### CARES, CRRSA, ARP



### **Updates & Overview Session**

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Coronavirus Aid, Relief & Economic Security (CARES) Act ESSER I	Coronavirus Response & Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act ESSER II	American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) ESSER III
<ul> <li>Governor's Emergency Education Funds (GEER)</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Governor's Emergency Education Funds (GEER II)</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Governor's Emergency Education Funds (GEER III)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>➤ Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER)</li> <li>➤ GA: \$457,169,852</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>➤ Elementary and Secondary         School Emergency Relief Fund         (ESSER II)         ➤ GA: \$1,892,092,618     </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>➤ Elementary and Secondary         School Emergency Relief Fund         (ESSER III)         ➤ GA: \$4,249,371,244</li> </ul>
➤ Equitable Services	<ul> <li>Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools (EANS)</li> <li>GA: \$79,175,146</li> <li>Allows reimbursement for pre-award cost dating back to March 13, 2020, when the national emergency was declared.</li> </ul>	➤ Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools (EANS II)  ➤ EANS funds may not be used to provide reimbursements for costs incurred by non-public schools.
➤ How to " prevent, prepare for, and respond to" the COVID-19 pandemic	➤ How to " prevent, prepare for, and respond to" the COVID-19 pandemic	> Implementing and providing activities to " "prevent, prepare for, and respond to" the COVID-19 pandemic

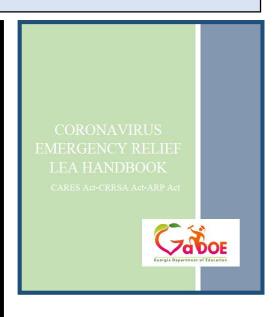
> ESSER funds may be used for pre-award costs dating back to March 13, 2020, when the national emergency was declared.



https://www.georgiainsights.com/cares-act.html

#### Resources

- ESSER I CARES Act Use of Funds Form
  - **UPDATED 4/1/21**
- ESSER II CRRSA Act Use
   of Funds Form
  - **UPDATED 4/1/21**
  - ESSER III ARP Act Use of Funds Form
     UPDATED 4/1/21



### **Federal Programs**

https://www.gadoe.org/School-Improvement/Federal-Programs/Pages/default.aspx

English Learner Programs

Educational Flexibility Program (Ed-Flex)

Coronavirus Emergency Relief Funds

- Handbook
- Use of Funds
- LEA Allocations
- Chart of Accounts



### CARES/CRRSA/ ARP – ESSER FUNDS

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### Grant Award Notices (GAN) pg. 9

#### **Grant Award Notices**

The official Grant Award Notice (GAN) is the notification that the grant for which an entity is receiving has been funded. The GAN template (used by ESSA and IDEA federal grants) contains all the information required in 2 C.F.R. Part 200.302(b)(1) and any related attachments from ED.

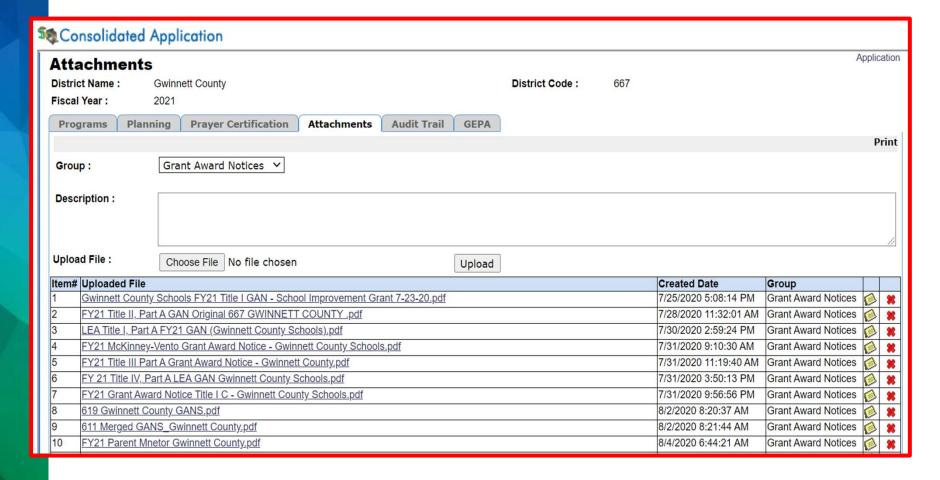
Federal Grant	PR Award Number
CARES Act- ESSER I	S425D200012
CRRSA Act- ESSER II	S425D210012
ARP Act-ESSER III	S425U210012

Through the total allocation received by the SEA, it is allowable for the SEA to reserve a certain percentage of the allocation to carry out directly, through grants, contracts, and any other activities that address needs within the state for LEAs. LEAs have the potential to have multiple grants under any of the three larger formula grant awards.

The GAN is loaded in the attachments tab on the Consolidated Application in the MyGaDOE portal under the fiscal year of the award.



