



ESSER III Implementation Plan



The use of ESSER III funds will respond to the **academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs** of all students, especially **those disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19** pandemic including:

- students from low-income families
 - students of color
 - English learners
 - students with disabilities
 - students experiencing homelessness
 - students in foster care
 - migratory students
 - students who are incarcerated
 - other underserved students

The Winthrop Public School District has reserved 20% of the ESSER III allocation to address learning loss as a result of COVID-19 educational disruptions. This part of the funding supports diagnostic assessments and interventions, curriculum upgrades and supplemental program adoption along with class size reduction.

We will support Social Emotional Learning (SEL) district wide and support meeting needs of special student populations:

- Supporting each school with an additional adjustment counselor
- Adding an SEL assessment to be given 3 times a year at all levels
- Providing Mental health services w/community support through CASA
- Instituting G.O.A.L.S. Program at Winthrop High School
- Diversion Program

We will support extra-curricular activities for all students implementing new programs such as:

- District Chess Program
- Middle School Athletics
- Elementary Afterschool Enrichment Programs
- Allies Club

Supporting Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) work across the district:

- Support for classroom libraries offering diversity and equity in all aspects of authors, characters, races, and storylines.
- Supporting a district DEI team with representation from each building

We will reduce Food Insecurity by providing equal access and ensuring good nutrition for all students.

- Institution of new point of sale program
- Implementation of new Free – Breakfast in the Classroom Program

Continue to support the growth and equitable access to technology for all students both in school and at home:

- Purchase additional Touchscreens, Laptops, Chromebooks
- Establish stronger internet connectivity in all schools – upgrade school building access to high-speed internet and stronger access points

Support ongoing top Heating and HVAC requirements for our school:

- HVAC Upgrades
- Roof and Window Repairs
- Conversion of heat systems to gas
- Upgrades to outside spaces
- Communication/safety upgrades