COVID-19 Relief Funding for K-12

Utah State Board of Education
September 8, 2022
COVID-19 Relief Funding for Utah K-12

1. Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES)
   1. ESSER I
   2. GEER I

2. State 2020 Coronavirus Relief Awards

3. Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA)
   1. ESSER II
   2. GEER II
   3. EANS I

4. American Rescue Plan (ARP)
   1. ARP ESSER (III)
   2. ARP EANS (II)
   3. ARP HCY
   4. ARP IDEA
## K-12 COVID Funding for Utah

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<td>$29,189,663</td>
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<td>Students with disabilities and at-risk</td>
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<td>Coronavirus Relief Funds</td>
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<td>LEAs that serve students with disabilities and/or at-risk of academic failure</td>
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<td>American Rescue Plan/ Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER)</td>
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<td>Focus on impact of lost instructional time</td>
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<td><strong>Total in Direct LEA Awards</strong></td>
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Round One - CARES

May 2020 - September 2020

ESSER I and GEER I MUST BE SPENT BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2022
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<td>$61,039,608</td>
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<td>$801,915</td>
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<td>$29,189,663</td>
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ESSER I 90% 114 of 128 fully reimbursed

ESSER I 10% Base 45 of 48 fully reimbursed

GEER I 106 of 147 fully reimbursed
CARES Percent Funds Reimbursed as of August 29, 2022

- ESSER I 90%: 99%
- ESSER I 10% Base: 94%
- GEER I: 91%

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Ending of the CARES Funds

- LEAs with remaining funds received updates to request reimbursement since January 2022
- LEAs with funds to request for reimbursement as of August 29, 2022:
  - ESSER I 90% - 14 LEAs
  - ESSER I 10% - 3 LEAs
  - GEER I - 41 LEAs
- September 30, 2022 is the last day LEAs can spend CARES funds
- LEAs have an additional 45 days to request reimbursement (Nov 14th)
Round Two - CRRSA

December 2020 - February 2021

ESSER II and GEER II MUST BE SPENT BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2023
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<td>$246,664,516</td>
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<td>ESSER II 10% Base</td>
<td>$2,942,744</td>
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<td>GEER II</td>
<td>$11,880,168</td>
<td>$2,812,141</td>
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**ESSER II 90%**
28 of 128 fully reimbursed

**ESSER II 10% Base**
15 of 46 fully reimbursed

**GEER II**
22 of 145 fully reimbursed
Round Three – ARP

March 2021 - May 2021

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<td>$554,336,114</td>
<td>$72,572,039</td>
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<td>$7,196,265</td>
<td>$1,422,614</td>
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<td>ARP Summer</td>
<td>$6,159,290</td>
<td>$256,835</td>
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<td>ARP After School</td>
<td>$6,159,290</td>
<td>$487,649</td>
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ARP ESSER 90% 2 of 127 fully reimbursed
ARP ESSER 10% 3 of 44 fully reimbursed
ARP Summer 0 of 14 fully reimbursed
ARP After School 0 of 8 fully reimbursed
ESSER and GEER
Annual Federal Report
Summary of Data
Overview

- Data collected Spring 2022
- LEAs reported on FY21 – July 2020 - June 2021
  - Only ESSER I, GEER I, and ESSER II
- Every SEA and LEA that received ESSER and GEER funds was required to complete the report
  - All Utah reports were completed by the deadline
- We appreciate our LEA leaders completing the data collection
- We have communicated the challenges of this data collection to the US Department of Education
### Amount of Funds LEAs spent ESSER I 90% per category in FY21

**ESSER I 90%**  
**July 2020-June 2021**

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*129 LEAs received ESSER I 90% award*
Number of LEAs that spent ESSER I 10% per category in FY21

ESSER I 10% Base
July 2020-June 2021

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<td>Continuity of Services</td>
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*49 LEAs received ESSER I 10% Awards

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Number of LEAs that spent GEER I funds per category in FY21

GEER I
July 2020-June 2021

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<td>Purchasing educational technology</td>
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<td>Activities focused on addressing the unique needs of specific students</td>
<td>48</td>
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<td>Providing mental health services and supports</td>
<td>28</td>
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<td>Sanitization and minimizing the spread of infectious diseases</td>
<td>26</td>
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<td>Extended learning time opportunities</td>
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*147 LEAs received GEER I Awards

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<td>Continuity of Services</td>
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*ESSER II funds awarded April 2021

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ESSER Funds Spent on FTE

This includes staff fully or partially funded with ESSER

- Teachers: 2165.9
- Paraprofessionals: 554.1
- Support Personnel: 160.5
- Special Educators: 105.8
- School Counselors: 26.7
- Administrative Staff: 24.4
- Nurses: 9.2

*Note: this is FTE count, which includes part-time positions.

