# **ARP-ESSER Application: Part 1 - Assurances**

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### SUMMARY

On March 11, 2021, the President signed into law the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP). ARP makes available \$122.8 billion nationally in a third round of Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds. New York State has been allocated nearly \$9 billion under the ARP Act's Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund. The ARP Act requires that a minimum of \$8.09 billion (90 percent) be allocated to LEAs, including charter schools and Special Act School Districts that are LEAs. Pursuant to the terms of the ARP Act, LEA allocations have been calculated using the relative shares of grants

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On April 21, 2021, USDE issued Interim Final Requirements (IFR) that include examples of ways in which an LEA may use its ARP-ESSER funds for a wide variety of activities related to educating students during the COVID-19 pandemic and addressing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on students and educators. USDE's IFR also references the ARP statutory requirement that an LEA receiving ARP ESSER funds must reserve at least 20 percent of the funds to measure and address the academic impact of lost instructional time on all students through the implementation of evidence-based interventions, including but not limited to interventions implemented through summer learning or summer enrichment, extended day, comprehensive afterschool programs, or extended school year programs. Moreover, USDE's IFR states that the LEA must also ensure that such interventions respond to students' academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs and address the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on groups of students disproportionately impacted by the pandemic.

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### Assurances

- 8. The LEA assures that the LEA is using ARP ESSER funds for purposes that are reasonable, necessary, and allocable under the ARP.
  - ☐ YES, the LEA provides the above assurance.
- 9. The LEA assures that the LEA will comply with the provisions of all applicable acts, regulations and assurances; the following provisions of Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) 34 CFR parts 76,

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13. The LEA assures that:

- 19. The LEA assures that the LEA will include in its application to the Department for ARP-ESSER funds a plan, in a format prescribed by the Commissioner, that describes how the LEA will spend its remaining ARP ESSER funds consistent with section 2001(e)(2) of the ARP Act.
  - ☐ YES, the LEA provides the above assurance.
- 20. The LEA assures that the LEA will include in its application to the Department for ARP-ESSER funds a plan, in a format prescribed by the Commissioner, that describes how the LEA will ensure that the interventions it implements, including but not limited to the interventions implemented under section 2001(e)(1) of the ARP Act to address the academic impact of lost instructional time, will respond to the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of all students, and particularly those students disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, including students from low-income families, students of color, English learners, children with disabilities, students experiencing homelessness, children in foster care, and migratory students.
  - ☐ YES, the LEA provides the above assurance.
- 21. The LEA assures that the LEA will engage in meaningful consultation with stakeholders and give the public an opportunity to provide input in the development of the plan referenced above in Assurances #17-20. Specifically, an LEA will engage in meaningful consultation with students; families; school and district administrators (including special education administrators); and teachers, principals, school leaders, other educators, school staff, and their unions. Additionally, an LEA must engage in meaningful consultation with each of the following, to the extent present in or served by the LEA: Tribes; civil rights organizations (including disability rights organizations); and stakeholders representing the interests of children with disabilities, English learners, children experiencing homelessness, children in foster care, migratory students, children who are incarcerated, and other underserved students.
  - ☐ YES, the LEA provides the above assurance.
- 22. The LEA assures that its LEA ARP ESSER plan will be: in an understandable and uniform format; to the extent practicable, written in a language that parents can understand or, if not practicable, orally translated; and, upon request by a parent who is an individual with a disability, provided in an alternative format accessible to that parent.
  - ☐ YES, the LEA provides the above assurance.

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