

Brooklyn UD #188 ARP ESSER III Funds Summary
FY 24 Update

Due to the loss of learning during remote learning period from March 13, 2020 through May 28, 2020, Brooklyn UD has made accommodations for the students' academic growth, for support to the teaching staff, and for the safety and security of the physical plant. The combined efforts of the teaching staff, students, non-certified employees, parents, administrators and board of education members have focused on providing remediation services and returning students to as normal a school experience as possible within the guidelines provided by the state, the CDC, the local health department, and the Illinois State Board of Education.

ESSER III funding has

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1.. Provide] a full time health and PE teachers to meet the physical education needs of all students in the district ==grades Pre-K through 12.

2. Provide for after school tutoring at all grade levels in partnership with the 21st Century program. Provides for funding of 2 part-time Intervention Specialists to provide individual and group interventions for students who performing below grade level in ELA and Math due to loss of learning during COVID.

5. Provide funding for additional classroom supplies, books, and learning materials for student use in the classroom.

6. Provide funding for a summer remediation program in ELA and math education for students at all grade levels

7. Support the Community Liaison in partnership with Academic Development institute which provides additional grant funding to support SEL services both in school and in collaboration with community agencies to address the emotional needs of all students.

8. Provide funds for a permanent substitute teacher to address teacher absences due to trainings and or illness.

9. Provision of an online credit recovery course program (Acellus) which also offers middle and high school students with exploratory and elective courses, not offered in the regular course offerings of the district.

10. Provide Chrome Books in order that all students are provided with a technology device. A Fire wall improvement for added student security while using school technology devices.

11. Provided a Zoom subscription for teachers and students to use for learning days and remote learning days.

12. Provided extra printers so that every classroom and the parent liaison have access to a printer in their classrooms/rooms.

13. Provide a full time security guard to monitor visitors and insure the safety needs of the school.

14. Provides for roof repairs in order to provide a safe learning environment and improvements to the HVAC system for healthy air circulation.

15. Extra sanitizing equipment and supplies to use to address needs for keeping building sanitized and up to CDC standards.

16. Provide additional bookkeeping services due to addition of ESSER III responsibilities.
17. Provides extra custodial hours to meet the CDC and ISBE sanitation standards.
18. Funds to support additional Technology Support to address all tech device repair and upkeep, and to address the internet and school wide tech needs.
19. Provided each employee with a yearly bonus for the extra time and work devoted to the school district as a result of COVID.
18. Funds allocated to pay for Special Needs Services received from East St Louis District #189.

All stakeholders including the Board of Education, teachers, para-professionals, community members and parents were given opportunities for input. The teachers discussed the allocations during the Back to School PD Days, specifically on Aug 9, 2023. Parents of all students including minority, low income, special needs, students experiencing homelessness, parents of foster children, and were given input during the Back to School Night on August 24, 2023.