



**OAKLAND UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Community Schools, Thriving Students

COVID Relief Funding

Office of Charter Schools

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Agenda



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- Background + Overview of Major Funding Sources
- Eligible Uses of COVID Relief Funds
- Relief Amounts for Oakland Charter Schools
- Expenditure + Use of Funds by Schools

Background: COVID Relief Funding

A myriad of federal agencies have received funding. For the most part, the largest segment of federal funding for education has gone towards to the K-12 sector.

At the outset, the funds were intended to help the U.S. educational system “prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.”

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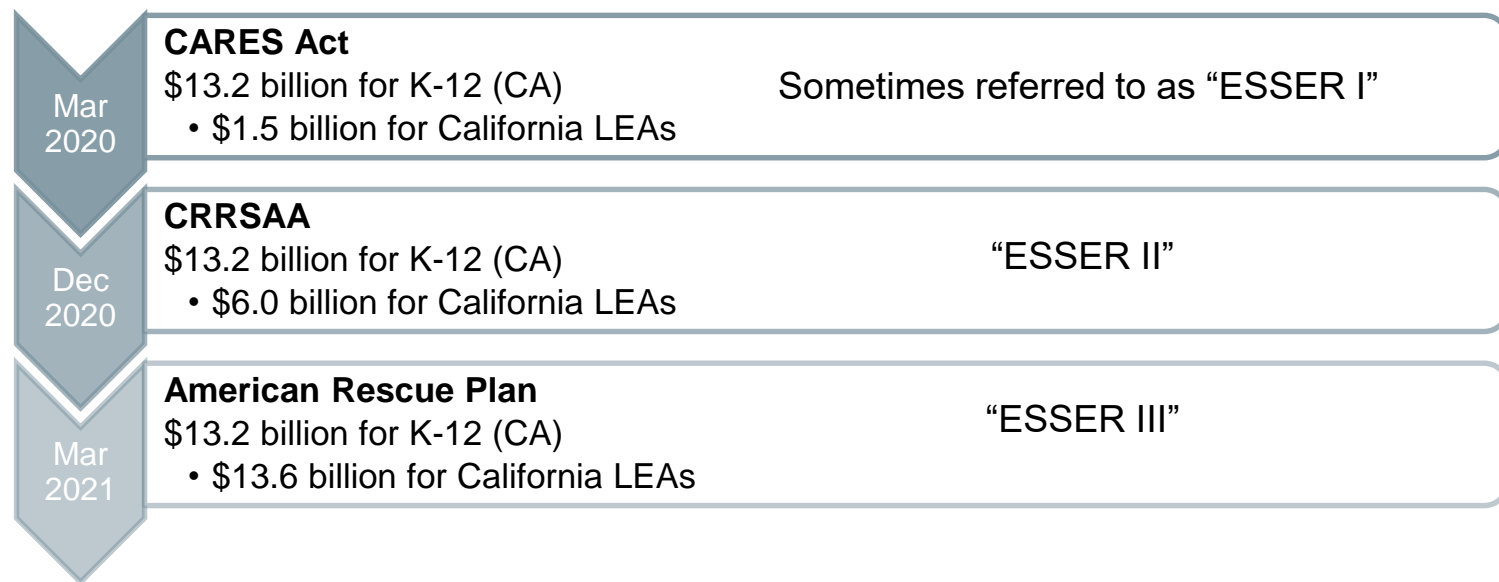
Local Education
Agencies
(LEAs)

