

COVID Related Grant Funding

Menands Union Free School District

July 12, 2021

Funding Sources

Federal Coronavirus & Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021(CRRSA Act)

- Application Due Date July 1
- 20-21 thru 22-23 School Year including August of 2023
- Two Funding Streams
- Governor's Emergency Relief Fund (GEER) : \$ 7,772.00
 - 6 Allowable Activities/Categories
- Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds (ESSER): \$399,061.00
 - 15 Allowable Activities/Categories

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) \$802,041.00

- Application & Detailed Information not yet Available
- 21-22 thru 23-24 School Year
- Most Restrictive
- Minimum 20% dedicated to Learning Loss

Strategy in Designating Funds

Awareness of the Allowable Activities/Categories

Needs Arising from COVID:

- **Student Data**
- **Input from Staff**
- **Feedback from Parents & Families**

District Goals

Allocating Current Expenses to the Grant Funding to Maximize General Fund Dollars & Generate Revenue

Consideration of Available Time Periods & Plan for Compensating Accordingly

Being Mindful of Maintaining Implemented Items Beyond the Grant Cycle if needed

District Goals

Student Achievement & Success: *We will provide the necessary support and opportunities for students to be successful and the resources for faculty and staff to develop curriculum and deliver instruction that meets the unique needs of our learners.*

Social Emotional Learning: *We are committed to the development of the whole child by engaging students, staff, and families in opportunities that foster a safe and supportive school community.*

Diversity & Equity: *We will create a community where all members feel valued. In recognition of our diverse school community, we will ensure for all an equitable education experience in which race, ethnicity, class, gender identity, sexuality and disability are not predictors of student success.*

Fiscal Responsibility: *We will responsibly manage district resources to maximize opportunities for students while advocating for increased funding to better support the needs of our school community.*

Of Importance:

Our District Goals and the needs identified Align with many of the Allowable Categories Funded Under CRRSA

Our Plan To Date

GEER:

Implementation of Research Based Curriculum

Safety Measures to Support Ongoing Functionality

- **Aligned with allowable activities**
- **Assist in meeting the following Board Goals:**
 - **Student Achievement & Success**
 - **Diversity & Equity**
 - **Fiscal Responsibility**

Our Plan To Date

ESSER:

Continued Implementation of Research Based Curriculum

Implementation of Social Emotional Learning Curriculum

Professional Development & Supports for Staff

Provision of Mental Health Services and Supports

- **Aligned with allowable activities**
- **Assist in meeting the following Board Goals:**
 - **Student Achievement & Success**
 - **Social Emotional Learning**
 - **Diversity & Equity**
 - **Fiscal Responsibility**

Anticipated Uses of American Rescue Plan (ARP)

***Subject to change upon receipt of application & further information**

Specific to Learning Loss Requirement:

Academic Intervention Services Dedicated Specifically to Mathematics

Expanded & Targeted Summer Program Opportunities

Professional Development Opportunities to Support research Based Best Practice in Academics & Social Emotional Learning

Other (Inclusive of Instruction & Health & Safety):

Staffing to Address COVID Needs

- **Assist in meeting the following Board Goals:**
 - **Student Achievement & Success**
 - **Social Emotional Learning**
 - **Diversity & Equity**
 - **Fiscal Responsibility**

Keep In Mind

- There are still many unknowns
- We have planned based on what we know to be true at this moment in time
- As additional guidance & information is forthcoming we will adjust accordingly, and aligned with the same strategy
- This is a fluid plan that can and will change

Posting of Plan & Public Comment

This Plan is posted to the District Web Page www.menands.org

Specific Questions can be directed to Dr. Maureen A. Long

Public Comment will be accepted via the following email address:

BOEcomments @menands.org

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