



THE SECRETARY OF EDUCATION  
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The Honorable Sydnee Dickson  
Superintendent of Public Instruction  
Utah State Office of Education  
P.O. Box 144200  
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Dear Superintendent Dickson,

In the letter approving Utah's American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER) State plan, dated July 7, 2021, the U.S. Department of Education (Department) placed conditions on Utah's ARP ESSER grant. Specifically, the conditions required that Utah amend its ARP ESSER State plan to describe, in section D.1 of its State plan, the evidence-based interventions it will implement using the funds it reserves under section 2001(f) of the ARP Act.

On February 7, 2022, Utah submitted an updated ARP ESSER State plan addressing the conditions by describing the evidence-based interventions it will implement to address: (1) the academic impact of lost instructional time, (2) summer learning and enrichment programs, and (3) comprehensive afterschool programs and how the interventions it identified will address the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on certain groups of students. As a result, I am removing the condition from Utah's ARP ESSER grant. This letter and the updated plan will be posted on the Department's State Plans website [here](#).

Thank you for your efforts, and the efforts of your staff, to implement the ARP ESSER program and to address the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of students, educators, and staff during the pandemic. We look forward to continuing our work with you to support the education of students in Utah. If you have any questions, please contact your program officer at: [Utah.OESE@ed.gov](mailto:Utah.OESE@ed.gov).

Sincerely,

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Senior Advisor, Office of the Secretary  
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