## Academy ISD 2021-2023 Planning for the Federal Program Application for the CRRSA ESSER II Grant and ESSER Supplemental Grant

## ESSER II - Entitlement for 2020-2023 Planning: \$346,082

**Purpose:** The Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Grant (ESSER II) is federally funded through Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) signed into law in December 2020. The grant period of availability is March 13, 2020 (under allowable pre-award costs) and can span to September 30, 2023 if the district chooses to implement carryover funds through use of the Tydings Amendment.

The intent and purpose of the CRRSA ESSER II funding is to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus. Generally, the District proposes to use the funds to meet the needs of students and staff addressing instructional continuity and issues that are related to the impact of COVID-19, such as

- Extended day tutoring
- Professional Development
  - o Reading Academies Kindergarten Grade 8
  - Special Education Boot Camp
  - o Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills Resource Conference
- Recruiting and Retention of Highly Effective Staff
- Data disaggregation software program to track student progress
- Grant technical assistance

For the 2020-2021 school year, LEAs will be eligible to receive hold harmless adjustments (increases in ADA/FTEs) for attendance figures as previously announced by the Texas Education Agency (TEA). For each District that actually receives a hold harmless ADA adjustment, TEA will fund a portion of that hold harmless adjustment with federal funds in a manner similar to how the 2019–2020 hold harmless was funded using CARES funds (ESSER I). The mechanics for the portion funded using ESSER II funds will also be an ADA reduction. For 2020- 2021, TEA will reduce total Refined ADA in an amount necessary to ensure each LEA receives total state and ESSER II funding equal to the amount that would have been available through the FSP while receiving the benefit of the hold harmless provided by the State.

This public forum provides an opportunity for public notification and public comment/input on the ESSER II grant application process and use of funds. Other means used in conjunction with comments and input provided during the School Board Meeting this evening, include data gathered from an advisory committee of stakeholders and survey results from the community. Collectively, this information will be taken into consideration for the final use of funds to be implemented in the CRRSA ESSER II Grant Application.