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FTE Trends from September 2020 to September 2021

- 89 LEAs saw an increase in FTE
- 7 LEAs kept the same number of FTE
- 58 LEAs saw a decrease in FTE

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State of Utah Data

Did the LEA use ESSER or GEER funding for training teachers and staff due to needs related to COVID-19?

20 LEAs reported “Yes” to spending funds on training for teachers and staff

$5,420,756.29 Reported in spending

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Optional Narrative to Policymakers

Our LEA used funding to pay for summer school and interventionists. Our school had more growth this year than prior years because of these interventions. -The Ranches Academy

Fund allocations through ESSER and GEERS have been very significant in the Emery School District. Our district utilizes every resource available to provide meaningful education to the students of our communities. With the learning gaps created for students during the pandemic, the changes in instructional consistency, as well as the increased trauma that our families were subjected to, the additional funds were very much appreciated and well utilized to work to provide the necessary resources needed for student success within our "new normal". -Emery School District

The ESSER and GEER funding that our LEA received was extremely useful and timely. It allowed for our school to carry on making the necessary transitions to continue to educate our students in a safe and effective manner. The funds were much appreciated. -Athenian eAcademy
Which investment(s) do you believe will be the most effective in meeting the current learning needs of students?

- Technology for students and in the classroom
- Afterschool, summer, and tutoring programs
  - HVAC improvements to be able to hold summer programs
- Mental health supports
- Investments on teachers and support staff
ULEAD Data

Which investment(s) would you describe as innovative (new to your LEA)?

- Credit recovery programs
- Home visits to assist students and families
- Technology and hybrid learning opportunities
- PPE and sanitization
- Summer and afterschool programs
Do you have an actionable recommendation for a demographically similar school in the state?

- Find providers that can help get hot spots for your students that do not have access to internet in their homes due to economic disadvantages or remote locations.
- Regardless of demographics, utilizing a trained teacher to provide intervention within the school increases the effectiveness of the program.
- The investment in teachers and the support of mental health for the entire school community is worth every effort.
- Engage stakeholders in school and LEA planning each year, and consider school plans as fluid, making sure to review data as you go along, adjusting as needed throughout the school year.
Have any of the new investments (district/school level) led to new efficiencies going forward?

○ Yes, the Chromebooks have allowed our Personalized and Competency-Based Learning initiative to be more productive and efficient.

○ Yes, we were able to complete benchmark assessments in a few days rather than a few weeks.

○ All new online curriculum for deaf and hard of hearing.

○ Hiring additional staff allowed us to provide smaller group instruction which allows for greater academic support.

○ It has opened up time for special education teachers to focus on more critical needs.
Questions

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Appendix A:
Grant Descriptions and Details
100% of Utah K-12 COVID-19 Relief Funds are Obligated
Federal Reporting Survey Tool to LEAs

US Department of Education Reporting Tool

- USBE translated reporting requirements into survey tool
- Questions pulled directly from reporting document

Timeline

- USBE released the tool on March 29, 2022
- LEAs must complete the survey by May 17, 2022
- All reports were submitted to USED on time.
ESSER Awards in K-12
State Reserve Requests | ESSER Funding Distribution

90% LEA Awards

0.5% State Administration

9.5% State Reserve
Previously Approved:

On December 2, 2021, the USBE approved the use of $900,000 from the ESSER II State Set-Aside for Braille Embossers for the USBE Utah Instructional Materials Access Center (USIMAC).