### **Grant Award Notices (GAN)**





### **Grant Award Notices (GAN)**

5 AWARD PERIOD

BUDGET PERIOD 03/25/2021 - 06/30/2021 FEDERAL FUNDING PERIOD 01/05/2021 - 09/30/2022

6 AUTHORIZED FUNDING

FEDERAL GRANT CURRENT AWARD AMOUNT

CRRSA Act - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief

Fund ESSER II EDUCATOR BOUNS GRANT \$21,029,409

7 ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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REGULATIONS C.F.R. PART 200

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ENCLOSURES 3, 4, and 5

8 LEGISLATIVE AND FISCAL DATA

AUTHORITY PL PUBLIC LAW 116-136 THE CARES ACT THE CORONAVIRUS AID,

RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CARES ACT), PUBLIC LAW

116-136

PROGRAM TITLE Education Stabilization Fund

CFDA/SUBPROGRAM # 84.425D

<b>LUA PROGRAM</b>	<b>FUNDING</b>	<b>AWARD</b>	CFDA	<b>OBJECT</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
CODE	YEAR	YEAR		CLASS	
667-4153	2021	2021	84.425D	4101A	\$21,029,409

### Period of Availability pg. 9

### Period of Funds Availability

	CARES Act ESSER I	CRRSA Act ESSER II	ARP Act ESSER III
Initial Period of	April 30, 2020 - September 30, 2021	January 14, 2021 – September 30, 2022	March 24, 2021- September 30, 2023
Availability Tydings (Carryover)	October 1, 2021-	October 1, 2022 –	October 1, 2023-
Amendment	September 30, 2022	September 30, 2023	September 30, 2024
Availability			

ESSER funds are available for obligation as listed above and may be used for pre-award costs dating back to March 13, 2020. Because ESSER I funds expire first (September 30, 2022) as opposed to September 30, 2023 and 2024 respectively, for ESSER II and III, we strongly encourage LEAs to spend ESSER I funds first.



# Coronavirus Aid, Relief & Economic Security (CARES) Act



Funds Availability Timeline		
Period of Availability	March 13, 2020-September 30, 2021	
Tydings (Carryover) Period	October 1, 2021-September 30, 2022	



# Coronavirus Aid, Relief & Economic Security (CARES) Act

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	CARES Act – ESSER Funds – GNETS - 4171
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CARES Act - ESSER Funds - Agriculture Extended Day - 4161	4172
CARES Act - ESSER Fund - Agriculture Extended Year - 4162	LEAs and GNETS facilities to fund additional Scrool     Nursing personnel, supplies, telehealth services,
CARES Act - ESSER Funds - Agriculture Young Farmer - 4163	and other similar needs. This grant will allocate
CARES Act - ESSER Funds - Agriculture Area Teacher - 4164	more resources directly to School Nursing programs to offset the additional costs related to
CARES Act - ESSER Funds - Special Education Supplemental Relief Allocations - 4165	the impacts of COVID-19.
CARES Act - ESSER Funds - SEA Reserve Grant Set-Aside - 4166	<ul> <li><u>LEA allocations are subject to equitable</u> <u>services</u>, not GNETS or State Charter         Schools.</li> </ul>

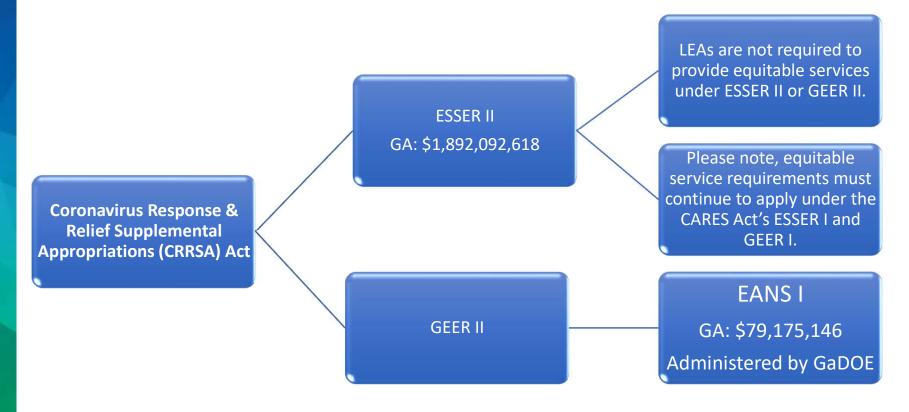


# Coronavirus Response & Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act ESSER II





# Coronavirus Response & Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act



Funds Availability Timeline		
Period of Availability	March 13, 2020-September 30, 2022	
Tydings (Carryover) Period	October 1, 2022-September 30, 2023	



# Coronavirus Response & Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act ESSER II

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CRRSA Act-ESSER II SEA Reserve Funds - 4181

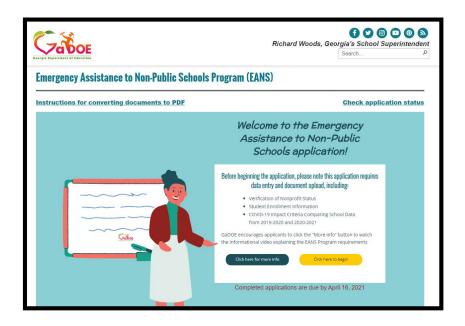
CRRSA Act-ESSER II Bonus Allocation - 4153

Funds Availability Timeline		
Period of Availability	March 13, 2020-September 30, 2022	
Tydings (Carryover) Period	October 1, 2022-September 30, 2023	

Because ESSER I funds expire first, on September 30, 2022 as opposed to September 30, 2023 for ESSER II, we strongly encourage LEAs to spend ESSER I funds first.



# CRRSA Act & ARP Act EANS Program



The CRRSA Act and ARP Act include a separate program of Emergency Assistance for Non-Public Schools under which eligible non-public schools may apply to an SEA to receive services or assistance. Consequently, LEAs do not provide equitable services under ESSER II or ESSER III.

