Q. Is this funding that both public and private schools can apply for?

ESSR funds are not applicable for private schools. However, The CRRSA Act provides $2.75 billion for the Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools (EANS) program, which is part of the Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund(GEERF). Under the EANS program, the Department will award grants by formula to each Governor with an approved Certification and Agreement to provide services or assistance to eligible non-public schools to address the impact that the Coronavirus Disease 2019. Here're two links to Federal sites with more information about EANS and GEERF):

- Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools (EANS): https://oese.ed.gov/offices/education-stabilization-fund/emergency-assistance-non-public-schools/#:~:text=Under%20the%20EANS%20program%2C%20the,have%2C%20on%20non%2Dpublic%20school
- Governor's Emergency Education Relief ACT https://oese.ed.gov/offices/education-stabilization-fund/governors-emergency-education-relief-fund/

Q. Any additional advice on verbiage for the justification? Key words to look for?

Regarding the CDC Guidelines, here is the link to "CDC guidance on reopening and operating school facilities to maintain the health and safety of students", which recommends Engineered Solutions to stop the spread of viruses: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/FINAL-0321420_B_K-12_Mitigation_Toolkit508.pdf

Regarding the Individuals with Disabilities in Education Act(IDEA), see link below on the grant information site https://sites.ed.gov/idea/.

Please note:

- **Free Appropriate Public Education States** must have policies to ensure that all students with disabilities receive a free appropriate public education (FAPE). The FAPE requirement ensures the provision of special education and related services to all eligible students under the IDEA.
- **Least Restrictive Environment:** The least restrictive environment (LRE) provision requires that students with disabilities be educated in general education settings to the maximum extent possible

Q. Is there consistency between every state and administration?

A. There is a lot of consistency between states in how funds are administered since the various ACTS have requirements.

Q. Do these grants address design fees?

A. This is not something we have researched. Some districts have hired design and engineering companies to assist with funding projects, but we are unaware of where the funds to pay for these services originated. There are provisions in the ACTS to address new construction, but it is discouraged by the Federal Government.

- ESSER Q&A:
  https://oese.ed.gov/files/2021/05/ESSER.GEER_.FAQs_5.26.21_745AM_FINALb0cd6833f6f46e03ba2d97d30aff953260028045f9ef3b18ea602db4b32b1d99.pdf

Q. Do the grants fund staffing? If so, how long?

A. Again, this is an area we have not researched but have included links that may be of help.

Q. Are supply chain issues effecting the lead times on hardware?

A. There have been some products temporality impacted but this is a fluid situation. Please contact your Allegion representative for a current update. Or reach out to contactus@allegion.com with subject line: Security in 30 funding.

Q. How do we get the facilities departments more aware of the funds that are available?

A. Sharing the link to this recorded session, or the resources included could help. Please contact your Allegion representative for more information.

Q. Do the grants consider access control a measure to discourage unauthorized access to buildings?

A. We are not aware of anything specifically in the ESSER or HEERF grants around unauthorized access, however any solution that mitigates the spread of viruses is allowed. Contact tracing does help mitigate the spread of viruses, and an access control system may assist schools with contact tracing. There are grants available for physical security which can be used to discourage unauthorized access and please reach out to your Allegion representative for more information.

Q. Does Allegion have a template for such grants?

A. Allegion does not write grants, but we can help with identifying grants that may apply, with assessing the need and providing detailed information that could be included in the grant application.

Q. When will marketing literature be available?

A. Funding information can be found on Allegion's website:
https://us.allegion.com/en/home/markets/education/allegion-school-and-security/funding.html

Q. Can you push it towards contact tracing?

   A. Contact tracing does help mitigate the spread of viruses, so we recommend educating schools and universities on this solution for them to consider in their ESSER funding plans.

Q. Does the funding amount depend on the size/enrollment of the school?

   A. The funding is for the entire district and not for a specific school. Each district's amount of funding is dependent on the student population the poverty level of that population.

Q. What about the long-term costs such as maintenance programs and equipment replacement?

   A. The following statement does allow for maintenance and repair:
   Inspecting, testing, maintaining, repairing, replacing, and upgrading projects to improve the indoor air quality in school facilities, including HVAC systems, filtering, purification and other air cleaning, fans, control systems, and window and door repair and replacement. This statement is in both ESSER II and III. CRRSAAct Section 313(d)(14) & ARPA Section 2001(e)(2)(P).

Q. Do you have some clients who have successfully been able to get funding for a school? Would they be able to help advise others on how they were able to get awarded?

   A. We have various partners and end users that have utilized these Federal Funds to provide touchless openings with automatic operators as well as working towards solutions around mobile credentials. Some solutions are as simple as new doors and gasketing to help with that school districts air flow. Please reach out to your local Allegion representative or reach out to contactus@allegion.com with subject line: Security in 30 funding.