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TO: Members

Joint Committee on Finance

FROM: Bob Lang, Director

SUBJECT: Plan for Federal Funds Received by DPI Under the CRRSA Act -- Agenda Item II

On January 26, 2021, the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) submitted a plan for the additional federal moneys that will be received under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act as part of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021, as required under s. 115.295 of the statutes. The Committee is now meeting to consider the plan submitted by the Department.

BACKGROUND

Under s. 115.295, DPI is required to submit a plan to the Joint Committee on Finance if the Department estimates that the amount of federal funds that will be appropriated in the current state fiscal year is less than 95% or more than 105% of the amount of federal revenue shown in the Chapter 20 schedule for that year. The plan must identify how the federal appropriations will be adjusted to reflect the most recent estimate of federal funds that will be received. The plan is submitted to the Co-Chairs of the Joint Committee on Finance, who send it to Committee members upon determining that it is complete. DPI's plan for the CRRSA Act funding was submitted to the Co-Chairs on January 26, 2021, and sent by the Co-Chairs to Committee members on January 29, 2021.

The CRRSA Act was enacted by the federal government on December 27, 2020, as part of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021. The Act uses the education stabilization fund framework created under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to provide additional aid for K-12 and higher education totaling \$82 billion. Of that amount, \$53.9 billion is designated as a second round of funding for the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) fund. The Act specifies that ESSER II moneys will be allocated to states in the same proportion that each state received under Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) in the most recent fiscal year. The remainder of the additional funding is designated for the Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) fund (\$4.1 billion), funding for institutions of higher education (\$22.7 billion), and funding for additional grants allocated by the

Secretary of Education, including funding for programs operated by the Bureau of Indian Education and grants for states with the highest coronavirus burden. Table 1 shows the amount of funding Wisconsin will receive under each program.

TABLE 1

Wisconsin Portion of CRRSA Act Education Stabilization Funds (\$ in Millions)

Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund	\$686.1
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund	318.0
Governor's Emergency Relief Fund	98.3
Total	\$1,102.4

DPI's required s. 115.295 plan addresses Wisconsin's portion of the ESSER II funds, which will be administered by DPI and appropriated under the Department's federal appropriations. The GEER fund and the higher education emergency relief fund will be administered by other agencies, and therefore are not included in this plan.

PLAN FOR FEDERAL FUNDS SUBMITTED BY DPI

DPI submitted its plan for the additional federal funding expected under the ESSER II, which describes how DPI will allocate funds according to the three uses enumerated under the CRRSA Act: (a) aid to be distributed directly to school districts and other local educational agencies (no less than 90% of each state's total); (b) a state agency set-aside that can be used for emergency needs as determined by each state's educational agency (up to 10% of the state total); and (c) funds for administration (up to 0.5% of the state total).

Direct Aid for School Districts. Ninety percent of Wisconsin's total ESSER II funding (or \$617.5 million) must be distributed directly to school districts and independent charter schools according to the formula used for the 2019-20 distribution of Title I Part A funds, which is based on the number of low-income pupils residing in each district. Allowable uses of these funds by districts and charter schools are defined under the CRRSA Act, and include preparedness and response efforts related to the COVID-19 pandemic; training and professional development related to sanitation and preventing the spread of infectious disease; purchasing educational technology equipment; providing mental health services to pupils; any activity authorized by other specified federal education acts, including the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA); addressing learning loss among pupils, including low-income pupils, pupils with disabilities, and English language learners; and other activities that are necessary to maintain operations and provide services during the pandemic. The full list of allowable uses is included in Appendix A of DPI's plan, which is attached in full to this memorandum. Grant recipients may use ESSER II funding for expenses incurred between March 13, 2020, and September 30, 2023.

State Agency Set-Aside. The state set-aside totals \$68.6 million. Of this amount, approximately \$1.2 million would be allocated for administration under DPI's plan, as described below. The remainder would be used to establish a minimum grant amount of \$100,000 and a per pupil minimum grant amount of \$395 for each school district and independent charter school.

Under the DPI plan, \$2.4 million would be used to establish a minimum grant amount of \$100,000. This amount would be distributed to 33 school districts and six independent charter schools, and for a \$100,000 grant to both of the state's residential schools for blind and deaf pupils, as well as two county children with disabilities education boards (Syble Hopp School in Brown County and Lakeland School in Walworth County).

Additionally, the DPI plan would establish a per pupil minimum grant award of \$395, which would total \$65.0 million. The calculation would be made using headcount data from the 3rd Friday in September, 2020. This provision would provide additional funding to 172 school districts and two independent charter schools.

Attachment 1 shows the amount that would be received by each school district, independent charter school, and other recipient under DPI's plan, and replicates the estimates prepared by DPI.

Administrative Funds. Under the CRRSA Act, each state educational agency can reserve 0.5% of the total funds received by the state to use for administration of the Act. DPI indicates that it intends to reserve 0.17% of the state's allocation, or approximately \$1.2 million, for these purposes. The administrative funds would be spent in the 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24 fiscal years, after which the grant program will be closed out following the final obligation of funds by school districts and other recipients no later than September 30, 2023.

DPI indicates that these funds would be used for the following purposes:

- (a) Modifying the Department's federal grants portal (WISEgrants) to accommodate the specific parameters of the ESSER II funding, as well as providing technical support and system maintenance for the WISEgrants application portal throughout the life of the grant program;
- (b) Providing technical assistance and training to school districts and independent charter schools;
 - (c) Reviewing and approving budgets submitted by grant recipients;
- (d) Reviewing and approving ongoing claims for funds from grant recipients, and paying claims once approved;
 - (e) Collecting required data from grant recipients;
- (f) Submitting reports to the federal Department of Education to meet requirements under federal law, including providing detailed accounting of the state's use of funds and regular financial and programmatic reports.

Federal law requires that recipients of federal moneys use that funding only for the specific grant program for which it was awarded. Therefore, staff time used to perform work related to ESSER II must be charged to ESSER II rather than to other federal grant programs, even for employees that usually works on other federal programs. Federal law requires grant recipients to

maintain time and effort documentation to ensure that staff time is charged to the correct grant program. As a result, any staff time or other administrative costs that are not paid for out of the ESSER II funds would need to be funded with state GPR and could not be funded with other federal moneys.

Aid for Private Schools. The CARES Act included an equitable services requirement for ESSER I funds received by public school districts, under which districts were required to use a portion of their funds to provide services to pupils attending private schools. The CRRSA Act does not include an equitable services requirement. However, \$2.75 billion of the total \$4.1 billion provided for the GEER is dedicated to aid for private K-12 schools. Of Wisconsin's total \$98.3 million allocation under the CRRSA Act GEER, it is estimated that \$77.5 million will be allocated for services to private schools. This funding is not administered by DPI, and therefore is not included in DPI's plan.

Total Federal Appropriation Increases

Table 2 shows the federal appropriations under DPI that will receive additional funds under the DPI plan for moneys received from the CRRSA Act, and the amount by which each appropriation will be increased.

TABLE 2

DPI Plan -- Federal Appropriation Increases Under CRRSA Act (2020-21)

	<u>Appropriation</u>	Current Law <u>Amount</u>	CRRSA Act Increase	New Total
(1)(me)	Federal aids; program operations	\$52,733,000	\$1,379,000 * 684,677,200	\$54,112,000
(2)(m)	Federal aids; local aid	760,633,500		1,445,310,700

^{*} Includes \$200,000 that would be provided to the Wisconsin Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired and the Wisconsin Education Services Program for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

SUMMARY

The Committee has two options available to it in addressing the plan submitted by the Department. First, it could approve the plan as submitted. Second, the Committee could adjust the amounts in the plan related to the state agency set-aside (\$68.6 million) which, under the plan, would be allocated for: (a) a minimum grant of \$100,000 for local education agencies (\$2.4 million); (b) a minimum per pupil grant of \$395 (\$65.0 million); and (c) administrative costs (\$1.2 million). Under the federal act, the state must allocate \$617.5 million according to the formula used for the 2019-20 distribution of Title I Part A funds.

