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## Five fast facts

Here are the essential facts you need to know about the latest stimulus funding, also known as ESSER III or the American Rescue Plan (ARP).

1

A large amount of money is coming to schools and districts. ESSER III provides more money to K–12 education than any other stimulus bill: \$122 billion. These funds come on top of the \$67 billion from ESSER I and II.

2

Schools and districts have a lot of leeway in how to use the money. ESSER III funds may be used to propel your vision of teaching and learning post-pandemic, so try to think about both short-term needs and your longer term ambitions for the district.

3

At least 20 percent must be used to address unfinished learning. For example, schools and districts can use the funding to bolster the strength of in-school core instruction, differentiated practice, and intervention, as well as for summer learning, after school, and extended day activities.

4

The money is available soon. Schools and districts can access ESSER III funds beginning May 24, 2021, and the money may be used through September 30, 2024.

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If you've already applied for federal ESSER I (CARES) funding, it's okay. Just keep this in mind: The U.S. DOE recommends that districts use remaining ESSER I funds before accessing ESSER II and Illstimulus funds, because the deadline for ESSER I money comes first.

## **Timelines for funding**

	ESSER I (CARES)	ESSER II (CRRSA)	ESSER III (ARP)
Signed into law	March 2020	December 2020	March 2021
Total education funds	\$30.7 billion	\$82 billion	\$170 billion
Total K-12 funds	\$13.2 billion	\$54 billion	\$122 billion
Funding availability	March 13, 2020-September 30, 2022	March 13, 2020-September 30, 2023	March 13, 2020-September 30, 2024

<sup>\*</sup>Funds can be used for costs dating from March 13, 2020.