LEA ARP ESSER Plan: “A Plan for the LEA’s Use of ARP ESSER funds”

The American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (“ARP ESSER”) Fund, authorized under the American Rescue Plan (“ARP”) Act of 2021, provides nearly $122 billion to States to support the Nation’s 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 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, within 90 days of receiving ARP ESSER LEA allocation (90% of New Hampshire’s total allocation), an LEA shall publish an LEA ARP ESSER Plan, which is often called a “school district use of funds plan.”


I. General Information

1. LEA Name: Hanover School District, SAU 70 (Hanover, NH)

2. Date of Publication: August 23, 2021

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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:

   Description: https://www.sau70.org/departments/business-office

2. The plan is in an understandable and uniform format (please check one):
   Yes: □  Somewhat: □  No: □

   Description: 

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 check one):
   Yes: □  Somewhat: □  No: □

   Description: 

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 check one):
   Yes: □  Somewhat: □  No: □

   Description: 
IV. Supporting the Continuous and Safe Operation of In-Person Learning

1. The extent to which and how LEA ARP ESSER 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:
   (Note federal regulation on this plan requires such reporting, but does not require adoption of CDC safety recommendations. The NH DOE recognizes schools will implement localized safety measures based on the guidance provided by the CDC, NH Public Health, and local public health officials.)

   **Description during SY21-22:** Hanover will continue with mitigation strategies used during the 2020-21 school year including requiring masks, daily cleaning, ventilation and health checks.

V. Addressing the Academic Impact of Lost Instructional Time (20 percent of an LEA’s Allocation)

1. How the LEA will identify individual student learning loss, including among students most likely to have experienced the impact of lost instructional time on student learning, such as:
   a. Students who did not consistently participate in remote instruction when offered during school building closures;
   b. Students who have missed the most in-person instruction during the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years; and
   c. Students most at-risk of dropping out of school.

   **Description during SY21-22:** Hanover will identify students through academic, behavioral, and attendance data and provide targeted support.

2. 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 for such students through the implementation of evidence-based interventions as defined by ESSA (https://ies.ed.gov/ncee/wwc/essa), such as summer learning or summer enrichment, extended day, comprehensive afterschool programs, or extended school year:

   **Description during SY21-22:** Hanover will provide summer learning and enrichment.

   **Description during SY22-23:** Hanover will provide summer learning and enrichment.

   **Description during SY23-24:** Hanover will provide summer learning and enrichment.

3. How the LEA will use the funds it reserves to address the academic impact of lost instructional time through:
   a. Individualized tutoring, including providing stipends to teachers for intensive, supplemental tutoring (please check one):
      Yes: [ ] Somewhat: [☑] No: [ ]
      **Description:**
   b. Teacher-directed professional development, in which teachers choose the professional development opportunities best suited to their career pathway and current learner needs (please check one):
      Yes: [ ] Somewhat: [☑] No: [ ]
      **Description:**

4. How the LEA will produce evidence of the effectiveness of evidence-based learning loss interventions employed:

   **Description:** Hanover will examine summative assessment data.
b. What amount and percentage of the LEA’s total allocation will be used to support Career and Technical Education:
   Amount: $0
   Percentage: 0%

   Description, including funds used to support learner obtainment of industry-recognized credentials:

   The extent to which funds will be used to provide access to course access opportunities, including advanced, elective, and remedial courses provided outside of the residential public school that a learner could not otherwise access:
   During SYs 21-24 (check one): Yes: □  Somewhat: □  No: □

   Description of all SYs: N/A

VII. Addressing the Unique Needs of All Learners

1. How the LEA will ensure that the interventions it implements 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.

   Description: Hanover will examine academic and social emotional data such as summative assessment, attendance and behavior data to ensure that student needs are met.

VIII. Authorization

LEA Superintendent’s Signature: ___________________________  Date: 8/23/21
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

(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 after-school 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.