Private Schools

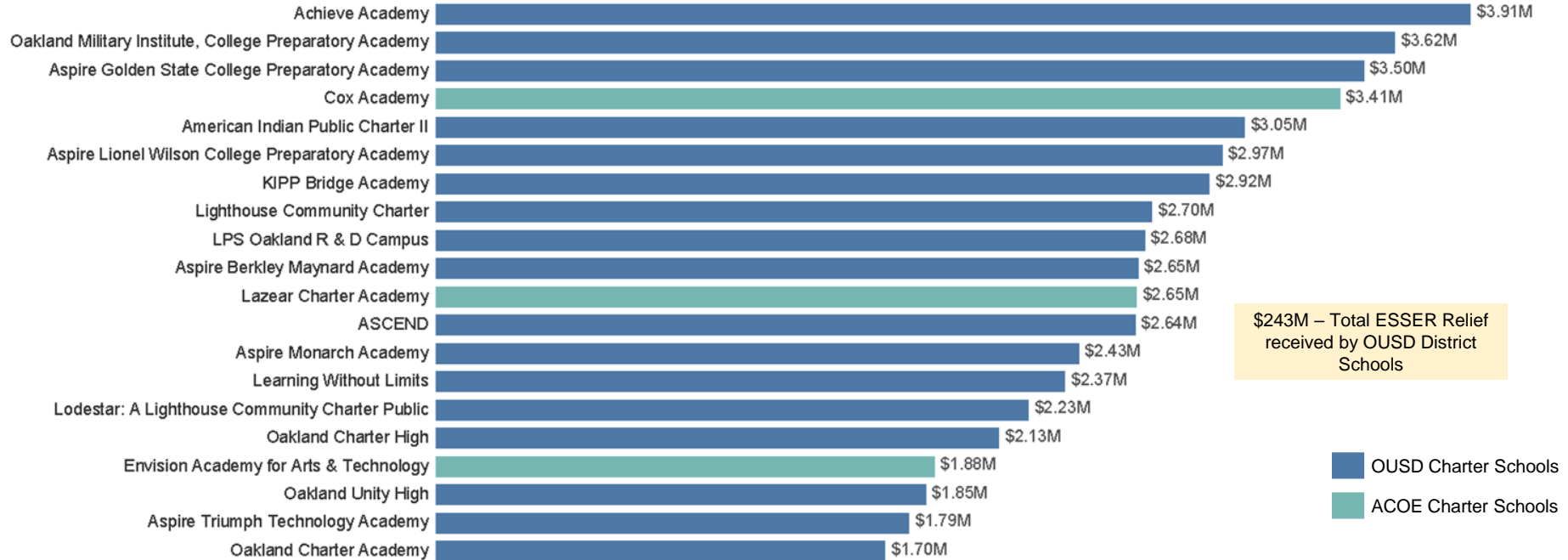
Institutions of
Higher Learning
(IHEs)

