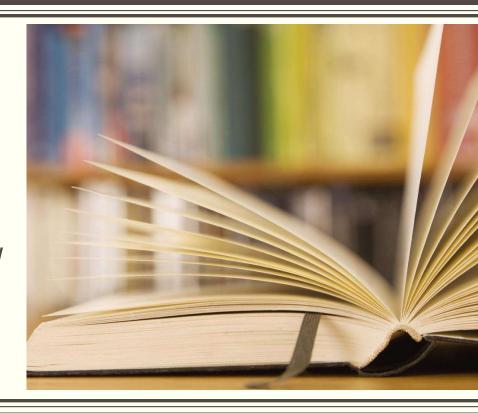


## HERITAGE ACADEMY ARP-ESSER III GRANT

STAKEHOLDER CONTINUED CONSULTATION/GRANT REVIEW VIRTUAL MEETING III

w/Community Stakeholders

Thursday, June 1, 2023 10:00 a.m.



## American Rescue Plan (ARP) Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER III) - Public Meeting Agenda

- Purpose Public Meeting & Stakeholder Survey
- Purpose of Grant Funds
- Grant Fund Entitlement for Heritage Academy Charter School District
- Grant Fund Requirements for Texas School Districts
- Federal Grants Committee
- Proposed Uses of ESSER III Grant Funds
- Opportunity for Questions & Public Comments

## PURPOSE OF PUBLIC MEETING & STAKEHOLDER SURVEY

## Purpose of Public Meeting & Stakeholder Survey

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) signed into law in March by President Joe Biden included \$122 billion in Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds for school districts across the country.

Heritage Academy Charter School District is eligible to apply and receive some of that funding.

Heritage Academy is requesting feedback from our community stakeholders through public comment regarding how best to use the ESSER III funds and other federal grants to address the needs of our school community, specifically, to help students, staff, and families recover from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The district requests that stakeholders complete the ESSER III Stakeholder Survey (Click survey link on homepage of District website) to provide comments and specific feedback regarding the use of the grant funds.





### Purpose of ESSER III Grant Funds

The purpose of ESSER III Grant Funding in general is to award subgrants to local educational agencies (LEAs) such as Heritage Academy to address the impact that COVID-19 has had, and continues to have, on elementary and secondary schools.

Academics

Child Nutrition

Staff Development

Health &

Special Programs Mental Health

Technology

# ESSER III GRANT FUND ENTITLEMENT HERITAGE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

### ESSER III Grant Fund Entitlement Heritage Academy Charter School District

Heritage Academy Charter School District received ESSER III Grant Funds in the amount of: \$1,351,392 supplement efforts to help students, parents, and families recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic throughout the next three years.

## GRANT FUND REQUIREMENTS FOR TEXAS SCHOOL DISTRICTS

### Grant Fund Requirements for Texas School Districts

The LEA must engage in meaningful consultation with stakeholders and give the public an opportunity to provide input in the development of its plan for the uses of ARP ESSER III funds.

The LEA must provide its plan for the uses of ARP ESSER III funds in an understandable and uniform format.

The LEA's plan for the uses of ARP ESSER III funds will be posted to the LEA's website within 30 days of receiving its ESSER III Notice of Grant Award. Funds may be used for allowable activities from March 13, 2020 (with approved pre-award) through Sept. 30, 2023.

#### LEAs must expend a minimum of 20 percent of their grant funds on:

- 1. Evidence-based interventions, such as summer learning, extended day comprehensive after school programs, or extended school year programs.
- 2. Ensure interventions respond to students 'academic, social, and emotional needs.
- 3. Address the disproportionate impact of coronavirus on student populations as defined in ESEA, Title I, Part A, students experiencing homelessness, and youth in foster care.

## FEDERAL GRANTS COMMITTEE

### Federal Grants Committee – Members & Responsibilities

The Heritage Academy Federal Grants Committee is comprised of community stakeholders to include district and school administrators, teachers, support staff, parents, special programs (SPED, ESL, Sec. 504/Dyslexia, GT, Homeless, Foster Care, & CTE), and Community partners.

The Federal Grants Committee will review the District's comprehensive needs assessment, multiple student data sources, and public comments in order to inform development of a Return to Instruction & Continuity of Services Plan required to apply for the ESSER III grant funds.



## PROPOSED USES OF ESSER III GRANT FUNDS

### Proposed Use of ESSER III Grant Funds



Aligned activities that are currently part of the district's improvement plans, goals, and strategies will be considered in the grant application. A qualitative review of local learning plans revealed the following trends and suggestions, including but not limited to:

- •**Professional Development:** comprehensive Reading Academies, high-quality instructional materials, dyslexia training, professional development stipends, technology integration training;
- •Extended Instructional Time: extended day, high-dosage tutoring, & summer learning;
- •Staffing: tutors, reduced class sizes, small group instruction, staff retention/incentive efforts, after school enrichment programs, instructional coaching & leadership;
- Facilities: ventilation and cleaning;
- •**Technology:** devices, learning management systems, digital tools, educational application;
- •Mental Health and Behavioral Supports: counseling services, teacher training and programming, wrap-around and community partnerships.

## OPPORTUNITY FOR QUESTIONS & PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Please feel free to leave any comments or suggestions in the chat area regarding how to best use the ESSER III grant funds. All public comments and suggestions will be reviewed by the Federal Grants Committee for consideration and inclusion in the grant application.

You may also call or email comments to the Federal Grants Director for Heritage Academy (see last slide for contact information).

A copy of this presentation will also be on our District website in English & Spanish. Translated copies of the presentation in other languages will be provided upon request in writing.





## THANK YOU FOR SUPPORT!!

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