

Laraway CCSD 70c

Use of ARP-ESSER III Funds Plan

The American Rescue Plan's ESSER fund provides states and local school districts with assistance to safely reopen and sustain the safe operation of schools by addressing the impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

The district will follow and review all requirements stated in the ARP Act and make sure all components are addressed in the Safe Return Plan. Public input was gained at the August 10, 2021 board meeting. We will hold review meetings every 6 months to make sure our plan is addressing the outcomes. Input can also be submitted to Dr. Joe Salmieri at jsalmieri@laraway70c.org.

Funds will be used to pay salaries of 9 new teaching assistants and 13 existing to provide intervention services to students individually and/or small groups to address learning loss, SEL needs and all others disproportionately impacted by COVID. We are also using the funds to pay the salaries of after school instructors to help with learning loss. finally, we are using the funds to help pay the salaries of summer school staff for the summer of 2022 and beyond. K-8 Math Series to address deficiencies, SEL and learning loss of all students K-6th grade. The total spent will be, \$ 1186829.

Use of funds strategy #1:

Laraway CCSD 70c will use ARP-ESSER III Funds to implement prevention and mitigation strategies that are in line with CDC guidance in order to continuously and safely operate schools for in-person learning. For a more detailed explanation see the *Laraway Health and Safe Return Plan*.

Use of funds strategy #2:

Laraway CCSD 70c will use ARP-ESSER III funds to address the academic impact of lost instructional time through the implementation of evidence-based interventions such as extended school day academic assistance and extended school year summer school program. It should be noted, Laraway CCSD 70c must allocate 20% of all funds received towards these programs.

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Use of funds strategy #3:

Laraway CCSD 70c will spend any remaining ARP-ESSER funds by focusing on student groups most impacted by the pandemic, interventions and other academic strategies, summer learning,

professional develop of educators and other school staff, and the employment and retention of highly effective educators.