Date: October 13, 2021

To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads

Route To: ESEA Directors, Directors of Special Education, School Business Administrators

From: Kathy Ehling, Assistant Commissioner

**Division of Educational Services** 

## American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER) State Level Grants to LEAs Technical Assistance Sessions

The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) is pleased to announce technical assistance sessions to provide further guidance on how local educational agencies (LEAs) can leverage ARP ESSER funding to respond to the urgent needs of students by addressing educational gaps and building local capacity to sustain meaningful and effective teaching and learning.

Presenters will clarify allowable uses, provide a brief overview of the needs assessment and the continuous improvement cycle, and offer an in-depth review of the following grant opportunities funded with ARP ESSER State set-aside funds:

- Accelerated Learning Coaching and Educator Support Grant;
- Comprehensive Beyond School Day Activities Grant;
- Summer Learning and Enrichment Programs Grant; and
- NJTSS Mental Health Support Staffing Grant

Participants are encouraged to register on the NJDOE <u>Events Registration webpage</u> for one of the free virtual sessions as soon as possible. Morning sessions (10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.) and afternoon sessions (1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.) will held on October 19, 20, 21, 26, 27 and 28. Registration is open until October 20, 2021.

## **Contact Information**

Questions related to registration for any of the virtual sessions should be emailed to Cierra Belin at Cierra.Belin@doe.nj.gov.

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