Proposed Motion:

That the Board approves the revised braille embosser use case for the ESSER II state flexible reserve to include braille embossers to address needs in K-12 education due to COVID-19.
State Transparency Dashboard

- K-12 COVID-19 Relief Funding
- https://schools.utah.gov/coronavirus
- Updated January 25, 2022
- Awards and reimbursements in programs funded by federal relief resources
- The agency has established a system to include reporting by allowable use case for ARP ESSER in Utah Grants Management

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Round One - CARES & CRF
May 2020 - September 2020
ESSER I and GEER I MUST BE SPENT BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2022
ESSER Award - 90% Formula Distribution

- Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund from U.S. Department of Education
- $61,039,608 distributed to LEAs based on federal formula to address needs due to COVID-19
- All awards have been approved with plans and are available for reimbursement to the local education agencies.
- Funds available for expenses through September 30, 2022
ESSER Award - 10% State Set Aside Base Awards

- Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund from U.S. Department of Education
- Awarded to LEAs to bring all awards to $21,194 base funding
- 49 awards have been approved with plans and are available for reimbursement to the local education agencies.
- Funds available for expenses through September 30, 2022
GEER Awards

- Governor’s Emergency Education Relief Fund
- $29,189,663 awarded to LEAs in coordination with the Governor’s Office to serve special education and at-risk student groups with needs due to COVID-19
- All awards have been approved with plans and are available for reimbursement to the local education agencies.
- Funds available for expenses through September 30, 2022
Approved K-12 CRF Use Cases
H.B. 6002, August 2020

1. San Juan WiFi Project
2. K-12 Personal Protective Equipment
3. K-12 Classroom Supplies, Enhancements and Equipment
   a. K-12 Broadband Services
Timeline for Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF)

**August 20, 2020**
Funds Approved for USBE in H.B. 6002

**October 1, 2020**
Utah State Board of Education Approves Distribution Model

**October 8, 2020**
Grants released to Utah K-12 local education agencies

**November 6, 2020**
Grant applications due to USBE for approval.

**December 30, 2020**
All goods/services must be received by K-12 LEAs

**NOW: June 30, 2021**
Grants released to Utah K-12 community

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San Juan WiFi Award

- $3.9M Authorized to support San Juan expansion of broadband to students and households
- Award claimed in Utah Grants Management and available for local reimbursement requests through December 30, 2020
- San Juan District leaders report towers are going up and the new server has been procured and arrived to expand filtering services
K-12 Personal Protective Equipment
Grant Status

- $3.9M Authorized
  - $1,047,093 spent for statewide PPE (non-contact thermometers, disinfectant wipes, hand sanitizer stands, hand sanitizer)
  - $2,852,907 for LEA grant awards
- $5,000 base plus distribution on September 9, 2020 headcount
- For K-12 personal protective equipment and cleaning service needs due to COVID-19
K-12 Coronavirus Relief Fund
Grant Status

- $15.1M Authorized
  - $1,000,000 authorized for K-12 Broadband Grant Awards (USBE, September 2020)
  - $14.1M for LEA grant awards
- $5,000 base plus distribution on September 9, 2020 headcount
- For classroom supplies, enhancements and equipment needs due to COVID-19
- Additionally $59,278 was awarded to our regional service centers to address remote learning needs such as “teacher tech take home kits”
High School Testing Grant

- Awards to LEAs to rapid COVID-19 high school testing for students and teachers in alignment with the state mandate.
- $10,000 base award plus supplemental funding in proportion to the number of students reported to USBE in the September 9, 2020 headcount.
- Regional service centers had their LEA awards aggregated and conferred as a single award.
- Funding awarded to USBE through MOU with UDOH.
- This is a reimbursement grant that is administered through the Utah Grants Management system.
K-12 Broadband Grant Awards

- Awards to LEAs to provide broadband to students in need due to COVID-19
- 41 LEA Awards
- $5,000,000 awarded for prepayment of services by December 30, 2020
- Funding awarded to USBE through IAA with UETN
- Projected to serve 34,500 students
Round Two - CRRSA
December 2020 - February 2021

ESSER II and GEER II MUST BE SPENT BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2023
Review of ESSER II LEA Plans
ESSER II Overview

- Total Utah allocation: $274,071,684
- Same distribution method as ESSER 1-Title 1 Formula Distribution with USBE establishing an additional base allocation using state set-aside
  - Awards are slightly more than four times the ESSER I award
  - State base for ESSER II is $84,777 per LEA
- Available for obligation by SEAs and subrecipients through September 30, 2023
- Grant application was reissued to community on February 11, 2021
  - Applications were due to USBE on March 31, 2021
- LEAs cannot request reimbursement of ESSER II funds until they have expended all ESSER I funds
LEA Expenditure by Category

