

CCIP Note #462

Re: ESSER II Preliminary Local Education Agency Allocations and Application Template

Date: January 22, 2021

To: Superintendents, Treasurers, Authorized Representatives, Fiscal Representatives and Consolidated Funding Application Contacts of ESSER Recipients

Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund II (ESSER II)

In the Spring of 2020, the U.S. Department of Education (USED) awarded more than \$13 billion in assistance to elementary and secondary schools through the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Recovery, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

On December 27, 2020, President Trump signed into law the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA), 2021, Public Law 116-260, which provides an additional \$54.3 billion for an ESSER II Fund.

The USED announced an additional **\$1,991,251,095** in ESSER II funds to Ohio.

Ohio's allocation is based on the proportion of funds that Ohio received under Part A of Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965 in Federal Fiscal Year 2020.

This new funding is intended to help states and school districts safely reopen schools, measure and effectively address significant learning loss, and take other actions to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on the students and families who depend on our K-12 schools.

Preliminary ESSER II Local Education Agency (LEA) Allocations

Preliminary ESSER II LEA allocations can be found [HERE](#).

These ESSER II preliminary allocations were determined from the proportion of funds that LEAs received under Part A of Title I of the ESEA of 1965 in the most recent fiscal year, in accordance with guidance from the USED.

Proposed ESSER II LEA Application

A separate application for ESSER II is required for various reasons, including the need to track and report the ESSER I and ESSER II funds separately. The ESSER II application will be housed in Fiscal Year 2022 within the Comprehensive Continuous Improvement Plan (CCIP).

A proposed ESSER II LEA Application can be found [HERE](#).

This template should help districts plan and prepare for the ESSER II application once it is available in the CCIP. The proposed ESSER II LEA Application above will become the ESSER II Budget Details page. An ESSER II Budget Grid will also need to be completed within the CCIP ESSER II application.

Additional Supports

Allocations and ESSER II Application: The Office of Federal Programs (OFP) anticipates allocating ESSER II to LEAs and opening the ESSER II application in the CCIP by the end of February, 2021.

ESSER II Guidance: OFP will provide guidance on ESSER II, including a Frequently Asked Questions document. Each Local Education Agency will also be assigned a federal programs consultant to assist in completing the ESSER II application.

USED Resources: The main source of information about the CARES Act and ESSER Fund is the USED. OFP will provide information as it is received. The USED COVID-19 website may be accessed [HERE](#). Key information documents are below and housed within the CCIP Document Library.

Resources:

- [Preliminary ESSER II LEA Allocations](#)
- [Proposed ESSER II Application](#)
- [USED ESSER II Cover Letter](#)
- [USED ESSER II Fact Sheet](#)
- [USED ESSER II State Allocations](#)

If you have questions, contact your federal programs consultant or email federalprograms@education.ohio.gov.