ESSER III (ARP) – Use of Funds

2021-2024
Funding Details and Uses Over Three Years

- 20% are reserved to mitigate learning loss due to COVID-19 High Impact Tutoring & Summer Institute
- 60% are planned to for existing salaries at campuses (Deans) and Teaching & Learning staff
- 5% are planned for Scholar Culture Programs as determined by students, families, and staff
- 15% are budgeted for (Unrestricted) Indirect Costs (rate adjusted annually be TEA)
- Our guiding principle is that scholars have access to do activities in a high-quality way, we create programs that start to build distinction in a community (e.g., a primary band program) and we have a consistent experience across the PK-12, particularly within secondary
- Primary schools will receive $20 per enrolled scholar per year for 3 years
- Secondary schools will receive $40 per enrolled scholar per year for 3 years
- 2021-22 School year funds will be distributed once schools submit their plans for spending
- Over the next three years, funds will be released to each school as part of the annual process
Preparing to submit Scholar Culture Plans...

• Schools should conduct stakeholder feedback sessions (surveys/townhalls), to get community input on their plans.

• Schools can leverage feedback received from the family survey in the Spring of 2021, data is attached.
  • (Secondary schools who did not administer the survey should collect this input as part of their stakeholder input).

• Schools will need to consider the PK-12 and PS feeder through lines, to provide a consistent experience to scholars throughout their journey at Uplift.
  • K-12 Teams need to collaborate to ensure a consistent experience is available across secondary
  • MDs will review applications for alignment, and the Restricted Programs team will provide feedback on allowability.

• **Examples: Allowable vs. Unallowable**

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<th>Program</th>
<th>Yes or No</th>
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<td>Band, Show Choir, Drama Club, Athletics Team, Cheer, Chess Club, Robotics Yearbook, Debate</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Supplemental and requires purchasing instruments which campuses could potentially not afford without ESSER Funds.</td>
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<td>Tutoring Program, Afterschool tutoring</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Supplemental, but these could be purchased with Title funds or managed at the CMO level</td>
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<td>Girls or Boys Only Club</td>
<td>No</td>
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Scholar Culture Enhancement Fund Plan Form

• Application link for the ESSER III Scholar Culture Enhancement Request

• Please note: Secondary forms should be submitted together

• Campuses should complete the Procurement Checklist FY22 which requires 3 quotes for purchases on federal grants over $10K.

• Focus on utilizing existing vendors that have been vetted and approved.

• Legal, Partnerships, and Risk concerns will need to be reviewed prior to signing or agreeing to any outside resource providing services to Uplift scholars.

• Use of Federal funds must comply with ESSER guidelines.

• Follow Supplemental Duty guidelines if additional compensation is part of your approved plan.

• Programs must be included in Plan4Learning and will be loaded once culture program requests are approved by your Managing Director.