



Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund ESSER III Funding Bellwood School District 88

The mission of Bellwood School District #88 is to protect our staff, students, parents, and visitors within our educational facilities. This mission is vitally important given our current times. Precautions are necessary to prevent the potential spread of COVID-19 in school settings. Education settings should continue to be welcoming, respectful, inclusive, and supportive environments to all. Safety measures need to be taken by schools and the school community to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. School District #88 is committed to providing the safest environment for our staff, students, parents, and visitors. If we all do our part, we will stop the spread of the coronavirus.



Bellwood School District #88

American Rescue Plan Elementary & Secondary School

Emergency Relief (ESSER III)

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this document is to outline how funds from the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief grant will be used by the district. This plan focuses on four areas to ensure the safety of our students and staff as well as to address learning loss that might have occurred during the COVID-19 global pandemic. The three areas are *Academic Supports* which also encompasses *Social Emotional Supports, Technology, and Facilities*.

Academic Supports: Research is clear, there is no substitute for a high-quality, in-person teaching experience to ensure student academic success. The global pandemic interrupted our instructional model and forced schools to provide instruction in a variety of ways. Included in Academic Supports which also encompasses Social/Emotional Supports. We recognize that living through a global pandemic has taken an emotional toll on our students. It is clear that schools will play a vital role in helping students process their lived experiences and deal with any trauma the pandemic may have caused.

Note: Our plan recognizes that no less than 20% of all ESSER III funds must be used to address learning loss. The costs allocated for both Academic and Social/Emotional Supports comprise more than 20% of the funds granted. Allocation set asides were to also include afterschool and summer school programs. Likewise, we believe these supports are sustainable beyond the issuance of these funds and will continue to support students for years to come. We will use student data and teacher feedback to determine ongoing needs and use of these funds.

Technology: The purchase of technological resources will give students and staff access to digital resources and curriculum that will enrich the learning environment. Technology will allow us to bridge the digital divide. Lastly, additional technologies and tools will help address the diverse needs of children from low-income families, students with disabilities, and our emergent bilinguals.

Facilities: Health and safety of our students and staff is always our top priority. The COVID-19 global pandemic has taught us important lessons on how to ensure the safety of our students and staff. These include, but are not limited to cleaning protocols, hand sanitizing, physical distancing, and virus suppression.



Category	Resource/Service	Purpose	Estimated Cost
Academic Supports - Learning Loss	Big Ideas - Math Curriculum	Curriculum to address academic needs providing access to math material for teaching and learning	\$395,026.49
	Carnegie Learning	French/Spanish classes curriculum	\$32,768.49
	Proximity Learning	2 sessions of reading and math for a summer bridge school program	\$76,767.68 (\$38,383.84 each)
	Proximity Learning	2 sessions of reading and math for after school program	\$76,767.68 (\$38,383.84 each)
	7 Reading Teachers - Salaries	To improve classroom instruction and enhance student achievement by mentoring, modeling, analyzing data, co-teaching, and serving as an instructional leader and teacher liaison when appropriate.	\$466,892 <i>(Assumes 3.0% FY23 increase over current annual rates)</i>
	Read & Write for Google Chrome	Text help program for struggling learners in Grades 2-8	\$3,600 (2,000 licenses districtwide)
	7 Reading Teachers - Benefits	Benefits to align with salaries	\$63,379 [TRS 0.58% (\$2708); Fed TRS 10.41%

			(\$48,604); THIS 0.92% (\$4296); and Medicare 1.45% (\$6771)]
	3 ALOP Advocates	To provide assistance and support to students at risk, behavior concerns, and/or attendance concerns	\$206,600
	1 Communication Coordinator - Salary	To manage communication strategies through multi-mediums- print, social media, and face-to-face. In an effort to communicate with the school district community.	Max \$85,000
	1 Communication Coordinator - Benefits	Benefits to align with salary	<p>\$11,357 if Certified [TRS 0.58% (\$493); Fed TRS 10.41% (\$8,849); THIS 0.92% (\$782); and Medicare 1.45% (\$1,233)]</p> <p>\$13,278 if NonCert [IMRF 7.97% (\$6775); FICA 6.20% (\$5270) and Medicare 1.45% (\$1233)]</p>
	Teacher Office Hours - Contract Rate	To provide one-on-one tutoring for students requesting additional assistance to enhance learning outcomes - afterschool hours.	\$665,280 (120 teachers, 1 hr. 176 days, rate \$31.50)
	Staff Retention Incentive	Retention incentive for staff - Covid	\$350,000

