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Why are we sharing this information?

- This is an opportunity to help address the trauma of COVID 19 in your community.
- This could be opportunity for your organization to become an integral part of school programming during and after ESSER funding.

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What is ESSER?

Elementary and Secondary Schools Emergency Relief Funds

- ESSER I \$13.5 billion (3/2020)
- ESSER II \$54.3 Billion (12/2020)
- ESSER III \$122 billion (3/2021)

(must be awarded by 9/2022 spent by 9/2023)

Goal – to address the impact of the coronavirus pandemic on the Nation's students

Who gets ESSER funds?

- 90% of funds go to districts for use in Title I schools (charter and private included)
- 10% stays with states
- Tribes have their own funding

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What can ESSER be used for?

Funding is meant to help schools safely reopen and provide equitable services that address the physical, mental, and **social and emotional** needs of students.

- Providing mental heath services and supports
- Addressing learning loss
- Providing afterschool activities & summer learning programs

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Problem to address:

- Many fear that "learning loss" and student trauma will be the biggest negative impact of the pandemic on students.
- The National Education Association (NEA) says that Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) should be a priority as schools address the effects of COVID-19.
- Of concern also is the mental and emotional health of school faculty and staff.

Another Hook

Multi-Tier Systems of Support – MTSS

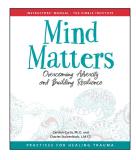
- SEL is one focus (as well as math, English...)Tier 1 Whole school prevention
- Tier 2 Small group intervention
- Tier 3 Intense one-to-one

Some states require MTSS, others encourage it. See the ESSER Resource list for state profiles on MTSS and SEL Requirements.

(This could be a longer term use of your services.)

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Mind Matters can address both student and adult trauma.



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Your next steps – Part 1.

- Get Curious
- Contact someone you know at your local or county district(s) – superintendent, SEL coordinator, head counselor.
- Ask how they are addressing student trauma and disconnection – this summer and next year.
- Ask how they address MTSS and SEL? What's missing for them?

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Your next steps - Part 2.

- Benefits to contracting with you for services
 - You are ready.
 - You are experienced in this field.
 - You have a research based program.
 - They don't have to hire staff.
- Ask how you can support them in providing services to address trauma and SEL.

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