South Carolina Department of Education Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund

Authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES ACT), Public Law 116-136

Introduction

Section 18003(b) of the CARES Act requires the United State Department of Education (USED) to allocate the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER Fund) based on the proportion that each state received under Title I, Part A in the most recent fiscal year. However, Section 1122(c)(3) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) prohibits the USED from considering the Title I, Part A hold harmless provisions in ESEA Section 1122 in calculating state or local allocations for any other program administered by the Secretary, including the ESSER Fund. Therefore, to determine the ESSER Fund allocations, the USED used the federal fiscal year (FFY) 2019 state shares of Title I, Part A allocations without the application of the hold harmless provisions in ESEA Section 1122.

The CARES Act requires that the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) allocate not less than 90 percent of the grant funds awarded to the state as subgrants to local educational agencies (LEAs) (including charter schools that are LEAs) in proportion to the amount of funds that the LEAs received under Title I, Part A of the ESEA of 1965 (reauthorized as the Every Student Succeeds Act, or ESSA) based upon FFY 2019. Please be mindful that the FFY 2019 year is the 2020 South Carolina state fiscal year (SFY). Therefore, ESSER allocations are based on districts' 2020 Title I allocation.

Methodology

Under the CARES Act, the SCDE was appropriated \$216,311,518, of which \$194,680,042 is required to flow through to LEAs as subgrants. The SCDE can retain no more than \$21,631,116 for state-level activities related to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), of which \$1,081,556 may be used for administrative costs.¹

The SCDE determined the proportion of SFY 2020 Title I, Part A funds awarded to each district to the total amount of SFY 2020 Title I, Part A flow-through funds in the state to determine the amount of ESSER Funds to be subgranted to each LEA.

District	ESSER Allocation
ABBEVILLE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$818,133
AIKEN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$6,671,792
ALLENDALE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$819,064
ANDERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT 01	\$1,249,493
ANDERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT 02	\$709,505
ANDERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT 03	\$903,278
ANDERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT 04	\$506,157
ANDERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT 05	\$2,960,960
BAMBERG SCHOOL DISTRICT 01	\$452,151

LEA Allocation Table

¹ <u>https://oese.ed.gov/files/2020/04/ESSER-Fund-State-Allocations-Table.pdf</u>

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BAMBERG SCHOOL DISTRICT 02	\$485,689
BARNWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT 19	\$458,919
BARNWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT 29	\$466,269
BARNWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT 45	\$947,799
BEAUFORT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$4,903,078
BERKELEY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$6,789,076
CALHOUN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$506,478
CHARLESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$13,408,022
CHEROKEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$2,299,855
CHESTER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$1,751,185
CHESTERFIELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$2,338,653
CLARENDON SCHOOL DISTRICT 01	\$491,221
CLARENDON SCHOOL DISTRICT 02	\$1,337,382
CLARENDON SCHOOL DISTRICT 03	\$252,588
COLLETON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$2,547,354
DARLINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$3,751,099
DILLON SCHOOL DISTRICT 03	\$498,988
DILLON SCHOOL DISTRICT 04	\$2,051,058
DORCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT 02	\$3,528,306
DORCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT 04	\$561,695
EDGEFIELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$747,036
FAIRFIELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$996,078
FLORENCE SCHOOL DISTRICT 01	\$4,518,836
FLORENCE SCHOOL DISTRICT 02	\$460,919
FLORENCE SCHOOL DISTRICT 03	\$1,431,839
FLORENCE SCHOOL DISTRICT 04	\$560,267
FLORENCE SCHOOL DISTRICT 05	\$407,152
GEORGETOWN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$2,608,344
GREENVILLE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$19,306,291
GREENWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT 50	\$3,137,514
GREENWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT 51	\$353,305
GREENWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT 52	\$324,211
HAMPTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 01	\$646,414
HAMPTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 02	\$498,733
HORRY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$14,010,483
JASPER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$1,690,984
KERSHAW COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$2,028,310
LANCASTER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$2,807,958
LAURENS SCHOOL DISTRICT 55	\$1,657,711
LAURENS SCHOOL DISTRICT 56	\$929,325

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LEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$1,115,230
LEXINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 01	\$3,008,241
LEXINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 02	\$2,271,690
LEXINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 03	\$666,656
LEXINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 04	\$1,265,325
LEXINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 05	\$1,629,882
MARION SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$2,581,151
MARLBORO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$1,733,039
MCCORMICK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$304,181
NEWBERRY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$1,720,467
OCONEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$2,183,465
ORANGEBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$5,751,695
PICKENS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$2,757,516
RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT 01	\$8,218,511
RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT 02	\$3,957,165
SALUDA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$666,168
SPARTANBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT 01	\$990,259
SPARTANBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT 02	\$1,717,396
SPARTANBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT 03	\$561,870
SPARTANBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT 04	\$590,508
SPARTANBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT 05	\$1,117,563
SPARTANBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT 06	\$2,384,553
SPARTANBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT 07	\$2,354,626
SUMTER SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$5,582,590
UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$1,202,506
WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$3,082,681
YORK SCHOOL DISTRICT 01	\$1,297,747
YORK SCHOOL DISTRICT 02	\$790,427
YORK SCHOOL DISTRICT 03	\$3,939,791
YORK SCHOOL DISTRICT 04	\$633,220
SC PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$3,112,002
PALMETTO UNIFIED	\$11,434
DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE	\$162,888
CHARTER INSTITUTE AT ERSKINE	\$1,730,637
TOTAL ESSER SUBGRANT FUNDS	\$194,680,042