- Opened March 25, 2021 Closes April 16, 2021
- EANS Email: <u>EANS@doe.k12.ga.us</u>
- Application: <a href="https://www.gadoe.org/EANS">https://www.gadoe.org/EANS</a>



# American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act

**ESSER III** 





### American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act



Funds Availability Timeline		
Period of Availability	March 11, 2021-September 30, 2023	
Tydings (Carryover) Period	October 1, 2023-September 30, 2024 (Pending final guidance from US ED)	



### American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act

### **ESSER III: Formula and State Reserve Grants**

ARP Act-ESSER III Formula Funds - 4190

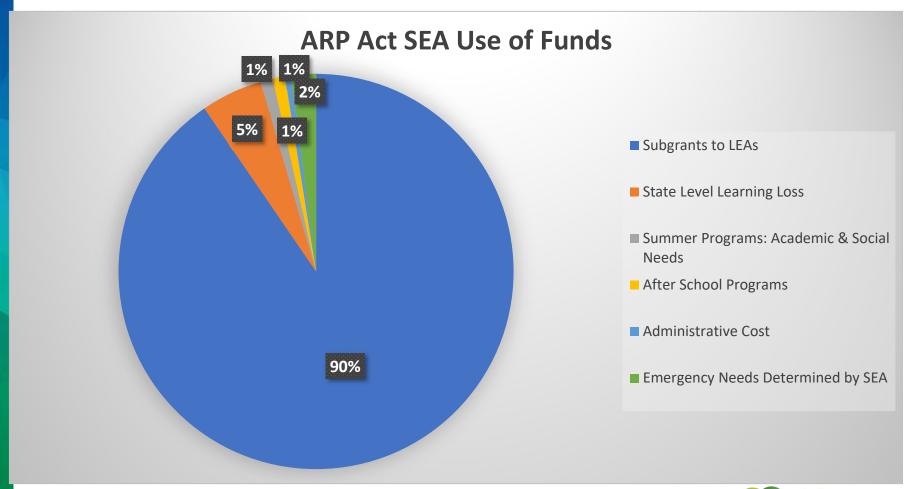
ARP Act-ESSER III Bonus Allocation - 4154

Funds Availability Timeline				
Period of Availability	March 11, 2021-September 30, 2023			
Tydings (Carryover) Period	October 1, 2023-September 30, 2024 (Pending final guidance from US ED)			

Because ESSER I funds expire first, on September 30, 2022 as opposed to September 30, 2023 for ESSER II, we strongly encourage LEAs to spend ESSER I funds first. Ensure the LEA has an active plan to support all requirements to expend ESSER III funds.



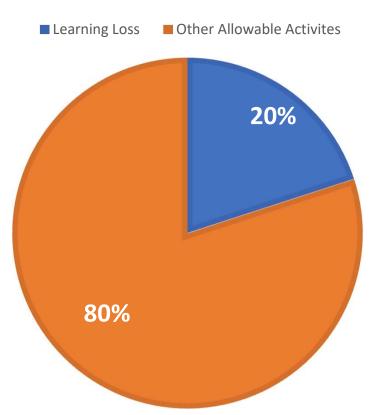
# American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act SEA Requirement for Use of Funds





# American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act LEA Requirement for Use of Funds

### ARP ACT LEA USE OF FUNDS



LEAs must reserve *not less than 20% of funds to address learning loss* through the implementation of evidence-based interventions and respond to students' academic, social, and emotional needs and address the disproportionate impact of the coronavirus on the student subgroups.

- Summer Learning
- Summer Enrichment
- Extended Day
- Comprehensive Afterschool Programs
- Extended School Year Programs



# American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act Accountability

### 2/3 SEA Grant Award #1

\$2,832,914,163

### 2/3 LEAs Grant Award #1

\$1,912,217,060

GaDOE must submit a plan addressing how the SEA will complete the following before being awarded the remaining funds.

### 1/3 SEA Grant Award #2

\$1,416,457,081

1/3 LEAs Grant Award #2

\$1,912,217,060

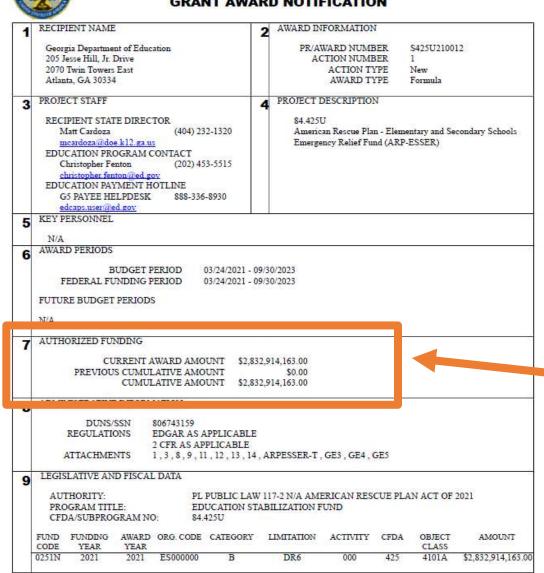
- How the SEA will support local educational agencies (LEAs) in safely returning to in person instruction
- How the SEA will support LEAs and use funds that it must reserve in addressing learning loss through the implementation of evidence-based interventions and ensure that such interventions respond to students 'academic, social, and emotional needs and address the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on student groups most impacted by the pandemic and for whom the pandemic exacerbated pre-existing inequities.
- How the SEA will support LEAs in building capacity to promote healthy and safe learning environments and support students' social, emotional, mental health, and academic needs; making evidence-based, equity-driven ARP ESSER spending decisions; engaging a diverse range of stakeholders, including students, families, and educators; tracking how resources are targeted and outcomes achieved; and ensuring appropriate fiscal monitoring and controls.
- How the SEA consulted with stakeholders and the public, including students, families, civil rights organizations including disability rights organizations, school administrators, superintendents, and educators and their unions, and provided an opportunity for and incorporated, as appropriate, input in development of its ARP ESSER plan.



