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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 Department (NYSED) an updated plan of how such funds will be expended and how the LEA will prioritize 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:

- 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

**American Rescue Plan (ARP) Spending Plan Reporting**

**1. Have you made changes to your approved ARP - ESSER application?**

- YES, the LEA has made changes to your approved ARP ESSER application.
- 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.**

We needed to reallocate funds necessary to continue to open schools safely and address learning loss.

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

Achievement First (AF) schools regularly receive feedback from students, staff, families, and school leaders. Achievement First (AF) schools follow a process of designing "with" not "for", and as part of designing our response to COVID programming we conducted in-depth surveys of families, students, staff, and school leaders.

The AF Brooklyn school board received regular updates on reopening plans and ESSER use of funds and had opportunities to ask questions and provide feedback.

ARP Spending Plan Reporting

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"Add Row" as needed to include programs.

Summary of New Programs or Expansion of Existing Programs in Current Year	Investment (\$)
The school did not use ARP-ESSER funds in SY 21-22.	0

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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.	0	655,847	198,125
Maximizing in-person instruction time.	0	177,864	177,864
Operating schools and meeting the needs of students.	0	492,906	0
Purchasing educational technology.	0	304,408	311,583
Addressing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on students, including the impacts of interrupted instruction and learning loss and the impacts on low-income students, children with disabilities, English language learners, and students experiencing homelessness.	0	68,788	34,433
Implementing evidence-based strategies to meet students' social, emotional, mental health, and academic needs.	0	32,608	32,608
Offering evidence-based summer, afterschool, and other extended learning and enrichment programs.	0	77,380	0
Supporting early childhood education.	0	0	0
Other (please describe below)	0	0	0
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,809,801</b>	<b>754,613</b>

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

N/A