

# South Carolina Department of Education

## Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief III Fund

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### Introduction

Section 2001 of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) of 2021 requires the Department of Education (Department) to allocate awards to State Educational Agencies (SEAs) through the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER III Fund). Section 2001(c) of the ARP requires the Department to determine ARP ESSER Fund allocations based on the proportion that each State received under Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) in the most recent fiscal year. However, section 1122(c)(3) of the ESEA prohibits the Department 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 ARP ESSER Fund. Therefore, to determine the ARP ESSER Fund allocations, the Department used the fiscal year 2020 State shares of Title I, Part A allocations without the application of the hold harmless provisions in ESEA section 1122.

The ARP Act requires that the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) allocate no 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 the federal fiscal year (FFY) 2020. Please be mindful that the FFY 2020 year is the South Carolina state fiscal year (SFY) 2021. Therefore, ESSER III allocations are based on districts' SFY 2021 Title I allocation.

### Methodology

Under the ARP Act, the SCDE is being appropriated \$2,112,051,487 in ESSER III funds, with two-thirds (or \$1,408,034,325) awarded on March 24, 2021. The remaining one-third of ESSER III funds (\$704,017,162) will be awarded upon the approval of South Carolina's ARP State Plan by the Department. The SCDE is required to flow-through at least 90 percent of ESSER III funds to LEAs as subgrants, following the two-thirds and one-thirds awarding procedure by the Department. Each LEA **must** budget and expend at least **20 percent** of its allocated funds on activities to address learning loss. The remaining funds may be budgeted and expended on other allowable activities/categories.

The SCDE must retain \$105,602,575 for state-level activities to address learning loss (5 percent of the total ESSER III award); \$21,120,514 for state-level activities for summer enrichment (1 percent of the total ESSER III award); \$21,120,514 for state-level afterschool activities (1 percent of the total ESSER III award); no more than \$10,560,257 (one-half of one percent) for administrative costs; and the remaining amount to address emergency needs as identified by the SCDE.

The SCDE determined the proportion of SFY 2021 Title I, Part A funds awarded to each district to the total amount of SFY 2021 Title I, Part A flow-through funds in the state to determine the amount of ESSER Funds to be subgranted to each LEA. The following allocation table provides the total amount of districts' ESSER III allocations, the two-thirds of ESSER III funds that will be awarded initially to LEAs, the remaining one-third that will be subsequently awarded, and the required 20 percent that must be set aside by each district to address learning loss.

See [ESSER Methodology and Table PDF](https://oese.ed.gov/files/2021/03/FINAL_ARP-ESSER-Methodology-and-Table.pdf) (https://oese.ed.gov/files/2021/03/FINAL\_ARP-ESSER-Methodology-and-Table.pdf) for state-level allocations and requirements.

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Abbeville County School District	\$9,021,876	\$6,014,584	\$3,007,292	\$1,804,375
Aiken County School District	\$63,340,935	\$42,227,290	\$21,113,645	\$12,668,187
Allendale County School District	\$8,287,062	\$5,524,708	\$2,762,354	\$1,657,412
Anderson School District 01	\$12,210,128	\$8,140,085	\$4,070,043	\$2,442,026
Anderson School District 02	\$6,886,427	\$4,590,951	\$2,295,476	\$1,377,285
Anderson School District 03	\$7,941,470	\$5,294,313	\$2,647,157	\$1,588,294
Anderson School District 04	\$5,431,256	\$3,620,837	\$1,810,419	\$1,086,251
Anderson School District 05	\$28,897,991	\$19,265,327	\$9,632,664	\$5,779,598
Bamberg School District 01	\$4,533,059	\$3,022,039	\$1,511,020	\$906,612
Bamberg School District 02	\$4,337,950	\$2,891,967	\$1,445,983	\$867,590
Barnwell School District 19	\$4,098,853	\$2,732,569	\$1,366,284	\$819,771
Barnwell School District 29	\$4,164,495	\$2,776,330	\$1,388,165	\$832,899
Barnwell School District 45	\$8,465,300	\$5,643,533	\$2,821,767	\$1,693,060
Beaufort County School District	\$50,940,057	\$33,960,038	\$16,980,019	\$10,188,011
Berkeley County School District	\$72,478,919	\$48,319,280	\$24,159,639	\$14,495,784
Calhoun County School District	\$5,204,253	\$3,469,502	\$1,734,751	\$1,040,851
Charleston County School District	\$163,114,048	\$108,742,699	\$54,371,349	\$32,622,810
Cherokee County School District	\$19,613,180	\$13,075,453	\$6,537,727	\$3,922,636
Chester County School District	\$15,792,133	\$10,528,089	\$5,264,044	\$3,158,427
Chesterfield County School District	\$21,386,799	\$14,257,866	\$7,128,933	\$4,277,360
Clarendon School District 02	\$12,871,651	\$8,581,101	\$4,290,550	\$2,574,330
Clarendon School District 04	\$6,562,656	\$4,375,104	\$2,187,552	\$1,312,531

