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BELLE VALLEY SCHOOL District 119 ARP ESSER III FEDERAL GRANT

Introduction

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act statute requires that Local Education Authorities develop and make publicly available the plans for the use of funds for the disbursement of ESSER III funds. Here is a summary of Belle Valley School's plan for ESSER III funding.

1. The intent of this plan is to describe how the District will use ESSER III funds to bring back in-person learning while addressing the academic, social, emotional, and physical well-being of all students.
2. Belle Valley School District 119 will use ARP ESSER III funds to implement prevention and mitigation strategies in line with most recent CDC guidance, to operate our school continuously and safely for in-person learning.
3. Use of funds will address the academic impact of lost instructional time through implementation of evidence-based strategies.
4. ARP ESSER III funds will be used to focus on student groups most impacted by the pandemic, as evidence through assessment scores, and support educators and other school staff as they address the unfinished learning needs of students.
5. Funds will help teachers respond to academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of all students, and particularly those disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.
6. The school will engage in meaningful consultation with stakeholders through electronic, public board meetings, and small group meetings.
7. ARP-ESSER III funds will be used to support students that most likely have experienced the impact of lost instructional time on student learning.
8. Funding will be allocated for district-wide activities based on student needs.
9. Belle Valley will implement an equitable and inclusive return to in-person instruction by creating a positive and supportive learning environment for all students.



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Belle Valley School District 119 planned use of funds from the ARP-ESSER III grant are as follows:

1. Salaries will go toward hiring additional staff for class size reduction to support learning loss. Teachers will be able to provide additional small group activities and more individualized attention within the classroom setting with smaller class sizes. The additional individualized and small group focus will provide students the needed support for prior learning loss.
2. ESSER III funds will provide salaries, supplies, and transportation for summer school enrichment activities. Summer school will be in-person and food and transportation will be provided.
3. An RTI coordinator salary will be used to support student learning loss (provide small group pull-out support) and Tier I and II interventions.
4. A math coach salary will be used to develop and support learning gaps created by covid learning loss in mathematics.
5. Two, fine arts teacher salaries will provide broader learning outlets for non-traditional subject areas.
6. An RTI/Curriculum Coach salary will be used to support learning loss (provide small group pull-out support) and curriculum development.
7. The District will update the English Language Arts core learning curriculum textbooks and support materials to ensure we are using the most up-to-date curriculum for learning loss.
8. The District will upgrade and purchase additional technology devices and classroom technology support devices for student online engagement.
9. The District will repair and replace necessary components of the HVAC system to ensure proper filtering and ventilation of the school building air.
10. The District will update the playground area to promote as much outdoor fresh air time as possible.