

Tuesday, May 5, 2020

8:00 am

Accelerate ED - Operations Subcommittee

### **Finance Questions:**

- Can the money be mingled for the camps?
- Can a portion of the funds be advanced to the districts? The CARES funds will be on an advanced basis.
- Does it need to be one or two programs? Programs/funds can be combined for one program.
- What if we have cuts later in the school year? Could this money be used in a better way? If we spend 35 million this summer. How do we respond to those questions if there are mid-year cuts?
- Does the money allocated include transportation that provides social distancing?
- Cost need to be worked out and firm, so districts do not have to “make up the rest.” There will not be funds to pull from to cover incidentals.
- What is the timeline on the \$1.9 billion? When would that money be distributed to districts? Who dictates the reimbursement rules? The state has the \$1.9 billion from the federal government and they determine the reimbursement protocol. The governor hopes to have a quick turn around of the funds (next few weeks.)
- Without funds in place and guaranteed- districts cannot make plans for how many teachers, classes, and students to enroll in summer camps.
- Estimate is \$2500 per student: Includes salaries for teachers and staff, supplies and materials. Does not include transportation. State pays for fuel/bus, but not driver’s pay.

### **Transportation:**

- Transportation is working on scenarios for social distancing and cleaning protocols, will need additional time to disinfect buses.
- Have two models for social distancing. 77 person bus to 13 students. 26 passengers at 5ft apart.

### **Summer Academic Recovery Camps:** (not just summer reading camps)

- Can we look at churches or community centers instead of bussing students?
- Need to ask for PPE.
- Ratio of teacher to student? 12:1
- Setting up lessons that are pencil and paper, virtual or face to face.
- How long would the program be in effect? A minimum of 4 weeks is the recommendation.
- It should be every day, not every other day. Could be morning and afternoon sessions. (2-3hr sessions)
- What about summer schedules (Monday-Thursday)?

- What about cleaning schedules?

### **Feeding Programs:**

- Feeding program during 4 weeks of camp.
- USDA has extended food waiver through June 30<sup>th</sup>. On July 1 need new applications are needed for new programs. Summer Feeding should start June 1.

### **Health Questions:**

- What type of screening do you want to recommend for staff and students? Masks? Other PPE? Do we have enough nurses to screen all staff and students?
- Do they check students before the kid gets on the bus? There are liability issues if student is left at bus stop.
- Isolation room for kids that are sick?
- Relocate the nurses office to allow space for social distancing.