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 Summer school Programs in Pennsylvania study determined that for every dollar invested in summer 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 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.

Section 1 - Needs Assessment: In this section, LEAs are asked to describe the impact of the pandemic on their students since March 2020.

Indicators of Impact

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

We have a very diverse population of students in our district. Knowing 43% are economically disadvantaged, we focus much of our summer programming on the needs of these students. Additionally, programming is geared toward th needs of our special education, homeless/foster

care youth, and ELL students since the families of these students do not have the means to engage their children during the summer. Teachers, counselors, and social workers identify students for these programs based on targerted data and a needs asseement.

Section: Narratives - Summer School Program Questions

Summer School Program Questions: In this section, LEAs are asked to describe the activities they have designed to provide summer 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 with Disabilities | Academic Growth | 120 | Students will return to school with a more positive attitude and showing growth on their initial star and dibles assessments | | |
| English Learners | Academic Growth | 7 | Students will return to school with a more positive attitude and showing growth on their initial star and dibles assessments | | |
| Children from Low- Income Families | Academic Growth | 300 | Students will return to school with a more positive attitude and showing growth on their initial star and dibles assessments | | |
| Students Experiencing Homelessness | Academic Growth | 20 | Students will return to school with a more positive attitude and showing growth on their initial star and dibles assessments | | |

| Student Group | Area of Focus | Number of Students Served | Provide specific strategies that were used or will be used to identify and measure impacts |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Students Experiencing Homelessness | Emotional Wellness | 20 | Students will return to school with a more positive attitude and showing growth on their initial star and dibles assessments |
| English Learners | Emotional Wellness | 7 | Students will return to school with a more positive attitude and showing growth on their initial star and dibles assessments |
| Children with Disabilities | Emotional Wellness | | Students will return to school with a more positive attitude and showing growth on their initial star and dibles assessments |
| Children from Low- Income Families | Emotional Wellness | 300 | Students will return to school with a more positive attitude and showing growth on their initial star and dibles assessments |

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

Scholastic lit camp is used as our summer literacy camp program. The evidence-based resources allow students to fine-tune and practice all areas of reading while engaging in social and emotional practices to engage them and their families. The program is hybrid. The camp is two weeks in duration. The district partners with the stem coding lab to provide a stem camp for students in grades K through eight. The camp engages students in math practices while collaborating with peers on stem activities. Self-care is infused throughout the two week camp..

4. Describe the staff that will provide the summer school program (i.e,. internal staff or outside resources).

| Number of Staff Members | Internal/Outside Provider | Role |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| 12 | Internal Provider | District teachers oversee Lit Camp and disseminate activities to students and families |
| 2 | Outside Provider | Instructors from the stem coding lab design and oversee camp activities. |

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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 summer school program staff hold the appropriate certifications for the program that is being delivered.

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

| Tool Used to Evaluate Success | Frequency of Use | Expected Results |
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| I student and family surveys. | During and at the conclusion of camp | Positive feedback will be given. |

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

Families are involved in both camps. For the literacy camp, families and students engage in weekly activities. For the stem coding camp, there is an end of camp activity for parents and students. In both situations, students show off what they have learned during their time in camp.

Section: Budget - Instruction Expenditures

Instruction Expenditures

Budget

\$46,283.00 Allocation \$46,283.00

Budget Over(Under) Allocation

\$0.00

Budget Summary

| Function | Object | Amount | Description | |
|---|-----------------------------------|-------------|--|--|
| 1200 - SPECIAL PROGRAMS – ELEMENTARY / SECONDARY | 100 - Salaries | \$10,283.00 | supplemental pay per the CBA for teachers | |
| 1100 - REGULAR PROGRAMS – ELEMENTARY / SECONDARY | 600 - Supplies | \$5,000.00 | Supplies and resources needed for summer programming | |
| 1200 - SPECIAL PROGRAMS – ELEMENTARY / SECONDARY | 500 - Other Purchased Services | \$10,000.00 | Funds for OST peroviders to instruct/collaborate with summer programming | |
| 1200 - SPECIAL PROGRAMS – ELEMENTARY / SECONDARY | 200 - Benefits | \$6,000.00 | Cost of benefits for teachers per the CBA | |
| | | \$31,283.00 | | |

Section: Budget - Support and Non-Instructional Expenditures

Support and Non-Instructional Expenditures

Budget

\$46,283.00 Allocation \$46,283.00

Budget Over(Under) Allocation

\$0.00

Budget Summary

| Function | Object | Amount | Description |
|--|-----------------------------------|------------|--|
| 2100 - SUPPORT SERVICES – STUDENTS | 100 - Salaries | \$2,000.00 | Salaries to cover aides for students |
| 3000 - OPERATION OF NON- INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES | 100 - Salaries | \$3,000.00 | Salaries to cover clerical staff for summer programming |
| 3300 - Community Services | 500 - Other Purchased Services | \$1,500,00 | |
| 2700 - Student Transportation | 500 - Other Purchased Services | \$5,000.00 | Transporation costs for students to attend programs |
| 3200 - Student Activities | 500 - Other Purchased Services | \$1,500.00 | Funds to cover cost of student admittance for field trip / off site experiences |
| 3100 - Food Services | 500 - Other Purchased Services | \$2,000.00 | Breakfast/Lunches fro students involved in the programs |

| Function | Object | Amount | Description | |
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| | | \$15,000.00 | | |

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 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| 1100 REGULAR PROGRAMS – ELEMENTARY / SECONDARY | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$5,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$5,000.00 |
| 1200 SPECIAL PROGRAMS – ELEMENTARY / SECONDARY | \$10,283.00 | \$6,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$10,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$26,283.00 |
| 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 | \$2,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,000.00 |
| 2200 Staff Support | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |

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|---|-----------------|-----------------|--|--|------------------------------------|---|-----------------|------------|
| 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 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$5,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$5,000.00 |
| 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 | \$3,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$3,000.00 |
| 3100 Food Services | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,000.00 |
| 3200 Student Activities | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,500.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,500.00 |
| 3300 Community Services | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,500.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,500.00 |
| 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 |
|-----------------|-----------------|--|--|------------------------------------|---|-----------------|-------------|
| \$15,283.00 | \$6,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$20,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$46,283.00 |
| | | | Approved | Indirect Cost/0 | Operational R | ate: 0.0000 | \$0.00 |
| | | | Final | | | | |