- Addressing accelerated learning among students
- Purchase educational technology for students
- Planning and implementing summer learning supplemental afterschool programs
- Purchase supplies to sanitize and clean facilities
- Activities necessary to maintain operation and continuity of services
- Providing mental health services and supports
- Providing principals and other school leaders with needed resources
- Activities to address unique needs of particular students
- Planning for and coordination during long-term closures
- Develop and implement systems to improve LEA preparedness and response efforts
- Training for staff on sanitization and minimizing spread of infectious disease
- Coordination of response efforts of LEAs with other agencies
- Activities authorized by ESEA, IDEA, AEFLA, Perkins, or the McKinney-Vento Act

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## LEA Budget Category Totals

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Special Session S.B. 1001

The Legislature intends that expenditures upon which state funding is contingent under Item 11 of Public Education Budget Amendments (House Bill 2, 2021 General Session) be modified to allow Tintic School District, North Sanpete School District, Sevier School District, Wayne County School District, Garfield County School District, Piute County School District, or Emery County School District, to expend funding from the federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund II, with agreement of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, on items listed in paragraphs (1)(a) and (1)(b) of the intent language to facilitate efforts to address disrupted learning for students during summer 2021. (Line 1114 - 1125)
EANS I Program

- Utah Emergency Assistance for Non-Public Schools: $23,778,187
- Application released March 2021
  - Round One Application for Reimbursement due April 30, 2021
  - Round Two Application for Future Services due May 28, 2021
- Information posted on the Utah State Board of Education website:
  https://schools.utah.gov/coronavirus
Round Three - ARP Act
March 2021 - May 2021

ESSER ARP and EANS II MUST BE SPENT BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2024
American Rescue Plan ESSER - *In Progress*

- $615,526,070 in total award to Utah K-12 for ARP ESSER
  - $553,973,463 in 90% awards to LEAs
- State Reserve $61,552,607
  - 5% for addressing accelerated learning ($30,776,000)
  - 1% for evidence based summer enrichment programs ($6,155,000)
  - 1% for evidence based comprehensive after school programs ($6,155,000)
Utah ARP ESSER LEA Plan Update

- 15 – Addressing accelerated learning among students
- 12 – Purchase educational technology for students
- 17 – Capital improvements, including HVAC
- 13 – Providing mental health support and services
- 10 – Purchase supplies to sanitize and clean facilities
- 19 – Activities necessary to maintain operation and continuity of services
- 16 – School facility repairs and improvements to support student health needs
- 14 – Planning and implementing summer learning supplemental after-school programs
- 9 – Training for staff on sanitation and minimizing spread of infectious disease
- 18 – Develop strategies to implement public health protocols with CDC guidance
- 7 – Activities to address the needs of particular students
- 8 – Develop and implement systems to improve LEA preparedness and response
- 2 – Any activity authorized by Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1985
- 3 – Any activity authorized by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
- 6 – Coordination of response efforts of LEAs with other agencies
- 11 – Planning for and coordination during long term closures
- 4 – Any activity authorized by the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act
- 5 – Any activity authorized by the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act 2006
ARP ESSER: Two Part Award

March 24, 2021
USBE received access to two-thirds of the total ARP ESSER funds.

The award letter requires that USBE submit a state plan for the total award to the U.S. Department of Education.
ARP ESSER State Plan Timeline

- **April 21, 2021**: State ARP Template Released
  - ARP ESSER State Plan template and interim final rule released from U.S. Department of Education

- **May 3, 2021**: USBE Writing Assignments
  - USBE Leadership reviewed the template requirements and created cross-department writing teams to draft responses.

- **May 13, 2021**: USBE Internal Review
  - Staff compiled draft responses, revised, and created the draft to be reviewed by leadership.

- **May 17, 2021**: Draft released for Public Comment
  - USBE released the draft document for public comment on the website, and publicized the opportunity with LEA leaders and other community organizations.

- **June 3, 2021**: Board Approval Requested
  - On June 3, 2021 staff will be asking for the Board to approve the submission of our state plan for ARP ESSER to the U.S. Department of Education.