ALTERNATIVES

- 1. Approve the plan as submitted.
- 2. Modify the plan by redistribution of some portion of the \$68.6 million of state set-aside funding.

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Attachments

ATTACHMENT 1

ESSERF II Allocation Under DPI Plan

	Fall 2020 <u>Headcount</u>	Initial ESSER II Allocation (Based on Title I)	Amount for	Additional Amount for Per Pupil Minimum (\$395)	Total E <u>II Allo</u> <u>Amount</u>	SSERF ocation Per Pupil
Abbotsford School District	762	\$461,352	\$0	\$0	\$461,352	\$605
Adams-Friendship Area School District	1,306	1,828,288	0	0	1,828,288	1,400
Albany School District	313	154,194	0	0	154,194	493
Algoma School District	617	384,104	0	0	384,104	623
Alma Center School District	240	396,525	0	0	396,525	1,652
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Alma School District	598	75,014	24,986	136,210	236,210	395
Almond-Bancroft School District	369	312,466	0	0	312,466	847
Altoona School District	1,767	667,222	0	30,743	697,965	395
Amery School District	1,446	547,813	0	23,357	571,170	395
Antigo School District	1,984	2,173,213	0	0	2,173,213	1,095
Appleton Area School District	15,690	6,705,753	0	0	6,705,753	427
Arcadia School District	1,241	373,053	0	117,142	490,195	395
Argyle School District	295	185,311	0	0	185,311	628
Arrowhead Union High School District	2,086	105,108	0	718,862	823,970	395
Ashland School District	1,929	1,899,207	0	0	1,899,207	985
Ashwaubenon School District	3,247	782,372	0	500,193	1,282,565	395
Athens School District	393	555,533	0	0	555,533	1,414
Auburndale School District	805	431,073	0	0	431,073	535
Augusta School District	612	1,154,355	0	0	1,154,355	1,886
Baldwin-Woodville Area School District	1,677	365,501	0	296,914	662,415	395
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Bangor School District	595	437,338	0	0	437,338	735
Baraboo School District	2,791	1,695,983	0	0	1,695,983	608
Barneveld School District	463	32,383	67,617	82,885	182,885	395
Barron Area School District	1,167	968,962	0	0	968,962	830
Bayfield School District	409	672,527	0	0	672,527	1,644
Beaver Dam School District	3,388	1,461,021	0	0	1,461,021	431
Beecher-Dunbar-Pembine School District	221	172,999	0	0	172,999	783
Belleville School District	925	142,994	0	222,381	365,375	395
Belmont Community School District	361	307,006	0	0	307,006	850
Beloit School District	5,765	8,411,930	0	0	8,411,930	1,459
Beloit Turner School District	1,616	680,035	0	0	680,035	421
Benton School District	204	141,697	0	0	141,697	695
Berlin Area School District	1,463	1,027,867	0	0	1,027,867	703
Big Foot Union High School District	461	1,027,807	0	26,736	182,095	395
Birchwood School District	282	196,349	0	20,730	196,349	696
Bitchwood School District	202	170,547	O	O	170,547	070
Black Hawk School District	374	265,395	0	0	265,395	710
Black River Falls School District	1,641	1,243,027	0	0	1,243,027	757
Blair-Taylor School District	604	470,579	0	0	470,579	779
Bloomer School District	1,256	493,620	0	2,500	496,120	395
Bonduel School District	689	510,210	0	0	510,210	741
Boscobel Area School District	735	661,996	0	0	661,996	901
Bowler School District	330	378,417	0	0	378,417	1,147
Boyceville Community School District	686	387,281	0	0	387,281	565
Brighton No. 1 School District	201	54,151	45,849	0	100,000	498
Brillion School District	931	232,622	0	135,123	367,745	395
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	Fall 2020	Initial ESSER II Allocation (Based	Amount for Minimum Grant	•	Total E <u>II Allo</u>	cation
	<u>Headcount</u>	on Title I)	(\$100,000/LEA)	<u>(\$395</u>)	<u>Amount</u>	Per Pupil
Bristol No. 1 School District	801	\$161,871	\$0	\$154,524	\$316,395	\$395
Brodhead School District	973	585,277	0	0	585,277	602
Brown Deer School District	1,491	862,753	0	0	862,753	579
Bruce School District	456	497,704	0	0	497,704	1,091
Burlington Area School District	3,010	1,534,075	0	0	1,534,075	510
Butternut School District	169	129,319	0	0	129,319	765
Cadott Community School District	756	483,425	0	0	483,425	639
Cambria-Friesland School District	329	394,658	0	0	394,658	1,200
Cambridge School District	915	229,907	0	131,518	361,425	395
Cameron School District	1,134	451,639	0	0	451,639	398
Campbellsport School District	1,266	387,813	0	112,257	500,070	395
Cashton School District	622	1,154,699	0	0	1,154,699	1,856
Cassville School District	196	219,449	0	0	219,449	1,120
Cedar Grove-Belgium Area School District	917	233,160	0	129,055	362,215	395
Cedarburg School District	3,084	212,003	0	1,006,177	1,218,180	395
Chequamegon School District	688	606,552	0	0	606,552	882
Chetek-Weyerhaeuser Area School District	953	832,850	0	0	832,850	874
Chilton School District	1,129	324,989	0	120,966	445,955	395
Chippewa Falls Area School District	4,882	2,348,491	0	0	2,348,491	481
Clayton School District	315	192,605	0	0	192,605	611
Clear Lake School District	587	335,681	0	0	335,681	572
Clinton Community School District	1,088	368,959	0	60,801	429,760	395
Clintonville School District	1,128	971,582	0	0	971,582	861
Cochrane-Fountain City School District	578	210,195	0	18,115	228,310	395
Colby School District	942	830,218	0	0	830,218	881
Coleman School District	662	342,127	0	0	342,127	517
Colfax School District	726	347,723	0	0	347,723	479
Columbus School District	1,263	342,701	0	156,184	498,885	395
Cornell School District	325	424,627	0	0	424,627	1,307
Crandon School District	841	730,715	0	0	730,715	869
Crivitz School District	789	502,082	0	0	502,082	636
Cuba City School District	652	223,164	0	34,376	257,540	395
Cudahy School District	2,175	2,120,708	0	0	2,120,708	975
Cumberland School District	977	690,358	0	0	690,358	707
D.C. Everest Area School District	6,000	2,058,683	0	311,317	2,370,000	395
Darlington Community School District	875	588,493	0	0	588,493	673
De Pere Unified School District	4,481	397,056	0	1,372,939	1,769,995	395
De Soto Area School District	493	590,159	0	0	590,159	1,197
Deerfield Community School District	723	82,796	17,204	185,585	285,585	395
DeForest Area School District	3,878	561,204	0	970,606	1,531,810	395
Delavan-Darien School District	1,908	1,465,815	0	0	1,465,815	768
Denmark School District	1,547	374,857	0	236,208	611,065	395
Dodgeland School District	711	338,393	0	0	338,393	476
Dodgeville School District	1,111	454,869	0	0	454,869	409
Dover No. 1 School District	99	0	100,000	0	100,000	1,010
Drummond Area School District	325	344,024	0	0	344,024	1,059
Durand School District	956	686,327	0	0	686,327	718
East Troy Community School District	1,487	752,129	0	0	752,129	506
Eau Claire Area School District	10,881	5,672,908	0	0	5,672,908	521
Edgar School District	571	308,309	0	0	308,309	540

