

Hamilton CCSD #328 ARP-ESSER III

In March 2021, the American Rescue Plan (ARP) was signed into law. The ARP dedicated \$122 billion to the Elementary and Secondary School Education Relief (ESSER) Fund. This grant is known as ESSER III. The intent and purpose of ESSER III is to help safely reopen and sustain the safe operation of schools and address the impact of the coronavirus on students.

Hamilton CCSD #328 Has been allotted \$1,402,045.00 in ARP-ESSER III Funds. We are applying to receive those funds based on feedback from stakeholder groups and inputs. The funds are supplemental to the school district budget and will be used to address the impact of COVID-19 on our students. We plan to use \$529,257.17 for the staffing and benefit costs related to summer programming, additional intervention and special education supports and addressing staff shortages and quality instructional delivery during the pandemic. \$729,630 has been allocated for the upgrade of the HVAC systems at the high school, to improve air quality and control. \$143,157.80 has been allocated to replace an aged gymnasium floor to allow for continued, healthy activities.

Plan feedback was afforded at school Board meetings and public comment during meetings. The board offered final guidance on the plan.