

Dept. of Public Instruction: State superintendent statement on ESSER III plan approval by USDE

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State Superintendent Dr. Jill Underly issued the following statement today in response to the U.S. Department of Education approving Wisconsin's American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary Emergency Relief plan.

"Today, we received notification that the United States Department of Education has approved 95 percent of our ESSER III application. That means school districts will begin receiving much-needed federal relief in the coming weeks. This support will allow them to pursue innovative approaches to address the ongoing challenges presented by the pandemic, and to begin the process of addressing the new normal for learners, their families, our educators, and our communities.

"We at the DPI are committed to working with legislative leaders and the USDE to address this issue. We all share a mutual interest in doing what is best for Wisconsin's students, and that means supporting our learners as thoroughly and expediently as possible."

For the full statement and additional information on approval of the plan, visit <https://dpi.wi.gov/news/releases/2021/jill-underly-esser-iii-arpa-statement>.