



American Rescue Plan in Minnesota: State Priority List for Learning Recovery

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) requires 5% of the total funds allocated to the State of Minnesota to be spent by public schools to address the impact of lost instructional time, or learning recovery. These funds, totaling \$66 million, must be used to implement evidence-based practices that are aligned to the following state priority list:

1. Expand full service community schools that provide wraparound services to students and their families.
2. Develop and implement community partnerships.
3. Develop and implement neighborhood programs.
4. Expand access to tutoring.
5. Implement a multi-tiered teaching framework to provide high-quality instruction that is responsive to the needs of all learners.
6. Increase student support personnel (counselors, social workers, school psychologists, school nurses, and chemical dependency staff).
7. Expand or add life skills programing for students receiving special education services.
8. Expand access to early learning programs.
9. Implement the Kindergarten Entry Profile (KEP).
10. Teacher recruitment and retention initiatives, including ones specifically for teachers of color and Indigenous teachers such as:
 - Teacher mentoring programs;
 - Grown Your Own expansion; and/or,
 - Educator Career Pathways.
11. Develop and implement a family engagement model.
12. Expand language access for families who do not speak English as a first language (translation services, cultural liaisons, and culturally-specific public engagement).
13. Expand rigorous coursework, such as Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate Career Program (IBCP), Career and Technical Education (CTE), and Concurrent Enrollment courses to foster opportunities for underserved and under-represented students both demographically and geographically.
14. Develop, implement and maintain Ethnic Studies curriculum processes.
15. Develop, implement and maintain Indigenous Education curriculum processes.
16. Increase staff hiring to reduce class sizes.
17. Provide field trips and hands-on learning experiences.
18. Expand after school activities and summer learning opportunities.