

LEA ARP ESSER Plan: "A Plan for the LEA's Use of ARP ESSER Funds"

Please submit in both Excel and PDF form to ESSER@doe.nh.gov by 1/13/2023.

The American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief ("ARP ESSER") Fund, authorized under the American Rescue Plan ("ARP") Act of 2021, provides New Hampshire over \$350 million to support schools in safely reopening and sustaining safe operations of schools while meeting the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of students resulting from the coronavirus disease 2019 ("COVID-19") pandemic.

This mandatory template is intended to collect all federally required information from an LEA in a convenient format and to assist LEAs in meeting the federal requirement that, an LEA shall publish an LEA ARP ESSER Plan, which is often called a "school district use of funds plan." See the Department of Education's most current guidance posted here: <https://omb.report/ocr/202201-1810-002/doc/117519100>.

For further context, please reference ARPA (<https://www.congress.gov/bills/117/congress/house-bill/1319/text>) or the Interim Final Requirements of ARP ESSER in which the U.S. Department of Education established these requirements (<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2021-04-22/pdf/2021-08359.pdf>).

I. General Information

- 1) School District / Charter School Name: → Cell C18 Must be Input for Formulas to Populate Correctly
- 2) District ID Number: → Autopopulates upon Selection
- 3) SAU Number: → Autopopulates upon Selection
- 4) Date of Publication:
- 5) Approver Name -
(Superintendent / Head of School):
- 6) Email & Telephone:

II. Transparency and Accessibility

- 1) This plan for the LEA's Use of ARP ESSER funds was published and made publicly available online at the following specific web address:

Yes - Description Required

Description:

https://www.sau82.org/district/school_re-opening

- 2) The plan is in an understandable and uniform format (please choose one):

Yes - Description Required

Description:

The format from the State is being used.

- 3) The plan, to the extent practicable, is written in a language that parents can understand or, if not practicable to provide written translations to a parent with limited English proficiency, orally translated (please choose one):

Yes - Description Required

Description:

Oral translation is available upon request.

- 4) The plan, upon request by a parent who is an individual with a disability, is provided in an alternative format accessible to that parent (please choose one):

Yes - Description Required

Description:

The plan will be modified to accomodate parent need as requested.

III. Stakeholder Engagement

Best Practices in Implementing ARP ESSER LEA Use of Funds Plan

- 1) How the LEA provided the public the opportunity to provide input in the development of the LEA's plan for the use of ARP ESSER funds:

Somewhat - Description Required

Description:

The use of our ESSER funds have been incorporated into the Strategic planning process. All reosurecs are allocated based on this plan. Parents are involved on the Strategic Plan advisory as well as subcommittees. The majority of ESSR funds during the 2022-2023 school year are being used to fund an interventionist who is providing services to students identified through our MTSS process. Additionally, ESSER funds have support summer intervention programs in an effort to help students make up for lost time during COVID.

- 2) How the LEA took public input into account regarding the development of the LEA's plan for the use of ARP ESSER funds (please choose one):

Yes - Description Required

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- 3) How the LEA engaged in meaningful consultation with specific stakeholders, including, but not limited to:
a. Students (please choose one):

Yes - Description Required

1) Description:

We are a PreK - 8 school so initially student input was minimal, A student is, however being added to the Strategic Planning Team.

- i) Number of total responses: 0*
- ii) Uses consulted on: Summer programming*
- iii) Description of feedback received: More hands on learning desired*

Please indicate how consultation was:

- 2) Inclusive: student voice was un filtered**
- 3) Widely advertised and available: NA**
- 4) Ongoing: see above**

- b. Families (please choose one):

Yes - Description Required

1) Description:

A survey was used for the initial spending plan. Beginning this Spring, there will be a Strategic Planning Committee who will help determine the priorities for resource allocation of ESSER funds.

- i) Number of total responses: 53*
- ii) Uses consulted on: Reopening Plan was discussed.*
- iii) Description of feedback received: Families wanted students to return to in-person learning.*

Please indicate how consultation was:

- 2) Inclusive: The survey was sent via School Messenger to all families.**
- 3) Widely advertised and available: The survey was sent via School Messenger to all families and a link posted on our website.**
- 4) Ongoing: Families have provided ongoing feedback via community forums this year as well as parent representatives on the Return to School Committee.**

c. School and district administrators, including special education administrators (please choose one):

Yes - Description Required

1) Description:

Weekly admin meetings with monthly grant review meetings

i) Number of total responses: 5

ii) Uses consulted on: Continued adjustments of allocations and goal areas.

iii) Description of feedback received: Administrators used data to inform decision making. We used the initial survey data and then student learning outcomes to guide our decisions.

