

American Rescue Plan 2021

1. Please describe the extent to which and how the funds will be used to implement prevention and mitigation strategies that are, to the greatest extent practicable, consistent with the most recent CDC guidance on reopening schools, in order to continuously and safely open and operate schools for in-person learning:

Innocademy Allegan Campus will use the funds to purchase air purifiers to improve air quality in our classrooms and other small spaces throughout the building. The school building has a central area with high ceilings where the air is readily circulated but does not circulate well in the smaller areas. In addition, portions of our HVAC system will be upgraded to ensure proper and optimal ventilation, heating, and cooling to reduce the spread of disease and lower the risk of exposure by reducing the viral particle concentration.

2. Please describe how the LEA will use the funds it reserves under section 2001(e)(1) of the ARP Act (see below) to address the academic impact of lost instructional time through the implementation of evidence-based interventions, such as summer learning or summer enrichment, extended day, comprehensive after-school programs, or extended school year:

Because Innocademy Allegan Campus operates on a balanced school calendar, we will create meaningful partnerships with outside organizations, such as Outdoor Discovery Center and local public libraries to address learning loss during break weeks, including summer break. Funds will be used to pay teachers, other staff, and overhead costs, busing, and materials to implement a program that would include specific, evidence-based reading and mathematics interventions and small group or one-to-one tutoring. In addition, we will use funds to staff an after-school program by using our current staff and/or tutors for purposes of providing additional learning opportunities. We will also use funds to hire tutors for each grade band (k-2, 3-5, 6-8) to help support accelerated learning by providing just in time learning. Finally, funds will be used to staff a coordinator position that will oversee all of these programs (break weeks, after school, and in school tutoring).

3. Please describe how the LEA will spend its remaining ARP ESSER funds consistent with section 2001(e)(2) of the ARP Act:

Innocademy Allegan Campus will use the funds for additional COVID prevention and mitigation strategies by creating small group outdoor learning areas. Additional funds will be used to extend internet access to those newly created spaces as well as existing outdoor learning zones. We will use these funds to provide mental health support for both students and staff and support a mentor who will support students and connect them and their families with community resources such as The Arc of Allegan County, The Linking Center., Community Mental Health, Community Action House, and InterCare. Finally, funds will be used to maintain and/or increase staff to ensure smaller class sizes to help with COVID mitigations strategy (social distancing) and address the learning loss and mental health needs of each student.