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Warren Local School District – American Rescue Plan Detailed Spending Plan

Warren Local School District will receive \$1,545,460.47 in federal funding through the Elementary and Secondary Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) and an additional \$2,951,929,22 in federal funding through the American Rescue Plan (ARP). The School District has developed the following plan through a community survey, administrative meetings, and Board of Education meetings. The School District believes the best use of the ARP funds need to address the following items:

- The District is committed to the continuity of services and addressing learning loss activities provided by the faculty and staff of the Warren Local School District as it was prior to the pandemic. The academic, social, emotional and mental health needs of the students is of utmost importance and the retaining of all FTE's that were available prior to the pandemic is essential to meeting these needs.
- The District believes that in person instruction is the best delivery for ultima learning; however, in the
 even that remote learning will be needed due to mandates related to the pandemic, ARP ESSER funds
 would be used to retain high quality teachers that provide the best possible instruction in those
 circumstances.
- In order to compensate for the learning loss students experienced during COVID, the district is going to provide summer school opportunities.

Conclusion

The Warren Local Board of Education and Administration have decided that the best way to address the above needs is to utilize the ARP ESSER funding to maintain the level of staff needed to properly educate students in a safe learning environment per CDC guidelines. This includes making sure needed staffing levels are maintained to carry our guidelines and oversee the policies and procedures put in place. The District is currently above minimum state standards for the number of teachers, and foundation fund teahcers employed by 28 positions; therefore, the District will be utilizing ESSER funds to maintain the continuity of services to our students by retaining 100% of the positions that were employed before the pandemic and above state minimum standards. The District has also set aside ARP ESSER dollars to support the transportation of students with a disability and student's at-risk so they are able to participate in summer extension programs without being negatively affected by barriers outside of their control. The District will be spending the full amount of the grant award on these items addressing the learning loss of our students (thus meeting the 20% set-aside requirement for learning loss) and will help to prevent/respond to the spread of COVID.

