American Rescue Plan ESSER III Updates
Topics of Discussion

Safe Return Plan (Return to Learn) Six Month Review

Updating Your ARP ESSER Uses of Funds and Budget

ARP ESSER III Funding Guidance
Safe Return Plan
(Return to Learn)
Six Month Review
Safe Return Plan (Return to Learn)

• Section 2001(i)(1) of the ARP requires each LEA that receives ARP ESSER funds to develop and make publicly available on the LEA’s website, not later than 30 days after receiving ARP ESSER funds, a plan for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services for all schools, including those that have already returned to in-person instruction. Section 2001(i)(2) of the ARP requires that the LEA seek public comment on the plan and take those comments into account in the development of the plan. Finally, section 2001(i)(3) of the ARP provides that an LEA that developed a plan for the safe return to in-person instruction prior to the date of enactment may be deemed to meet the requirement to develop such a plan so long as the plan meets the statutory requirements (is publicly available on the LEA’s website and was developed after seeking and accounting for public comment).
Period Review of Safe Return Plan

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Additional Plan Requirements

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Finally, the LEA’s return to in-person and continuity of services plan must be provided in an understandable and uniform format, written in a language that parents can understand or orally translated, to the extent practicable, and upon request by a parent who is an individual with a disability, provided in an alternative format accessible to that parent.
Questions to Ask

• Has my Safe Return Plan (Return to Learn) been updated in the last 6 months?

• Does my Safe Return Plan address CDC Guidance?

• Does my Safe Return Plan need changes at this time?
If No Changes are Needed

Please use the provided form to certify no changes are needed.

Safe Return Guidance – No Changes Necessary
Submitting Plan Updates to an Approved Application

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Upload Updated Plan or Form

### Safe Return Plan

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An LEA's plan must include how it will maintain the health and safety of students, educators and other LEA staff, and the extent to which it has adopted policies, a description of any such policies, on each of the CDC's safety recommendations. More particularly, the CDC safety recommendations that are to be addressed are:

1. Universal and correct wearing of masks;
2. Modifying facilities to allow for physical distancing (e.g., use of cohorts/podding);
3. Handwashing and respiratory etiquette;
4. Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation;
5. Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State, local, territorial, or Tribal health departments;
6. Diagnostic and screening testing;
7. Efforts to provide vaccinations to school communities;
8. Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies; and,
9. Coordination with State and local health officials.

Further, each plan must describe how the LEA will ensure a continuity of services, including but not limited to services to address students' academic needs and students' and staff social, emotional, mental health and other needs, which may include student health and food services. During the period of availability of ARP ESSER funds (September 30, 2024, includes the Tydings Amendment), an LEA must periodically, but no less frequently than every six months, review and, as appropriate, revise its plan. If the LEA revises its plan, the revised plan must address each of the aspects of safety currently recommended by the CDC or, if updated by the CDC, each of the updated recommendations.

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#### 1. Upload the LEA plan for safe return to in-person instruction.

Choose File: No file chosen

#### 2. Upload the LEA documentation for seeking for public comment (example, website public comments, stakeholder meeting minutes, School Board meeting public comments)

Choose File: No file chosen

#### 3. Enter the URL web address where the plan is located on the LEA Website

- **Date the plan was posted:** 6/14/2021
- **Revised Plan Date:** 6/14/2021

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**Note:** This document is a sample and does not reflect the actual content of the plan.
Questions About Safe Return Plan Update
Updating Your Uses of Funds
Step 1 - Meaningful Consultation Requirement

If a change significant change is necessary, you must engage in meaningful consultation.

• If change adds or removes expenditures or line items in the budget, meaningful consultation is needed.

• If slight changes to budgeted amounts change, but the overall intent and purpose remains the same, the previous meaningful consultation is sufficient.
Step 2 – Construction Application or Pre-Approval of Equipment

If the desired change requires a Construction Application or Pre-Approval of Items of $5000, gather that pre-approval prior to submitting changes.

- **COVID Construction Application**: send to COVIDConstruction@sde.ok.gov
- **Equipment over $5000**: send to ARPapproval@sde.ok.gov
Step 3 – Upload Plans to Your Website

Current Uses of Funds Plans and Return to Learn Plans should be posted on your District Website.

If the url / website location changes, send updated URL to Stormie.Honeysuckle@sde.ok.gov
Step 4 – Update Application in GMS

• If your application has been previously approved, please create an amendment.

• Upload updated plans under the Program Detail : ARP Plan Uses of Funds Tab.

• Title of Uploaded document should include "Updated" and the current date.
Step 4 – Continued

• Upload Meaningful Consultation Documentation if needed.

• Change the "Revised Plan Date"

• Change the URL if necessary
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