Sioux City Community School District Executive Summary Return-to-Learn Plan 2021-2022 and Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief III Budget August 9, 2021

Purpose:

To acknowledge the Return-to-Learn Plan 2021-2022 and the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief III budget.

Explanation:

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A third emergency relief package passed into law: American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ARP ESSER or ESSER III). A component of ESSER III is that school districts will develop a Return-to-Learn Plan for the 2021-2022 school year.

The Sioux City Community School District has been allocated \$38,878,294 in ESSER III funding. At least 20% of the allocation or \$7,775,659 must be spent on addressing student learning loss.

All expenditures must be used to prevent or mitigate effects of pandemic and must be COVID related. Funds must be spent by September 30, 2024.

Strategic Plan Priority Area:

Practice Effective, Efficient and Sustainable Business Practices

Impact on Student Achievement:

Expenditures associated with ESSER III include expenditures that increase safety, strengthen teachers' instructional skills, strengthen teachers' skills addressing student learning loss, improve air quality within buildings, and provide staff to support students. The expenditures help provide students a safe learning environment and a high quality education.

Funding Source:

ESSER III

Recommendation:

That the Board of Directors acknowledges the Return-to-Learn Plan 2021-2022 and ESSER III budget as presented.