



ESSER Updates

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CARES ESSER I

- All funds have been allocated.
- As of August 13, 2021, over 75% of funds have been spent

CRRSA/ESSER II – Advance Lump Sum

- FDOE anticipates extending project period through 9/30/23
- Legislative Budget Commission must approve additional budget authority to extend project period.
- LBC will meet in September; FDOE will issue extensions asap after LBC approves additional budget authority
- Program Period for all ESSER II programs will be through 9/30/23

CRRSA/ESSER II FAQs

Q: Can the district pay “bonuses” to staff not eligible for the state disaster relief payment?

A: Yes. See Chancellor Oliva’s memo dated 7/2/21
<https://www.fldoe.org/em-response/educator-relief.shtml>

- For disaster relief, seek tax guidance;
- For bonus payment, see USED FAQ dated May 2021
<https://oese.ed.gov/offices/american-rescue-plan/american-rescue-planelementary-and-secondary-school-emergency-relief/resources/>

CRRSA/ESSER II FAQs

Non-Enrollment Assistance:

Q: If a charter school within an LEA has zero “unaccounted students,” does that charter school receive an allocation?

- If district is using 100% of funds for non-enrollment, No;
- If district is using a portion for “other purposes,” charter school will receive proportionate share of the funds used for other purposes

CRRSA/ESSER II FAQs

Q: The LEA will not use all of the funds in the Non-Enrollment Assistance or Academic Assistance grants. Do we transfer these funds to the Lump Sum grant?

A: No. CRRSA ESSER II funds cannot be transferred between projects.

Q: For Non-Enrollment and Academic Acceleration, can funds be used for other purposes?

A: Yes. If LEA determines funds are not needed for Non-Enrollment or Academic Acceleration, LEA can use funds for other allowable purposes. LEA must provide basis for that determination and describe the amount and allowable activities that will be funded.

CRRSA/ESSER II FAQs

Q: For Technology Assistance, can funds be used for other purposes or transferred to other projects?

A: If an LEA proposes to use Technology Assistance funds for allowable purposes other than authorized in the General Appropriations Act, it must submit a proposal to the Department. A legislative budget amendment would be required to authorize a different use of funds.



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