

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.

During the 2020-21 school year, FMSD was about 80% in-person instruction for the school year. During the time that FMSD was virtual, several students were significantly impacted academically and fell behind their peers. Several of these students fell significantly behind

their peers, even to the point that summer credit recovery or course enrichment was needed. Through the summer of 2021 the district offered credit recovery and course enrichment through our partnership with Edmentum (or EdOptions). It is through this offering that we found students were able to work at their individualized pace, while being monitored by the building principals, and advance to the next grade level with their peers. We envision using the EdOption program in the same format as we did last year for the next few summers of the grant funding in order to accelerate student learning or provide for credit recovery.

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.

- 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 | 15 | Students who are in need of credit recovery, or accelerated learning, will be enrolled in the EdOptions Program. |

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

The FMSD has developed a partnership with an online delivery program known as Edmentum. Edmentum's (or EdOptions) curriculum, offers a robust collection of standards-based courses that are built using a research-based learning design. The elementary courses that are available include core subjects, art, P.E., and health. Each course incorporates a variety of multimodal learning activities that harness students' natural curiosity to develop a lifelong love of learning. EdOptions provide more than 500 courses across core subjects, advanced, electives, and world languages. With the students having access to all these courses, they are able to accelerate their learning.

- 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 |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| 15 | Outside Provider | Edmentum's teachers are highly qualified and PA state-certified, and specially trained |

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|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| | | in online learning. |



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 |
|----------------------------------|------------------|--|
| Progress Monitored by Principals | Bi-Weekly | As was done this past summer, the principals will progress monitor those students enrolled in the Edmentum accelerated learning courses. |

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

To actively engage the parents during the summer school program, the building principal weekly contacted the parents (i.e., email, phone call, or F2F). During this correspondence, the principal would share the students progress in the individual courses and how they are managing with the online accelerated learning.

Section: Budget - Instruction Expenditures

Instruction Expenditures

Budget
 \$32,886.00
Allocation
 \$32,886.00

Budget Over(Under) Allocation
 \$0.00

Budget Summary

| Function | Object | Amount | Description |
|--|---|--------------------|--|
| 1100 - REGULAR PROGRAMS – ELEMENTARY / SECONDARY | 300 - Purchased Professional and Technical Services | \$32,886.00 | Use of EdOptions as an online instructional tool for credit recovery and accelerated learning. |
| | | \$32,886.00 | |

Section: Budget - Support and Non-Instructional Expenditures

Support and Non-Instructional Expenditures

Budget
\$32,886.00
Allocation
\$32,886.00

Budget Over(Under) Allocation
\$0.00

Budget Summary

| Function | Object | Amount | Description |
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| | | \$0.00 | |

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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 | \$32,886.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$32,886.00 |
| 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 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| 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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| | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$32,886.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$32,886.00 |
| Approved Indirect Cost/Operational Rate: 0.0000 | | | | | | | | \$0.00 |
| Final | | | | | | | | \$32,886.00 |