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	Headcount		(\$100,000/LEA)	<u>(\$395</u>)	Amount	Per Pupil
Edgerton School District	1,858	\$805,610	\$0	\$0	\$805,610	\$434
Elcho School District	279	170,495	0	0	170,495	611
Eleva-Strum School District	647	258,144	0	0	258,144	399
Elk Mound Area School District	1,194	377,094	0	94,536	471,630	395
Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah School District	456	77,745	22,255	80,120	180,120	395
Elkhorn Area School District	3,597	947,443	0	473,372	1,420,815	395
Ellsworth Community School District	1,640	400,619	0	247,181	647,800	395
Elmbrook School District	7,330	421,502	0	2,473,848	2,895,350	395
Elmwood School District	320	123,411	0	2,989	126,400	395
Erin School District	402	0	100,000	58,790	158,790	395
Evansville Community School District	1,760	428,731	0	266,469	695,200	395
Fall Creek School District	829	268,361	0	59,094	327,455	395
Fall River School District	473	159,545	0	27,290	186,835	395
Fennimore Community School District	779	803,423	0	0	803,423	1,031
Flambeau School District	505	804,983	0	0	804,983	1,594
Florence School District	377	353,994	0	0	353,994	939
Fond du Lac School District	6,662	4,559,392	0	0	4,559,392	684
Fontana Joint No. 8 School District	200	81,473	18,527	0	100,000	500
Fort Atkinson School District	2,660	959,375	0	91,325	1,050,700	395
Fox Point Joint No. 2 School District	834	298,778	0	30,652	329,430	395
Franklin Public School District	4,668	1,009,237	0	834,623	1,843,860	395
Frederic School District	429	573,598	0	0	573,598	1,337
Freedom Area School District	1,567	172,197	0	446,768	618,965	395
Galesville-Ettrick-Trempealeau School District	1,386	398,752	0	148,718	547,470	395
Geneva Joint No. 4 School District	196	55,965	44,035	0	100,000	510
Genoa City Joint No. 2 School District	502	245,749	0	0	245,749	490
Germantown School District	3,742	296,122	0	1,181,968	1,478,090	395
Gibraltar Area School District	516	221,594	0	0	221,594	429
Gillett School District	523	480,308	0	0	480,308	918
Gilman School District	450	689,071	0	0	689,071	1,531
Gilmanton School District	156	143,132	0	0	143,132	918
Glendale-River Hills School District	960	392,144	0	0	392,144	408
Glenwood City School District	646	286,555	0	0	286,555	444
Goodman-Armstrong School District	98	150,819	0	0	150,819	1,539
Grafton School District	1,995	186,693	0	601,332	788,025	395
Granton Area School District	217	894,424	0	0	894,424	4,122
Grantsburg School District	1,777	587,029	0	114,886	701,915	395
Green Bay Area School District	19,003	19,903,798	0	0	19,903,798	1,047
Green Lake School District	316	93,089	6,911	24,820	124,820	395
Greendale School District	2,658	1,085,339	0	0	1,085,339	408
Greenfield School District	3,372	1,758,503	0	0	1,758,503	522
Greenwood School District	355	718,525	0	0	718,525	2,024
Gresham School District	246	269,852	0	0	269,852	1,097
Hamilton School District	4,921	325,906	0	1,617,889	1,943,795	395
Hartford Joint No. 1 School District	1,591	583,231	0	45,214	628,445	395
Hartford Union High School District	1,300	154,306	0	359,194	513,500	395
Hartland-Lakeside Joint No. 3 School District	1,103	137,498	0	298,187	435,685	395
Hayward Community School District	2,002	2,215,331	0	0	2,215,331	1,107
Herman-Neosho-Rubicon School District	291	156,632	0	0	156,632	538
Highland School District	307	101,809	0	19,456	121,265	395