Overview: Congressional ESSER Funding

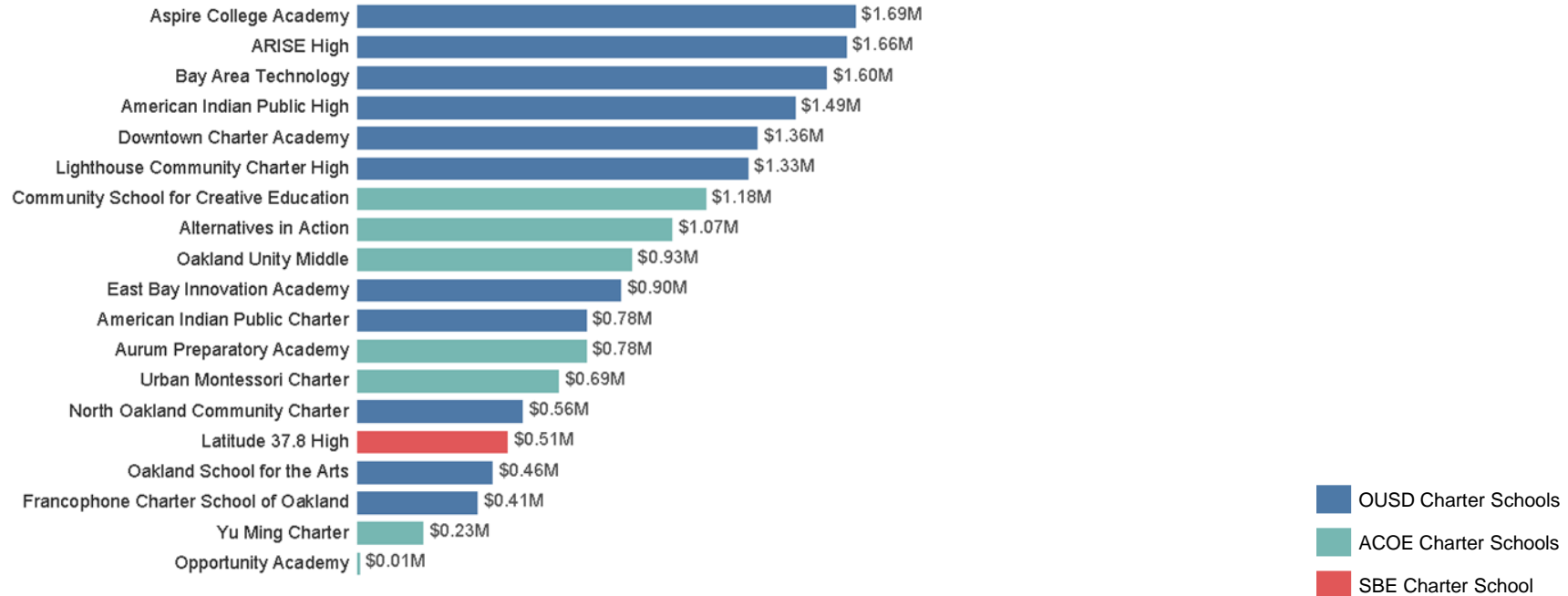
To date, K-12 funding has primarily come from three legislative acts:
(1) CARES, (2) CRRSAA, and (3) the American Rescue Plan.



Total ESSER Relief for Oakland Charters (1 of 2)

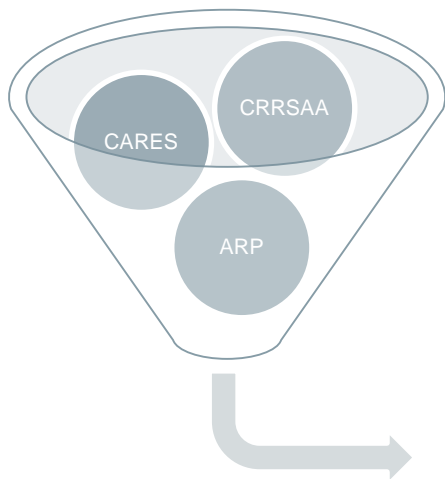


Total ESSER Relief for Oakland Charters (2 of 2)



Eligible Uses of ESSER Funds

In general, ESSER funding was intended to: support remote learning, provide support services, protect education jobs, provide institutional support, and provide postsecondary grant aid.



FUNDS COULD BE USED FOR A VARIETY OF OVERLAPPING PURPOSES, INCLUDING:

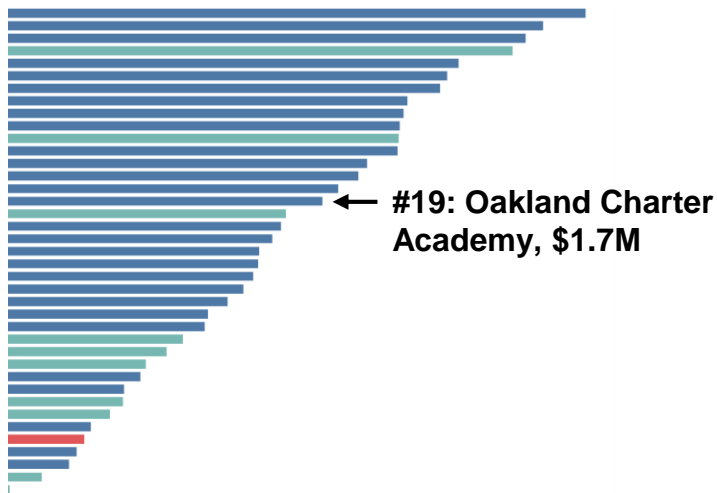
- COVID Preparedness
- Technology Acquisition
- Mental Health Services
- Activities related to Summer Learning
- “Any activity authorized by the ESEA of 1965...” and other various federal education laws

