

## Griswold Community School District ESSER III Plan

On March 11, 2021, President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021 into law. The ARP Act authorized a third round of emergency coronavirus relief to schools across the county through the Elementary and Secondary School Relief Fund (ESSER III). These funds are allocated to school districts to help safely reopen schools, sustain the safe operation of schools, and address the impact of the coronavirus pandemic on students.

The allocation for the Griswold Community School District is \$691,032. Districts may use these funds for expenses occurred from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023. Additionally, each district must reserve not less than 20% (\$138,206) of such funds to address learning loss through the implementation of evidence-based interventions in response to impact resulting from the coronavirus pandemic.

In order for districts to receive these funds, they must make a plan for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services publicly available on its website. The Griswold CSD submitted a compliant “Return-to-Learn” Plan by July 1, 2020 to the Iowa Department of Education. This plan was reviewed and revised, while seeking public comment, during the open meeting of the Griswold Board of Education on August 16, 2021.

Also, during the August 16, 2021 open meeting of the Griswold Board of Education, public comment was sought on how to use the ESSER III funding to meet the needs of the Griswold CSD stakeholders. The following plan outlines the priorities as a result. It should be noted that the Griswold Board of Directors are aware that this plan may need to be updated and/or revised as the COVID-19 pandemic progresses.

### **Budget:**

<u>Item</u>	<u>2020-21</u>	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2022-23</u>
Substitute Staff Due To COVID Leave	\$10,064	\$10,000	\$10,000
Certified Staff (per diem) On COVID Leave	\$16,478	\$16,000	\$16,000
Employee Benefits On COVID Leave	\$6,457	\$6,000	\$6,000
Cleaning Products And Supplies	\$6,495	\$6,000	\$6,000
Instructional Support For Title I Students	\$14,220	\$14,000*	\$14,000*
Literacy Intervention Support	\$4,515*	\$8,640*	\$8,640*
Lexia Subscription (Literacy Intervention)	0	\$1,500*	\$1,500*
Classroom supplies / equipment / furniture / instructional materials*	0	\$85,000	\$85,000

- All teachers will have the opportunity to access these funds. A committee consisting of two teachers from each building will be formed to review proposals. The committee will then make purchasing recommendations to the administration. The proposals must be submitted to the committee by September 15, 2021, December 15, 2021, September 15, 2022 and December 15, 2022 to be considered.

<u>Item</u>	<u>2020-21</u>	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2022-23</u>
Additional Elementary Teacher	0	\$53,714	\$56,000
Summer School	\$3,000*	\$3,000*	\$3,000*
Curriculum - TBD	0	\$30,000*	\$30,000*
Credit Recovery Programs	\$3,500*	\$3,500*	\$3,500*
Professional Development (CKH)	0	\$15,000	\$15,000
Technology Purchases	0	\$50,000	\$50,000
Increased Nurse Time (as needed)	0	\$10,000	\$10,000

\* Indicates use of reserved funds to address learning loss

Learning Loss Total = \$132,295

Grand Total = \$691,723

If you have any questions or concern regarding the ESSER III Plan for the Griswold Community School District, please contact Superintendent David Henrichs at 712-778-2152.