

**CONCORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**CONCORD-CARLISLE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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To:    Concord Carlisle School Committee

Re:    ESSER III Funds Update

Date:   October 8, 2021

As part of The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, an educational portion of the federal funding was allocated to schools known as the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER III). Massachusetts then distributed the funds to local school districts. The allocations for the district is as follows:

Concord Carlisle Regional School District	\$193,025
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The funds are available through September 30, 2024. Fund requirements include:

- District plan to safely reopen schools
- Spending 20% of funds to mitigate lost instructional time
- Plan as to how remaining 80% will be spent
- Consultation with stakeholders to determine local priorities
- Assurance of how interventions will respond to academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs
- Consideration of those disproportionately impacted including low-income families, students of color, English learners, and students with disabilities

As mentioned, the grant deadline was October 4, 2021. A survey was developed and distributed to staff and families. We also considered current services and needs identified since the FY22 budget was developed. The grant submission outlined the following. The grant request does not require a breakdown down of the allocation into specific fiscal years.

Summer School	\$ 15,000	offset to current budgeted amount
Reading Specialist	\$178,025	offset FY22 summer addition