#### **US Department of Education** Washington, D.C. 20202

#### S425U210012

#### GRANT AWARD NOTIFICATION



### **Grant Award Notice**

**LEA Grant Award Notices** will follow the same outline as the Grant Award Notices to GaDOE from US ED.

**Current Award Amount: Previous Amount: Cumulative Amount:** 



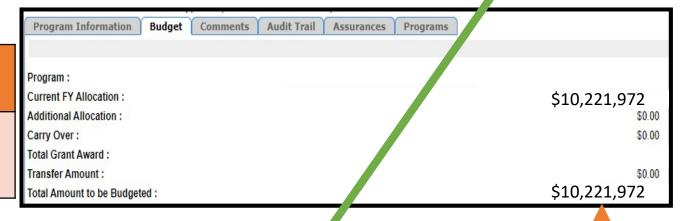
### 2/3 LEAs Grant Award #1

- LEAs will receive the 2/3 APR Act Allocation first.
- Once SEA application is approved, LEAs will see full APR Act allocation in the Consolidated Application.

Program Information	Budget	Comments	Audit Trail	Assurances	Programs	
Program :						
Current FY Allocation :						\$6,644,282
Additional Allocation :						\$0.00
Carry Over:						\$0.00
Total Grant Award :						
Transfer Amount :						\$0.00
Total Amount to be Budget	ted :					\$6,644,282

# Final ARP ESSER II Allocation Grant Award #2

- Amendment Required
- Not less than 20% addressing learning loss



	Allocation approved by State Board of Education on March 25, 2021	Initial amount to be allocated based on 2/3 ARP ESSER award by USED.	Final amount to be allocated when remaining ARP ESSER award is received.	
	FY21 ARP ESSER Allocation	0.65	remaining balance	Final ARP ESSER Allocation
DISTRICT	\$10,221,972	\$6,644,282	\$3,577,690	\$10,221,972
OL DISTRICT	\$6,528,609	\$4,243,596	\$2,285,013	\$6,528,609
DISTRICT	\$7,249,691	\$4,712,299	\$2,537,392	\$7,249,691
ISTRICT	\$1,869,773	\$1,215,352	\$654,421	\$1,869,773



### American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act LEA Maintenance of Equity Requirement Handbook page 22

**Local Educational Agencies** 

LEA Maintenance of Equity *Exceptions* 

- LEA cannot reduce per-pupil funding for "high-poverty school" more than total reduction LEA-wide divided by number of students currently enrolled in LEA
- LEA cannot reduce per-pupil, fulltime equivalent staff in a highpoverty school more than the total reduction LEA-wide divided by number of students currently enrolled in LEA

- LEAs with fewer than 1000 students.
- Single-school LEAs
- LEAs with one school per grade span
- LEAs that "demonstrate an exceptional or uncontrollable circumstance, such as unpredictable changes in student enrollment or a precipitous decline in the financial resources of such agency, as determined by the Secretary of Education."



Both LEA maintenance of equity applies to 2022 and 2023 State and local funding combined. US ED intends to provide additional guidance on these requirements.





# Allowability – CARES/CRRSA/ARP

CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY
RELIEF LEA HANDBOOK CARES
Act- CRRSA Act- ARP Act

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# **Guiding Questions ESSER Funds – pg. 13**

Will the proposed use of funds "prevent, prepare for, and respond to Coronavirus?"

Is it an allowable use of funds under ESSER?

Is it reasonable and necessary?

Does it promote equity?

Does it support returning students to the classroom?

Consider the proposed questions during budget planning. *If the answer to any of these questions is no, consider using other sources of funding.* 

# **Guiding Questions ESSER Funds – pg. 13**

# Improvements & Construction

Will the improvement reduce the risk of virus transmission and exposure to environmental health hazards and support student health needs?

Was the request in the district's facilities plan?

Has there been a decrease in the capital outlay funding?

Will the construction project be complete by the end of the period of performance?



- Expenditure Pre-Approval Forms must be submitted prior to budget submission.
- Please follow all LEA internal controls and procedures written in your district's federal programs handbook.
- Update LEA federal programs handbook to include and support ESSER funds.
- Funds are subject to the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) and the federal government's Uniform Grant Guidance (UGG), including the requirement that spending be necessary and reasonable.

Allowable Activities for ESSER I, ESSER II, and ESSER III	CARES Act	CRRSA Act	ARP Act
Any activities authorized under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, IDEA, Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act, Adult Education and Family Literacy Act.	Includes McKinney -Vento	Includes McKinney- Vento	Does Not Include McKinney -Vento
Coordination of preparedness and response efforts of LEAs with state, local, tribal, and territorial public health departments, and other relevant agencies, to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus.	YES	YES	YES
Providing resources for principals and others school leaders to address school-specific needs.	YES	YES	NO
Activities that address unique needs of low-income children or students, children with disabilities, English learners, racial and ethnic minorities, students experiencing homelessness, and foster care youths, including how outreach and service delivery will meet the needs of each population.	YES	YES	YES
Developing and implementing procedures and systems to improve the preparedness and response efforts of LEAs.	YES	YES	YES
Purchasing supplies to sanitize and clean facilities operated by an LEA.	YES	YES	YES
Planning and coordination during long-term closures, including how to provide meals to eligible students, how to provide online learning technology to all students, how to provide guidance on meeting IDEA requirements, and how to ensure other educational services can continue to be provided consistent with federal, state, and local requirements. (ARP: and implementing activities and providing instead of 'how to'.	YES	YES	YES

