Macon County School System



Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Use of Funds

2022 – 2023 (Revised September 14, 2022)



In March of 2021, the federal government approved the Elementary and Secondary Schools Emergency Relief (ESSER) funding to help our schools overcome and remove barriers in learning created by the Covid-19 pandemic. ARP ESSER, or the American Rescue Plan, is specifically designed to support our students and their post-pandemic learning needs, with an emphasis on equity, future-readiness, family, community, partnerships and cultural responsiveness. We are calling this initiative "Maximizing Student Success". With these funds, we have an opportunity to invest in initiatives that support our mission to create supportive learning environments that will inspire, empower, and nurture students to become productive, college and career-ready citizens.



Overview of ESSER I and ESSER II Federal Funding

ESSER I (Cares ACT) funds were used to address:

• Rapid Response to COVID 19

ESSER I (Cares Act) Spending Priorities	Amount
Maintain Continuity of Services including SEL Mental Health and Supports, Food services	\$541,776.00
Educational Technology including upgrades, connectivity, distance learning	\$109,494.00
Facilities and Equipment including hazard pay, PPE supplies, cleaning supplies, replacement, and upgrades of schools	\$163,018
Supplemental Learning	280.00
Total	\$814,568.00

Adjustments were made to rows 1 & 2.

^{*}ESSER I (CARES ACT) funds have been exhausted.
The spending deadline is September 30, 2022.

ESSER II (CRRSA Act) funds were used to address:

- Safe Return to School
- Continuity of Services
- Technology Distance Learning

Cares II Spending Priorities	Amount
Maintain Continuity of Services including SEL Mental Health and	\$593,728.00
Supports, Food services	
Educational Technology including	\$70,000.00
upgrades, connectivity, distance learning	
Facilities and Equipment including	\$2,441,066.00
hazard pay, PPE supplies, cleaning supplies, replacement and	
upgrades of schools	
Safe Return to School to include	\$150,000.00
testing the air quality, inspection, maintenance, repair,	
replacement, and upgrade of	
schools	
Supplemental Learning	\$70,000.00
Total	3,324,794.00

^{*}ESSER II (CRRSA ACT) funds will be exhausted by October 30, 2022.

American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 ESSER III

ESSER I and II were primarily used to support rapid response initiatives, such as the safe return to in person learning and for the continuity of services. The primary focus of ARP is recovery and intervention efforts.

ESSER III ARP Spending Priorities:

This is an overview of how the Macon County School System plans to allocate federal funding to support students.

- ► Loss of Learning 20% of total grant
- ► Continuity of Services
- ► Technology
- ► Facilities and Equipment
- ► ESSER Director

ESSER III Spending Priorities	Amount
Maintain Continuity of Services	107,047.00
Including SEL Mental Health	
and Supports, Food Services,	
School Nurses	
Educational Technology	2,232,115.00
including upgrades,	
connectivity, distance learning,	
chrome books, maintenance	
and repairs	
Facilities and Equipment	3,576,622.00
including PPE supplies, cleaning	
supplies, replacement and	
upgrades of schools to include	
new roof for MCES and MCMS,	
new fire doors at MCMS, install	
a HVAC at the MCES gym, and	
upgrade of restroom facilities	
to touchless fixtures	
ESSER Director	62,130.00
Loss of Learning 20% of total	1,494,479.00
grant: to include interventions,	
software programs, additional	
teachers, afterschool, summer	
school, community site tutors,	
Saturday school, professional	
consultants, Software, Read	
180 lab, iReady lab, Retired	
Teachers to teach	
interventions	
Total	<mark>7,472,393.00</mark>

Allocation of Funds

*=recent purchases

Maintain and Improve Continuity of Services:

- ► Recruit and Retain Faculty and Staff Supplements
- ► Offset the cost of utilities
- Address the needs of the whole child by providing services to address physical and mental well-being and social emotional needs.
- ► Funds to employ- ESSER Director
- ► Funds to employ- Mental Health Counselor
- ► Funds to employ-paraprofessionals *

Educational Technology:

- ► Funds will be used to purchase Interactive Flat Panels
- ► Funds will be used to upgrade the internet connectivity and replace access points
- ► Funds will be used to purchase classroom cameras to assist with distance learning
- ► Chrome Books and Charging carts
- ► Maintenance and Repair costs
- ► Funds used to purchase teacher laptops (partial)*

Facilities and Equipment: 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; to improve the indoor air quality.

- ► Replacing the roof at MCES and MCMS
- ► Replacing the fire doors at MCMS
- Installing touchless fixtures in all restrooms in the three schools
- ► Cleaning Supplies
- ► Funds to purchase and install HVAC for the gym at MCES Funds to construct a metal mechanical room and exterior walls to house HVAC system at MCES.
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- ► Funds to purchase a Walk-in Cooler at MCES.
- Funds to purchase ride-on scrubber.

Loss of Learning: 20% of the total Cares III grant will be used to address Loss of Learning

Interventions. Remediation and Acceleration

- ► Read 180 lab at MCMS/MCHS
- ► Leveled Literacy Interventions (LLI) Instructors at MCES

- ▶ iReady intervention lab paraprofessional at MCES
- ► Afterschool Saturday School Summer School
- Funds used to pay student tuition for Harvard University's Summer Institute. *

Computer Software

► Edgenuity (Spanish) course at MCHS. *

Other

- ► Professional Consultants for Professional Learning
- ► Funds used to purchase instruments for music/band class. *
- ► Funds used to purchase nursing supplies. *