## Section 11bb of Public Act 120

Board Approval Request: Wednesday, September 11, 2024



## Summary:

The School District of the City of Saginaw has a proposed award amount of \$100,998 in recaptured American Rescue Plan funds. These funds must be obligated by September 30, 2024. Approval by Michigan Department of Education (MDE) in the budget/application and issuance of a Grant Award Notification (GAN) is considered properly obligated.

Saginaw Public School Board approval is being requested to utilize these funds for a student Chromebook refresh for the Saginaw Arts and Sciences Academy.

## **Additional Details:**

Per the MDE: Under Section 11bb (see below), recaptured American Rescue Plan (ARP) Emergency Aid to Nonpublic Schools (EANS) II funds have been allocated to districts and intermediate districts that were eligible entities for the original Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) funds under CARES Act. The approximate \$13.3M appropriated under Section 11bb was allocated under the same formula as the original GEER I funding.

Only the following areas are applicable uses of funding:

- Addressing Learning Loss
- Connectivity
- Health, Safety, and Wellness
- Out-of-School Time Learning
- Remote Learning Materials and Training (digital/non-digital)
- Student Mental Health
- Teacher Training and Curriculum

Sec. 11bb.

- (1) From the federal fund money appropriated under section 11, there is allocated for 2023-2024 the amount remaining, estimated at \$13,300,000.00, from the federal funding awarded to this state that has reverted to the governor's emergency education relief fund under provisions of section 2002 of the American rescue plan act of 2021, Public Law 117-2, for the purposes described in this section.
- (2) The department shall make funding under this section available to districts and intermediate districts in the same proportion as funding was made available to districts and intermediate districts under the formula distribution of the original governor's emergency education relief fund dollars received and distributed by the state under the coronavirus aid, relief, and economic security act, Public Law 116–136.
- (3) Districts and intermediate districts shall use funding received under this section for allowable uses to respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency and its negative impacts, including, but not limited to, its negative impacts on mental health, as determined by the department.
- (4) The department shall develop a process to award and make funding available to districts and intermediate districts in a time frame that allows districts and intermediate districts to properly obligate these funds before the federal obligation deadlines for these funds.
- (5) The department may utilize a portion of funding allocated under this section, up to the amount allowable under federal guidance, for the purposes of administering this section.

Please feel free to direct any questions to:

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