

Dear Edmore Patron:

The public school districts throughout the State of North Dakota received Federal Elementary and Secondary Emergency Relief allocations (ESSER). Edmore Public School received allocations that need to be utilized for specific purposes or categories. The Edmore school board is soliciting input from stakeholders regarding how they may want these federal dollars utilized to improve the student learning. We currently have input from the school board, administration, teachers, students, and a committee comprised of varying stakeholder groups. We are posting an internet link for you to provide input.

Please read the ESSER II & III Continuity of Services plan below and complete the survey. The survey link listed below can be accessed at the Edmore Public School Home page - <https://www.edmore.k12.nd.us>

Please call if you have any questions or concerns.

Kind Regards

Frank Schill

**Edmore Public School ESSER II & III Continuity of Services Plan
2021 – 2024**

As a result of the COVID – 19 Pandemic the Edmore education community quickly adjusted their mode of operations to ensure safety for staff and students while providing continued instruction for our children. On March 16, 2020 the Edmore school board established protocol for providing continued education to students. On March 23, 2020 education resumed via Zoom for staff and students until the end of the academic school year in May 2020.

During the summer of 2020 the school board and administration, COVID 19 committee comprised of board members, administration, staff, and students developed guidelines allowing for safe in-person instruction to replace distance learning via Zoom. On July 21, 2020 the school board adopted the “Edmore Health & Safety Smart Restart Plan”. This plan outlined safety and educational protocols to be followed during the 2020-2021 school year. This plan was amended by the board on August 8, November 11, December 15, 2020, March 8, 2021, April 7, and May 11, 2021. The Smart Restate Plan was suspended at the June 14, 2021 school board meeting.

The Edmore School District will utilize a portion of Title funds to provide professional development for staff. Staff will attend the NDMTSS conference and elementary staff will receive training allowing them to provide intensified and personalized instruction in math, reading and literacy for all students. ESSER II monies (100%) will be utilized to pay salaries for staff that have received specialized training to address learning loss and provide instructional enrichment for economically disadvantaged students.

High Impact Tutoring

Because of the loss of learning due to Covid, staff will receive training to provide intensive tutoring to all students. Socioeconomic disadvantaged students can improve academic achievement through tutoring in literacy, mathematics, and social emotional learning. The Edmore school personnel will provide additional time during the academic day (20 minutes per day) and also before and after school sessions with students.

Social Emotional Learning

To date, the Edmore School has been unable to hire a counselor for the staff and students. As a result of the hard to fill position and the need for post Covid trauma counselling, Edmore will utilize outside agencies to provide training for staff and students. Training opportunities will be in person and the use of webinars via Zoom to provide consistent and timely training throughout the academic school year. The goal of the school district is to develop a “Trauma Sensitive School” comprised of staff and students aware of their environment and how to develop resiliency and grit to be successful and well-balanced individuals as they mature and enter the post-secondary world.