

# The pursuit of equity



## Using new federal funding to support the whole child

Over the past 18 months, the US Department of Education (ED) has released three significant funding packages to help districts and teachers address unfinished learning, social-emotional needs, and progress toward getting students back on track. ED allows for flexibility in the use of funds through the American Rescue Plan, CRRSA Act, and CARES Act. With so much targeted funding available, some states and districts have been asking *how best to put the funds to work to address the unique needs of learners, teachers, parents, and caregivers.*

## Achieving equity by supporting the whole child

As we strive to help all students reach their full potential, we not only see, but also embrace the diversity in each student’s individual needs. Make data-driven decisions that ensure equity and inclusion for your diverse learners by addressing the whole child through the lens of your tiered systems of support for academics, behavior, and social-emotional learning.

Pearson offers a broad portfolio of solutions to help you make key decisions in addressing your students’ academic, behavioral, and social-emotional needs.

Supports for school reopening		
Challenge	Need	Solution
Unfinished Learning	Initial assessment of student access to learning opportunities during school closure	aimsweb®Plus Transcend™
	Provide remote testing options to assess students participating in virtual instruction	aimswebPlus Digital Assessment Library for Schools (DALs) Pearson Companion Transcend
Distance Learning	Provide professional development for educators on virtual instruction and how technology can support student learning with flexible models for diverse learners	Connections Academy Pearson Online Academy
	Provide virtual instruction options to students and families	Connections Academy Pearson Online Academy

## Supports for lost instructional time – academic

Challenge	Need	Solution
<b>Assessment/Data</b>	Quickly diagnose gaps in critical skills and concepts	aimswebPlus Connections Academy Pearson Online Academy Transcend
	Use high-quality assessments to provide timely information to educators	aimswebPlus Connections Academy Pearson Online Academy Transcend
	Help parents and caregivers understand students' progress through data visualization	aimswebPlus Connections Academy Pearson Online Academy Spotlight Transcend
	Assessment and scoring platforms to address a variety of behavioral, social-emotional, and core academic needs	aimswebPlus BASC®-3 BESS Connections Academy Digital Assessment Library for Schools (DALs) Pearson Online Academy Shaywitz DyslexiaScreen™ SSIS™ SEL TELL™ Transcend
<b>Language Development/ Mastery</b>	Early literacy screening/dyslexia	aimswebPlus Digital Assessment Library for Schools (DALs) Shaywitz DyslexiaScreen
	Screen, diagnose, and progress monitor multi-lingual students	aimswebPlus TELL Transcend

## Supports for lost instructional time – social-emotional learning

Challenge	Need	Solution
<b>Child Well-Being</b>	Assess and teach skills in self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision making	aimswebPlus Digital Assessment Library for Schools (DALs) Review360® SSIS SEL
	Universal screening of behaviors and emotions (including anxiety and depression)	aimswebPlus BASC-3 BESS Digital Assessment Library for Schools (DALs) Review360
	Analyze behavior through comprehensive set of rating scales to understand the child's needs	BASC™-3 Digital Assessment Library for Schools (DALs) Review360

## Important deadlines

- **CARES Act:**  
**September 30, 2022**  
ESSER 1 \$13B
- **CRRSSAA:**  
**September 30, 2023**  
ESSER-II \$54B and GEER \$4B
- **American Rescue Plan:**  
**September 30, 2024**  
ESSER III \$122B (20% must be used to address learning loss) and GEER \$2.7B



## How can we help you with your federal funding decisions?

We can partner with you to navigate the funding and leverage it for the most impact on the unique needs in your school/district. Read Pearson's full statement on **equity and opportunity** in learning.

Improve learning and engagement in your classrooms, whether you're in-person, remote, or hybrid. Wondering how to get started?

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