- **June 7, 2021**: Application Submission Deadline
  - The U.S. Department of Education due date for all states to submit their ARP ESSER plan.
State Plan Highlighted Actions

- Requires that the LEA engage in meaningful consultation with stakeholders to develop their local plan.
  - This is demonstrated by having their local plan approved by the local school board in a public meeting.
- USBE encouraging the LEA’s complete a needs assessment to inform their plan development.
- USBE asks the LEA to describe how they will ensure the interventions respond to the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of students due to COVID-19.
ARP ESSER Award Timeline for Utah K-12

1. **Grant Award Notification**
   - U.S. Department of Education awards ⅔ of the funding to USBE
   - March 24, 2021

2. **LEA Spend Report to LFA and GOMB**
   - USBE must report on LEA spend plans to LFA and GOMB prior to release of FY 2022 related to basic funds.
   - May 18, 2021

3. **Award Appropriation**
   - Utah Legislature
   - Award will need to be appropriated to USBE by Utah Legislature in a special session.
   - May 19, 2021

4. **Application for ARP ESSER**
   - USBE will submit an application for the remaining ⅓ of award.
   - June Board Meeting
   - May 19, 2021

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   - USBE will review, provide feedback and approve LEA plans.
   - June 3, 2021

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   - June 15, 2021

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  - USBE will be reviewing and approving applications as they are received, with outcomes for most applications in 2-3 business days.
The role of the ARP ESSER State Plan

The State Plan DOES:
- Meet the U.S. Department of Education requirements
- Provide an update on our actions for ESSER I and ESSER II
- Provide a high level response for plans for ARP ESSER

The State Plan DOES NOT:
- Limit the SEA response to COVID-19 related needs
- Limit Utah LEAs on allowable expenditures
Public Comment

- 66 visits and 44 respondents
- Feedback has been responded to using tracked changes in the attached revised drafts with changes outlined on the first page (documents V2).
- Feedback from USEAP submitted via email, also included in backup.
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Principles for State Set-Aside Determinations

● Meets federal guidelines for grant use
● Represents a resource USBE is uniquely positioned to provide (e.g., more efficient, more equitable)
● Most critical and/or most widespread issues facing schools and students
● Provides sizeable payoff/net present benefit
● Incentivizes systems change in light of lessons learned as a result of pandemic
ARP ESSER Award Timeline for Utah K-12

1. Grant Award Notification
   - U.S. Department of Education awards ⅔ of the funding to USBE
   - March 24, 2021

2. LEA Spend Report to LFA and GOPB
   - USBE must report on LEA spend plans to LFA and GOPB prior to release of FY 2022 related to basic funds.
   - May 18, 2021

3. Award Appropriation Utah Legislature
   - Award will need to be appropriated to USBE by Utah Legislature in a special session.
   - May 19, 2021

4. Application for ARP ESSER
   - USBE will submit an application for the remaining ⅓ of award.
   - June Board Meeting
   - June 3, 2021

5. LEA Application Approval
   - USBE will review, provide feedback and approve LEA plans.
   - June 17, 2021

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   - Once LEA plan is approved (generally 2-3 business days from submission)
USBE State Project Updates
Overview of State Project Logistics

• Funded using the 10% of ESSER awards that are designated for these use cases
• All projects must be in response to COVID-19
• Funds were board approved in open and public board meetings
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## Utah K-12 State Projects - ESSER I

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| Legislative Requirement: $3.9M to support expansion of students in online charter schools.  
  *(August 2020, H.B. 6002, swapped CRF funds for existing K-12 PPE commitments)* | $3,900,000 |
| Early Intervention Software License Increase                                        | $535,868   |
| Scrible Tool - 2020-21 school year                                                | $452,000   |
| Evaluator for K-12 Broadband Grant                                                | $75,000    |
| Targeted Support and Improvement Summer Planning Project                            | $678,286.91|
## Utah K-12 State Projects - ESSER II

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Additional USBE Staff Action

- USBE COVID-19 personnel are reviewing LEA ARP ESSER plans and supporting revision, with over $538M+ awarded to LEAs*
- Program and operations staff launched Board authorized projects in Utah Grants Management system to meet ESSER II deadlines
- Working closely with DonorsChoose on communication materials for upcoming launch for Utah K-12 teachers
- USBE staff have received final federal reporting requirements for ESSER, and will be working to analyze existing state sets to decrease LEA reporting efforts for 2022

* As of December 29, 2021

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ARPA Broadband Resources

- Emergency Connectivity Fund: $7.2 billion is provided to the E-rate program for home internet access and connected devices through UETN.

