



PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF NORTH CAROLINA

State Board of Education | Department of Public Instruction

COVID Funds

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April 2021

State Funds



State Funds

Total Funds: \$65.9m State funds

Expiration: Varies

Redirection of state resources

\$50m – Emergency Funds (March to June 30 2020)

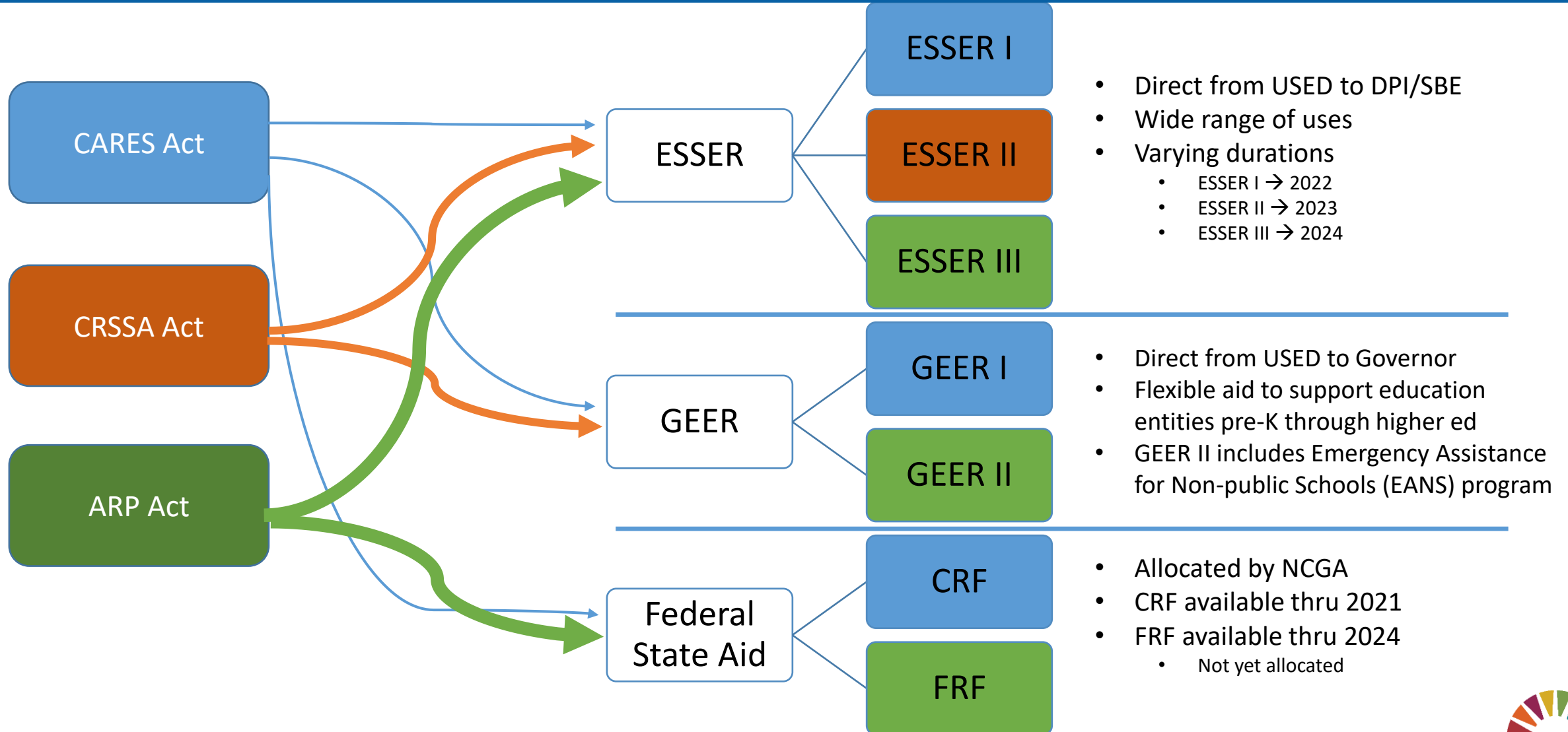
\$12m – School nutrition transportation (Aug 17, 2020)

\$3.9m – Reduced price lunch (June 30, 2021)

Federal COVID-19 Relief



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	CARES Act			CRSSA Act	ARP Act
	CRF	ESSER I	GEER I	ESSER II	ESSER III
Total NC funds	Total \$3.6B	Total \$396M	Total \$95.6M	Total \$1.6B	Total \$3.6B
Pathway to PSUs	Allocated by NCGA	Direct from USED via DPI	Directed by Gov. Cooper	Direct from USED via DPI	Direct from USED via DPI
Amount for PSUs	\$316M to PSUs	98% to PSUs	\$60M to PSUs	97% to PSUs	Min. 90% to PSUs
Availability	Thru 12/31/21	Thru 9/30/22	Thru 9/30/22	Thru 9/30/23	Thru 9/30/24

Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF)



CRF

Total Funds: \$316m State funds

Expiration: December 31, 2021

**State GA determined the use of funds in State legislation
Underlying Federal restrictions**

**Status: Recent extension to 12/31/2021
All funds allotted in PRCs 121 to 138.
90% expended as of 2/28/2021**

Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF)

\$35m Devices

\$22m connectivity

\$22m Low wealth Supplemental

\$75m School nutrition

\$37m EC Grants

\$70m Summer learning

\$5m ELISS grants

\$20m contracted mental health

\$3m Nondigital Instruction

\$660K residential schools

\$27m PPE

\$1.488m learning management system

\$4.5m cybersecurity

\$3.715m direct appropriations

PRCs121 to 138



Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund (GEER)



GEER – Governor (PRCs169 and 170)

**Total Funds: \$40m for health positions
\$20m for supplemental instructional services**

Expiration: September 30, 2022

**Status: 125 approved applications allotted for a total of
\$41m.
Application deadline March 31, 2021**

90% PSU – State Aid Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER)



ESSER I – Public School Units (PRC163)

Total Funds: \$356m allotted 36% expended as of 2/28/21

Expiration: September 30, 2022

Allocated per federal legislation based on proportion of Title I
Permissible use is very broad

Status: SBE approved May 2020
 262 PSUs allotted

ESSER II – Public School Units (PRC171)

Total Funds: \$1.4 billion

Expiration: September 30, 2023

**Allocated per federal legislation based on proportion of Title I
Permissible use is very broad**

**Status: Application and Allotment policy approved
Applications open on or before April 1**

***ESSER III – Public School Units (PRC 181)**

Total Funds: \$3.2 billion

Expiration: September 30, 2024

**Allocated per federal legislation based on proportion of Title I
Permissible use is very broad
20% required to address learning loss**

**Status: *Allotment policy and application is being presented for
approval at the April SBE meeting (PRC181)**

10% State Reserve Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER)



***ESSER I – 10% State Reserve – SBE approved**

Total Funds: \$38.6m

Expiration: September 30, 2022

PSUs Allocations*

\$2.2m ESSER Supplement (PRC164)

\$10.8m digital learning (PRC165)

\$3.5m LMS (PRC166)

\$10m EC grants (PRC167)

\$4.47m afterschool grants (PRC168)

Contracts & DPI services

\$1m DPI administration

\$6.6m State initiatives

*** 1 year deadline to commit funds May 2021 Recommend allotting uncommitted funds to avoid reversion**

***ESSER II – 10% State Reserve – NC GA legislated**

Total Funds: \$160 million

Expiration: September 30, 2023

**Notes: Use is legislated through SL2021-3/HB196 (3/11/21)
\$8m DPI administration**

ESSER II State reserve as legislated by HB 196

Recipient	Purpose	Amount
Dept of Natural & Cultural Resources	State library for NC Kids Digital Library Proj.	\$500,000
Residential Schools	Covid response	\$500,000
UNC GA	New Teacher Support	\$1,000,000
Wildlife Resource Commission	For Outdoor Heritage Special Fund for the NC Schools Go Outside program	\$1,200,000
Voyager Sopris Learning	For Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling	\$12,000,000
DPI	Contract for cybersecurity evaluation and PSU assessments	\$10,000,000
DPI	Collect, analyze and report data related to Covid impact	\$500,000
DPI	Contract with Duke on metrics of Student/personnel safety	\$500,000
DPI	Administration – PSU monitoring and required reporting	\$8,012,955

*ESSER II State reserve as legislated by HB 196

Recipient	Purpose	Amount
PSU – charter schools (PRC172)*	Supplement ESSER for PSUs with less than \$180 per ADM	\$10,000,000
PSUs (PRC173)*	Contracted instructional Support – counselors, nurses, psychologists and social workers	\$10,000,000
Non profits (PRC175)*	ELISS grants	\$15,000,000
PSU participating in NSLP	School nutrition grants	\$10,000,000
PSUs	Grants supporting in person instruction addressing learning loss	\$66,046,144
Undesignated		\$15,000,000
Total ESSER II State Reserve & admin		\$160,259,099

* Allotment policies presented for approval at the April SBE meeting

ESSER III – 10% State Reserve – Federal Stipulated

Total Funds: \$360 million

Expiration: September 30, 2024

Federal legislation stipulates:

5%	\$180m to address learning loss
1%	\$40m for summer enrichment
1%	\$40m for afterschool programs
2.5%	\$90m for other State level initiative

Resources

Financial and Business Services Website

<https://www.dpi.nc.gov/districts-schools/district-operations/financial-and-business-services>

[Summary of All COVID Funding](#)

