

Section: Narratives - Needs Assessment

Introduction

The findings of a recent study showed that there is a significant benefit to students who participate in out-of-school-time (OST) programs. In fact, the Return on Investment of Summer school Programs in Pennsylvania study determined that for every dollar invested in summer school programming for students there was a return of \$6.69 in potential benefits to students, including reduced rates for drop-outs, teen pregnancy, substance abuse, crime and delinquency ([Link PSAYDN.org](#)).

In accordance with the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act and Pennsylvania Act 24 of 2021 (Act 24), the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) will award approximately \$50,000,000 or one percent (1%) of Pennsylvania's ARP Elementary and Secondary School Education Relief (ESSER) State Reserve funds to support school districts, charter schools and cyber charter schools (collectively, LEAs) in the development and implementation of comprehensive after-school programs to address learning loss in response to the academic, social, emotional and mental health needs of students and subgroups of students impacted by COVID-19 public health emergency that supplement school programs and activities.

Act 24 requires that, when available, existing personnel shall be utilized by school districts, charter schools and cyber charter schools to staff programs and activities established with these grant funds.

Within 90 days of receipt of these allocations, school districts, charter schools and cyber charter schools must submit a three-part plan to PDE, that outlines the proposed use of the grant money, itemized by program and activity. This plan is part of a consolidated application that includes after-school programming, summer programming, and a comprehensive plan to address learning loss. The plan shall include:

- 1) A description of each program and activity
- 2) A narrative outlining the expected benefit of each program and activity
- 3) A budget for each program and activity detailing personnel and operating costs

PDE has developed the Accelerated Learning Toolkit, a significant cadre of resources and trainings, to support LEAs in the development of their plans. The Accelerated Learning Toolkit can be found [Link to Accelerated Learning Toolkit](#).

Section 1 - Needs Assessment: In this section, LEAs are asked to describe the impact of the pandemic on their students since March 2020.

Indicators of Impact

1. Describe how the LEA identified students for inclusion in a summer school program. Include a brief description of the indicators used in the decision-making process.

Throughout the school year, the Title I Reading Team coordinates with students' classroom teachers in grades K-4 to conduct District-wide assessments according to ISD's Assessment Calendar. Assessments include NWEA MAP Growth (K-4), Fountas and Pinnell Running

Records (K-3), Orton Gillingham (K-2), PAST (K), and Fluency (4). Data from assessments is entered into the District's data warehouse. Students are assigned "points" based on performance below recommended cut scores. Students who have scored the most points exhibit the highest level of need. Eligible students receive Title I services throughout the school year. Progress monitoring assessments are administered to document progress toward the proficiency benchmarks. If the student continues to make progress, the intervention is continued until expected grade level proficiency is reached. The Title I students who are not achieving expected grade level proficiency and/or have a marked history of significant summer slide, will be invited to participate in the Summer School program.

Section: Narratives - Summer School Program Questions

Summer School Program Questions: In this section, LEAs are asked to describe the activities they have designed to provide summer school programming for their students.

2. Identify the target student-group for the summer school program. Will the focus be on academic growth, social and emotional wellness, or some other factor to support student growth? For each group, provide specific strategies that were used or will be used to identify and measure impacts.

Student Group	Area of Focus	Number of Students Served	Provide specific strategies that were used or will be used to identify and measure impacts
Children from Low-Income Families	Academic Growth	90	Strategy: Targeted and explicit phonetic-based instruction (Orton Gillingham Framework and REWARDS) Measures: IXL Diagnostic Lexia F & P Running Record

3. Describe the evidence-based resources that will be used to support student growth during the summer school program.

The Orton Gillingham framework will be implemented to serve as a core component of instruction to support student growth during the summer school program. Orton Gillingham is a multisensory approach to phonetic-based instruction. The Orton Gillingham framework utilizes a direct, explicit, structured, and sequential method for instructional delivery. REWARDS will be implemented for older elementary students, specifically supporting phonics instruction. The REWARDS program teaches students explicit strategies to support literacy growth in the area of phonics.

4. Describe the staff that will provide the summer school program (i.e., internal staff or outside resources).

Number of Staff Members	Internal/Outside Provider	Role
10	Internal Provider	Facilitate and implement targeted phonetic instruction to

Number of Staff Members	Internal/Outside Provider	Role
		eligible students



a. The LEA assures it understands it is responsible to offer the work to its internal employees prior to engaging outside entities.



b. The LEA assures it understands it is responsible to ensure that all summer school program staff hold the appropriate certifications for the program that is being delivered.

5. How will the LEA assess the success of the summer school program? Please identify the tool, frequency of use, and expected results.

Tool Used to Evaluate Success	Frequency of Use	Expected Results
IXL diagnostic tool	2-3 times per week	Students' will increase proficiency level in each targeted skill.
Lexia	Weekly	Students' will increase proficiency level in each targeted skill.
Running Records	Weekly	Students are expected to grow 1 level per academic year.

6. How will the LEA engage families in the summer school program?

Families of eligible students will be invited to participate in the program through a variety of communication means in order for ISD to effectively convey the purpose and goals of the summer programming. This will also encourage students' families to ask questions. Families will receive progress monitoring updates on a weekly basis.

Section: Budget - Instruction Expenditures

Instruction Expenditures

Budget
 \$44,102.00
Allocation
 \$44,102.00

Budget Over(Under) Allocation
 \$0.00

Budget Summary

Function	Object	Amount	Description
1400 - Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary	100 - Salaries	\$28,400.00	Pay for 710 hrs @\$40/hour at extra rate of pay
1400 - Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary	200 - Benefits	\$10,702.00	Benefits associated with 710 hrs of pay at extra rate of pay
1400 - Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary	600 - Supplies	\$5,000.00	Supplies for Summer Reading Academy
		\$44,102.00	

Section: Budget - Support and Non-Instructional Expenditures

Support and Non-Instructional Expenditures

Budget
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Allocation
\$44,102.00

Budget Over(Under) Allocation
\$0.00

Budget Summary

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Section: Budget - Budget Summary
BUDGET SUMMARY

	100 Salaries	200 Benefits	300 Purchased Professional and Technical Services	400 Purchased Property Services	500 Other Purchased Services	600 Supplies 800 Dues and Fees	700 Property	Totals
1000 Instruction	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1100 REGULAR PROGRAMS – ELEMENTARY / SECONDARY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1200 SPECIAL PROGRAMS – ELEMENTARY / SECONDARY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1300 CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1400 Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary	\$28,400.00	\$10,702.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$44,102.00
1600 * ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1700 Higher Education Programs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1800 Pre-K	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2000 SUPPORT SERVICES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2100 SUPPORT SERVICES – STUDENTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2200 Staff Support	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Services								
2300 SUPPORT SERVICES – ADMINISTRATION	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2400 Health Support Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2500 Business Support Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2600 Operation and Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2700 Student Transportation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2800 Central Support Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
3000 OPERATION OF NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
3100 Food Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
3200 Student Activities	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
3300 Community Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4000 FACILITIES ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT SERVICES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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	\$28,400.00	\$10,702.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$44,102.00
Approved Indirect Cost/Operational Rate: 0.0000								\$0.00
Final								\$44,102.00