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**Background and Instructions****Background**

Section 9-a of part A of chapter 56 of the laws of 2021, as amended by §5-a of part A of chapter 56 of the laws of 2022 requires, on or before July 1, 2022, every local educational agency (LEA) receiving funding from the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funding from the American Rescue Plan (ARP) act of 2021 to post on its website and submit to the New York State Education Department (NYSED) an updated plan of how such funds will be expended and how the LEA will prioritize spending on non-recurring expenses as defined in section 9-a(1) of part A of chapter 56 of the laws of 2021. This updated plan must include:

An analysis of public comment;

Goals and ratios for pupil support;

Detailed summaries of Investments in current year activities; and

Balance of funds spent in priority areas.

**Instructions**

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**American Rescue Plan (ARP) Spending Plan Reporting****1. Have you made changes to your approved ARP - ESSER application?**

- YES, the LEA has made changes to your approved ARP ESSER application.
- NO, the LEA has not made changes to your approved ARP ESSER application.

**2. Please provide an analysis of public comment for the updated American Rescue Plan (ARP) - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funding.**

Ember Charter School initially provided opportunities for public comment relative to the district's ARP ESSER Plans and use of funds at Board of Trustee meetings held during the months of August 2021, September 2021, October 2021, November 2021, December 2021 and January 2022. These meetings were conducted to discuss Opening Plans and review Plans for the use of ARP ESSER funds. During meetings held in February 2022, March 2022, April 2022 and May 2022, reporting of usage of ARP ESSER Plan was share with Board and with the opportunity for public comments.

Since these initial discussions at public meetings, Ember CS has had on-going discussions of the use of funds at weekly Leadership Team Council meetings engaging the Partnership, the Executive Officer, Dean of Students and Senior Members form the Teaching Staff, Operations and Deans Team. Additionally, discussions were also with parent schoolhouses meetings were stakeholders were given the opportunity to discuss ongoing usage of ARP funds which include the purchase of technical devices, software and platforms for students and staff members as well as to supplement the costs for programming in Afterschool, Spanish studies, & Reading strategies and mental services for students, families and staff members.

Ember CS Plan for ARP ESSER funding has been made available to the public at the school's website <https://www.embercs.org/results-and-accountability>. Any requests and comments are directed to the Executive Officer whom will report these findings to the Leadership Team Council.

At this time of reporting, Ember CS' plan for ARP ESSER funding has remained unchanged in its programmatic and fiscal funding allocations as originally submitted.

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Summary of New Programs <i>or</i>	

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	2021-22 School Year (\$)	2022-23 School Year (\$)	2023-24 School Year (\$)
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>842,655</b>	<b>549,220</b>	<b>678,060</b>

6. If 'Other' is indicated in the table above, please describe.

(No Response)