Funds provided to LEAs under the ESSER Fund can be used for a multitude of purposes. Under the ARPA, however, LEAs must reserve at least 20% of their funds to address learning loss before using funds for other activities.

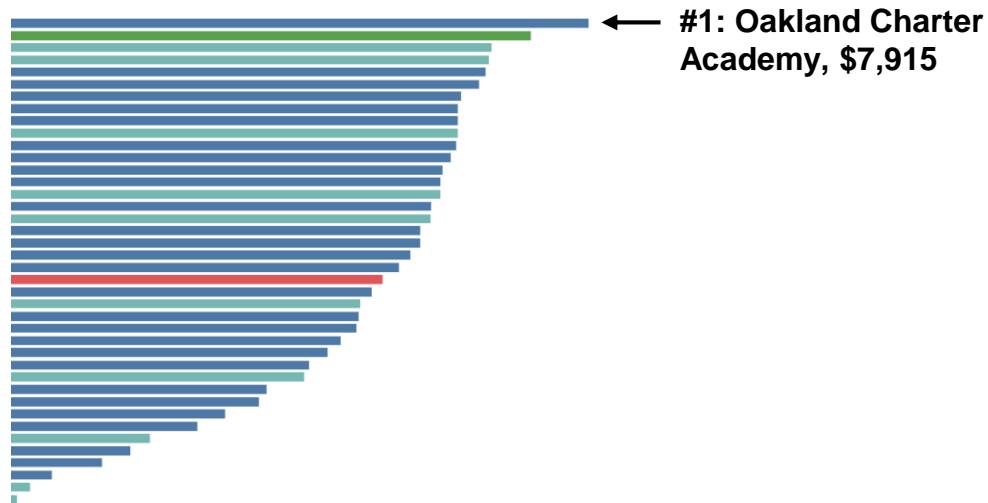
Total ESSER funding: Per-Student Basis

In order to better understand and compare relief funding among charter schools, the total amount of funding received is presented here in a per-student basis.

