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 Afterschool Programs in Pennsylvania study determined that for every dollar invested in after- 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 to 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.

Needs Assessment: In this section, LEAs are asked to describe the impact of the pandemic on their students, examine disproportionate impacts on specific student groups, and highlight the LEA's promising practices in supporting students' needs since March 2020.

Indicators of Impact

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

The Laurel SD identified students for inclusion in programming outside of school hours through benchmark data, diagnostic data, and classroom achievement. The LSD administered benchmarks and diagnostic information as well as previous performance on state assessments that would indicated a student would be identified for programming. Also, those students who may be struggling as identified by classroom achievement have been identified for programing outside of school hours.

Section: Narratives - After-school Program

After-school Program Questions: In this section, LEAs are asked to describe the activities they have designed to provide after- 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	149	The children from low-income familes were identified for after school programming following benchmark testing, diagnostic testing, and classroom achievement. Students will be retested in January to measure the impact of the program.
Children with Disabilities	Academic Growth	61	The children with disabilities were identified for after school programming following benchmark testing, diagnostic testing, and classroom achievement. Students will be retested in January to measure the impact of the program.

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

The evidence-based resources that will be used to support student growth during the

programming outside of regular school hours will include the Study Island Benchmark, Aims Web Diagnostic, and CDT.

4. Describe the staff that will provide the after- school program (i.e., Internal staff or outside resources).

Number of Staff Members	Internal/Outside Provider	Role
4	Internal	We will utilize existing teaching staff to man the tutoring program outside of school hours.
2	External Provider	We will utilize staff through Kelly Services to assist with the tutoring program outside of school hours

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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 after-school program staff hold the appropriate certifications for the program that is being delivered.**

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

Tool Used to Evaluate Success	Frequency of Use	Expected Results
		By utizing the study island benchmark, the district will be able to identify where students started and the effectiveness

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Study Island Benchmark	tri-annually	of the tutoring interventions. It is expected that the data provided by the benchmark will drive interventions and produce academic growth.
AIMS Web Diagnostic	tri-annually	By utizing the diagnostic, the district will be able to identify where students started and the effectiveness of the tutoring interventions. It is expected that the data provided by the diagnostic will drive interventions and produce academic growth.
CDT	tri-annually	By utizing the CDT, the district will be able to identify where students started and the effectiveness of the tutoring interventions. It is expected that the data provided by the diagnostic will drive interventions and produce academic growth.

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

The Laurel SD will engage families in the programming outside of school hours. Through email, phone contact, and individual teacher-family conferences tutors will communicate with families who have identified students participating in the program.

Section: Budget - Instruction Expenditures

Instruction Expenditures

Budget

$16,050.00
Allocation

$16,050.00

Budget Over(Under) Allocation

$0.00

Budget Overview

Function	Object	Amount	Description
1000 - Instruction	100 - Salaries	$6,000.00	Salaries for teachers for after-school program
1000 - Instruction	300 - Purchased Professional and Technical Services	$5,000.00	Salaries for Kelly's Services employees
1000 - Instruction	200 - Benefits	$500.00	Fringes for teachers' salaries
1000 - Instruction	600 - Supplies	$2,550.00	Food/supplies
		$14,050.00	

Section: Budget - Support and Non-Instructional Expenditures

Support and Non-Instructional Expenditures

Budget

$16,050.00

Allocation

$16,050.00

Budget Over(Under) Allocation

$0.00

Budget Overview

Function	Object	Amount	Description
2700 - Student Transportation	100 - Salaries	$2,000.00	Salaries for bus drivers
		$2,000.00	

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	$6,000.00	$500.00	$5,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$2,550.00	$0.00	$14,050.00
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	$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

	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
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	$2,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$2,000.00
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

	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
	$8,000.00	$500.00	$5,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$2,550.00	$0.00	$16,050.00
				Approved Indirect Cost/Operational Rate: 0.0000				$0.00
				Final				$16,050.00