	4 Social Emotional Learning Specialists (Contractual) - Salary	To provide social emotional learning activities to all students in a classroom setting. Will provide support in small groups to address trauma and grief.	\$113,400 5 hr x 180 days x \$31.50 x 4 = \$28,350
	6 Culture and Climate Paraprofessionals - Salaries	To maintain and support a positive culture and climate at the middle school.	\$110,880 7 hr x 176 days x \$15 x 4 = 18,480
	6 Culture and Climate Paraprofessionals- Benefits	Benefits to align with salary	\$77,822 [IMRF 7.97% (\$8837); FICA 6.20% (\$6875) Medicare 1.45% (\$1608) and PPO Health \$60,493]
	4 Security Guards 1 FTE and 3 PTE - Salaries	To maintain and support a positive culture and climate at the middle school.	\$117,040 1 FTE = 7 hr x 176 days x \$35 = \$43,120 3 PTE = 4hr x 176 days x \$35 x 3 = \$73,920
	4 Security Guards - Benefits	Benefits to align with salaries	\$21,804.84 1 FTE (IMRF 6.35% \$2,738.12, Fica 6.2% \$2673.44 , Medicare 1.45% \$656.24, Health PPO\$10,082.16) = \$16,149.96 3 pte Security Guard (Fica 6.2% \$4583.04, Medicare 1.45% \$1071.88)= \$5,654.88
	Summer School and Afterschool Resources	Supplies and materials for summer	\$20,000

		enrichment and afterschool programs	
	SEL Resources	Supplemental Kits and Books	\$3000 \$1847.00 (Rainbows) + \$300 (Trauma Informed Strategies) = \$2147
	Professional Development	Provide teacher training in the fields of SEL, culturally responsive teaching and equity, culture and climate, and instructional coaching supports	\$40,000
	Upgrade STEM Lab/Curriculum at RMS	Replace antiquated equipment with new updated equipment and curriculum for STEM activities	\$100,000
	1 District Employee for on-site laundry services - Stipend	This will support the social emotional well-being of the student(s)	\$2000 \$1000 for 1st half \$1000 for 2nd half
Technology	Phone System	Upgrade older phones	\$75,000
	Computer Monitors	Replacement monitors for teachers to use Swivel	\$25,000
	Go Guardian	Chromebook based application for monitoring	\$36,000
	District Website Renewal	District website serves as communication tool	\$6000
	100 Chromebooks & Cases	Replacement for students' loss or damage	\$32,000 + \$8000

	Districtwide Camera/Security Coordinator	Monitor safety of students and staff - Salary	\$52,000
	Benefits for Security Coordinator	Benefits to align with salary	\$17,362.16 1 FTE (IMRF 6.35% \$3,302, Fica 6.2% \$3,224 , Medicare 1.45% \$754. Health PPO\$10,082.16) =\$17,362.16
Facilities	14 Scrubbers	Cleaning and disinfecting the facilities - floors, classrooms, etc.	\$175,000 (\$12,500 each)
	1 Ride Along Scrubber	Cleaning and disinfecting the facilities - floors, classrooms, etc.	\$60,000
	16 I-mops	Cleaning and disinfecting the facilities - floors, classrooms, etc.	\$88,000 (\$5,500)
	21 Vacuums	Cleaning carpeted floors, classrooms, etc.	\$15,750 (\$750 each)
	4 carpet shampoo cleaners	Cleaning and disinfecting the carpeted floors, classrooms, etc.	\$19,200 (\$4800 each)
	PPE Cleaning Supplies & Materials for the 22-23 SY & 23-24 SY	Continue to prevent the spread of Covid	\$200,000 (\$100,000 each year)
	9 Power Washers	Cleaning and disinfecting the facilities - washroom floors, hallway floors, etc.	\$54,000 (\$6000 each)

	MicroFiber Towel Cleaning Services	Cleaning and disinfecting the microfiber towels used for cleaning the protective shields in the Main Office and Cafeteria	\$25,000 per year
	PD for Custodians	Provide professional training for custodial/maintenance staff on cleaning protocols and procedures	\$35,000
	Heavy Duty Washer/Dryer, Installation, Plumbing to bring to code	To provide laundry services for underprivileged students	\$60,000
	Supplies and Material for Laundry Service	Necessary laundry supplies for laundry services	\$25,000
	Box Truck	Transportation of cleaning and disinfecting supplies throughout the district	\$100,000
	2 Scissors Lift/w Trailer	Cleaning ceiling vents throughout the district	\$160,000 (\$80,000 each)
	Multi Use Vehicle/w Attachments	Loading and unloading supplies and materials	\$160,000
	1 Storage Unit	Store cleaning and disinfecting equipment	\$250,000
	64 classrooms Flex Furniture Grade 1-5	Flex furniture to continue social distancing in the classrooms	\$350,000
	HVACs	Clean air	\$3,807,894.66

Allocations	Total \$8,877,513
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