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Colleton County School District	\$22,751,793	\$15,167,862	\$7,583,931	\$4,550,359
Darlington County School District	\$38,710,126	\$25,806,751	\$12,903,375	\$7,742,025
Dillon School District 03	\$8,123,691	\$5,415,794	\$2,707,897	\$1,624,738
Dillon School District 04	\$30,493,101	\$20,328,734	\$10,164,367	\$6,098,620
Dorchester School District 02	\$40,497,913	\$26,998,609	\$13,499,304	\$8,099,583
Dorchester School District 04	\$8,237,017	\$5,491,345	\$2,745,672	\$1,647,403
Edgefield County School District	\$7,472,678	\$4,981,785	\$2,490,893	\$1,494,536
Fairfield County School District	\$10,446,527	\$6,964,351	\$3,482,176	\$2,089,305
Florence School District 01	\$40,263,059	\$26,842,039	\$13,421,020	\$8,052,612
Florence School District 02	\$4,116,711	\$2,744,474	\$1,372,237	\$823,342
Florence School District 03	\$12,788,521	\$8,525,681	\$4,262,840	\$2,557,704
Florence School District 04	\$4,656,331	\$3,104,221	\$1,552,110	\$931,266
Florence School District 05	\$3,636,494	\$2,424,329	\$1,212,165	\$727,299
Georgetown County School District	\$26,349,472	\$17,566,315	\$8,783,157	\$5,269,894
Greenville County School District	\$162,807,533	\$108,538,356	\$54,269,177	\$32,561,507
Greenwood School District 50	\$27,977,659	\$18,651,773	\$9,325,886	\$5,595,532
Greenwood School District 51	\$3,110,889	\$2,073,926	\$1,036,963	\$622,178
Greenwood School District 52	\$4,009,992	\$2,673,328	\$1,336,664	\$801,998
Hampton School District	\$12,965,211	\$8,643,474	\$4,321,737	\$2,593,042
Horry County School District	\$125,144,001	\$83,429,334	\$41,714,667	\$25,028,800
Jasper County School District	\$15,044,864	\$10,029,909	\$5,014,955	\$3,008,973
Kershaw County School District	\$22,395,934	\$14,930,623	\$7,465,311	\$4,479,187
Lancaster County School District	\$25,887,141	\$17,258,094	\$8,629,047	\$5,177,428

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Laurens School District 55	\$15,500,605	\$10,333,737	\$5,166,868	\$3,100,121
Laurens School District 56	\$9,753,640	\$6,502,427	\$3,251,213	\$1,950,728
Lee County School District	\$13,860,833	\$9,240,555	\$4,620,278	\$2,772,167
Lexington School District 01	\$27,267,331	\$18,178,221	\$9,089,110	\$5,453,466
Lexington School District 02	\$22,941,869	\$15,294,579	\$7,647,290	\$4,588,374
Lexington School District 03	\$5,954,267	\$3,969,511	\$1,984,756	\$1,190,853
Lexington School District 04	\$11,301,303	\$7,534,202	\$3,767,101	\$2,260,261
Lexington School District 05	\$15,001,924	\$10,001,283	\$5,000,641	\$3,000,385
Marion School District	\$22,419,589	\$14,946,393	\$7,473,196	\$4,483,918
Marlboro County School District	\$19,859,007	\$13,239,338	\$6,619,669	\$3,971,801
McCormick County School District	\$2,716,808	\$1,811,205	\$905,603	\$543,362
Newberry County School District	\$15,268,045	\$10,178,697	\$5,089,348	\$3,053,609
Oconee County School District	\$21,189,053	\$14,126,035	\$7,063,018	\$4,237,811
Orangeburg School District	\$51,481,994	\$34,321,330	\$17,160,664	\$10,296,399
Pickens County School District	\$26,268,763	\$17,512,509	\$8,756,254	\$5,253,753
Richland School District 01	\$78,005,469	\$52,003,646	\$26,001,823	\$15,601,094
Richland School District 02	\$38,467,608	\$25,645,072	\$12,822,536	\$7,693,522
Saluda County School District	\$5,677,303	\$3,784,869	\$1,892,434	\$1,135,461
Spartanburg School District 01	\$10,103,884	\$6,735,923	\$3,367,961	\$2,020,777
Spartanburg School District 02	\$17,808,996	\$11,872,664	\$5,936,332	\$3,561,799
Spartanburg School District 03	\$6,421,292	\$4,280,861	\$2,140,431	\$1,284,258
Spartanburg School District 04	\$5,274,142	\$3,516,095	\$1,758,047	\$1,054,828
Spartanburg School District 05	\$11,323,471	\$7,548,981	\$3,774,490	\$2,264,694
Spartanburg School District 06	\$24,501,092	\$16,334,061	\$8,167,031	\$4,900,218
Spartanburg School District 07	\$21,532,226	\$14,354,817	\$7,177,409	\$4,306,445
Sumter School District	\$52,918,320	\$35,278,880	\$17,639,440	\$10,583,664

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Union County School District	\$12,944,714	\$8,629,809	\$4,314,905	\$2,588,943
Williamsburg County School District	\$27,409,534	\$18,273,023	\$9,136,511	\$5,481,907
York School District 01	\$11,590,875	\$7,727,250	\$3,863,625	\$2,318,175
York School District 02	\$6,463,826	\$4,309,217	\$2,154,609	\$1,292,765
York School District 03	\$34,814,762	\$23,209,841	\$11,604,921	\$6,962,952
York School District 04	\$5,120,594	\$3,413,729	\$1,706,865	\$1,024,119
SC Public Charter School District	\$27,794,965	\$18,529,977	\$9,264,988	\$5,558,993
Palmetto Unified	\$92,721	\$61,814	\$30,907	\$18,544
Department Of Juvenile Justice	\$1,321,339	\$880,893	\$440,446	\$264,268
Charter Institute At Erskine	\$27,007,018	\$18,004,679	\$9,002,339	\$5,401,404
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,900,846,338</b>	<b>\$1,267,230,895</b>	<b>\$633,615,443</b>	<b>\$380,169,268</b>