



Montezuma Community Schools

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American Rescue Plan: District ESSER III Plan

On April 21, 2021, the U.S. Department of Education (USED) released its American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ARP ESSER or ESSER III) interim final requirements related to district ESSER III plans and district plans for a safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services. ([ESSER III State and Local Plan Requirements](#))

Each district receiving ESSER III funds must:

- Develop a plan regarding its proposed uses of ESSER III funds, including engaging in meaningful consultation with all required stakeholders and providing the public opportunity to provide comments during plan development.
- Submit an ESSER III plan to the Department through the Consolidated Accountability and Support Application (CASA).
- Make the plan publicly available on its website in an understandable and accessible format.

The distributions of these funds are based on the Title I funding formula, which are the funds providing financial assistance to local educational agencies for children from low-income families.

For reference, Montezuma has and will receive the following from ESSER funds:

ESSER I / GEER	\$23,600
ESSER II	\$272,294
ESSER III	\$611,533

Of the \$611,533 Montezuma will receive in ESSER III 20%, or \$122,307 , is required to be spent on what is deemed required continuous learning. The remaining \$489,226 is to be used toward COVID-related expenditures.

The Proposed Montezuma ESSER III Plan includes funding the following:

- Supplemental instruction materials
- PK-5 Grade Instructional Interventionist
- 6-12 Grade Instructional Interventionist
- Summer School programming
- 1:1 iPads for all students K-12
- Additional school bus
- Security Cameras
- PPE / Cleaning supplies
- Additional custodial costs
- Nurses office renovations
- Elementary Lockers
- Water bottle station