Allowable Activities for ESSER I, ESSER II, and ESSER III	CARES Act	CRRSA Act	ARP Act
Purchasing educational technology, which could include hardware, software, and connectivity, for students served by the LEA that aids in regular, substantive educational interaction between students and educators, including low-income students and students with disabilities. This could also include assistive technology or adaptive equipment.	YES	YES	YES
Providing mental health services and supports.  ARP: including through the implementation of evidenced based full-service community schools.	YES	YES	YES
Planning and implementing summer learning and supplemental afterschool program activities, including providing classroom instruction or online learning during the summer months and addressing the needs of low-income students, students with disabilities, English learners, migrant students, students experiencing homelessness, and children in foster care.	YES	YES	YES
Other activities necessary to maintain the operation of and continuity of services in LEAs and continuing to employ existing staff.	YES	YES	YES
<ul> <li>Addressing learning loss among all students in all subgroups, including by:</li> <li>Administering high-quality, reliable assessments that can assess student academic progress and assist educators in meeting student needs, including by using differentiated instruction.</li> <li>Implementing evidence-based activities to meet the comprehensive needs of students.</li> <li>Providing information and assistance to parents and families on ways to support students.</li> <li>Tracking student performance and engagement in distance learning environments.</li> </ul>	NO	YES	YES

Allowable Activities for ESSER I, ESSER II, and ESSER III	CARES Act	CRRSA Act	ARP Act
School facility repairs and improvements to enable operation of schools to reduce risk of virus transmission and exposure to environmental health hazards and support student health needs.	NO	YES	YES
Inspecting, testing, maintaining, repairing, replacing, and upgrading projects to improve the indoor air quality in school facilities, including HVAC systems, filtering, purification and other air cleaning, fans, control systems, and window and door repair and replacement.	NO	YES	YES
Development of strategies and implementation of public health protocols that align with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidance on reopening and operating school facilities to maintain the health and safety of students, educators, and other staff.	NO	NO	YES

Other	CARES Act	CRRSA Act	ARP Act
Supplement Not Supplant	NO	NO	NO
Maintenance of Equity	ОИ	NO	YES
Funds are subject to the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) and the federal government's Uniform Grant Guidance (UGG), including the requirement that spending be necessary and reasonable.	YES	YES	YES



# ARP ESSER III Interim Final Ruling Requirements Issued April 22, 2021

### OCUMENT DETAILS Printed version: **Publication Date:** 04/22/2021 Agency: Department of Education Effective date: These interim final requirements are effective April 22 2021 Effective Date: 04/22/2021 Document Type: **Document Citation:** 86 FR 21195 21195-21207 (13 pages) 34 CFR chapter undef Agency/Docket Number: Docket ID ED-2021-OESE-0061 1810-AB64 **Document Number:**

OMB Control #: 1810-0788 Emmiration Date: October 31, 2021 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION 34 CFR Chapter II RTN 1810-AB64 American Rescue Plan Act Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund AGENCY: Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education. ACTION: Interim final requirements. establishes interim final requirements for the American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief ("ARP ESSER") Fund, under section 2001 of the American Rescue Plan ("ARP") Act of 2021. These requirements are intended to promote accountability. transparency, and the effective use of funds by: ensuring into account in the development of its ARP ESSER plan: ensuring that each local educational agency ("LEA") develops a plan for the use of its ARP ESSER funds and

As described in more detail below, the Secretary has established interim final requirements for ARP ESSER related to:

- SEA consultation
- LEA ARP ESSER Plans
- The statutory requirement that LEAs receiving ARP ESSER funds develop plans for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services

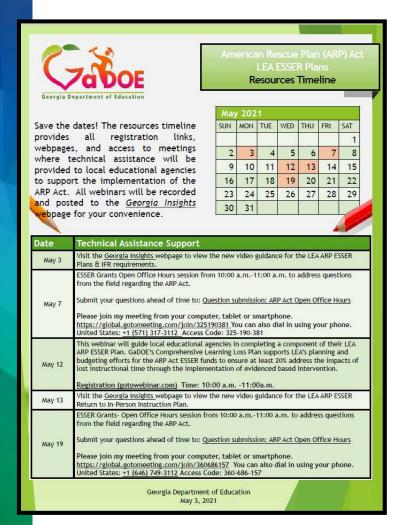
Locate IFR at: <a href="https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/04/22/2021-08359/american-rescue-plan-act-elementary-and-secondary-school-emergency-relief-fund">https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/04/22/2021-08359/american-rescue-plan-act-elementary-and-secondary-school-emergency-relief-fund</a>



# ARP ESSER III New Regulations Issued April 22, 2021

- States must consult with stakeholders
- States must submit detailed spending plans by June 7<sup>th</sup> and must allow for public comment.
- LEAs must develop a plan describing how funds will be spent to implement CDC-recommended disease mitigation strategies, mitigate the loss of instructional time, and for other expenditures consistent with ARP.
- LEAs must post publicly a plan for "safe return to in-person instruction" within 30 days of receiving funds, and update the plan every 6 months.