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Hilbert School District	496	\$128,920	\$0	\$67,000	\$195,920	\$395
Hillsboro School District	537	1,565,644	0	0	1,565,644	2,916
Holmen School District		400,801	0	1,124,294	1,505,044	395
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Holy Hill Area School District			100,000	101,845	201,845	
Horicon School District	622	272,518	0	0	272,518	438
Hortonville School District	4,139	334,032	0	1,300,873	1,634,905	395
Howards Grove School District	921	89,454	10,546	263,795	363,795	395
Howard-Suamico School District	5,890	1,174,486	0	1,152,064	2,326,550	395
Hudson School District	5,371	456,205	0	1,665,340	2,121,545	395
Hurley School District	513	450,095	0	0	450,095	877
Hustisford School District	332	142,129	0	0	142,129	428
Independence School District	398	379,667	0	0	379,667	954
Iola-Scandinavia School District	597	259,292	0	0	259,292	434
Iowa-Grant School District	712	386,909	0	0	386,909	543
Ithaca School District	408	167,265	0	0	167,265	410
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Janesville School District	9,440	7,421,098	0	0	7,421,098	786
Jefferson School District	1,794	784,374	0	0	784,374	437
Johnson Creek School District	576	173,714	0	53,806	227,520	395
Juda School District	269	106,952	0	0	106,952	398
Kaukauna Area School District	3,932	1,100,518	0	452,622	1,553,140	395
Kenosha School District	19,159	19,976,130	0	0	19,976,130	1,043
Kettle Moraine School District	3,620	277,011	0	1,152,889	1,429,900	395
Kewaskum School District	1,751	228,103	0	463,542	691,645	395
Kewaunee School District	917	298,372	0	63,843	362,215	395
Kickapoo Area School District	496	725,377	0	0	725,377	1,462
Kiel Area School District	1,367	295,512	0	244,453	539,965	395
Kimberly Area School District	5,187	352,447	0	1,696,418	2,048,865	395
Kohler School District	705	27,636	72,364	178,475	278,475	395
La Crosse School District	6,234	3,893,097	72,304	0	3,893,097	624
	230	554,365	0	0	554,365	2,410
La Farge School District	230	334,303	U	U	334,303	2,410
Lac du Flambeau No. 1 School District	526	1,233,338	0	0	1,233,338	2,345
Ladysmith School District	765	708,922	0	0	708,922	927
Lake Country School District	503	76,888	23,112	98,685	198,685	395
Lake Geneva Joint No. 1 School District	1,846	874,494	0	0	874,494	474
Lake Geneva-Genoa City Union High School Distric		509,488	0	20,602	530,090	395
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Lake Holcombe School District Lake Mills Area School District	280 1,576	347,445	0	0 304,067	347,445 622,520	1,241 395
		318,453			622,520	
Lakeland Union High School District	730	472,654	0	0	472,654	647
Lancaster Community School District	962	568,980	0	0	568,980	591 552
Laona School District	283	156,124	0	0	156,124	552
Lena School District	415	157,991	0	5,934	163,925	395
Linn Joint No. 4 School District	105	43,429	56,571	0	100,000	952
Linn Joint No. 6 School District	175	5,041	94,959	0	100,000	571
Little Chute Area School District	1,585	567,696	0	58,379	626,075	395
Lodi School District	1,483	384,718	0	201,067	585,785	395
Lomira School District	1,049	345,961	0	68,394	414,355	395
Loyal School District	492	844,707	0	0	844,707	1,717
Luck School District	428	304,271	0	0	304,271	711
Luxemburg-Casco School District	1,863	473,766	0	262,119	735,885	395
Madison Metropolitan School District	25,982	18,949,599	0	0	18,949,599	729
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Manawa School District	599	\$361,354	\$0	\$0	\$361,354	\$603
Manitowoc School District	4,763	3,349,292	0	0	3,349,292	703
Maple Dale-Indian Hill School District	455	123,873	0	55,852	179,725	395
Maple School District	1,293	512,843	0	0	512,843	397
Marathon City School District	736	69,326	30,674	190,720	290,720	395
Marinette School District	1,959	1,586,860	0	0	1,586,860	810
Marion School District	430	671,821	0	0	671,821	1,562
Markesan School District	792	1,017,917	0	0	1,017,917	1,285
Marshall School District	984	831,402	0	0	831,402	845
Marshfield School District	3,873	1,479,480	0	50,355	1,529,835	395
Mauston School District	1,424	1,070,217	0	0	1,070,217	752
Mayville School District	1,029	362,618	0	43,837	406,455	395
McFarland School District	6,109	187,112	0	2,225,943	2,413,055	395
Medford Area School District	3,003	1,077,818	0	108,367	1,186,185	395
Mellen School District	265	325,144	0	0	325,144	1,227
Melrose-Mindoro School District	749	457,723	0	0	457,723	611
Menasha School District	3,199	2,657,469	0	0	2,657,469	831
Menominee Indian School District	974	3,045,068	0	0	3,045,068	3,126
Menomonee Falls School District	3,895	346,990	0	1,191,535	1,538,525	395
Menomonie Area School District	3,199	1,726,644	0	0	1,726,644	540
Mequon-Thiensville School District	3,527	270,594	0	1,122,571	1,393,165	395
Mercer School District	130	101,218	0	0	101,218	779
Merrill Area School District	3,285	1,272,926	0	24,649	1,297,575	395
Merton Community School District	828	120,428	0	206,632	327,060	395
Middleton-Cross Plains School District	7,378	718,275	0	2,196,035	2,914,310	395
Milton School District	3,477	880,416	0	492,999	1,373,415	395
Milwaukee Public Schools	70,964	225,213,399	0	0	225,213,399	3,174
Mineral Point School District	760	257,375	0	42,825	300,200	395
Minocqua Joint No. 1 School District	580	216,919	0	12,181	229,100	395
Mishicot School District	875	290,266	0	55,359	345,625	395
Mondovi School District	908	572,935	0	0	572,935	631
Monona Grove School District	3,442	293,480	0	1,066,110	1,359,590	395
Monroe School District	2,243	951,213	0	0	951,213	424
Montello School District	621	691,476	0	0	691,476	1,113
Monticello School District	321	81,991	18,009	26,795	126,795	395
Mosinee School District	1,963	485,101	0	290,284	775,385	395
Mount Horeb Area School District	2,435	274,570	0	687,255	961,825	395
Mukwonago School District	5,000	394,925	0	1,580,075	1,975,000	395
Muskego-Norway School District	4,855	449,452	0	1,468,273	1,917,725	395
Necedah Area School District	720	887,229	0	0	887,229	1,232
Neenah School District	6,565	2,274,078	0	319,097	2,593,175	395
Neillsville School District	874	655,471	0	0	655,471	750
Nekoosa School District	1,170	750,506	0	0	750,506	641
New Auburn School District	311	266,583	0	0	266,583	857
New Berlin School District	4,223	345,275	0	1,322,810	1,668,085	395
New Glarus School District	1,020	82,743	17,257	302,900	402,900	395
New Holstein School District	1,008	365,712	0	32,448	398,160	395
New Lisbon School District	639	447,743	0	0	447,743	701
New London School District	2,134	852,780	0	0	852,780	400
New Richmond School District	3,465	685,185	0	683,490	1,368,675	395

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Niagara School District	434	\$313,030	\$0	\$0	\$313,030	\$721
Nicolet Union High School District	1,090	306,795	0	123,755	430,550	395
Norris School District	60	0	100,000	0	100,000	1,667
North Cape School District	196	13,955	86,045	0	100,000	510
North Crawford School District	414	459,514	0	0	459,514	1,110
North Fond du Lac School District	1,488	471,753	0	116,007	587,760	395
North Lake School District	307	0	100,000	21,265	121,265	395
North Lakeland School District	164	101,970	0	0	101,970	622
Northern Ozaukee School District	1,201	125,443	0	348,952	474,395	395
Northland Pines School District	1,320	845,644	0	0	845,644	641
Northwood School District	322	314,792	0	0	314,792	978
Norwalk-Ontario-Wilton School District	603	1,360,876	0	0	1,360,876	2,257
Norway Joint No. 7 School District	92	1,500,870	100,000	0	100,000	1,087
Oak Creek-Franklin School District	6,383	1,805,663	0	715,622	2,521,285	395
Oakfield School District	554	171,953	0	46,877	218,830	395
Oukrield School District	334	171,755	O	40,077	210,030	373
Oconomowoc Area School District	5,114	1,039,974	0	980,056	2,020,030	395
Oconto Falls School District	1,615	572,100	0	65,825	637,925	395
Oconto School District	965	688,920	0	0	688,920	714
Omro School District	1,072	521,556	0	0	521,556	487
Onalaska School District	3,039	755,353	0	445,052	1,200,405	395
Ocathyma Saha al Diatriat	1,026	223,827	0	181,443	405,270	395
Oostburg School District Oregon School District	4,124	464,740	0	1,164,240	1,628,980	395
Osceola School District	1,548	385,183	0	226,277	611,460	395
Oshkosh Area School District	9,277	5,971,967	0	0	5,971,967	644
Osseo-Fairchild School District	785	691,951	0	0	691,951	881
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Owen-Withee School District	485	792,437	0	0	792,437	1,634
Palmyra-Eagle Area School District	593	362,146	0	0	362,146	611
Pardeeville Area School District	727	439,970	0	0	439,970	605
Paris Joint No. 1 School District	280	102,148	0	8,452	110,600	395
Parkview School District	790	287,611	0	24,439	312,050	395
Pecatonica Area School District	392	150,027	0	4,813	154,840	395
Pepin Area School District	234	136,119	0	0	136,119	582
Peshtigo School District	1,111	466,696	0	0	466,696	420
Pewaukee School District	2,879	186,370	0	950,835	1,137,205	395
Phelps School District	103	98,186	1,814	0	100,000	971
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Phillips School District	741	502,474	0	0	502,474	678
Pittsville School District	553	214,082	0	4,353	218,435	395
Platteville School District	1,553	929,628	0	0	929,628	599
Plum City School District	258	87,992	12,008	1,910	101,910	395
Plymouth School District	2,077	688,966	0	131,449	820,415	395
Port Edwards School District	439	252,380	0	0	252,380	575
Port Washington-Saukville School District	2,520	580,365	0	415,035	995,400	395
Portage Community School District	2,168	1,002,804	0	0	1,002,804	463
Potosi School District	320	191,605	0	0	191,605	599
Poynette School District	1,028	215,071	0	190,989	406,060	395
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Prairie du Chien Area School District	1,061	775,176	0	0	775,176	731
Prairie Farm School District	386	166,133	0	0	166,133	430
Prentice School District	332	312,175	0	0	312,175	940
Prescott School District	1,275	141,127	0	362,498	503,625	395 565
Princeton School District	315	177,914	0	0	177,914	565

