

CRRSA & ARPA Plan

Union Springs Central School District

- ▶ ESSER II & GEER II
- ▶ ARP ESSER 90%
- ▶ ARP ESSER State Level Reserves
 - ▶ 5% Learning Loss
 - ▶ 1% Comprehensive After School Programming
 - ▶ 1% Summer Enrichment



CRRSA Plan: ESSER II & GEER II

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Definition of ESSER II and GEER II

- ▶ Federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 resulted in the ESSER II and GEER II allocations.
- ▶ Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER II)
 - ▶ New York State allocated \$4 billion under the second ESSER fund. A minimum of 90% of these funds must be allocated to local educational agencies.
- ▶ Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER II)
 - ▶ New York State has been allocated \$322.9 million under GEER II. Of this amount, 250.1 million is for non-public schools and the remaining 72.8 million is determined by the Governor.

ESSER II and GEER II allocations for Union Springs CSD

- ▶ ESSER II: \$714,228
- ▶ GEER II: \$53,243
- ▶ These funds are not part of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) allocations. The ARP application process has just begun and that funding can be used in the 21-22 school year and into September 2024.

Ways in which the funds can be used: ESSER II

- ▶ Both ESSER II and GEER II can be used for expenses dating back to March 13, 2020 and through September 30, 2022
- ▶ “The CARES Act includes allowable uses of funds related to preventing, preparing for, and responding to COVID-19.”
- ▶ ESSER II differs from ESSER I in that it also allows the funds to be used for addressing learning loss, preparing schools for reopening and testing, repairing and upgrading projects to improve air quality in school buildings.

Ways in which the funds can be used: GEER II

- ▶ “To continue providing educational services to students and to support the on-going functionality of schools.”
- ▶ “Carrying out emergency educational services, early childhood education, providing social and emotional support and protecting educational related jobs.

Plan for Union Springs CSD

- ▶ Union Springs CSD is electing to apply all ESSER II and GEER II funds retroactively back to March 13, 2020 and direct the fund to salaries paid to professional staff in the areas of:
 - ▶ Social-Emotional Support
 - ▶ Remote Instruction
 - ▶ Specifically, these funds will be directed to the salaries of School Counselors and Remote Teachers, whose services were used to minimize the negative emotional impact and learning loss of our students due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
 - ▶ Once this plan is approved, the District will submit requests for payment in the full allocated of ESSER II and GEER II funds.
 - ▶ Unlike ESSER I and GEER I, there is no equitable share portion that LEAs are responsible for. Rather, the SEA is directly applying funds to non-public schools.

ARPA Plan: Union Springs CSD

- ▶ American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
- ▶ Makes available 122.8 billion (nationally) of which 122 billion is made available to state education agencies (SEAs)
- ▶ The New York State Education Agency was allocation 8.99 billion, broken up into 4 categories:
 - ▶ 90% ARP Allocation
 - ▶ Summer Enrichment
 - ▶ Comprehensive After School
 - ▶ Learning Loss
- ▶ Union Springs CSD has a total ARPA allocation of \$1,738,172 plans to use these funds spread over the 2021-22 school and 2022-23 school year

ARPA Plan: Union Springs CSD

2021-2022 & 2022-2023

- ▶ 90% Allocation: \$714,228
 - ▶ Summary: Funds in this category will be deployed in manner that safely returns students to in person instruction, implements strategies to meet students' social-emotional and academic needs and continues to operate the school system.
- ▶ Summer Enrichment: \$111,910
 - ▶ Summary: Funds in the Summer Enrichment category will be allocated for implementing summer programming aimed at addressing the impact of COVID-19 on students, including learning loss.
- ▶ After School Program: \$111,910
 - ▶ Summary: Funds in the Summer Enrichment category will be implemented to provide students with social-emotional and academic opportunities outside of the regular school day, aimed at addressing the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on students.
- ▶ Learning Loss: \$559,535
 - ▶ Summary: Funds in the Learning Loss category will be used across the school system to identify, assess for, and specifically address learning loss of our students in all demographics.