- Emergency Broadband Benefit: Federal assistance available through internet providers
  - Up to $50 per month towards internet service
  - Up to $75 per month for households on Tribal lands
  - $100 toward a computer from participating providers
  - You are eligible if at least one member of your household:
    - Qualifies for Lifeline telephone/broadband program.
    - Receives free or reduced school lunch.
    - Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current year.
    - Experienced a loss of income due to COVID-19.
    - Participate in an existing low-income internet or COVID-19 program.
QUICK GUIDE
2021 General Session of the Utah Legislature

This summary is intended to be a review of selected highlights of education-related legislation from the 2021 Legislative Session. This Quick Guide is designed for teachers, parents, and public education-related organizations.

Growth was funded in MSP Programs (1.09%); additionally, the value of the WPU was increased by 5.9%.

8.2% | Total Minimum School Program (MSP) Funding: $5.4 billion, an 8.2% increase from FY 2021

$6.1 Billion | Total Public Education Budget FY 2022

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### UTAH CORONAVIRUS STIMULUS SUMMARY

#### 1st Wave of Federal Funding
**CARES Act/CRS, March 27, 2020**
Estimated Total: $13.6B

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#### 2nd Wave of Federal Funding
**Coronavirus Response & Relief Appropriations Act, 2020, December 2020**
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#### 3rd Wave of Federal Funding
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#### State Funding
**2020 General Session:**
- Education: $24M
- Health: $14.5M
- Unemployment: $14M
- Other: $1M

**2021 General Session:**
- Education: $39M
- Unemployment: $30M
- Other: $4M
- Total: $73M

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**FEMA Reimbursement:**
- $55M to date at 75% reimbursement
- $130M in pending requests: $18M (remaining 25%), $32M vaccinations, $50M testing and public health

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Questions to Consider

1. What were/are the impacts of COVID-19 on our students, teachers, and schools?
2. What data sets do we already have that help inform the extent of those impacts? *Think of existing data sources that could be compared from before March 13, 2020 and now.*
3. What have we already spent our early COVID-19 response funding on thus far? Did that work or help address the impacts of COVID-19?
4. Looking forward, what is our plan for schools in the future?
ESSER State Reserve Projects
Overview of State Project Logistics

All projects must be in response to COVID-19

- Funded using the 10% of ESSER awards
- Approved by board in open and public meetings
- Concluded when funds expire and are time-limited
ESSER I State Project Highlights

Targeted Support and Improvement Summer Planning Project

- ESSER I funding: $678,286.91
- Funded 22 LEAs for TSI plans
- 206 Schools supported
- Focus on those performing below the lowest 5% of all schools
ESSER II State Project Highlights

**Demonstrated Competency Assessment**
*ESSER II funding: $250,000*
18 Canvas courses in process of being designed

**Scrible Software**
*ESSER II: $1,500,000*
Training by UEN showed 15,545 users by 10/31/21.

**Digital Access and Education State Support**
*ESSER II: $300,000*
Developing a statewide plan for broadband access.
ARP ESSER State Project Highlights

K-3 Professional Learning for Literacy (LETRS)

*ARP ESSER funding:* $11,900,000
8,900 Utah participants enrolled; 81 LEAs participating

Early Learning Coaches for Rural Utah

*ARP ESSER funding:* $2,400,000
Eight coaches collaborate across LEAs and with state staff on addressing needs for early learning
Federal Reporting for CARES

FUNDING TOTALS

Education Stabilization Fund (ESF)
Total of ESF Awarded $737,757,449.00
Total of ESF Spent $136,099,785.37

STATE SUMMARY

Local Education Agencies (LEAs)
Students enrolled in LEAs 677,031
LEAs in the State 161
LEAs/Entities that received sub-grants 153

Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs)
Students enrolled in IHEs 495,823
IHEs in the State 67
IHEs that received sub-grants 43
Utah K-12 DonorsChoose Partnership

Utah State Board of Education
$7,105,052 given to projects

- 7,390 Funded projects
- 975 Schools served
- 7,390 Teachers supported

https://www.donorschoose.org/utahessor

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