# GaDOE's ARP-ESSER Application

- ☐ GaDOE's Comprehensive Learning Loss Plan
- ☐ ARP ESSER Use of Funds-Extension
- ☐ LEA's Return to In-Person Instruction Plan
- ☐ LEA Data Collection- School Operation Status & Instructional Mode



### **Allowable Indirect Cost Rates**

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# **Grant Award Notification** (GAN)

### **Budget Submission and Review**

Procedures and requirements found in the GaDOE <u>Federal Programs Handbook</u> for budget submission and review apply to the ESSER grants. These requirements apply to LEAs receiving grants and coordinating with private schools for provisioning of services under ESSER I and LEAs receiving grants under ESSER I, II, and III.

- The ESSER Implementation Overview (Use of Funds) template must be uploaded to the Consolidated Application before the budget can be approved. The template provides a high-level plan for the funds as of the date of the budget submission.
- 2. The function and object codes used in the budget must match those of the GaDOE chart of accounts.
- 3. The LEA uses the text box for each line item to explain use or purpose. The LEA should include quantities.
- Compliance under ESSER, equitable services proportionate share worksheet must be uploaded to the general attachments tab with budget submission.
- 5. The unrestricted indirect cost rate must not exceed the rate on the GAN.
- 6. There are no supplanting requirements for the ESSER grants.
- 7. There is no budget submission deadline.
- 8. Amendments can be made throughout the year as appropriate.

3	PROJECT STAFF	4	PROJECT DESCRIPTION					
	RECIPIENT LEA CONTACT		84.425U					
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	GaDOE PROGRAM CONTACT		Emergency Relief Fund – American Rescue Plan (ARP)					
	Matt Cardoza 404-232-1320 mcardoza@doe.k12.ga.us		Rescue Plan (ARP)					
	GaDOE GRANTS ACCOUNTING CONTACT							
	Regina Hailey (404) 656-4676 rhailey@doe.k12.ga.us							
5	AWARD PERIOD	_						
	BUDGET PERIOD 03/24/2021 - 09/30/2023							
	FEDERAL FUNDING PERIOD 03/24/2021 - 09/30/2023							
	TEDERATE FORDING FERROD							
6	AUTHORIZED FUNDING							
	FEDERAL GRANT-Elementary and Secondary CURRENT AWARD AMOUNT: \$15,391,362							
	Emergency Relief Fund-American Rescue Plan PREVIOUS AWARD AMOUNT: \$ 0							
	CUMULATIVE AWARD AMOUNT: \$15,391,362 UNRESTRICTED INDIRECT COST RATE 9.06							
7	ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION							
	DUNS 157749425							
	REGULATIONS EDGAR AS APPLICABLE 2 CFR AS APPLICABLE							
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8	LEGISLATIVE AND FISCAL DATA	111.37						
	AUTHORITY: PL PUBLIC LAW 117-2 N/A AMERICAN RESCU	JE F	PLAN ACT OF 2021					
	PROGRAM TITLE: EDUCATION STABILIZATION FUND CFDA/SUBPROGRAM NO: 84.425U							
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\$15,391,362

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# Maintenance of Effort Handbook Page 21



### CARES, CRRSA, and ARP LEA Maintenance of Effort Requirement

**ESEA Maintenance of Effort** 

**IDEA Maintenance of Effort** 

FAQ Released in May 2020 by U.S. Department of Education -

- An LEA's FY 2022 allocations for ESEA programs would only be affected by an MOE failure in FY 2020 if the LEA <u>also</u> <u>failed to maintain effort at least once in the five years that immediately precede the FY 2022 ESEA MOE determination.</u>
- Granting a waiver for MOE would be premature at this time.
- Waivable if not waived in FYs 2017-2021
- IDEA does not permit for any type of waiver regarding a LEA obligation to meet Maintenance of Effort compliance. It is not within the authority of the United States Department of Education Office of Special Education Programs to expand upon the exceptions listed in Section 1413 (a)(2)(B).
- Nonwaivable

Only state/local funds are included when calculating both ESEA and IDEA Maintenance of Effort. **ESSER funds are not included.** Using ESSER funds to cover expenditures generally funded with state/local funds could impact the final MOE compliance calculation.

# <u>Special Education – Maintenance</u> <u>of Effort Calculation</u>

- District calculates for Eligibility
- GaDOE calculates Met or Did Not Meet for Compliance
- Will include program code 2081
- Errors on DE 46 reporting are not considered an allowable exception for not meeting
- Compliance Test is Not Waivable



# <u>Title I – Maintenance of Effort</u> <u>Calculation</u>

- GaDOE calculates Met/Did Not Meet for Compliance
- FY 2022 calculation = FY 2020 data
- FY 2023 calculation = FY 2021 data
- FY 2024 calculation = FY 2022 data
- Includes Funds 150 and 599
- Excludes Object Code 594
- Waivable only once every 5 years for each LEA



# Title I – Maintenance of Effort Calculation – Email 4.21.2021

#### **DE 46 report:**

- 1. Funds 100, 150, 599
- 2. Functions 1000, 2100, 2210, 2213, 2220, 2230, 2300, 2400, 2600, 2700
  - (Functions 2500, 2800, 2900, 3100, 3200, 3300, 4000, 5000, 5100 are not included in the calculation)
- 3. Remove (exclude) objects 700-799 and 594
- 4. Extract the enrollment using the "FTE Enrollment by Grade Level (PK-12) Fiscal Year 20XX-1 Data Report". Remove Pre-K FTE Counts.

