



MILAN AREA SCHOOLS
Return to In-Person Instruction
and Continuity of Services Plan

Presentation and
Community Consultation
(9-26-22)

Purpose of ESSER Funds



In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the United States Department of Education released several grants to local educational (K-12) agencies.

The Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) grants provide school districts with emergency relief funds to address the impact that COVID-19 has had on elementary and secondary schools.

The ESSER funds were allocated through:

Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (ESSER I)

Coronavirus Response & Relief Supplemental Appropriations (ESSER II)

American Rescue Plan (ESSER III)

Milan ESSER Funds



Milan's ESSER I and ESSER II funds were allocated and spent in previous school years.

ESSER III funds for Milan equate to \$1,280,537, and may be used during the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years. These funds have been allocated and are anticipated to be spent this year.

Community consultation was accepted on the use of these funds through a community survey and Zoom input sessions (1-27-22 and 5-3-22). A presentation to the Board of Education regarding all ESSER funds was made on 3-23-22.

Purpose of Continuity Of Services Plan



One requirement of accepting ESSER III funds is that a district maintain a Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan.

The plan describes how Milan Area Schools will provide the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services for all schools, including those that have already returned to in-person instruction. This report complies with all reporting requirements of the ARP Act (Public Law 117-2), the ESSER III grant terms, conditions, and assurances (CFDA Number 84.425U), and the interim final rule established by the United States Department of Education, 86 FR 21195.

Elements of Continuity of Services Plan



The Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan must include:

- How the district will maintain the health and safety of students, educators, and other school district staff
- How the district will ensure the continuity of services
- The district's plans regarding periodic (no less frequently than every six months until September 30, 2023) review and appropriate revisions of this plan
- The format and understandability of the plan

Continuity of Services Plan



Click [HERE](#) to see the draft plan.

Community Consultation



Input from Community



The bulleted points on the following slides were generated during the meeting. The suggestions listed represent specific items discussed by the people attending the Zoom session.

Participants were asked to verify that the notes taken truly captured their specific comment.

Input from Community



- Add review sessions to the district calendar (select dates now)
- Masking and other district mandates must require community input
- Request to remove the statement regarding the Board's right to require masks
- Request to follow health department guidance and to keep the statement regarding the Board's right to require masks in the plan
- Request for input session if masking is required



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