

# ESSER III (ARP) – Use of Funds

2021-2024



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# Funding Details and Uses Over Three Years

- 20% are reserved to mitigate learning loss due to COVID19 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**

Program	Yes or No	Rationale
Band, Show Choir, Drama Club, Athletics Team, Cheer, Chess Club, Robotics Yearbook, Debate	Yes	Supplemental and requires purchasing instruments which campuses could potentially not afford without ESSER Funds.
Tutoring Program, Afterschool tutoring	No	Supplemental, but these could be purchased with Title funds or managed at the CMO level
Girls or Boys Only Club	No	Supplemental, but is gender restricting



# 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.