Section: Narratives - Needs Assessment

Introduction

The findings of a recent study showed that there is a significant benefit to students who participate in out-of-school-time (OST) programs. In fact, the <u>Return on Investment of Afterschool Programs in</u> <u>Pennsylvania</u> study determined that for every dollar invested in after- school programming for students there was a return of \$6.69 in potential benefits to students, including reduced rates for drop-outs, teen pregnancy, substance abuse, crime and delinquency (Link to PSAYDN.org).

In accordance with the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act and Pennsylvania Act 24 of 2021 (Act 24), the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) will award approximately \$50,000,000 or one percent (1%) of Pennsylvania's ARP Elementary and Secondary School Education Relief (ESSER) State Reserve funds to support school districts, charter schools and cyber charter schools (collectively, LEAs) in the development and implementation of comprehensive after-school programs to address learning loss in response to the academic, social, emotional and mental health needs of students and subgroups of students impacted by COVID-19 public health emergency that supplement school programs and activities.

Act 24 requires that, when available, existing personnel shall be utilized by school districts, charter schools and cyber charter schools to staff programs and activities established with these grant funds.

Within 90 days of receipt of these allocations, school districts, charter schools and cyber charter schools must submit a three- part plan to PDE, that outlines the proposed use of the grant money, itemized by program and activity. This plan is part of a consolidated application that includes after-school programming, summer programming, and a comprehensive plan to address learning loss. The plan shall include:

- 1) A description of each program and activity
- 2) A narrative outlining the expected benefit of each program and activity
- 3) A budget for each program and activity detailing personnel and operating costs

PDE has developed the Accelerated Learning Toolkit, a significant cadre of resources and trainings, to support LEAs in the development of their plans. The Accelerated Learning Toolkit can be found Link to Accelerated Learning Toolkit.

Needs Assessment: In this section, LEAs are asked to describe the impact of the pandemic on their students, examine disproportionate impacts on specific student groups, and highlight the LEA's promising practices in supporting students' needs since March 2020.

Indicators of Impact

1. Describe how the LEA identified students for inclusion in after-school programming. Include a brief description of the indicators used in the decision-making process.

The stakeholder survey supported after-school programs with the following results: Yes-86.6% and No- 13.2%. The stakeholder survey did suggest that transportation be provided for elementary students participating in the program. Due to a shortage of bus and van drivers, it is uncertain whether or not the district will be able to meet this request. However, the community will be taking this suggestion under advisement when planning the after-school program. Before determining criteria for students to be included in the after-school program, a survey was sent to all TASD families to determine the interest level. This survey was sent to all parents of students in grades 3-12 during September. At this time, staff was also sent a survey to see who would be willing to teach an after-school program. The following results were obtained: Bethel Students- 36, PB Students- 72, JSHS Students 13 and Teachers-19. Based upon the interest all students will be able to be served in the after school program.

Section: Narratives - After-school Program

After-school Program Questions: In this section, LEAs are asked to describe the activities they have designed to provide after- school programming for their students.

2. Identify the target student-group for the summer school program. Will the focus be on academic growth, social and emotional wellness, or some other factor to support student growth? For each group, provide specific strategies that were used or will be used to identify and measure impacts.

Student Group	Area of Focus	Number of Students Served	Provide specific strategies that were used or will be used to identify and measure impacts		
Children from Low- Income Families	Some Other Factor	40	Students will apply the principles they are learning to build prototypes using an "Innovative Mindset". An innovative mindset is made up of these nine essential skills and traits: design thinking, confidence, innovation, persistence, intellectual property, entrepreneurship, STEM, and creative problem-solving.		
Children with Disabilities	Some Other Factor	20	Students will apply the principles they are learning to build prototypes using an "Innovative Mindset". An innovative mindset is made up of these nine essential skills and traits: design thinking, confidence, innovation, persistence, intellectual property, entrepreneurship, STEM, and creative		

Student Group	Area of Focus	Number of Students Served	Provide specific strategies that were used or will be used to identify and measure impacts
			problem-solving.

3. Describe the evidence-based resources that will be used to support student growth during the after- school program.

Common Core and Next Gen Science Standards-Aligned Units of Study (Strong Evidence)Teacher-directed/whole class and small group/interacting with students (Strong Evidence)Students will participate in four units of research-based curriculum that promote student creativity and build 21st-century skills. Students will engage in activities that encourage child-led learning through the invention of new ideas and the exploration of ways to share them with others. Stories and Materials guide students to experience empathy and advance their responsibility.

4. Describe the staff that will provide the after- school program (i.e., Internal staff or outside resources).

Number of Staff Members	Internal/Outside Provider	Role
15	Internal	Staff will lead four research- based units and guide students through the units.

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a. The LEA assures it understands it is responsible to offer the work to its internal employees prior to engaging outside entities.

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b. The LEA assures it understands it is responsible to ensure that all after-school program staff hold the appropriate certifications for the program that is being delivered.

5. How will the LEA assess the success of the after-school program? Please identify the tool, frequency of use, and expected results.

Tool Used to Evaluate Success	Frequency of Use	Expected Results	
Prototype Completion	each unit	Students will complete a prototype at the end of each unit showing that they have applied the learned concepts and an innovative mindset.	

6. How will the LEA engage families in the after-school program?

Parents will be notified of the After School Program through a flyer, phone call, and email. At the completion of each unit, a Zoom Showcase will be completed to share the prototypes with families.

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Section: Budget - Instruction Expenditures

Instruction Expenditures

Budget

\$29,593.00 Allocation \$29,593.00

Budget Over(Under) Allocation

\$0.00

Budget Overview

Function	Object	Amount	Description	
1400 - Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary	600 - Supplies	\$7,500.00	Club Invention materials and instructor guides	
1400 - Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary	100 - Salaries	\$13,255.80	Salaries for after school program teachers	
1400 - Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary	200 - Benefits	\$8,837.20	Benefits for after school programs	
		\$29,593.00		

Section: Budget - Support and Non-Instructional Expenditures

Support and Non-Instructional Expenditures

Budget

\$29,593.00 Allocation \$29,593.00

Budget Over(Under) Allocation

\$0.00

Budget Overview

Function	Object	Amount	Description	
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		\$0.00		

Section: Budget - Budget Summary BUDGET SUMMARY

	100 Salaries	200 Benefits	300 Purchased Professional and Technical Services	400 Purchased Property Services	500 Other Purchased Services	600 Supplies 800 Dues and Fees	700 Property	Totals
1000 Instruction	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1100 REGULAR PROGRAMS – ELEMENTARY / SECONDARY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1200 SPECIAL PROGRAMS – ELEMENTARY / SECONDARY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1300 CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1400 Other Instructional Programs – Elementary / Secondary	\$13,255.80	\$8,837.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,500.00	\$0.00	\$29,593.00
1600 * ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1700 Higher Education Programs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1800 Pre-K	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2000 SUPPORT SERVICES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2100 SUPPORT SERVICES – STUDENTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2200 Staff Support	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Services								
2300 SUPPORT SERVICES – ADMINISTRATION	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2400 Health Support Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2500 Business Support Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2600 Operation and Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2700 Student Transportation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2800 Central Support Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
3000 OPERATION OF NON- INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
3100 Food Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
3200 Student Activities	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
3300 Community Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4000 FACILITIES ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT SERVICES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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	\$13,255.80	\$8,837.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,500.00	\$0.00	\$29,593.00
Approved Indirect Cost/Operational Rate: 0.0000						\$0.00		
	Final						\$29,593.00	