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Pulaski Community School District	3,687	\$865,099	\$0	\$591,266	\$1,456,365	\$395
Racine School District	16,572	23,636,060	0	0	23,636,060	1,426
Randall Joint No. 1 School District	664	243,354	0	18,926	262,280	395
Randolph School District	546	262,139	0	0	262,139	480
Random Lake School District	725	233,196	0	53,179	286,375	395
Raymond No. 14 School District	408	55,958	44,042	61,160	161,160	395
Reedsburg School District	2,641	1,443,035	0	0	1,443,035	546
Reedsville School District	527	355,324	0	0	355,324	674
Rhinelander School District	2,269	1,536,220	0	0	1,536,220	677
Rib Lake School District	498	295,904	0	0	295,904	594
Rice Lake Area School District	2,218	1,391,718	0	0	1,391,718	627
Richland School District	1,213	1,379,617	0	0	1,379,617	1,137
Richmond School District	427	0	100,000	68,665	168,665	395
Rio Community School District	385	137,524	0	14,551	152,075	395
Ripon Area School District	1,952	610,960	0	160,080	771,040	395
River Falls School District	3,434	684,331	0	672,099	1,356,430	395
River Ridge School District	530	575,954	0	0	575,954	1,087
River Valley School District	1,120	570,306	0	0	570,306	509
Riverdale School District	669	613,319	0	0	613,319	917
Rosendale-Brandon School District	976	106,836	0	278,684	385,520	395
Rosholt School District	501	162,267	0	35,628	197,895	395
Royall School District	482	792,948	0	0	792,948	1,645
Salem School District	942	437,226	0	0	437,226	464
Sauk Prairie School District	2,715	920,638	0	151,787	1,072,425	395
Seneca School District	230	271,251	0	0	271,251	1,179
Sevastopol School District	594	198,876	0	35,754	234,630	395
Seymour Community School District	2,016	1,050,046	0	0	1,050,046	521
Sharon Joint No. 11 School District	212	224,932	0	0	224,932	1,061
Shawano School District	2,316	1,526,775	0	0	1,526,775	659
Sheboygan Area School District	9,661	5,763,688	0	0	5,763,688	597
Sheboygan Falls School District	1,614	390,148	0	247,382	637,530	395
Shell Lake School District	587	414,551	0	0	414,551	706
Shiocton School District	719	187,656	0	96,349	284,005	395
Shorewood School District	1,891	588,705	0	158,240	746,945	395
Shullsburg School District	326	227,337	0	0	227,337	697
Silver Lake Joint No. 1 School District	466	164,411	0	19,659	184,070	395
Siren School District	420	390,072	0	0	390,072	929
Slinger School District	3,302	212,449	0	1,091,841	1,304,290	395
Solon Springs School District	302	150,278	0	0	150,278	498
Somerset School District	1,461	143,122	0	433,973	577,095	395
South Milwaukee School District	2,809	2,490,990	0	0	2,490,990	887
South Shore School District	161	150,060	0	0	150,060	932
Southern Door County School District	1,016	419,770	0	0	419,770	413
Southwestern Wisconsin School District	515	157,922	0	45,503	203,425	395
Sparta Area School District	2,907	1,982,953	0	0	1,982,953	682
Spencer School District	610	271,290	0	0	271,290	445
Spooner Area School District	1,020	979,902	0	0	979,902	961
Spring Valley School District	696	258,467	0	16,453	274,920	395
St. Croix Central School District	1,908	136,415	0	617,245	753,660	395
St. Croix Falls School District	1,050	379,100	0	35,650	414,750	395

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St. Francis School District	1,042	\$442,491	\$0	\$0	\$442,491	\$425
Stanley-Boyd Area School District	1,092	772,983	0	0	772,983	708
Stevens Point Area School District	6,910	2,761,937	0	0	2,761,937	400
Stockbridge School District	195	36,243	63,757	0	100,000	513
Stone Bank School District	318	158,338	0	0	158,338	498
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Stoughton Area School District	2,765	1,020,084	0	72,091	1,092,175	395
Stratford School District	833	256,623	0	72,412	329,035	395
Sturgeon Bay School District	1,090	598,150	0	0	598,150	549
Sun Prairie Area School District	8,391	2,235,287	0	1,079,158	3,314,445	395
Superior School District	4,291	3,117,894	0	0	3,117,894	727
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Suring School District	365	344,325	0	0	344,325	943
Swallow School District	451	0	100,000	78,145	178,145	395
Thorp School District	551	760,153	0	0	760,153	1,380
Three Lakes School District	532	288,996	0	0	288,996	543
Tigerton School District	258	225,133	0	0	225,133	873
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Tomah Area School District	3,089	2,181,051	0	0	2,181,051	706
Tomahawk School District	1,147	544,953	0	0	544,953	475
Tomorrow River School District	1,221	276,364	0	205,931	482,295	395
Trevor-Wilmot Consolidated School District	510	201,453	0	0	201,453	395
Tri-County Area School District	565	573,008	0	0	573,008	1,014
Turtle Lake School District	471	296,231	0	0	296,231	629
Twin Lakes No. 4 School District	270	328,694	0	0	328,694	1,217
Two Rivers School District	1,732	1,008,320	0	0	1,008,320	582
Union Grove Joint No. 1 School District	828	240,678	0	86,382	327,060	395
Union Grove Union High School District	993	109,848	0	282,387	392,235	395
Unity School District	938	618,947	0	0	618,947	660
Valders Area School District	969	310,496	0	72,259	382,755	395
Verona Area School District	5,643	1,412,390	0	816,595	2,228,985	395
Viroqua Area School District	1,096	1,495,193	0	0	1,495,193	1,364
Wabeno Area School District	353	266,266	0	0	266,266	754
Walworth Joint No. 1 School District	432	356,379	0	0	356,379	825
Washburn School District	580	473,591	0	0	473,591	817
Washington School District	47	62,705	37,295	0	100,000	2,128
Washington-Caldwell School District	173	0	100,000	0	100,000	578
Waterford Joint No. 1 School District	1,440	363,221	0	205,579	568,800	395
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Waterford Union High School District	1,032	84,980	15,020	307,640	407,640	395
Waterloo School District	766	279,528	0	23,042	302,570	395
Watertown School District	3,279	2,106,351	0	0	2,106,351	642
Waukesha School District	12,304	4,807,384	0	52,696	4,860,080	395
Waunakee Community School District	4,306	248,646	0	1,452,224	1,700,870	395
Warrana Cala al Diatriat	2.021	1.070.421	0	0	1 070 421	527
Waupaca School District	2,031	1,070,431	0	0	1,070,431	527
Waupun School District	1,920	672,322	0	86,078	758,400	395 603
Wausau School District	7,788	4,694,771		0	4,694,771	603
Wautoma Area School District	372 1 300	421,717	0	0	421,717	1,134
Wautoma Area School District	1,309	1,205,151	0	0	1,205,151	921
Wauwatosa School District	7,014	1,351,305	0	1,419,225	2,770,530	395
Wauzeka-Steuben School District	235	1,331,303	0	1,419,223	179,564	764
Webster School District	630	508,927	0	0	508,927	808
West Allis School District	7,397	6,618,434	0	0	6,618,434	895
West Bend School District	5,891	1,816,104	0	510,841	2,326,945	395
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West De Pere School District West Salem School District	3,623	\$761,974	\$0	\$669,111	\$1,431,085	\$395
	1,778	235,212	0	467,098	702,310	395
Westby Area School District Westfield School District	1,025 1,014	1,288,151 959,491	$0 \\ 0$	$0 \\ 0$	1,288,151 959,491	1,257 946
Weston School District	287	435,302	0	0	435,302	1,517
Weston School District	207	455,502	O	U	433,302	1,517
Westosha Central High School District	1,136	284,457	0	164,263	448,720	395
Weyauwega-Fremont School District	793	387,813	0	0	387,813	489
Wheatland Joint No. 1 School District	570	169,766	0	55,384	225,150	395
White Lake School District	158	202,185	0	0	202,185	1,280
Whitefish Bay School District	2,836	701,618	0	418,602	1,120,220	395
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Whitehall School District	748	495,229	0	0	495,229	662
Whitewater School District	1,804	920,882	0	0	920,882	510
Whitnall School District	2,401	711,901	0	236,494	948,395	395
Williams Box School District	555	298,705	0	0	298,705	538
Williams Bay School District	731	209,268	0	79,477	288,745	395
Wilmot Union High School District	957	356,115	0	21,900	378,015	395
Winneconne Community School District	1,759	156,131	0	538,674	694,805	395
Winter School District	245	472,971	0	0	472,971	1,930
Wisconsin Dells School District	1,715	984,950	0	0	984,950	574
Wisconsin Heights School District	738	318,552	0	0	318,552	432
Wisconsin Rapids School District	4,986	3,155,275	0	0	3,155,275	633
Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District	1,136	623,803	0	0	623,803	549
Wonewoc-Union Center School District	335	340,969	0	0	340,969	1,018
Woodruff Joint No. 1 School District	530	262,119	0	0	262,119	495
Wrightstown Community School District	1,320	156,540	0	364,860	521,400	395
Voulgrille Joint No. 2 Cahool District	112	69 297	21 712	74.005	174 005	205
Yorkville Joint No. 2 School District Subtotal	443 818,922	68,287 \$602,953,321	31,713 \$1,762,570	74,985 \$65,040,049	174,985 \$669,755,940	395 \$818
Subtotal	010,722	Φ002,733,321	φ1,702,570	\$05,040,047	Φ007,733,740	φ616
Independent Charter Schools						
21st Century Prep	510	\$695,439	\$0	\$0	\$695,439	\$1,364
Aki Earth School	8	85,221	14,779	0	100,000	12,500
Bruce Guadalupe	1,382	2,188,500	0	0	2,188,500	1,584
Central City Cyberschool	427	928,862	0	0	928,862	2,175
Darrell Lynn Hines Academy	226	595,296	0	0	595,296	2,634
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Downtown Montessori	277	100,726	0	8,689	109,415	395
Dr. Howard Fuller Collegiate Academy	315	687,989	0	0	687,989	2,184
Escuela Verde Isthmus Montessori Academy Public	119 244	229,600	0 52,108	0	229,600	1,929
	199	47,892 89,176	10,824	0	100,000 100,000	410 503
La Casa de Esperanza	199	69,170	10,624	U	100,000	303
Milestone Democratic School	21	57,921	42,079	0	100,000	4,762
Milwaukee Academy of Science	1,270	2,356,933	0	0	2,356,933	1,856
Milwaukee Math & Science Academy	206	716,991	0	0	716,991	3,481
Milwaukee Scholars (National Heritage Academies)		1,393,645	0	0	1,393,645	1,878
One City Expeditionary Elementary School	131	14,724	85,276	0	100,000	763
Pathways High School	135	145,851	0	0	145,851	1,080
Penfield Montessori Academy	114	99,654	346	0	100,000	877
Rocketship Education Wisconsin Inc.	711	1,041,376	0	0	1,041,376	1,465
Seeds of Health, Inc.	1,145	2,046,341	0	0	2,046,341	1,787
Stellar Collegiate	236	260,126	0	0	260,126	1,102

