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#### 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 dropouts, 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.

At the elementary level, instructional support teachers, literacy specialists, math specialists, Title I staff, ELD specialists, classroom teachers, counselors, and principals reviewed formative, diagnostic, and summative assessment data to identify students who would benefit

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from the summer school program. These data included progress monitoring data in literacy and math, classroom based assessments, and diagnostic data gathered from support specalists. Staff members identified students showing gaps of at least 6 months and invited those students to the program. At the secondary level, classroom teachers, counselors, and ELD speciallists analyzed student grades as well as performance on priority standards for the core subject areas of Language Arts, Math, and Science. Students with gaps in their learning of key standards were invited to summer school.

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### 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	140	We will serve academically struggling students with our funds; this includes, but is not limited to children from low-income families. Summer school teachers will formatively assess student learning throughout the program.
English Learners	Academic Growth	15	Summer school teachers work in small groups with students to target specific areas of need in literacy, math, and science. They use curricular resources from our core district resources to reteach and review. Additionally, staff will utilize strategies based on the students' language levels to build English

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Student Group	Area of Focus	Number of Students Served	Provide specific strategies that were used or will be used to identify and measure impacts
			language and support academic learning. Summer school staff will formatively assess student learning throughout the program.

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

Summer school teachers work in small groups with students to target specific areas of need in literacy, math, and science. They use curricular resources from our core district resources to reteach and review. Additionally, staff will utilize strategies based on the students' language levels to build English language and support academic learning. Evidence-based resources incude small group instruction, peer tutoring, and core curricular resources based on the content area to include Houghton Mifflin Journeys, Into Literature, Bridges Math, and various Algebra resources. Staff will also use various digital resources with students such as, but not limited to, Newsela, BrainPop, First in Math, and Imagine Learning. The exact resources will depend on the identified needs of the students.

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		
2	Internal Provider	Summer school program coordinators		

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

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b. The LEA assures it understands it is responsible to ensure that all summer school program

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#### 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
Formative Assessments	At end of program	Students will demonstrate increased understanding of skills and concepts taught during summer academy. Specific skills and concepts will vary based on grade level and/or course.
Parent Survey	At end of program	Responses will show positive impact on student learning and well-being as a result of attendance at summer school.

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

Summer school staff will work with parents of identified students to register students and gather necessary information for summer school. Throughout the program, parents will receive weekly updates on student activities. Parents will also be encouraged to support student learning at home durng summer school with conversations and suggested activities. Finally, parents will be asked for their input on the success of the program and have an opportunity to offer feedback to improve summer school.

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# **Section: Budget - Instruction Expenditures**

Instruction Expenditures

Budget

\$24,589.00

**Allocation** 

\$24,589.00

# **Budget Over(Under) Allocation**

\$0.00

### **Budget Summary**

Function	Object	Amount	Description
1400 - Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary	100 - Salaries	\$21,990.00	Salaries for summer school staff to support the program
1400 - Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary	200 - Benefits	\$2,599.00	Benefits for summer school staff to support the program
		\$24,589.00	

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## **Section: Budget - Support and Non-Instructional Expenditures**

Support and Non-Instructional Expenditures

Budget

\$24,589.00

**Allocation** 

\$24,589.00

## **Budget Over(Under) Allocation**

\$0.00

**Budget Summary** 

Function	Object	Amount	Description	
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		\$0.00		

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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	\$21,990.00	\$2,599.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24,589.00
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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