South Carolina Department of Education Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund

Authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES ACT), Public Law 116-136

Introduction

Section 18003(b) of the CARES Act requires the United States Department of Education (USED) to allocate the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER Fund) based on the proportion that each state received under Title I, Part A in the most recent fiscal year. However, Section 1122(c)(3) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) prohibits the USED from considering the Title I, Part A hold harmless provisions in ESEA Section 1122 in calculating state or local allocations for any other program administered by the Secretary, including the ESSER Fund. Therefore, to determine the ESSER Fund allocations, the USED used the federal fiscal year (FFY) 2019 state shares of Title I, Part A allocations without the application of the hold harmless provisions in ESEA Section 1122.

The CARES Act requires that the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) allocate not less than 90 percent of the grant funds awarded to the state as subgrants to local educational agencies (LEAs) (including charter schools that are LEAs) in proportion to the amount of funds that the LEAs received under Title I, Part A of the ESEA of 1965 (reauthorized as the Every Student Succeeds Act, or ESSA) based upon FFY 2019. Please be mindful that the FFY 2019 year is the 2020 South Carolina state fiscal year (SFY). Therefore, ESSER allocations are based on districts' 2020 Title I allocation.

Methodology

Under the CARES Act, the SCDE was appropriated \$216,311,518, of which \$194,680,042 is required to flow through to LEAs as subgrants. The SCDE can retain no more than \$21,631,116 for state-level activities related to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), of which \$1,081,556 may be used for administrative costs.¹

The SCDE determined the proportion of SFY 2020 Title I, Part A funds awarded to each district to the total amount of SFY 2020 Title I, Part A flow-through funds in the state to determine the amount of ESSER Funds to be subgranted to each LEA.

LEA Allocation Table

| District | ESSER Allocation |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| ABBEVILLE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$818,133 |
| AIKEN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$6,671,792 |
| ALLENDALE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$819,064 |
| ANDERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT 01 | \$1,249,493 |
| ANDERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT 02 | \$709,505 |
| ANDERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT 03 | \$903,278 |
| ANDERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT 04 | \$506,157 |
| ANDERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT 05 | \$2,960,960 |
| BAMBERG SCHOOL DISTRICT 01 | \$452,151 |

¹ https://oese.ed.gov/files/2020/04/ESSER-Fund-State-Allocations-Table.pdf

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| BAMBERG SCHOOL DISTRICT 02 | \$485,689 |
| BARNWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT 19 | \$458,919 |
| BARNWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT 29 | \$466,269 |
| BARNWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT 45 | \$947,799 |
| BEAUFORT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$4,903,078 |
| BERKELEY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$6,789,076 |
| CALHOUN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$506,478 |
| CHARLESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$13,408,022 |
| CHEROKEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$2,299,855 |
| CHESTER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$1,751,185 |
| CHESTERFIELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$2,338,653 |
| CLARENDON SCHOOL DISTRICT 01 | \$491,221 |
| CLARENDON SCHOOL DISTRICT 02 | \$1,337,382 |
| CLARENDON SCHOOL DISTRICT 03 | \$252,588 |
| COLLETON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$2,547,354 |
| DARLINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$3,751,099 |
| DILLON SCHOOL DISTRICT 03 | \$498,988 |
| DILLON SCHOOL DISTRICT 04 | \$2,051,058 |
| DORCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT 02 | \$3,528,306 |
| DORCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT 04 | \$561,695 |
| EDGEFIELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$747,036 |
| FAIRFIELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$996,078 |
| FLORENCE SCHOOL DISTRICT 01 | \$4,518,836 |
| FLORENCE SCHOOL DISTRICT 02 | \$460,919 |
| FLORENCE SCHOOL DISTRICT 03 | \$1,431,839 |
| FLORENCE SCHOOL DISTRICT 04 | \$560,267 |
| FLORENCE SCHOOL DISTRICT 05 | \$407,152 |
| GEORGETOWN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$2,608,344 |
| GREENVILLE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$19,306,291 |
| GREENWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT 50 | \$3,137,514 |
| GREENWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT 51 | \$353,305 |
| GREENWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT 52 | \$324,211 |
| HAMPTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 01 | \$646,414 |
| HAMPTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 02 | \$498,733 |
| HORRY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$14,010,483 |
| JASPER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$1,690,984 |
| KERSHAW COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$2,028,310 |
| LANCASTER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$2,807,958 |

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|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| LAURENS SCHOOL DISTRICT 55 | \$1,657,711 |
| LAURENS SCHOOL DISTRICT 56 | \$929,325 |
| LEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$1,115,230 |
| LEXINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 01 | \$3,008,241 |
| LEXINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 02 | \$2,271,690 |
| LEXINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 03 | \$666,656 |
| LEXINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 04 | \$1,265,325 |
| LEXINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 05 | \$1,629,882 |
| MARION SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$2,581,151 |
| MARLBORO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$1,733,039 |
| MCCORMICK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$304,181 |
| NEWBERRY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$1,720,467 |
| OCONEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$2,183,465 |
| ORANGEBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$5,751,695 |
| PICKENS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$2,757,516 |
| RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT 01 | \$8,218,511 |
| RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT 02 | \$3,957,165 |
| SALUDA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$666,168 |
| SPARTANBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT 01 | \$990,259 |
| SPARTANBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT 02 | \$1,717,396 |
| SPARTANBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT 03 | \$561,870 |
| SPARTANBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT 04 | \$590,508 |
| SPARTANBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT 05 | \$1,117,563 |
| SPARTANBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT 06 | \$2,384,553 |
| SPARTANBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT 07 | \$2,354,626 |
| SUMTER SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$5,582,590 |
| UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$1,202,506 |
| WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$3,082,681 |
| YORK SCHOOL DISTRICT 01 | \$1,297,747 |
| YORK SCHOOL DISTRICT 02 | \$790,427 |
| YORK SCHOOL DISTRICT 03 | \$3,939,791 |
| YORK SCHOOL DISTRICT 04 | \$633,220 |
| SC PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL DISTRICT | \$3,112,002 |
| PALMETTO UNIFIED | \$11,444 |
| DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE | \$162,888 |
| CHARTER INSTITUTE AT ERSKINE | \$1,730,637 |
| TOTAL ESSER SUBGRANT FUNDS | \$194,680,042 |