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Independent Charter Schools (continued)						
UCC Acosta Middle School	211	\$239,996	\$0	\$0	\$239,996	\$1,137
Woodlands School	346	126,795	0	9,875	136,670	395
Woodlands School - State Street Campus	282	348,237	0	0	348,237	1,235
Subtotal	9,257	\$14,497,294	\$205,412	\$18,564	\$14,721,267	\$1,590
Other Local Educational Agencies						
Wisconsin School for the Blind and Visually Impaired	1 34	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000	\$2,941
Wisconsin School for the Deaf	93	0	100,000	0	100,000	1,075
Syble Hopp School (Brown County CDEB)	172	0	100,000	0	100,000	581
Lakeland School (Walworth County CDEB)	154	0	100,000	0	100,000	649
Subtotal	453	\$0	\$400,000	\$0	\$400,000	\$883
Total	828,632	\$617,450,615	\$2,367,982	\$65,058,613	\$684,877,207	\$827

ATTACHMENT 2



Carolyn Stanford Taylor, State Superintendent

DPI Plan for the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund II (Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021)

Requirement for Submitting Plan to the Joint Committee on Finance

The Department of Public Instruction (DPI) submits this plan in accordance with Wis. Stat. sec. 115.295, which requires this plan to be submitted in the event federal legislation results in receipt of federal funds by the department in an amount that varies by five percent or more from the federal appropriations in the department's Chapter 20 schedule. Specifically, the statute under Wis. Stat. secs. 115.295 (2) (a) and (b) reads:

- (a) Subject to par. (b), annually by December 1 or within 30 days after the applicable federal appropriation bill for that federal fiscal year has been enacted, whichever is later, the state superintendent shall submit to the joint committee on finance a plan identifying how the state superintendent proposes to adjust the department's federal appropriations for that state fiscal year to reflect the most recent estimate of the amount of federal funds that the department will be appropriated in that state fiscal year.
- (b) The state superintendent is required to submit a plan under par. (a) only if the department's most recent estimate of the amount of federal funds that the department will be appropriated under s. 20.255 in the current state fiscal year is less than 95 percent or more than 105 percent of the amount of federal revenue shown in the schedule for the appropriations under s. 20.255 in that fiscal year.

Federal Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 [P.L. 116–260], also referred to as the federal stimulus package, was enacted on December 27, 2020, and is the federal government's response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The stimulus package appropriates funding to states to address the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the economy.

Previously, in March 2020, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act [P.L. 116–136]) was enacted in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, following the declaration by the President of the United States of a national emergency concerning the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak, on March 1, 2020. The CARES Act appropriated federal funding to address the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic across many sectors of the economy, including education. Specifically, the CARES Act created the Education Stabilization Fund (ESF), which provided, in total, \$30.75 billion for institutions of higher education (IHEs) and for K-12 local educational agencies (LEAs). The term, LEA, includes public school districts and independent charter schools.

Like the CARES Act, the ESF in the recently enacted stimulus package allocates federal funding to states under the Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund (GEER II), the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER II), and a Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEER II). The ESSER II fund is the only ESF allocation in the stimulus package awarded directly to DPI.

The ESSER II funding allocated to the State of Wisconsin under the stimulus package exceeds five percent of current federal funding appropriations in DPI's appropriations schedule under Wis. Stat. Chapter 20, thereby triggering the requirement under Wis. Stat. sec. 115.295. This plan outlines the DPI plan for distributing the ESSER II funding.

Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER II)

The stimulus package provides a total of \$53.9 billion in the ESSER II fund to be distributed to states and territories proportionate to each state's (territory's) share of funds received in the most recent fiscal year (state FY20), under Title I, Part A (Title IA), of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, which was reauthorized in December 2015 as the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

The ESSER II fund is structured the same way as the initial ESSER fund under the CARES Act. Under this fund, 90 percent of the allocation must be distributed to LEAs according to the Title IA formula, and state education agencies (SEAs) are allowed to use the remaining 10 percent of their allocation as a set aside for statewide activities, although the set aside portion can be distributed directly to LEAs by the SEA. Up to one-half of one percent of a state's total ESSER II allocation may be used for costs of administering the ESSER II fund program. The amount used for administrative purposes comes out of the 10 percent set aside for statewide activities.

