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Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
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06.D. Action: Award grants to school districts for the purchase of High-Quality Instructional Material (HQIM) and professional learning to mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic [Goals 1, 2, 4 and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Background and Purpose: In accordance with American Rescue Plan (ARP), Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER), each state education agency was required to provide descriptions and other information to address how the state intends to use its ARP Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund allocation. The MDE has designated a portion of these funds to provide access to High-Quality Instructional Materials (HQIM) in Reading Foundational Skills, English Language Arts (ELA), and Mathematics and provide professional learning (PL) to support the use of the state adopted HQIM.

Mississippi defines (HQIM) as materials that are aligned with the Mississippi College and Career-Readiness Standards, are externally validated, are comprehensive, and include engaging texts (books, multimedia, etc.), problems, and assessments. HQIM can be used to identify students' areas of strength and opportunities for growth, which are sequentially mapped and designed to prepare students to graduate ready for college and the workforce, educative for teachers, and accessible to students with differentiated needs.

Eligibility: Local educational agencies (LEA) may be eligible to receive funds to support the purchase of adopted HQIM and/or aligned Professional Learning (PL) for Reading Foundational Skills, English language arts (ELA), mathematics, science, and/or social studies

Scope of Grant:

- Grant Period: February 18, 2022 – September 30, 2024
(With a liquidation period ending December 30, 2024)
- Award Amount: \$20,000,000
- Method of Award: Request for Applications

Funding Source: ESSER III/ARP funds

Summary of Selection Process:

Basis for Awarding the Grants: Formula

Available funds will be distributed to districts in proportion to the LEAs Title I, Part A Allocations for the 2019-2020 school year

This item references Goals 1, 2, 4, and 6 of the *Mississippi Board of Education 2018-2022 Strategic Plan*.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material: None

ARP/ESSER III High Quality Instructional Materials Grant Awards

District	Award Amount
Bay Waveland School District	\$672,647
Clarksdale Municipal School District	\$2,615,699
Cleveland School District	\$1,246,140
Corinth School District	\$680,891
Desoto County School District	\$3,685,662
Holmes County School District	\$2,002,756
Itawamba County Schools	\$626,134
Jefferson County School District	\$559,338
Lamar County School District	\$1,635,125
Lauderdale County Schools	\$1,043,376
Natchez Adams School District	\$2,231,399
North Bolivar Consolidated School District	\$740,889
North Tippah School	\$305,122
Pass Christian School District	\$459,020
Senatobia Municipal School	\$305,000
Union County School District	\$477,414
Union Public Schools	\$162,609
Winona-Montgomery Consolidated	\$550,779
Total Awards	\$20,000,000