

ARP ESSER plan requirement, provided the required elements of the plan are built into the LEA's application, combined with a budget, and then publicly posted after being developed with public input.

USDE's IFR also requires each LEA receiving ARP ESSER funds to develop a plan for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services. As detailed in my May 19, 2021 memorandum, for New York State's LEAs, NYSED will permit previously developed LEA re-opening plans to satisfy the ARP statutory requirement for the safe return to in-