The total ESSER II allocation for the State of Wisconsin is \$686,056,238, of which 90 percent (\$617,450,615) will be distributed to LEAs via the FY20 Title IA allocation formula. Title IA allocates funding to LEAs according to a formula based on the number and percentage of children from low-income families. The law delineates the purposes for which LEAs can claim the federal dollars under this program. Those uses of funds are contained in Appendix A to this plan.

10 Percent SEA Set Aside

DPI proposes to distribute the majority of the 10 percent set aside portion of the state's ESSER II allocation (\$68.6 million) directly to LEAs, rather than using the set aside for statewide activities. If the initial ESSER II allocation (based on LEA's relative share of FY20 Title IA allocations) is less than \$100,000, the DPI plan provides an additional amount to raise the LEA's grant award to \$100,000.

Four other educational entities will be allocated \$100,000 under DPI's plan: the Wisconsin Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired (WCBVI); the Wisconsin Education Services Program for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (WESP-DHH); the Syble Hopp School operated by the Brown County Children with Disabilities Board; and the Lakeland School operated by the Walworth County Children with Disabilities Board. Setting the minimum LEA grant amount to \$100,000 uses \$2,367,981 of the set aside funds.

If the LEA's allocation (with the \$100,000 minimum) provides less than \$395 per pupil, using the third Friday in September 2020 pupil headcount data, the DPI plan provides an additional amount to raise the LEA's grant to \$395 per pupil. This uses \$65,058,613 of the set aside funds. DPI's plan for distributing ESSER II funds is shown in Table 1 below. The amounts shown in the table reflect the state's whole allocation over the life of the ESSER II funds (funds can be obligated through September 30, 2023).

Table 1. ESSER II Allocation - Authorized Amount and DPI Plan

	Funding Amount		Percent of Allocation	
	Authorized	DPI Plan	Authorized	DPI Plan
Grants to LEAs (based on Title 1-A allocations)	\$617,450,615	\$617,450,615	90.0%	90.0%
10% Set Aside for Statewide Activities	\$65,175,342		9.5%	
Ensure all LEAs a minimum grant of \$100,000*		\$2,367,981		0.3%
Ensure all LEAs a minimum of \$395 per pupil*		\$65,058,613		9.5%
Administrative funds	\$3,430,281	\$1,179,029	0.50%	0.17%
TOTAL	\$686,056,238	\$686,056,238		

^{*}The amounts used to ensure a minimum LEA grant of \$100,000 and a minimum of \$395 per pupil comes from the 10 percent SEA set aside.

The amounts required to ensure a minimum LEA grant of \$100,000 and a minimum of \$395 per pupil totals to \$67,426,594. Thus, the total amount that will be awarded to LEAs under DPI's plan is \$684,877,209. The remaining \$1,179,029 (0.17 percent) would be used for administrative costs. As such, the DPI's plan reallocates more than half of its allowable administrative funding to the LEA grants.

Administrative Costs

The federal government recognizes there are costs associated with implementing and maintaining federally-funded programs, and states should not have to absorb those costs with state funds. Like other federal grant programs and the CARES Act, the stimulus package permits states to reserve a share of the state's allocation for administrative costs. States may use up to one-half of one percent of the ESSER II allocation for administrative purposes (\$3,430,281). Under section 313(e) of the Act:

"(e) STATE FUNDING.—With funds not otherwise allocated under subsection (c), a State may reserve not more than one-half of 1 percent for administrative costs and the remainder for emergency needs as determined by the state educational agency to address issues responding to coronavirus, including measuring and addressing learning loss, which may be addressed through the use of grants or contracts."

With respect to the ESSER II funds, this would include costs related to programming changes to DPI's online federal grants portal used by LEAs (WISEgrants) to reflect the parameters of the ESSER II funds, for ongoing maintenance while ESSER II grants are processed in WISEgrants, and for DPI staff time spent on administering the ESSER II fund.

WISEgrants

DPI will use its federal grants portal, WISEgrants, as the platform to distribute these funds to LEAs. The use of WISEgrants has several advantages:

- This is an environment that LEAs are familiar with because all of DPI's federal formula grants
 are in WISEgrants, so LEAs will be able to access the funds quickly and efficiently, without
 having to learn a new technology.
- WISEgrants is programmed to meet all of the federal fiscal requirements for pass-through agencies defined in the Federal Uniform Grant Guidance (2 CFR 200) and in Education Department General Administrative Regulations 34 CFR Part 76 (EDGAR).
- WISEgrants will allow LEAs and DPI to meet the reporting requirements listed in the stimulus package. These reporting requirements are significant and WISEgrants can be programmed so that most of the reporting will be completed without additional work from LEAs.

DPI must create the application in WISEgrants to enable LEAs to use for ESSER II funds. While much of the application will be copied from the application for ESSER I, some modifications will be necessary to accommodate differences between ESSER I and II. Assuming ESSER II payments to LEAs are processed in WISEgrants as soon as March 2021, and potentially through December 2023, there will be close to three years of payment processing in WISEgrants for ESSER II funded grant awards to LEAs.

Maintenance of WISEgrants includes end-user technical support (helpdesk), as well as system developments that impact all grants running through WISEgrants (e.g., system enhancements related to claims processing, user access). These maintenance costs are charged back to the appropriate federal funds source based on a formula that captures the each program's "share" of WISEgrants operations (an individual program's share of total payments processed in WISEgrants in the prior year). These expenses will first impact the ESSER II fund in FY22, based on the ESSER II payments processed in WISEgrants during FY21, and will continue into FY24 for payments processed in FY23.

The amount for administrative costs in DPI's plan will support WISEgrants programming, testing, and maintaining the application, claims, and report collection tools throughout the life of the grant. Work will be conducted by IT staff, whose time will be charged back to the program area.

DPI Staff

Additionally, staff time will have to be dedicated to performing work related to the ESSER II funds. Responsibilities include:

- Reviewing and approving budgets
- Collecting and reporting required data
- Implementing monitoring procedures to meet federal requirements
- Providing technical assistance and training to LEAs
- Reviewing and paying LEA claims
- Developing communications for LEAs pertaining to the ESSER II grant (website, listserv)

While LEAs have until September 30, 2023, to obligate ESSER II funds, DPI staff will continue to conduct ESSER II related work after that point, to process final claims or payment adjustments as necessary during the financial close out period, and to produce reports required under federal law. Typically, an SEA will need additional time after the deadline for subgrantees (LEAs) to submit claims for reimbursement to conduct these grant close out activities. Therefore, common practice is to request a no-cost extension of administrative funds to allow the SEA to charge the grant close-out activities to the federal grant ("no-cost" means no additional federal funds are received; rather, it is the ability to spend down allotted administrative funds).

Federal law (2 CFR 200.403 – 200.405) requires recipients of federal monies to use the federal award only for the purpose of the federal grant program. Therefore, DPI employees working directly on ESSER II activities would charge their time back to the ESSER II grant award, and should not charge their time back to other federal grants, (e.g., Title IA administrative funds), even if the employee normally works with the Title IA program. This regulation applies to all federal grant awards, including the other Title grants under ESSA and IDEA. Federal law requires grant recipients to maintain time and effort documentation demonstrating compliance with these regulations.

As DPI anticipates it will not require the full amount permitted for administrative purposes under the ESSER II funds for implementation and overseeing the program, the plan reallocates over half of the \$3.4 million allowed for administration to the LEA grants, leaving \$1,179,000 for costs of administrative activities. DPI is using just 0.17 percent of the total ESSER II grant for administration.

