BUFFALO UNITED CHARTER SCHOOL

State Budget Reporting Survey - Budget Reporting

Background/Instructions

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Background and Instructions

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 Departent (NYSED) an updated plan of how such funds will be expended and how the LEA will prioritized spending on non-recurring expenses as defined in section 9-a(1) of part A of chapter 56 of the laws of 2021. This updated plan must include:

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An analysis of public comment;

Goals and ratios for pupil support;

Detailed summaries of Investments in current year activities; and

Balance of funds spent in priority areas.

Instructions

The State Budget Reporting Survey is due by July 1, 2022.

LEAs must complete all sections and are required to answer questions marked with a red asterisk. If a required question has not been completed, the business portal will highlight it in red and the section of the application will be flagged. The applicant will be unable to submit the application to NYSED for final review if a required question remains unresolved.

The online application may only be submitted/certified by the chief school officer of the applicant LEA. The designated superintendent (public school LEAs) or the chief executive officer, board of trustees president, or school employee designated by the board of trustees (charter school LEAs), are the only administrators with the submit/certify rights necessary to successfully submit and certify a completed application for NYSED review.

LEAs are NOT REQUIRED to send hard copies of survey materials to the Department.

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- 1. Have you made changes to your approved ARP ESSER application?
 - ☑ YES, the LEA has made changes to your approved ARP ESSER application.
 - $\hfill \square$ $\,$ NO, the LEA has not made changes to your approved ARP ESSER application.
 - 1a. Please provide a summary of those changes and the need informing those changes.

NEED: Gaps in students' academic and social emotional learning caused by the pandemic. Additional investments to staff retention & recruitment as well as social emotional supports.

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

ESSER I, II and III Stakeholder Feedback Summary Buffalo United Charter School Spring 2022 1. After review and analysis of all stakeholder survey results what trends were identified? After reviewing survey results, the COVID team agrees that it appears that the top 3 trends shows that stakeholders want ESSR funds to be used are: 1) retaining teachers 2) Social Emotional Learning and 3) Summer Learning. 2. How will these trends be addressed using COVID funding? The COVID team has identified the following ways to address the above trends:

- 1. Retaining Teachers-ESSR bonuses for the 22-23 school year
- 2. To add Social Worker and additional ABSS position
- 3. To continue with a Summer Learning program for 22-23 & 23-24.

ESSER I, II, and III: The LEA will consider moving necessary interventions and supports to other COVID grants and or federal grant funding sources based on data analysis, stakeholder input, and available funding.

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 (# : #)
The school will continue the program goals of preventing, preparing for and responding to COVID-19 in addition to combatting learning loss as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.	25:1

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 <i>or</i> Expansion of Existing Programs in Current Year	Investment (\$)
PPE, Social Emotional Supports, Student & Staff Technology, Support & Connectivity, Instructional	1363200
Intervention staff and Summer Programming	

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5. Please explain how ARP ESSER funds will be expended by the LEA, by school year, for each of the priority areas in the chart below.

	2021-22 School Year (\$)	2022-23 School Year (\$)	2023-24 School Year (\$)
Safely returning students to in-person instruction.	213,767	10,000	10,000
Maximizing in-person instruction time.	0	0	0
Operating schools and meeting the needs of students.	13,799	46,455	33,660
Purchasing educational technology.	352,959	8,143	0
Addressing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on students, including the impacts of interrupted instruction and	61,510	128,415	62,135

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	2021-22 School Year (\$)	2022-23 School Year (\$)	2023-24 School Year (\$)
learning loss and the impacts on low- income students, children with disabilities, English language learners, and students experiencing homelessness.			
Implementing evidence-based strategies to meet students' social, emotional, mental health, and academic needs.	96,632	52,879	0
Offering evidence-based summer, afterschool, and other extended learning and enrichment programs.	624,533	367,768	78,867
Supporting early childhood education.	0	0	0
Other (please describe below)	0	252,000	0
Totals:	1,363,200	865,660	184,662

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

Staff retention & recruitment bonuses

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