

ARP - ESSER III Use of Funds Plan

Community Consolidated Schools District 168

This document serves as the Community Consolidated Schools District 168 plan for use of Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief funds that will be used by the District in the 2021-2023 school years. This plan focuses on key areas to support students adversely impacted by the pandemic. This plan addresses learning loss that occurred during the COVID-19 global pandemic. The three areas of focus are Academic Supports, Building Expansion, and Supplies related to COVID-19.

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How the LEA will use the funds it reserves under section 2001(e)(1) of the ARP Act (totaling not less than 20 percent of the LEA's total allocation of ARP ESSER funds) to address the academic impact of lost instructional time through the implementation of evidence-based interventions.

In compliance with the ARP Act, our plan acknowledges that no less than 20% of all ESSER III funds must be used to alleviate learning loss. The cost of academic supports listed below comprise more than 20% of the funds granted. We are confident that these services will continue to benefit students long after these funds have been distributed.

Academic Supports

- Digital Curriculum
- Afterschool Programs
- Summer Enrichment
- Social Emotional Learning Supports
- Staffing Supports

Staffing Supports

Consultants were hired to support staffing needs and provide students with high quality instruction utilizing District 168's adopted curriculum during school closures, quarantine situations, hybrid, and in-person learning.

Building Expansion

Additional classrooms will be added for greater classroom engagement and allow for small group instructional spaces while improving environmental safety.

The District will spend the remaining ARP ESSER funds consistent with *Section 2001(e)(2) of the ARP Act*:

- ❖ Purchase mitigation supplies due to COVID-19
- ❖ Focus on student subgroups most impacted by the pandemic
- ❖ Support educators and other school staff
- ❖ Enhanced instruction focusing on additional academic supports post pandemic

Budget

Total Budget: \$6,838,403

The budget consists of the following:

Instruction:

Purchased Services: **\$1, 620, 600**

Supplies and Materials: **\$175, 067**

Facilities Acquisition & Construction:

Capital Outlay: **\$5,024,337**

Operation & Maintenance of Plant Services: **\$18,399**

Notice of Public Meeting Notification:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

On Thursday, May 25, 2023 at 9:00 A.M. a meeting conducted by Community Consolidated Schools District 168 will be held at the District Administration Center, 21899 S. Torrence Ave., Sauk Village, IL in the Board Room. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the district's plan for the use of American Rescue Plan (ARP) Elementary and Secondary Emergency Relief Funds (ESSER III).

ESSER III funds are used to safely reopen and sustain safe operations of schools, and address the COVID-19 pandemic impact on students. The purpose of this meeting is to seek public comments on the use of funds. If you have further questions pertaining to this meeting, please contact, Myra Patterson, Director of Instructional Services at 708-758-1610.
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