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Cushing Independent School District
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Notice of Intent to Apply for

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (ARP), ELEMENTARY & SECONDARY SCHOOL EMERGENCY RELIEF III (ESSER III) GRANT

May 24, 2021

Cushing ISD's 2020-2023 initial allocation is \$798,785 (two-thirds of total) which must be expended by September 2024. District staff are currently meeting with various departments and scheduling planning meetings in the next two weeks for needs assessments and spending plans over the current and next three school years.

These funds are **“one-time”** in nature and TEA warns local school districts not to use these funds for expenditures expected to be sustained with local funds once the federal funds expire. TEA urges districts to “facilitate a more comprehensive long-term approach to learning acceleration that will be necessary to support all Texas Students affected by COVID-19”. We must spend 20% of the grant on evidenced based interventions such as summer learning, extended day, and comprehensive after-school programs. The “one-time” grant is to be expended “to respond to the pandemic and to address student learning loss as a result of COVID-19”.

The additional (*one-third*) of the grant of \$399,393 has not been made available yet by USDE to TEA.



ESSER III Notes for May 20, 2021 Meeting

Public Notice

1st Preliminary Notes Plan (1st step in the Process)

This **WILL** change as needs assessment data and stake holder meetings continue to meet and disaggregate data.

Remember this money is for our kids to “catch up” on their learning so that they can be successful!!

1. Elementary-Hire 3 retired interventionist (for 4 hours a day) for 21-22 school year 1-year guarantee (will reevaluate if ESSER III funds are still available for 22-23)
2. After school tutorial pay (schedule and teachers to be determined by campus administration and then figure an estimated cost) both campuses
3. After school tutorial bus driver pay (schedule and teachers to be determined by campus administration and then figure an estimated cost) both campuses
4. Cafeteria to provide tutorial snacks (*might can find other grants for this*)
5. JHHS-Summer school 21-22 summer EOC 1 week 4/5 days at 4 hours a day approximately 5 teachers
6. Elementary-Summer school 21-22 summer “extended” learning pk-5th for ESL students 1 week 4/5 days at 4 hours a day approximately 3 teachers
7. Elementary-Summer school 21-22 summer SSI if there is a STAAR retake for 5th grade 1 week 4/5 days at 4 hours a day approximately 2 teachers
8. Elementary-Emotional intervention supplies (i.e. puppets character intervention curriculum etc.) (*will need to verify this an acceptable expense*)
9. Elementary-Conscious Discipline Professional Development for elementary (possibly JHHS) teachers to help with emotional student discipline issues (*will need to verify this an acceptable expense*)
10. Paid child care for teachers that are tutoring *students* (*will need to verify this an acceptable expense*)
11. Paid Hot Spots for teachers/students to have internet access at home (*will need to verify this an acceptable expense*)
12. District wide “Digital Learning Specialist” to teach teachers how to use technology for 1 year (*will need to verify this an acceptable expense*)
13. Tutorial curriculum and subscriptions



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14. Technology-

- a. Student Servers
- b. Elmos
- c. Ipads
- d. Laptops
- e. Laptop Docks
- f. Screens
- g. Projectors
- h. Apple TVs
- i. Apple pencils
- j. Classroom Audio
- k. Headphones
- l. Switches
- m. Wireless Controllers
- n. Added interior WIFI access points
- o. Added exterior WIFI access points
- p. Fiber to DAEP
- q. Labor
- r. Run fiber to rooms
- s. Fiber Capable switches

Student needs assessment will dictate plan actions.

Teacher and Parent surveys will be sent out to "double down" with stake holders.