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Background

Section 9-a of part A of chapter 56 of the laws of 2021, as amended by §5-a of part A of chapter 56 of the laws of 2022 requires, on or before July 1, 2022, every local educational agency (LEA) receiving funding from the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funding from the American Rescue Plan (ARP) act of 2021 to post on its website and submit to the New York State Education Department (NYSED) an updated plan of how such funds will be expended and how the

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American Rescue Plan (ARP) Spending Plan Reporting

1. Have you made changes to your approved ARP - ESSER application?

- YES, the LEA has made changes to your approved ARP ESSER application.
- NO, the LEA has not made changes to your approved ARP ESSER application.

2. Please provide an analysis of public comment for the updated American Rescue Plan (ARP) - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funding.

Public comment for the update American Rescue Plan (ARP) - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funding was, and will be requested during monthly Board of Education meetings, during CSE/CPSE meetings, faculty meetings, and all other meetings that included families and communities. Comment has been consistently supportive of continuing current efforts.

3. Please provide a description of program goals and per pupil teacher ratios for priorities supported by ARP - ESSER funding. Click on "Add Row" as needed to include additional program goals.

Program Goals	Per Pupil Teacher Ratios (# : #)
Safely Remaining Open for In-Person Instruction All students are and will be able to safely attend school, in person, everyday. Improved cleaning and safety protocols will be implemented, creative solutions to the teacher substitute shortage will be utilized and class sizes will be reduced in order to accommodate social distancing.	12:1
Learning Loss, After School, Summer Programming All students are and will be screened three times per year to determine learning gaps and interventions will be implemented to address the needs identified. Interventions will include small group instruction, tutoring, after-school support, and AIS.	5:1
Learning Loss, After School, Summer Programming All students are and will be provided with enriching learning experiences to make up for missed opportunities for enrichment during COVID.	12:1
Social/Emotional Support All students are and will be provided with Tier I SEL instruction. SEL interventions help overcome SEL challenges based on needs identified from Universal Screenings will include small group and individual counseling, mentoring, etc)	5:1;1:1

4. Please provide detailed summaries of investments in current year activities for ARP - ESSER funding. Click on "Add Row" as needed to include programs.

Summary of New Programs or Expansion of Existing Programs in Current Year	Investment (\$)
Safely Remaining Open for In-Person Instruction The comprehensive catalyst to successfully closing the gap of learning loss this year was to ensure that our district safely remained open with continued in-person instruction, despite the challenges presented with the rising variants of COVID-19 spreading throughout the world. We made investments in cleaning and sanitization protocols to ensure we had adequate staff on site during and after school hours to continue to keep our building safe and sanitized. This was done with 3 FTE buildings and grounds positions being supported by the ARP funding. Those positions, and buildings and grounds in general, were also supported with a myriad of tools, including air filters, sanitizer, masks, cleaning products, PPE, etc..., to utilize in keeping our students and faculty safe around the clock on campus.	175979.84
Learning Loss, After School, Summer Programming Further, to ensure we could adequately socially distance and keep full-time in-person instruction in place, we were required to expand each of our elementary grade levels by one section. The ARP	647156.40

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<p>funding supported 6 FTE teaching positions in K-5. This accomplished a number of important objectives. Primarily, this reduced our class sizes to ensure we could separate according to CDC and NYS Department of Health guidelines. Further, it reduced the teacher to pupil ratio significantly, resulting in each student receiving more frequent and direct and individualized instruction and allowed us to further our initiative to combat the profound learning loss as a result of the pandemic. In addition to the advancements in elementary, we also invested heavily in AIS support, Tutoring, and After School education. This was done with hiring AIS teachers, expanding availability for staff and students to meet after school, investment in individualized tutors, and transportation after school to ensure students were able to be present.</p>	
<p>Social/Emotional Support Albeit we know it is virtually impossible to quantify the significant social/emotional impact on students, parents, staff, and our culture as a result of the pandemic, it is immense. We have invested time and effort from our counseling and social worker FTEs to specifically address high needs students in coping with the stresses and challenges of the pandemic. This continues to be a challenge and evaluations of further investments are always on our radar as we navigate this uncharted territory.</p>	84869.00
<p>Other Investments Funding has been utilized to support a number of other initiatives in our district, summarized below:</p>	

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6. If 'Other' is indicated in the table above, please describe.

The financial figures noted above include ARP ESSER 90%, CRRSA, ARP 5% Lost Instruction, ARP 1% Summer Learning, and ARP 1% After School.