



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
OFFICE OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

December XX, 2023

The Honorable Susana Córdova  
Commissioner of Education  
Colorado Department of Education  
201 East Colfax Ave.  
Denver, CO 80203-1799

Dear Commissioner Córdova:

I am writing in response to Colorado's October 31, 2023, request to the U.S. Department of Education (Department) to amend Section D of its approved American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER) State plan. In its submission, the Colorado Department of Education proposed amending its plan to include additional recipients for supplemental funding and provide additional resources and programming to address the academic impact of lost instructional time. Additionally, Colorado proposed amending Section D.4 (Emergency Needs) of its State plan; Department approval of these changes is not required.

Upon review, I have determined that the amended request continues to meet the ARP ESSER statutory and regulatory requirements and addresses all ARP ESSER State plan elements under Section D. Accordingly, I am approving Colorado's amended ARP ESSER State plan. This letter, as well as Colorado's revised ARP ESSER State plan, will be posted on the Department's website, [here](#). Any further requests to amend Colorado's ARP ESSER State plan must be submitted to the Department for review and approval.

Thank you for the work Colorado has invested in its ARP ESSER State plan. If you need any assistance regarding implementation of your plan, please contact your program officer at [Colorado.OESE@ed.gov](mailto:Colorado.OESE@ed.gov).

Sincerely,

Adam Schott  
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Programs  
Delegated the Authority to Perform the  
Functions and Duties of the Assistant Secretary  
Office of Elementary and Secondary Education