



# RELIEF AID

## PreK-12 EDUCATION



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Since March 2020, the federal government has passed three relief packages in response to the COVID-19 pandemic that include unprecedented support for K-12 schools to address the impact that COVID-19 has had, and continues to have, on elementary and secondary schools across the nation. The relief funding awards grants to States (SEAs), school districts (LEAs), and nonpublic schools through two separate funds: the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund and the Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund. *The purpose of this document is to provide a high-level overview of the NDE's actions to date on the administration of federal COVID-19 relief funds.*

**Table 1. Overall Funds Available to Nebraska K-12 Schools through COVID-19 Relief Packages**


Legislation	CARES	CRRSA	ARP
	Coronavirus Aid, Relief & Economic Security Act	Coronavirus Response & Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act	American Rescue Plan Act
Enacted	March 2020	December 2020	March 2021
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief <b>ESSER</b>	\$65,085,085	\$243,073,530	\$545,908,619
Governor's Emergency Education Relief <b>GEER</b>	\$16,357,685	\$17,272,129	\$18,618,767
Total Education Stabilization Funds	<b>\$81,442,770</b>	<b>\$260,345,659</b>	<b>\$564,527,386</b>

**Table 2. Aid Available through the GEER & Emergency Assistance for Nonpublic schools (EANS)**

Program Details	GEER I	GEER II/EANS	ARP EANS
<b>Stimulus Program</b>	<a href="#">CARES Act</a>	<a href="#">CRRSA Act</a>	<a href="#">ARP Act</a>
<b>State Allocation &amp; Methodology</b>	<a href="#">State Allocation</a>	<a href="#">State Allocation</a>	<a href="#">State Allocation</a>
<b>Available for Obligation Through</b>	9/30/22	9/30/23	9/30/23
<b>Nebraska GEER Aid</b>	\$16,357,685	Governor education funds became EANS funds	
<b>Nebraska EANS Services/Assistance</b> Emergency Assistance for Nonpublic Schools	Public school districts provide equitable services to nonpublic schools through ESSER	\$17,272,129 Including \$200,000 for State Administration	\$18,618,767 Including \$200,000 for State Administration
<b>Level of Aid Spent to Date</b> Costs may date back to March 13, 2020	100% Obligated	\$0 - May 2021 Services Available	\$0 - June 2021 Schools Apply
<b>Nebraska Allocation &amp; Methodology</b>	Governor providing devices/access for all students in need	<a href="#">Nonpublic Allocation</a> 50% Total Enrollment 50% Low-Income	July 2021 – Final Allocations Available
<b>Main Purpose of Funds</b>	 <p>Address digital equitable access and Learning</p>	 <p>Provide services or assistance to non-public schools through partnership with FACTS to serve the most impacted by COVID-19</p>	

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**Table 3. Aid Available through the ESSER COVID-19 Relief Packages**

Program Details	ESSER I	ESSER II	ESSER III
<b>Stimulus Program</b>	<a href="#">CARES Act</a>	<a href="#">CRRSA Act</a>	<a href="#">ARP Act</a>
<b>Total Nebraska ESSER Aid</b>	\$65,085,085	\$243,073,530	\$549,484,612
<b>Available for Obligation Through</b>	9/30/22	9/30/23	9/30/24
<b>Total Nebraska ESSER Aid</b>	\$65,085,085	\$243,073,530	\$545,908,619
<b>State Allocation &amp; Methodology</b>	<a href="#">State Allocation</a>	<a href="#">State Allocation</a>	<a href="#">State Allocation</a>
<b>School District Aid Distribution (90%)</b>	\$58,576,577	\$218,766,177	\$491,317,757
<b>School District Allocation &amp; Methodology</b>	<a href="#">District Allocation</a>	<a href="#">District Allocation</a>	Released May 2021
<b>Budgeted Investments</b>	42% Technology 26% Closure/Employ Staff 19% Response/Supplies 11% Nonpublic Schools 1.2% Vulnerable Populations 0.4% Prof Development 0.3% Social/Emotional	<b>April 2021</b> Districts Applying & Budgeting Aid	<b>May 2021</b> Allocations & Application become available <b>Note:</b> 20% reserved for "learning loss" through evidence-based interventions & LEA maintenance of equity
<b>Level of Aid Spent to Date</b> Costs may date back to March 13, 2020	68% Reimbursed \$40,108,258	\$0	\$0
<b>Main Purpose of Funds</b>	Ensure students and educators have devices, connectivity, support needed to continue to learn, and provide communication /support to families and students.	Measure and address learning loss among students disproportionately affected by COVID-19 and school closures, particularly students with high-needs.	Reopen schools and sustain safe operation aligned to CDC guidance for in-person learning. Provide evidenced-based interventions to meet social, emotional, and academic needs.
<b>SEA Reservation (10% - NDE)</b> Including 0.5% State Administration Maintenance of Effort and Equity Provisions	\$6,508,509	\$24,307,353	\$54,590,862
<b>Budgeted Investments</b>	60% Technology 19% Fall Planning 9% Unobligated 5% Administration 4% Inclusive Environment 3% SEL & Mental Health	 Developing strategic priorities-based planning guidance and supports for schools to achieve <b>School Renewal and Acceleration</b> through <a href="http://launchne.com">launchne.com</a> and educational partners	
<b>Level of State Reservation Spent to Date</b> Costs may date back to March 13, 2020	91% Obligated \$59,227,427	\$0	\$0

