

## Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER)

The United States Congress passed three bills to provide emergency economic assistance to state and local agencies due to the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. These Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds are intended to support high-need areas, where academic and non-academic components for school districts had a significant impact due to the pandemic. As additional funding became available and to reduce COVID-19 impacts, funding aimed to support States and local school districts in the safe reopening of schools, addressing learning gaps, and in the continued provision of support to students and families.

### Liberty Tech Charter Schools ESSER - Total Allocations

Coronavirus, Aid, Relief & Economic Security (CARES) Act	Coronavirus Response & Relief Supplemental Appropriation (CRRSA) Act	American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act
ESSER I	ESSER II	ESSER III
\$ 23,590 (2020) \$ 519 (2021) \$ 15,000 (2021)	\$0	\$503,731 ARP (2022) \$51,740 LEA BONUS (2021) \$29,996 ARP Homeless Children and Youth (2023) \$47,714 ARP PFEA Charter School Facilities (2023) \$2,263 ARP LL Opportunities Grant (2023)

All ESSER funding is held at the state level. LTCS submitted a plan and budget to the Georgia Department of Education for approval. Qualifying expenses are submitted utilizing a reimbursement system. LTCS currently has all ESSER plans approved by the Georgia Department of Education. Plans are reviewed and updated as needs are identified and changes are noted within the school community. The CARES Act (ESSER I) addressed the initial, emergency response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The safe reopening of schools and ongoing operations during the pandemic was addressed through the CRRSA Act (ESSER II). The ARP Act (ESSER III) addresses the ongoing need for federal support during the economic recovery, ongoing health effects, and continued school safety needs. For this reason, it is critical for LTCS to continue gathering feedback and needs from all stakeholders.

To provide feedback you may complete the [ARP/ESSER III online Feedback Survey](#).

The Georgia Department of Education has published an ESSER funding dashboard to communicate school district use of ESSER funding to the public in a straightforward, transparent way. To access the dashboard, click the link shown below and select Liberty Tech Charter School under "Select System." The dashboard will provide more information about ESSER III spending at LTCS.

[ESSER Funding Dashboard](#)