

**Questions and Answers on COVID-19 Supplemental Fund – PRC154 and Funding Flexibility
AS OF MARCH 27, 2020**

PRC154 – COVID-19 Supplemental Funds

1. What is the source of funding for PRC154

The \$50m for COVID-19 Supplemental Funds were funded with the following

- \$38.5 million from FY2019-20 Summer Reading Camp funds.
- \$2.97 million from unexpended FY2018-19 Summer Reading Camp carryforward.
- \$5.48 million is coming from the Statewide Carryforward reserve
- A little over \$3M is coming from State Emergency Relief and Disaster Reserve (SERDRF).

2. How will the new funds be allotted?

The State Board of Education approved the funding formula as follows:

- \$25m distributed based on ADM
- \$25m distributed based on ADM x county low wealth percentage

3. When do the funds expire?

The funds are intended to provide supplemental funds to public schools to support additional expenditures related to COVID-19. The funds will expire at June 30, 2020. Carryover provision is not authorized at this time.

4. Are public schools going to receive PRC016 summer reading camp funds?

At this time, no allocations will be sent in PRC016 at this time.

5. Which units are eligible for the funds?

Each LEA, charter school, innovative school, regional school and lab school which does not provide virtual education as its primarily instructional delivery method.

6. What are the allowable use of the funds?

Funds shall only be expended for school nutrition, school and community-based child care, cleaning and sanitizing schools and buses, protective equipment, and remote learning.

The chart of accounts is posted on the FBS website.

7. Do we know what kind of breakdown there is for the \$50 million? How much for meal delivery? Daycare? Additional funding for LEAs for COVID related expenses?

LEAs may use the funds to cover additional expenditures due to COVID-19 in their LEA. LEAs are facing different financial needs, and the funds are flexible within the different categories.

8. Is it possible to set this allotment up in a single PRC with an open chart similar to PRC 019?

The Governor provided the intent of the use of funds in [communications](#) to the State Board of Education Chairman and The State Superintendent. The policy and chart of accounts is developed based on this.

9. May we transfer funds into PRC154?

Yes. But no funds may be transferred out

10. Do we have to use purpose code XXX8 with PRC154?

No, but definition the expenditures are additional expenditures incurred due to COVID-19

Flexibility

11. If we transfer funds from PRC056 to PRC154 will it affect the efficiency formula?

This question has been submitted to Transportation Section

12. Are there any discussions about carryover funds for unused state allocations?

At this time, there are no changes to the period of time funds are available.

13. What additional flexibilities were provided to purchase devices and remote learning tools?

The Governor provided the LEAs with additional flexibilities as follows –
Textbooks and Digital Resources (PRC131) and School Technology (PRC015) allocations may be used for devices, online subscriptions and training for instructional personnel for digital and remote learning

14. When will the Chart of Accounts in PRC 131 be updated with the object code we can use for devices?

School Business is updating the chart of accounts and it will be available early next week.