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, 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/icr/202201-1810-002/doc/117519100.

For further context, please reference ARPA (https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-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).

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1) School District / Charter School Name:	Hanover	\rightarrow Cell C18 Must be Input for Formulas
2) District ID Number:	233	\rightarrow Autopopulates upon Selection
3) SAU Number:	<u>70</u>	\rightarrow Autopopulates upon Selection
4) Date of Publication:	12/16/2022	
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I. Consul Information

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.sau70.org/departments/business-finance

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

Yes - Description Required

Description:

Yes the plan is ADA compliant and is in the format provided by the State of NH so it is uniform and understandable.

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:

Yes it is written in a language that parents can understand and can be orally translated.

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:

Yes the plan can be provided in an alternative format that is accessible to the parent.

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:

Yes - Description Required

Description:

Through School Board Meetings, surveys, informally, and through Principal's meetings.

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

Description:

Public input was considered during discussions.

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:

Through informal discussions with students.

i) Number of total responses: we did not track the number of responses. ii) Uses consulted on: culture and climate, academics, and technology iii) Description of feedback received: Students are happy overall about their school's culture and climate and teaching and learning.

Please indicate how consultation was:

2) Inclusive: the principal meets with a variety of student groups to recieve feedback.

3) Widely advertised and available: the Principal provides information through her newsletter, class meetings, and meetings with individual and groups of students. 4) Ongoing: Meetings and newsletters occur throughout the school year.

b. Families (please choose one):

Yes - Description Required

1) Description:

We provided parents and community members with an extensive survey.

i) Number of total responses: 1,000+

ii) Uses consulted on: Academic, social, emotional, buildings and grounds. iii) Description of feedback received: Overall parents are pleased with the quality of schools.

Please indicate how consultation was:

2) Inclusive: All parents in the district were invited to complete the survey.

3) Widely advertised and available: Yes, through district and school newsletters, website, etc..

4) Ongoing: The Principal meets with parent groups throughout the year, and provide a yearly survey.

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

Yes - Description Required

1) Description: All administrators are involved in these discussions. ii) Uses consulted on:7 all areas including academic, special education, buildings and grounds, and technology.
 iii) Description of feedback received: we discussed ways to improve assessment, intervention, curriculum and technology.

Please indicate how consultation was:

2) Inclusive: It included all administrators during Leadership team as well as other meetings.

3) Widely advertised and available: Principal newsletter and regularly scheduled meetings.

4) Ongoing: monthly meetings.

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

Yes - Description Required

1) Description:

Included all stakeholders through various teams that meet at the school and discuss.

i) Number of total responses: unknown as it happens frequently throughout the year.
 ii) Uses consulted on: all areas including academic, special education, buildings and grounds, and technology.
 iii) Description of feedback received: discussions regarding assessment, teaching and learning as well as technology.

Please indicate how consultation was:

2) Inclusive: involves getting feedback from all stakeholders

3) Widely advertised and available: through principal newsletter

4) Ongoing: through regularly scheduled meetings.

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

Somewhat - Description Required

1) Description:

Parents and community members were consulted, some of whom may be members of tribes, through surveys, School Board meetings, and Principal meetings.

i) Number of total responses: unknown as parents/community members were not asked to identify background.
 ii) Uses consulted on: all areas including academic, special education, buildings and grounds, and technology.
 iii) Description of feedback received: parents are pleased overall with the school, academics, social emotional learning, and responsiveness.

Please indicate how consultation was:

2) Inclusive: Surveys are provided yearly and the principal meets regularly with parent and community groups.

3) Widely advertised and available: through the Principal's newsletter and through SAU communications.

4) Ongoing: The Principal meets regularly with stakeholders.

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

Somewhat - Description Required

1) Description:

Parents and community members were consulted, some of whom may be members of civil rights and/or disability organizations, through surveys, School Board meetings, and principal meetings.

i) Number of total responses: unknown as parents/community members were not asked to identify background.
 ii) Uses consulted on: all areas including academic, special education, buildings and grounds, and technology.
 iii) Description of feedback received: stakeholders overall are pleased with the school, academics, social emotional learning and responsiveness.

Please indicate how consultation was:

2) Inclusive: surveys are provided yearly and the Principal meets regularly with parent and community groups.

3) Widely advertised and available: through the principal's newsletter and regularly scheduled meetings.

4) Ongoing: the principal meets regularly with a variety of stakeholders.

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):

Yes - Description Required

1) Description:

We include those who work with these students including our Director of Student Services.

i) Number of total responses: 9

ii) Uses consulted on: areas we could improve upon for these students. iii) Description of feedback received: we have an increasing number of English learners, and how we can meet the needs of our students with disabilities.

Please indicate how consultation was:

2) Inclusive: We included those who are involved with these groups of students.

3) Widely advertised and available: Principal's newsletter

4) Ongoing: through regulary scheduled meetings.

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

Somewhat - Description Required

1) Description:

We work closely with our after school programming that is run through our community in the school.

i) Number of total responses: unknown as it is a variety of groups throughout the school year.
ii) Uses consulted on: after school needs.
iii) Description of feedback received: the feedback has been mostly about building needs.

Please indicate how consultation was:

2) Inclusive: the principal works closely with community organizations such as the after school program coordinators, and programs such as the Ford Sayre Ski program, recreational basketball programs, etc. The school supports the work with these community organizations.

3) Widely advertised and available: through principal newsletters.

4) Ongoing: through regularly scheduled meetings.

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):

Somewhat - Description Required

1) Description:

The principal and several staff members work closely with these groups to help students transition into the school.

i) Number of total responses: unknown as they work closely with these groups and individuals throughout the year. *ii)* Uses consulted on: needs for transition and services.

iii) Description of feedback received: improved communication regarding kindergarten schedules at the beginning of the school year and transitions.

Please indicate how consultation was:

2) Inclusive: the Principal works to include early childhood program providers and families making this transition.

3) Widely advertised and available: through newsletters and meetings such as School Board meetings, and those scheduled with the childcare providers.

4) Ongoing: through regularly scheduled meetings.





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X. Authorization

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Approver Signature - Superintendent /Head of School

12/19/2022 Date

Jay Badams, Superintendent

Printed Name - Superintendent / Head of School

Appendix A: ARPA Statutory Excerpt

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(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.

(1) 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.

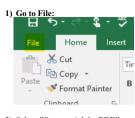
(c) An LEA's ARP ESSER plan must be-

(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;

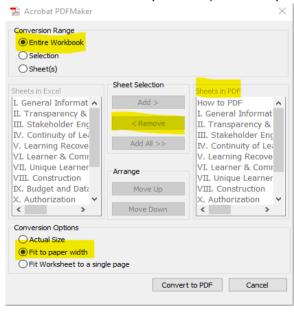
(iii) Upon request by a parent who is an individual with a disability as defined by the ADA, provided in an alternative format accessible to that parent; and (iv) Be made publicly available on the LEA's website.

Please follow these steps once all tabs of your Districts Excel workbook are completed.





3) Select "Entire Workbook" and "Fit to paper width." Locate the "IV. Budget and Data Reporting" tab from the list beneath "Sheets in PDF." Select "Remove." The reason is because this spreadsheet is so large, that the information will not easily transpose. The V. Authorization tab will need to be printed manually from Excel. The print range within the Excel worbook has been established for all tabs outlined.



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

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