<u>Test 1:</u> The current fiscal year expenditures must equal or be greater than 90% of the previous fiscal year's expenditures.

<u>Test 2:</u> Divide the current fiscal year expenditures by the enrollment count. The current fiscal year per pupil expenditures must be equal to or greater than 90% of the previous fiscal year's per pupil expenditures.



### **Maintenance of Effort - Summary**

#### **CARES**

In FYs 2020 and 2021 states must spend at least the same amount of state money on education as they did on average in FYs 2017, 2018 and 2019.

For example, if a state spent on average \$10 billion in state money on education in FYs 2017, 2018 and 2019, then it was required to spend at least \$10 billion on education in FY 2021.

#### **CRRSA**

In FY 2022 states must spend the same proportion of their state budgets on education as they did on average in FYs 2017, 2018 and 2019.

For example, if a state spent on average 30% of its state budget on education in FYs 2017, 2018 and 2019, then it must spend at least 30% of its state budget on education in FY 2022.

Per webinar held by CCSSO on March 17, 2021

#### **ARP**

In FYs 2022 and 2023 states must spend the same proportion of their state budgets on education as they did on average in FYs 2017, 2018 and 2019.

For example, if a state spent on average 30% of its state budget on education in FYs 2017, 2018 and 2019, then it must spend at least 30% of its state budget on education in FYs 2022 and 2023.





#### **Georgia Department of Education**

# **CRRSA/ARP ESSER Bonus Payments Handbook Page 28**



Bonus is being provided to all K-12 public school-level teachers and staff to support stronger recruitment and retention of teachers and school-level staff and as a gesture of gratitude for their work and sacrifices during the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### Eligible Employees Include (but not limited to):

Teachers	Custodians	Media Specialists
Parapros	Bus Drivers	Clerical Support Staff
School Counselors	School Nutrition Staff	Principals
School Psychologists	School Nurses	Assistant Principals
Instructional Coaches	School Therapists	Admin Assistants
Long Term Substitutes		

Eligible Job Codes Provided in User Guide and on CPI Report



#### **Business Rules in Determining Eligibility:**

- Job Descriptions for school level positions determined based on Policy Review of the Certified and Classified Personnel (CPI) Report.
- 2. Utilized the 2021-1 (October 2020) CPI Report.
- 3. Allocations are located in the 2021-2 (March 2021)
  CPI Report. CP051 ESSER Bonus for School-Based Staff
- 4. If employed >= 50% in eligible job code, employee earns full \$1,000. Applies to part-time (greater than 50% employment) and split-funded personnel.
- 5. If employed < 50% in eligible job code, employee earns \$490. Applies to part-time and split-funded personnel.



#### Business Rules in Determining Eligibility:

- 6. If employed by more than one system and is considered at least full-time or part-time at both systems, stipend is split between the two.
  - a. \$500 for each system if full-time in total
  - b. \$245 for each system if part-time in total
- 7. If employed by more than one system, but only eligible for full or part-time stipend based on employment by one system only, then the amount paid is assigned in full to the eligible system.
- 8. If employed full-time in one system and part-time in another system, the employee will only be paid one full-time stipend at one system.
- 9. Employer Medicare is included in the allotment per employee. Calculated at 1.45% of total salary amount allotted.



#### **How to Receive Funds**

- The Grant Award Notifications, as well as the Allocations, will be loaded into the Consolidated Application
- Each school system will create and submit the budget based on the estimated allocations by function and object code

1000-199

1000-220

Etc.

3. Once approved, the funds can be drawn down.



#### Federal Cash Management Requirements

- 1. Cash cannot be maintained on hand for more than 3 days
- 2. The DE 147 must be completed by 3 pm on the Thursday prior to the Thursday the funds are needed
- 3. Plan the payroll run accordingly so cash flow is not an issue
- 4. If the LEA has the cash flow and would prefer to wait to draw down the funds until after the payroll is processed, the preparation of the completion report will process the DE 147.

#### **Completion Reports**

Completion Reports are requested by July 31, 2021 Bonuses should be paid by June 30, 2021



The <u>CP051- ESSER Bonus for School-Based Staff</u> Report is downloadable to Excel.

Download to Excel and maintain a reconciliation of how the funding was paid out to employees.

Be ready for potential auditing or monitoring reviews to ensure only those employees eligible were paid out of the GaDOE grant.



#### **Example of Reconciliation:**

Georgia Department of Education											
Certified/Classified Personnel Information (CPI2021-1)											
601-Appling County											
CP051-ESSER Bonus for School-Based Staff											
			Employee	First	Middle						
System ID System Name	Job Code(s)	Job Title(s)	Code	Name	Name	Last Name	Payment Status	Salary	Benefit	Total	Action Taken
601 Appling County	461	Bus Driver					Full Payment eligible from a single system	1,000.00	14.50	1,014.50	Paid
601 Appling County	456	Maintenance Personnel					Full Payment eligible from a single system	1,000.00	14.50	1,014.50	Paid
601 Appling County	436	Special Education Para-professional/Teacher Aid-Ages 6-21					Full Payment eligible from a single system	1,000.00	14.50	1,014.50	Retired - Did Not Pay
601 Appling County	480	Speech-Language Pathologist					Full Payment eligible from a single system	490.00	7.11	497.11	Moved to Part-Time Eligibility - Paid \$490 plus Medicare
601 Appling County	397	Instructional Specialist					Full Payment eligible from a single system	1,000.00	14.50	1,014.50	Paid
601 Appling County	461	Bus Driver					Full Payment eligible from a single system	1,000.00	14.50	1,014.50	Paid
	436	Special Education Para-professional/Teacher Aid-Ages 6-21		Amy	Sue	Jones	Full Payment eligible from a single system	1,000.00	14.50	1,014.50	New Hire - Paid with Funds from Retiree



