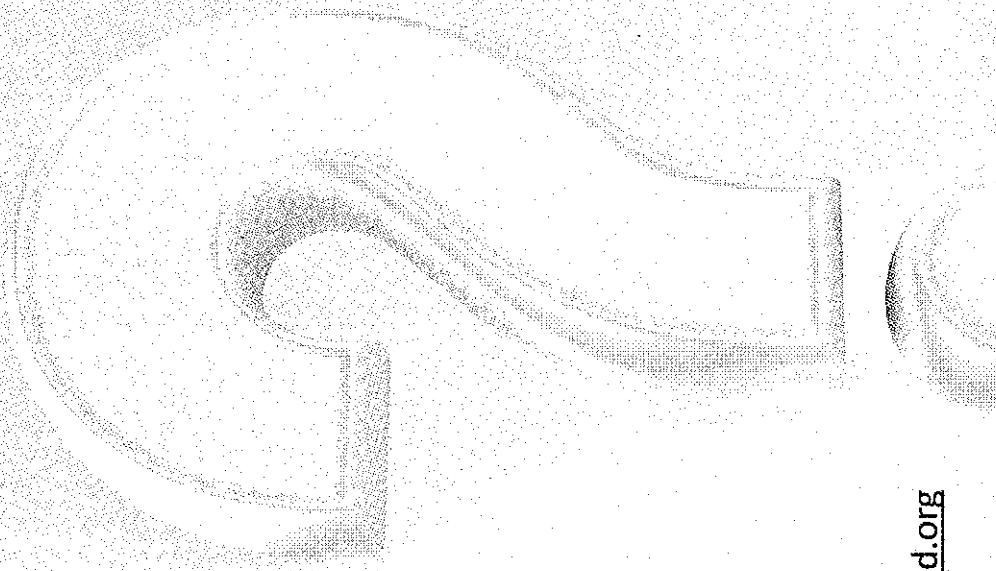
- PCR testing is conducted every Thursday with Community Labs, LLC. where 10,132 tests have been administered and there are 4,532 participants registered.
- Covid vaccination clinics are scheduled every week to give employees the opportunity to get doses and booster inoculations. (Gateway Community Health Center and Army National Guard)
- LISD now offers Covid-19 vaccinations for 5- to -11-year-olds.
- Jade Air Purifiers are being placed in every classroom with two layers of filtration.
- LISD is in the process of employing 20 additional custodians as members of the COVID mitigation crew. (1 per every elementary school)

## **Use of Funds: Plan Requirements**

### **Six Month Review**

- The district must review its plan every six months, and revise as needed
- Seek public comment and incorporate such input into plan revisions
  - Update/Review according to new CDC guidance

# Questions or Comments



You can email your comments or questions to: [esser@laredoisd.org](mailto:esser@laredoisd.org)