TOTAL FUNDING



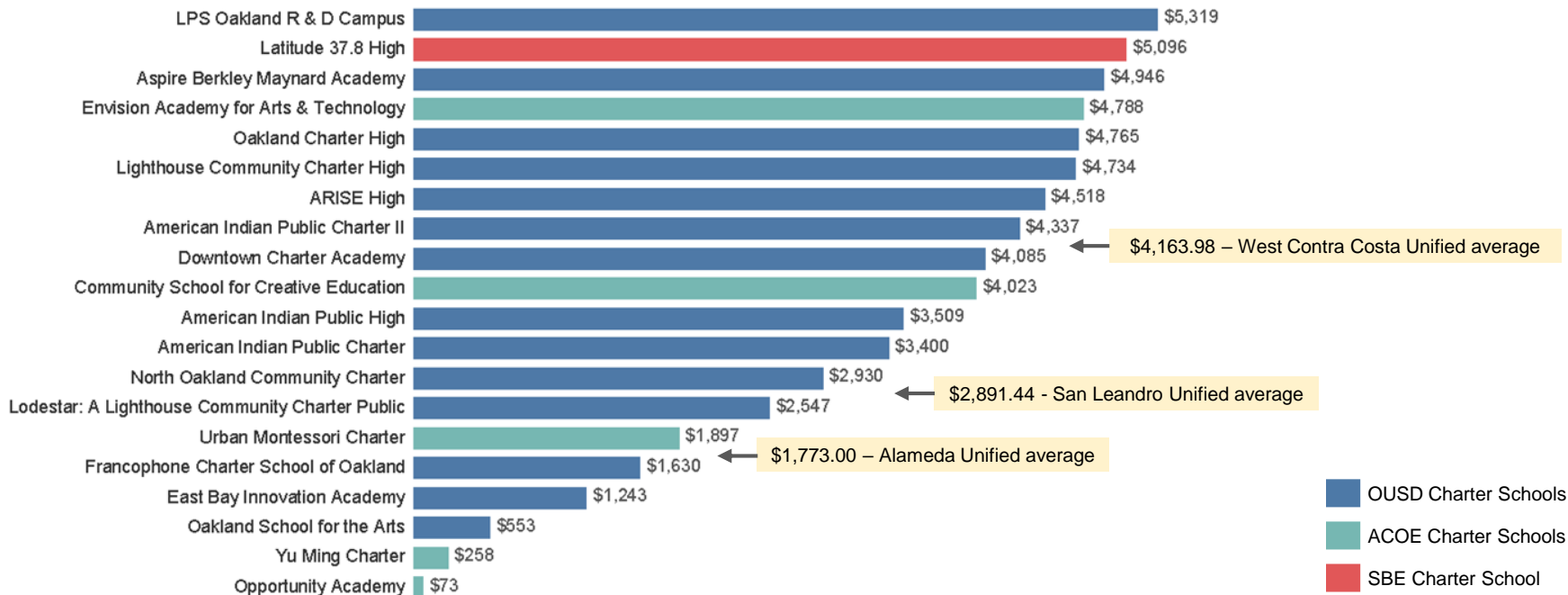
PER-STUDENT FUNDING



ESSER Funding: Per-Student Basis (1 of 2)



ESSER Funding: Per-Student Basis (2 of 2)



Overview: Paycheck Protection Program

Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans provided an additional source of funding for charter schools during the pandemic. This program was established by the CARES Act.

PPP was a loan program designed to help organizations continue to pay their workers during the pandemic through a low-interest loan.

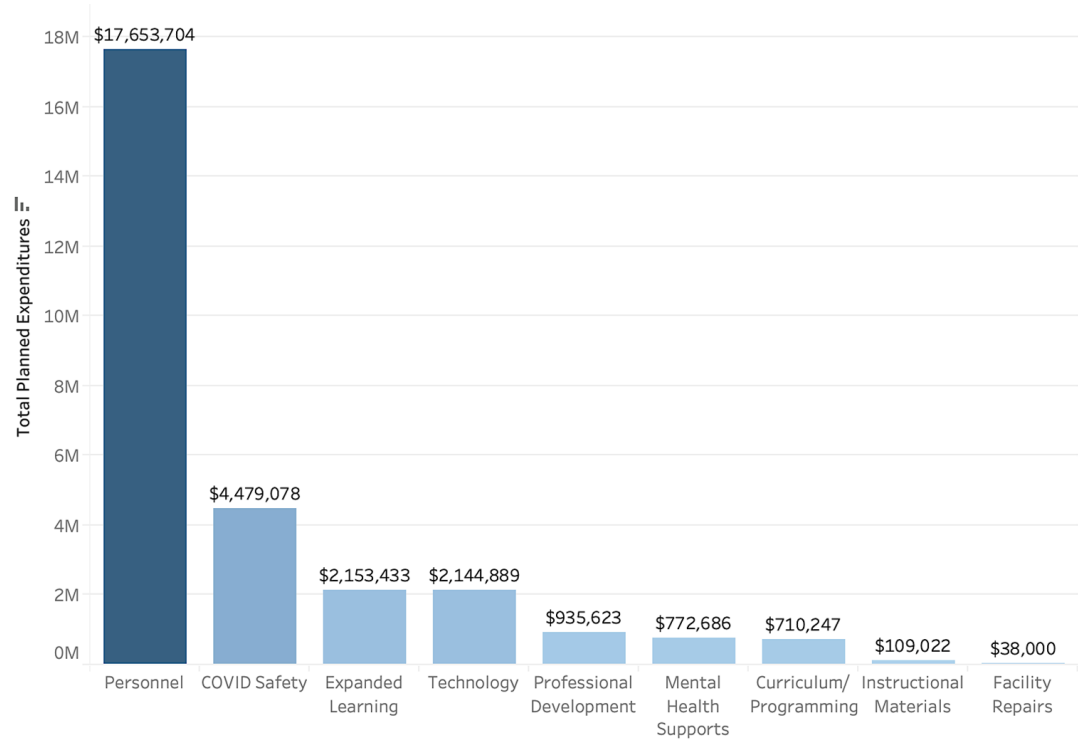
- 18 of the 28 OUSD-authorized charter schools received loans (and were all fully forgiven).

