



American Rescue Plan Act Overview Year 2 - 2022-2023

Lockport Schools Total Allocation
\$10,901,497



Public Input Opportunity for the Proposed American Rescue Plan Act Year 2 Funds Allocation

Please email questions, comments or inquiries to:

questions@lockportschools.net

Or you may call 716-478-4827

ARPA for K-12 through September 30, 2024

Funds for Lockport were allocated proportionally to the District Title 1 distribution

20% of the allocation or a minimum of \$2,180,299 must be reserved for Interrupted Instruction and Learning Loss

Other Areas Money Can be Allocated

School districts must reserve at least 20 percent to address “loss of instructional time.”

Remaining funds to school districts are flexible and can be used for:

Repairing ventilation systems, Reducing class sizes and implementing social distancing guidelines, Purchasing personal protective equipment, and Hiring support staff to care for students’ health and well-being.

Educational - American Rescue Plan Act K-12

Maximizing in-person instructional time.

In-School Support (AIS):

The District has hired an additional twenty six (26) K-8 academic intervention services teachers and teacher aides. These are two year assignments that began in the Fall 2021. Estimated ARPA allocation for year two is \$2,531,034 plus benefits.

Reduction of Class Sizes:

The District proposes hiring an additional seventeen (17) teachers to reduce classroom enrollment at specific buildings. These are one year assignments beginning in the Fall 2022. Estimated ARPA allocation for year two is \$1,578,106 plus benefits. An additional \$150,000 has been allocated to reduce UPK class size.

Educational - American Rescue Plan Act K-12

Offer evidence-based summer academic and enrichment programs.

Summer School:

The District has reserved the following ARP funds to provide new or expanded summer school programs for students entering 1st through 12th grades:

Instruction: \$898,631 plus benefits (this includes teachers and counselors)

Transportation: \$151,680

Afterschool & Homework Lab at LHS: \$123,933 plus benefits

Educational - American Rescue Plan Act K-12

Implementing evidence-based strategies to meet students' social, emotional and mental health needs.

Social-Emotional, Behavioral, and Mental Health

The District has hired thirteen (13) school counselors, social workers, behavioral specialists, school support liaisons, school mediators District-wide to support student social-emotional, behavioral, and mental health. These positions will continue in year two. In addition, the District proposes to hire three (3) Second Step Teaching Assistants to teach SEL in grades K-6. Estimated ARPA allocation for year two is \$1,044,214 plus benefits.

Educational - American Rescue Plan Act K-12

Offer evidence-based **enrichment programs**.

Enhanced Learning Opportunities for School to Work Careers:

The District has hired five (5) STEM teachers to provide enhanced learning opportunities for all students in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. This will continue in year two. Estimated ARPA allocation for year two is \$526,868 plus benefits.

Educational - American Rescue Plan Act K-12

Maximizing in-person instructional time.

Pre-Kindergarten After School and Kindergarten Readiness Programming:

The District has contracted with the YWCA to provide after school programming for UPK and a Summer Kindergarten Readiness program to prepare our youngest learners for school. Estimated ARPA allocation for year two is \$265,190.

Mental Health - American Rescue Plan Act K-12

Implementing evidence-based strategies to meet students' social, emotional and mental health needs.

Mental Health:

The District will contract with Best Self Behavioral Health to establish school-based mental health clinics for the 2022-2023 school year. Estimated ARPA allocation for year two is \$255,970.

Diversity/Equity/Inclusivity - American Rescue Plan Act K-12

Implementing evidence-based strategies to meet students' social, emotional and mental health needs.

The District proposes creating a Diversity, Equity, Inclusion program to develop the Culturally Responsive Sustaining Education framework. Estimated ARPA allocation for year two is \$193,978.

Facilities - American Rescue Plan Act K-12

Funds can be used for infrastructure needs including cleaning supplies, physical upgrades and repairs to reduce COVID transmission, including ventilation.

A project has been filed with the NYSED Facilities Planning unit to install air conditioning in large common areas district-wide for the budgeted cost of \$2,344,042.

Other Areas - American Rescue Plan Act Funds Can Be Spent

Money can be spent on any activity already allowed under Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), or Perkins.

Expenditures can be used to allow school districts continue operations and retain existing staff.

Funds can be used for purchase of educational technology.

RECAP American Rescue Plan Act Fund Allocation K-12

Instructional:

In-School (AIS)	\$ 2,531,034
Reduction of Class Sizes	\$ 1,728,106
After School & Summer School	\$ 1,174,244
Enhanced Learning Opportunities	\$ 526,868
Pre-K Afterschool & Kindergarten Readiness	\$ 265,190

RECAP American Rescue Plan Act Fund Allocation K-12

Mental/Emotional Health:

Social-Emotional, Behavioral, & Mental Health*	\$ 1,044,214
School-based Mental Health Clinics	\$ 255,970

*Social workers, counselor, behavior specialists, other student support staff

RECAP American Rescue Plan Act Fund Allocation K-12

Diversity/Equity/Inclusion Program	\$ 193,978
Air Conditioning	\$ 2,344,042

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