Reporting Requirements

DPI will be required to report back to the U.S. Department of Education (USDE) on use of the ESSER funds made available to the state. DPI will have to submit a report to the USDE, no later than six months after receiving the ESSER II funds, providing a detailed accounting of the use of funds, including how the state is using funds to measure and address learning loss among students who have been disproportionately affected by coronavirus and school closures, including low-income students, children with disabilities, English learners, racial and ethnic minorities, students experiencing homelessness, and children and youth in foster care. Additionally, DPI will be required to submit financial and programmatic report reports required by USDE and approved by the Office of Management and Budget.

LEA Use of ESSER II Funds

Though the amounts distributed to LEAs is based on Title IA allocations, the ESSER II funds are to be used by LEAs for responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, and for supporting educational programming and general functioning of schools. LEAs may use ESSER II funds for similar purposes as for ESSER I under the CARES Act, including the following activities (new uses are noted in italics):

- Any allowable activity under Elementary and Secondary Education Act, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Carl Perkins Act – Career Technical Education, and McKinney-Vento Act.
- Coordination of COVID preparedness and response.
- Addressing learning loss, including through assessment, evidence-based activities, parent

engagement, tracking attendance, and improving student engagement.

- School facilities repairs and improvements to enable schools to reduce the risk of virus transmission and exposure to environmental health hazards, and to support student health needs
- Other activities that are necessary to maintain the operation of and continuity of services in LEAs.

A full listing of purposes and activities for which LEAs may use ESSER II funds can be found in Appendix A to this plan.

Modification to DPI's Federal Appropriations

To expend the additional federal funds from its federal appropriations, DPI will need to increase the budget authority levels in those appropriations. Currently, DPI has five appropriations designated to receive federal funds.

Table 2. Federal Appropriations (DPI)

Alpha	Appropriation Title	FY21 Appropriation
(1) (me)	Federal aids; program operations	\$52,733,000
(1) (pz)	Indirect cost reimbursements	\$4,819,500
(2) (m)	Federal aids; local aid*	\$760,633,500
(3) (mm)	Federal funds; local assistance**	\$1,300,000
(3) (ms)	Federal funds; individuals and organizations***	\$62,868,500

^{*}Federal aid distributed to public schools (includes independent charter schools, as well as other public entities, e.g., institutions overseen by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services).

Based on the allocation of federal funds under the Act, DPI would need to modify two of its federal appropriations to increase budget authority, as shown below.

Table 3. Modifications to Federal Appropriations Resulting from the CARES Act

Alpha	Appropriation Title	FY21 - Current Appropriation	December 2020 Stimulus Package	FY21 - Adjusted Appropriation	Percent Change
(1) (me)	Federal aids; program operations	\$52,733,000	\$1,379,000	\$54,112,000	2.6%
(2) (m)	Federal aids; local aid	\$760,633,500	\$684,677,200	\$1,445,310,700	90.0%

The amount indicated for DPI's appropriation under s. 20.255 (1) (me) is \$200,000 greater than the amount allocated for administrative costs under DPI's plan. This is because the payments made to the WCBVI and the WESP-DHH cannot be made as an aid (grant) payment, as a state

[&]quot;Federal aid distributed to public libraries. ""Federal aid distributed to private schools.

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agency cannot make grants to itself. Instead, the allocation for the state's residential schools must flow through DPI's federal appropriation for program operations.

All of DPI's federal appropriations are "continuing" appropriations: the uncommitted budget authority remaining at the end of the state fiscal year automatically carries forward into the following state fiscal year. In this way, the budget authority (ability to spend) for federal funds that cannot be fully expended or encumbered by June 30 of a given state fiscal year are still available for use by DPI in the subsequent fiscal year. Under federal law, the ESSER II funds can be obligated through September 30, 2023.

Request

In consideration of the information provided in this plan, DPI respectfully requests approval for modifying the two federal appropriations under s. 20.255 (1) (me) and (2) (m). Under the plan, DPI's federal appropriations would be increased by the full amount of federal funding available under the ESSER II fund created by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (stimulus package) to distribute to LEAs.

Pending approval of this plan by the Joint Committee on Finance, DPI will begin distributing ESSER II funding to LEAs in FY21. The ESSER II funds that are not distributed by June 30, 2021, would be distributed to LEAs in state FY22 (2021-22 school year, and potentially into the 2022-23 school year (through September 30, 2023, at the latest).

DPI awaits the Joint Committee on Finance's action and looks forward to continuing our work with stakeholders and education partners to ensure children will continue to learn and thrive educationally, and schools will be safe and healthy throughout this unprecedented time of the extended COVID-19 pandemic.

APPENDIX A - Allowable Uses for ESSER II Funds

Under the Appropriations Consolidation Act, 2021, an LEA may use ESSER II funds for any of the following purposes:

- Any activity authorized by the ESEA of 1965, including the Native Hawaiian Education Act and the Alaska Native Educational Equity, Support, and Assistance Act (20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.), the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.) ("IDEA"), the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.), the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C. 2301 et seq.) ("the Perkins Act"), or subtitle B of title VII of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11431 et seq.).
- Coordination of preparedness and response efforts of local educational agencies with State, local, Tribal, and territorial public health departments, and other relevant agencies, to improve coordinated responses among such entities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.
- Providing principals and others school leaders with the resources necessary to address the needs of their individual schools.
- 4. Activities to address the unique needs of low-income children or students, children with disabilities, English learners, racial and ethnic minorities, students experiencing homelessness, and foster care youth, including how outreach and service delivery will meet the needs of each population.
- Developing and implementing procedures and systems to improve the preparedness and response efforts of local educational agencies.
- Training and professional development for staff of the local educational agency on sanitation and minimizing the spread of infectious diseases.
- Purchasing supplies to sanitize and clean the facilities of a local educational agency, including buildings operated by such agency.
- Planning for, coordinating, and implementing activities during long-term closures, including
 providing meals to eligible students, providing technology for online learning to all students,
 providing guidance for carrying out requirements under the IDEA and ensuring other
 educational services can continue to be provided consistent with all Federal, State, and local
 requirements.
- Purchasing educational technology (including hardware, software, and connectivity) for students who are served by the local educational agency that aids in regular and substantive educational interaction between students and their classroom instructors, including lowincome students and children with disabilities, which may include assistive technology or adaptive equipment.
- Providing mental health services and supports.
- 11. Planning and implementing activities related to summer learning and supplemental afterschool programs, including providing classroom instruction or online learning during the summer months and addressing the needs of low income students, children with disabilities, English learners, migrant students, students experiencing homelessness, and children in foster care.

- 12. Addressing learning loss among students, including low-income students, children with disabilities, English learners, racial and ethnic minorities, students experiencing homelessness, and children and youth in foster care, of the local educational agency, including by:
 - a. Administering and using high-quality assessments that are valid and reliable, to accurately assess students' academic progress and assist educators in meeting students' academic needs, including through differentiating instruction.
 - Implementing evidence-based activities to meet the comprehensive needs of students.
 - Providing information and assistance to parents and families on how they can effectively support students, including in a distance learning environment.
 - d. Tracking student attendance and improving student engagement in distance education.
- 13. School facility repairs and improvements to enable operation of schools to reduce risk of virus transmission and exposure to environmental health hazards, and to support student health needs.
- 14. Inspection, testing, maintenance, repair, replacement, and upgrade projects to improve the indoor air quality in school facilities, including mechanical and non-mechanical heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems, filtering, purification and other air cleaning, fans, control systems, and window and door repair and replacement.
- 15. Other activities that are necessary to maintain the operation of and continuity of services in local educational agencies and continuing to employ existing staff of the local educational agency.