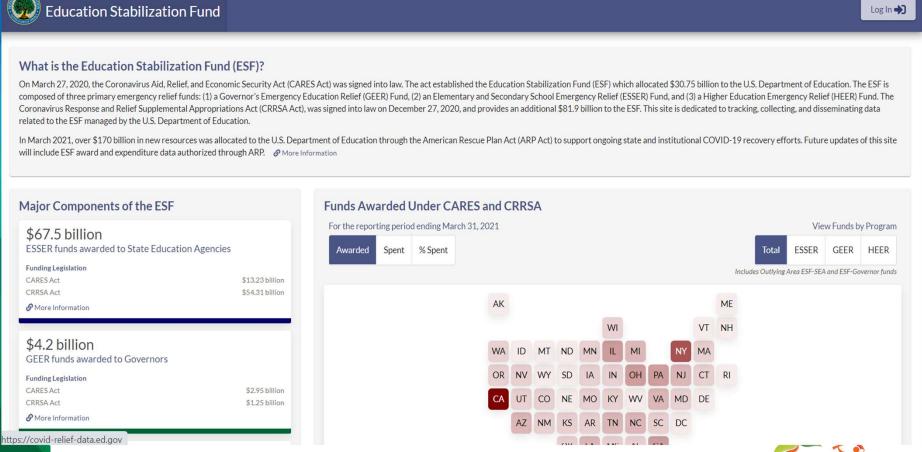
# **Georgia Department of Education**

**ESSER Annual Reporting** 



### **ESSER I Annual Reporting**

#### https://covid-relief-data.ed.gov/



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### **CARES Act: ESSER I Annual Reporting**

#### First Reporting Cycle: March 13-September 30, 2020

If the SEA has awarded funds from the SEA Reserve, provide information on the entities awarded ESSER funds from the SEA Reserve in the tables below.

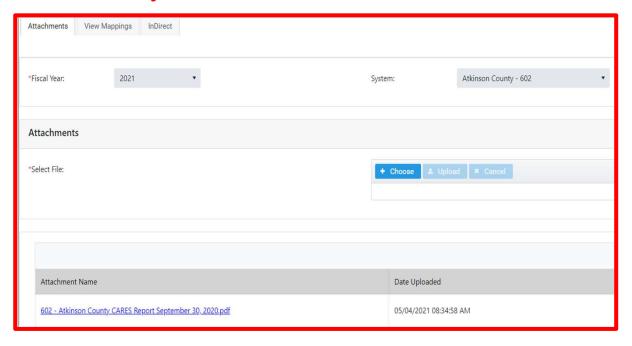
a. Did the SEA award SEA Reserve Funds to local educational agencies (LEAs)? Y/N. If 'Y', then complete the table below:

Name of LEA awarded SEA Reserve funds	DUNS#	Total amount awarded to the LEA from the SEA Reserve	Who is the LEA serving with these funds? (select one)	Amount expended by the LEA for Public Schools	Amount expended by the LEA for equitable services for Non-public School students and teachers	Total amount expended by the LEA from the SEA Reserve	Uses of SEA Reserve funds (Y/N)
<auto (ffata)="" accountability="" act="" and="" federal="" fill="" from="" funding="" reporting="" state's="" transparency=""></auto>	<auto ffata="" fill="" from=""></auto>	<auto ffata="" fill="" from=""></auto>	a) Students and teachers in both Title I and Non-Title I schools; or b) Only students and teachers in Title I Schools			<autofill from="" of<br="" sum="">previous two columns)</autofill>	1. Purchasing educational technology (including hardware, software, and connectivity), which may include assistive technology or adaptive equipment. <skip 2a(i);="" continue.="" go="" if="" logic="" no,="" to="" yes,=""> 2. Activities focused specifically to addressing 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</skip>



# ANNUAL REPORT - MARCH 13, 2020 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

Added to the MyGaDOE Portal, Financial Review Attachments





# NEXT ANNUAL REPORTING CYCLE – OCTOBER 2020 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

#### Retroactive Expenditures

If FY 2020 expenditures are applied retroactively to any of the ESSER Grants, the expenditures **must** be included in the next annual report for the period of October 1, 2020 – September 30, 2021.



How to account for expenditures retroactively on general ledger:

#### **General Fund:**

**Debit Cash** 

**Credit Fund Balance Adjustments** 

#### CARES/CRRSA or ARP Fund:

Debit Fund Balance Adjustments

Credit Cash

**Debit Cash** 

Credit Federal Revenue (when cash is drawn down)

Must maintain
documentation of
expenditures by FunctionObject that are
transferred retroactively
to correctly report on the
Completion Report, on
the ESSER Annual Report,
and also for Maintenance
of Effort and Indirect Cost
Rate Re-calculations.



# RETROACTIVE APPLICATION OF EXPENDITURES AFFECTS THE FOLLOWING:

- Maintenance of Effort effort will be reduced
- Indirect Cost Rate expenditures charged to Federal Programs are all either excluded or direct
- ESSER Annual Reporting must be reported in one or the other fiscal year
- Consolidated Application budget will still report by function and object – include a description that the expenditures are retroactively applied
- Completion Report <u>working</u> to add a note for retroactively applied expenditures



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