

Executive Summary Facilities Committee Meeting

DATE: September 21, 2021

TOPIC: American Rescue Plan (ESSER III) Use of Funds Plan

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Recommended for:

☐ Action

□ Discussion

☑ Information

Purpose/Background:

The third round of federal dollars from the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER III) allocates \$1,725,712 to the District. The grant calls for 20% of the funds to be set aside to address learning loss. The remaining allocation can be expended in a wide variety of ways related to challenges districts have encountered from COVID-19.

In the grant application, the District must develop a *Use of Funds* plan within 90 days of funds being received. Plans must be made available to the public and posted on the District website.

The Administration has created a *Use of Funds* plan to meet grant requirements. Based on a review of the *Master Facilities* plan with the District Architect, the Administration has identified replacement of mechanical rooftop units at Todd Hall and Rutledge Hall as a significant project to complete using ESSER III funds. The grant allows expenditures related to: *repair and upgrade projects to improve air quality in school buildings*. Other projects identified include instructional materials, academic intervention and support, and technology hardware.

Fiscal Impact:

The District has been allocated \$1,725,712 in ESSER III funds.

Recommendation:

This summary is for information and discussion purposes. The Administration requests direction from the Facilities Committee on next steps.