Please indicate how consultation was:

2) Inclusive: All Administrators were required to participate

3) Widely advertised and available: NA

4) Ongoing: The administrative team was involved ongoing indecions about how to utilize ESSER funds to meet the needs of all learners. We collaborated and came to consensus.

d. Teachers, principals, school leaders, other educators, school staff, and their unions (please choose one):

Yes - Description Required

1) Description:

A survey was used for the initial spending plan. Beginning this Spring, there will be a Strategic Planning Committee who will help determine the priorities for resource allocation of ESSER funds.

i) Number of total responses: 23

ii) Uses consulted on: Initial spending plan

iii) Description of feedback received: Feedback was related to safety measures and interventions needed for students as well as goal areas.

Please indicate how consultation was:

2) Inclusive: All were invited to particiapte in the survey

3) Widely advertised and available: School Messenger was used to distribute and a link was posted on the website

4) Ongoing: Teachers are now integral to the Strategic Planning Process on an ongoing basis.

e. Tribes, if applicable (please choose one):

No

1) Description:

NA

i) Number of total responses:

ii) Uses consulted on:

iii) Description of feedback received:

Please indicate how consultation was:

2) Inclusive: NA

3) Widely advertised and available: NA

4) Ongoing: NA

f. Civil rights organizations, including disability rights organizations (please check one):

No

1) Description:

There are no civil rights organizations in our community

NA

NA

NA

Please indicate how consultation was:

2) Inclusive: NA

NA

NA

g. Stakeholders representing the interests of children with disabilities, English learners, children experiencing homelessness, children and youth in foster care, migratory students, children who are incarcerated, and other underserved students (please choose one):

Somewhat - Description Required

1) Description:

The district engaged with stakeholders through a survey and more recently, collaborated with nearly 50 parents on various committees as we designed a strategic plan that ESSR funds are used to support.

- i) Number of total responses: Unknown*
- ii) Uses consulted on: Programs and services*
- iii) Description of feedback received: NA*

Please indicate how consultation was:

2) Inclusive: Invitation for feedback was sent to all families through communications home via school messenger

3) Widely advertised and available: Communications were available on our website

4) Ongoing: As programs and interventions were designed, case managers collaborated with families.

h. Community-based organizations, including partnerships to promote access to before and after-school programming (please choose one):

Somewhat - Description Required

1) Description:

We have partnered with the Town Library and our Afterschool Care provider as we developed our Strategic Plan - ESSR funds are used to support the action in the improvement plan.

- i) Number of total responses: 2*
- ii) Uses consulted on: NA*
- iii) Description of feedback received: NA*

Please indicate how consultation was:

2) Inclusive: unknown

3) Widely advertised and available: Advertised and available on our website

4) Ongoing: NA

i. Early childhood education providers and families, including partnerships to ensure access to and continuity of care for families with children of different ages, particularly as they transition to school (please check one):

Yes - Description Required

1) Description:

We operate an onsite preschool program and partner with community preschools throughout the school year. We did not specifically target this age group for our ESSR plans.

- i) Number of total responses: NA*
- ii) Uses consulted on: NA*
- iii) Description of feedback received: NA*

Please indicate how consultation was:

2) Inclusive: NA

3) Widely advertised and available: NA

4) Ongoing: NA

<p>1. General Information</p> <p>1.1. Project Name: [Project Name]</p> <p>1.2. Project ID: [Project ID]</p> <p>1.3. Project Manager: [Project Manager]</p>		<p>2. Project Objectives</p> <p>2.1. Primary Objectives: [Primary Objectives]</p> <p>2.2. Secondary Objectives: [Secondary Objectives]</p>										<p>3. Project Scope</p> <p>3.1. Scope of Work: [Scope of Work]</p> <p>3.2. Deliverables: [Deliverables]</p>										<p>4. Project Schedule</p> <p>4.1. Start Date: [Start Date]</p> <p>4.2. End Date: [End Date]</p>	
<p>5. Project Budget</p> <p>5.1. Total Budget: [Total Budget]</p> <p>5.2. Allocated Budget: [Allocated Budget]</p>		<p>6. Project Risks</p> <p>6.1. Risk Assessment: [Risk Assessment]</p> <p>6.2. Risk Mitigation: [Risk Mitigation]</p>										<p>7. Project Stakeholders</p> <p>7.1. Stakeholder Identification: [Stakeholder Identification]</p> <p>7.2. Stakeholder Engagement: [Stakeholder Engagement]</p>										<p>8. Project Summary</p> <p>8.1. Overall Status: [Overall Status]</p> <p>8.2. Next Steps: [Next Steps]</p>	

