Flemington-Raritan Regional School District Superintendent's Report Dr. Kari McGann December 12, 2022

Use of Recovery Funds to Advance Student Learning Loss



Superintendent's Report: District Enrollment*



J.P. Case Middle School
Reading-Fleming Intermediate School
Francis A. Desmares Elementary School420 K - grade 4 students (one less student than last reported)
Copper Hill Elementary
Robert Hunter Elementary
Barley Sheaf Elementary School
Out of district students
Total enrollment

^{*} Data gathered on 12.12.2022

American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSR) Funds

- ESSR funds were established "to respond to the urgent needs of students by addressing educational gaps and building local capacity to sustain meaningful and effective teaching and learning." (Source: New Jersey Department of Education)
- "On August 12, the U.S. Department of Education approved the release of the final \$923.5 million New Jersey is scheduled to receive under the federal American Rescue Plan (ARP) to help schools cope with the pandemic." (Source: New Jersey School Boards Association)

American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSR) Funds

• The ARP Act of 2021 provided nearly \$122 billion to States to support the Nation's schools in safely reopening and sustaining the safe operations of schools while meeting the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of students resulting from the coronavirus disease 2019 ("COVID-19") pandemic." (Source: State Plan for the American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund))

• Flemington-Raritan focuses on addressing academic impact of lost instructional time, professional learning for staff, social and emotional learning supports, identifying disproportionate impacts of COVID-19, and other services.

(Source: New Jersey School Boards Association)

Top Priorities within New Jersey's Plan

 Addressing the impact of reduced access to in-person learning including unfinished learning."

(Source: New Jersey Department of Education)

• "Meeting the social, emotional, and mental health needs of students and staff." (Source: New Jersey School Boards Association)







Highlights of New Jersey's Plan for ESSR Funds

- Returning to In-Person Learning in 2021
- Supporting Students Most Impacted by the Pandemic
- Addressing the Academic Impact of Lost Instructional Time

Investing in Summer Learning and Expanded After school

Programs

Staffing to Support Students' Needs







SCHOOL DISTRIC

As a reminder, where we were one year ago:

December 13th, 2021

On <u>December 13th</u>, <u>2021</u> we had 155 students, or 5% of our students, were quarantined due to exposure to COVID-19 or symptoms of COVID-19 and were participating in virtual instruction.

- J.P. Case = 16 students
- RFIS = 56 students
- Barley Sheaf = 27 students
- Copper Hill = 30 students
- Francis A. Desmares = 19 students
- Robert Hunter = 7 students

January 5, 2022

On **January 5, 2022** we have 302 students, or 9.8% of our students, were quarantined due to exposure to COVID-19 or symptoms of COVID-19 and were participating in virtual instruction.

- J.P. Case = all students are virtual*
- RFIS = 76 students
- Barley Sheaf = 61 students
- Copper Hill = 60 students
- Francis A. Desmares = 33 students
- Robert Hunter = 45 students &

^{*}On January 4, 2022, the day before J.P. Case pivoted to all virtual, 27 students were quarantined and participating in all virtual instruction. The number 27 was used in the total percentage.

American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER) Fund Subgrant Awards as of September 15, 2021

District Name	Total ARP ESSER Mandatory Subgrant Award	ARP ESSER Award for Non-Title 1 LEA & Other Edu. Entities	Accelerated Learning Coaching and Educator Support Grant	Evidence Based Summer Learning and Enrichment Activities Grant	Evidence Based Comprehensive Beyond the School Day Activities Grant	MTSS Mental Health Support Staffing Grant	Total Allocation of ARP ESSER Funds
FRSD	1,283,376	-	\$269,881	40,000	40,000	45,000	1,678,257

Reference:

https://www.nj.gov/education/esser/docs/ARP ESSER%20III%20Fund%20Allocation%20Table.pdf

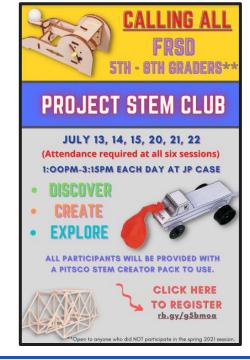


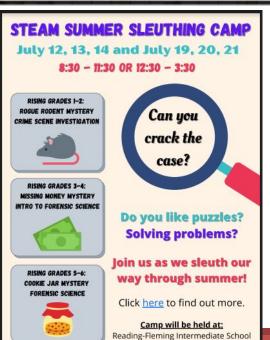
A Sample of Uses for ARP ESSER Funding in <u>District</u>

- Purchase of educational technology
- Providing mental health services and supports
- Planning and implementing activities related to summer learning and supplemental afterschool programs
- Classroom instruction and online learning during the summer months
- Addressing the needs of low-income students, students with disabilities, English language learners, migrant students, students experiencing homelessness, and children in foster care

SCHOOL DISTRIC







50 Court Street, Flemington

K-8 Read Together, Learn Together Read Aloud

Calendar of events

- Thursday, July 22 10:00 am on Zoom
- Thursday, July 29 10:00 am on Zoom
- Thursday, August 5 10:00 am on Zoom
- Thursday, August 12 10:00 am on Zoom



Learn Together

Read Together -







Please see the <u>calendar of events</u> for exciting activities that are connected to each week's read-aloud book and theme.

Use this Zoom Link (password: read)

for every Thursday's LIVE read-aloud event.

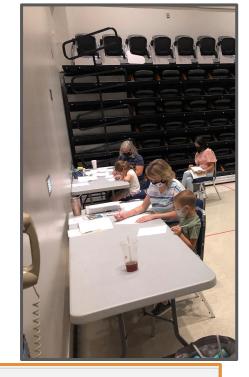
- Community-Based
 - ALL students and their families (K-8)
- Weekly Gatherings & Read Aloud Experiences:
 - explored people, places, and topics from around the globe
 - participated in independent thematic literacy-based activities and cross-curricular explorations tied to United Nations Global Goals

Experience MATH!

- Invited students entering grades 3-8
- Grade-level cohorts focused on major work of the grade-level
- Focus on hands-on, minds-on experiences
- Six days of instruction for three hours each day
- Three total cohorts of students have participated in this program in 2021 and 2022; totaling approximately 225 students









STEM Experience!

- Optional STEM programs/field trips for students in the ESL summer program
- Students could participate in one or multiple programs
- Programs occurred in afternoon following the morning learning







Programs:

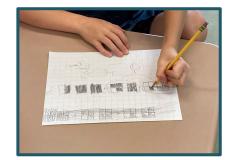
- We are Pollinators!
- Mad Science (Show and Workshops)
- Howell Living History Farm field trip
- Raritan Headwaters Stream Exploration



Other Uses for ARP ESSER Funding in District

- Zoom subscription licenses
- Bilingual counselors at RH and FAD
- Tier 2 Counselors at JPC
- Summer transportation
- Summer literacy intervention support
- School Speciality for Speech
- Wilson Reading Consultants for small group reading instruction for students
- NWEA MAP assessment
- Teacher Assistant Professional Development Training
- Book clubs for teachers
- High Intensity Tutoring









References:

- 1. <u>Department of Education</u>
- 2. <u>Final Part of \$2,8 Billion in Pandemic Relief Released to N.J. (New Jersey School Boards Association)</u>
- 3. State Plan for the American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund
- 4. ESSR allocations for New Jersey
- 5. Superintendent's Newsletter for November, 2022