| School/CMO | |
|---|-------------|
| Alternatives in Action* | \$245,072 |
| American Indian Model Schools (3) | \$1,900,000 |
| Amethod Public Schools (3) | \$1,250,000 |
| Community School for Creative Education* | \$428,488 |
| Conservatory of Vocal & Instrumental Arts.. | \$184,900 |
| East Bay Innovation Academy | \$952,534 |
| Education for Change (3, Non-OUSD)* | \$2,909,080 |
| Education for Change (3, OUSD) | \$2,350,000 |
| Francophone Charter School | \$421,800 |
| Leadership Public School R & D (1) | \$782,000 |
| Lighthouse Community Public Schools (3) | \$2,400,000 |
| North Oakland Community Charter School | \$221,800 |
| Oakland Military Institute | \$1,879,000 |
| Oakland School for the Arts | \$1,480,201 |
| Urban Montessori* | \$729,014 |
| Yu Ming* | \$530,400 |

*Authorized by ACOE or SBE

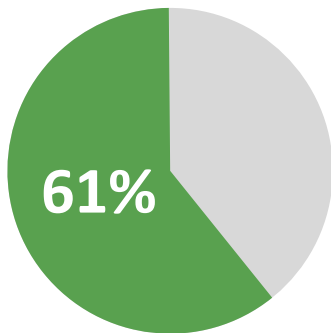
OUSD Charter Schools: ESSER III Expenditures

The largest category for ESSER III Fund expenditures was “Personnel” with “COVID Safety” (including cleaning supplies, HVAC upgrades, and PPE) as the second largest.



Source: School-submitted ESSER III Expenditure Plans

ESSER III Expenditures: Personnel Spending



Of Charter ESSER III Funds were slated to be spent on Personnel (Approximately \$17.6 million on new staff, temporary staff, or stipends for current staff)

| PERSONNEL TYPE | # OF SCHOOLS |
|---|--------------|
| Classroom Support (Interventionists, Tutors, etc.) | 18 |
| Teachers (Hiring/Retention) | 11 |
| Office Staff (Operations, Attendance Clerks, etc.) | 9 |
| COVID Safety Positions | 8 |
| Custodial Staff | 6 |
| Student Health and Well-Being (Counselors, Social Workers, etc.) | 6 |
| Director Positions | 2 |
| Special Education | 2 |
| Expanded Learning (Afterschool, Enrichment, etc.) | 2 |
| School Safety (School Safety Office, Culture Keeper, etc.) | 1 |

ESSER III Expenditures: Other Themes

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| 01 | SEL and Mental Health | 11 schools planned to use ESSER III funds to address student mental health and well-being through counselors, curriculum, professional development, and programming. |
| 02 | Expanded Learning | 12 schools planned to use ESSER III funds for expanded learning opportunities. Summer School programming was particularly common among middle/high schools. |
| 03 | Technology | 13 schools planned to use ESSER III funds for technology including both equipment and methods for integrating technology into the physical classroom. |

Discussion & Questions



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