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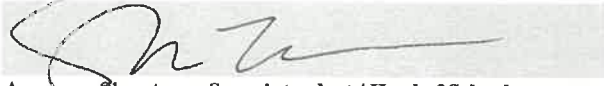
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X. Authorization

**Please print and sign this page. Return a signed version with your completed packet to :*

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Approver Signature - Superintendent / Head of School

12/8/2022

Date

Sharon Locke

Printed Name - Superintendent / Head of School

Appendix A. ARPA Statutory Excerpt

(e) USES OF FUNDS.—A local educational agency that receives funds under this section—

(1) shall reserve not less than 20 percent of such funds to address learning loss through the implementation of evidence-based interventions, such as summer learning or summer enrichment, extended day, comprehensive afterschool programs, or extended school year programs, and ensure that such interventions respond to students' academic, social, and emotional needs and address the disproportionate impact of the coronavirus on the student subgroups described in section 1111(b)(2)(B)(xi) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20U.S.C. 6311(b)(2)(B)(xi)), students experiencing homelessness, and children and youth in foster care; and

(2) shall use the remaining funds for any of the following:

(A) Any activity authorized by the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

(B) Any activity authorized by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

(C) Any activity authorized by the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act.

(D) Any activity authorized by the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006.

(E) Coordination of preparedness and response efforts of local educational agencies with State, local, Tribal, and territorial public health departments, and other relevant agencies, to improve coordinated responses among such entities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.

(F) Activities to address the unique needs of low-income children or students, children with disabilities, English learners, racial and ethnic minorities, students experiencing homelessness, and foster care youth, including how outreach and service delivery will meet the needs of each population.

(G) Developing and implementing procedures and systems to improve the preparedness and response efforts of local educational agencies.

(H) Training and professional development for staff of the local educational agency on sanitation and minimizing the spread of infectious diseases.

(I) Purchasing supplies to sanitize and clean the facilities of a local educational agency, including buildings operated by such agency.

(J) Planning for, coordinating, and implementing activities during long-term closures, including providing meals to eligible students, providing technology for online learning to all students, providing guidance for carrying out requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and ensuring other educational services can continue to be provided consistent with all Federal, State, and local requirements.

(K) Purchasing educational technology (including hardware, software, and connectivity) for students who are served by the local educational agency that aids in regular and substantive educational interaction between students and their classroom instructors, including low-income students and children with disabilities, which may include assistive technology or adaptive equipment.

(L) Providing mental health services and supports, including through the implementation of evidence-based full-service community schools.

(M) Planning and implementing activities related to summer learning and supplemental afterschool programs, including providing classroom instruction or online learning during the summer months and addressing the needs of low-income students, children with disabilities, English learners, migrant students, students experiencing homelessness, and children in foster care.

(N) Addressing learning loss among students, including low-income students, children with disabilities, English learners, racial and ethnic minorities, students experiencing homelessness, and children and youth in foster care, of the local educational agency, including by—

(i) administering and using high-quality assessments that are valid and reliable, to accurately assess students' academic progress and assist educators in meeting students' academic needs, including through differentiating instruction;

(ii) implementing evidence-based activities to meet the comprehensive needs of students;

(iii) providing information and assistance to parents and families on how they can effectively support students, including in a distance learning environment; and

(iv) tracking student attendance and improving student engagement in distance education.

(O) School facility repairs and improvements to enable operation of schools to reduce risk of virus transmission and exposure to environmental health hazards, and to support student health needs.

(P) Inspection, testing, maintenance, repair, replacement, and upgrade projects to improve the indoor air quality in school facilities, including mechanical and non-mechanical heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems, filtering, purification and other air cleaning, fans, control systems, and window and door repair and replacement.

