

PUBLIC NOTICE STATEMENT

American Rescue Plan (ARP)

ESSER III

American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

Public Notice for Applying for the ESSER III Federal Grant Funding

For

De Leon Independent School district

De Leon ISD is making public notice that we will be applying for a grant from the Texas Education Agency based on funds received from the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Elementary and Secondary Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER III). The total amount of funding that De Leon ISD is eligible for is \$1,319,251. The Texas education Agency will release two-thirds of these funds, \$879,501, after we complete the required application and submit a "Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan." The additional one-third of the funds are scheduled for release at a later date once TEA receives approval from the federal granting agency. Our plan must include stakeholder input on how we expect to safely return students to school and provide instructional continuity, and a plan on how these funds should be utilized.

De Leon ISD is seeking your input, via a survey from stakeholders and across the District to include DISD staff, parents, students and community in developing our plan. Your feedback and input is critical and will help us to identify needs to address the gaps left from the Pandemic.

[Survey available here](#)

General Specifics of the grant are as follows:

- Time Frame: Pre-award costs can be recoded from March 13, 2020 and funds should be used by September 30, 2023. (With the Tidings Act, if districts need to carryover unused funds, they would be allowed to continue spending to September 30, 2024.)
- Districts are required to follow all federal, state, and local regulations and requirements for federal grant administration and fiscal spending of funds.
- Districts entitlement for the grant for the three-year period is \$1,319,251.

For More information or comments, please contact:

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