

Proposed Amendment to the Proposed ESSER III Budget

Amendment #	19
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Intent (required):

Provide each school with \$100,000 to invest in school-specific priorities, whereby each school will choose from a menu of approved activities. Administration to report back through the appropriate committee as to what the menu items will be.

Identify specific category/description and page number from the ESSER III Budget Detail from which the funds should come from and the specific category/description and page number where the funds should be allocated to.

Page #	Category and Description to be Changed	FTE Increas e	\$ Amount Increase	FTE Decrease	\$ Amount Decrease
	Per-school allocation to 159 schools		\$15,900,000		
7	Virtual Field trips	Click here to enter text.	Click here to enter text.	Click here to enter text.	300,000
8	Instructional technology	Click here to enter text.	Click here to enter text.	Click here to enter text.	700,000
11	Curriculum design	Click here to enter text.	Click here to enter text.	Click here to enter text.	300,000
11	Professional dev for paras	Click here to enter text.	Click here to enter text.	Click here to enter text.	300,000
11	Assessment alignment				300,000
11	School improvement retreats				1,647,200
12	Family engagement				4,000,000
20	Community Exercise stations				100,000
22	Furniture				2,750,000
27	Micro credentials incentives				2,255,500
32	Mini-grants- College/Career Exploration				782,432
33	Mini-grants- wellness				782,434



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33	Mini-grants- Non-Traditional After		782,434
	School Offerings		
6	Student Services		900,000
	Total	15,900,000	15,900,000

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Administration Response:

The Administration calculates using 136 schools, which will reduce the amount proposed from \$15,900,000 to \$13,600,000, a savings of \$2,300,000.

Establishing a menu of options will provide more flexibility for schools to meet their needs, allow for potential cost savings through blanket contracts, ensure that Administrative Policy 3.09: Purchasing and Bidding Requirements is followed, and streamline the process for schools.

The Administration supports school community choice and proposed the following allocations totaling \$37,769,200 which enables schools to address priorities:

- School Improvement Retreats (page 14): Schools design their own retreat addressing their strategies in their school improvement plan and engage in community building (\$4,147,200).
- Family Engagement (page 15): Schools select from a variety of choices to engage their families in the manner that best addresses their school community's needs (\$10,350,000).
- Social-Emotional Vendor List (page 22): Schools select from a list of vetted programming around SEL and mental health to align to specific needs (\$3,160,000).
- Furniture (page 26): Schools select from a variety of choices of approved furniture to address their needs. (\$10,000,000).
- Mini-Grants College/Career Exploration (page 42): Schools submit for a mini-grant based on what they determine is a priority for college and career exploration. (\$2,022,400).
- Mini-Grants Wellness (page 46): Schools submit for a mini-grant based on what they determine is a priority for wellness. (\$2,022,400).
- Mini-Grants Non-Traditional Afterschool Offerings (page 44): Schools submit for a mini-grant based on what they determine would be good for their school community. (\$2,022,400).
- Mini-Grants to schools for out-of-schooltime arts programs (K3-12) (page 43) (\$2,022,400).
- Expansion of Activities and Clubs (page 43) (\$2,022,400).

Additionally, ESSER II included an item allotting \$10,000/high school for clubs and activities to be chosen at the discretion of each school.

The Family Engagement (page 15), which was already reduced by \$4 million (when balancing the budget), along with the School Improvement Retreats (page 14), and Furniture (page 26) will further reduce the impact of those proposed projects.



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Extracurricular Funds for mini grants to schools was calculated as follows: 1 teacher at 5 hours per week x 32 weeks per year = 160 hours x \$27 per hour plus fringes (53.6% for 2022) = \$6,635. This was rounded to \$7,000 per club to account for some supplies. The \$2,022,400 per mini grant category in Extracurricular Engagement would give 136 schools funding to support one club for 2 years in each of the 5 club categories included in Extracurricular Engagement (STEAM, general clubs, art, non-traditional activities, and wellness). Any reduction of this amount would reduce the allocations to schools.