(Q) Developing strategies and implementing public health protocols including, to the greatest extent practicable, policies in line with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for the reopening and operation of school facilities to effectively maintain the health and safety of students, educators, and other staff.

(R) Other activities that are necessary to maintain the operation of and continuity of services in local educational agencies and continuing to employ existing staff of the local educational agency.

Appendix B. Interim Final Requirements of ARP ESSER Excerpt

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(2) LEA ARP ESSER Plan.

(a) Each LEA that receives ARP ESSER funds must submit to the SEA, in such manner and within a reasonable timeline as determined by the SEA, a plan that contains any information reasonably required by the SEA. The plan, and any revisions to the plan submitted consistent with procedures established by the SEA, must describe—

(i) The extent to which and how the funds will be used to implement prevention and mitigation strategies that are, to the greatest extent practicable, consistent with the most recent CDC guidance on reopening schools, in order to continuously and safely open and operate schools for in-person learning;

(ii) How the LEA will use the funds it reserves under section 2001(e)(1) of the ARP Act to address the academic impact of lost instructional time through the implementation of evidence-based interventions, such as summer learning or summer enrichment, extended day, comprehensive afterschool programs, or extended school year programs;

(iii) How the LEA will spend its remaining ARP ESSER funds consistent with section 2001(e) of the ARP Act; and

(iv) How the LEA will ensure that the interventions it implements, including but not limited to the interventions under section 2001(e)(1) of the ARP Act to address the academic impact of lost instructional time, will respond to the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of all students, and particularly those students disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, including students from low-income families, students of color, English learners, children with disabilities, students experiencing homelessness, children in foster care, and migratory students.

(b) In developing its ARP ESSER plan, an LEA must—

(i) Engage in meaningful consultation—

(A) With stakeholders, including: Students; families; school and district administrators (including special education administrators); and teachers, principals, school leaders, other educators, school staff, and their unions; and

(B) To the extent present in or served by the LEA: Tribes; civil rights organizations (including disability rights organizations); and stakeholders representing the interests of children with disabilities, English learners, children experiencing homelessness, children in foster care, migratory students, children who are incarcerated, and other underserved students; and

(ii) Provide the public the opportunity to provide input and take such input into account.

(c) An LEA's ARP ESSER plan must be—

(i) In an understandable and uniform format;

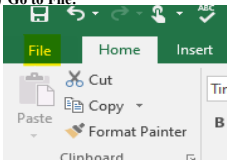
(ii) To the extent practicable, written in a language that parents can understand or, if it is not practicable to provide written translations to a parent with limited English proficiency, be orally translated for such parent;

(iii) Upon request by a parent who is an individual with a disability as defined by the ADA, provided in an alternative format accessible to that parent; and

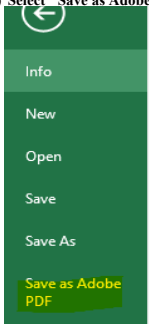
(iv) Be made publicly available on the LEA's website.

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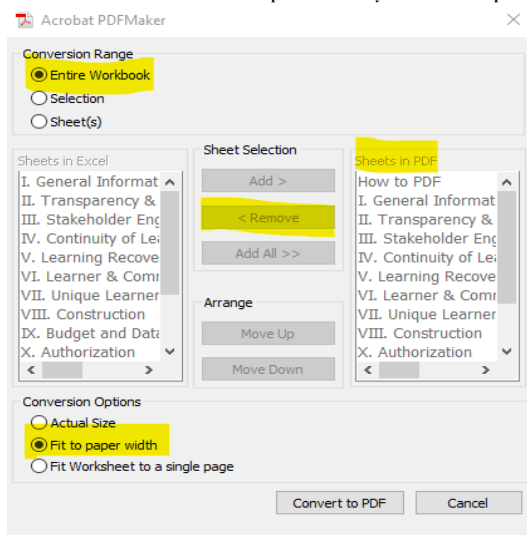
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3) Items due to the NHDOE by 01/13/2023:

- A. NH ARP ESSER LEA Fund Use - Excel Workbook
 - i Print the "V. Authorization" tab from Excel file
 - i Manually print and sign the "V. Authorization" tab from Excel file
- B. NH ARP ESSER LEA Fund Use - PDF Version
- C. Return each item listed above in one email message to ESSER@doe.nh.gov (3 separate attachments)