

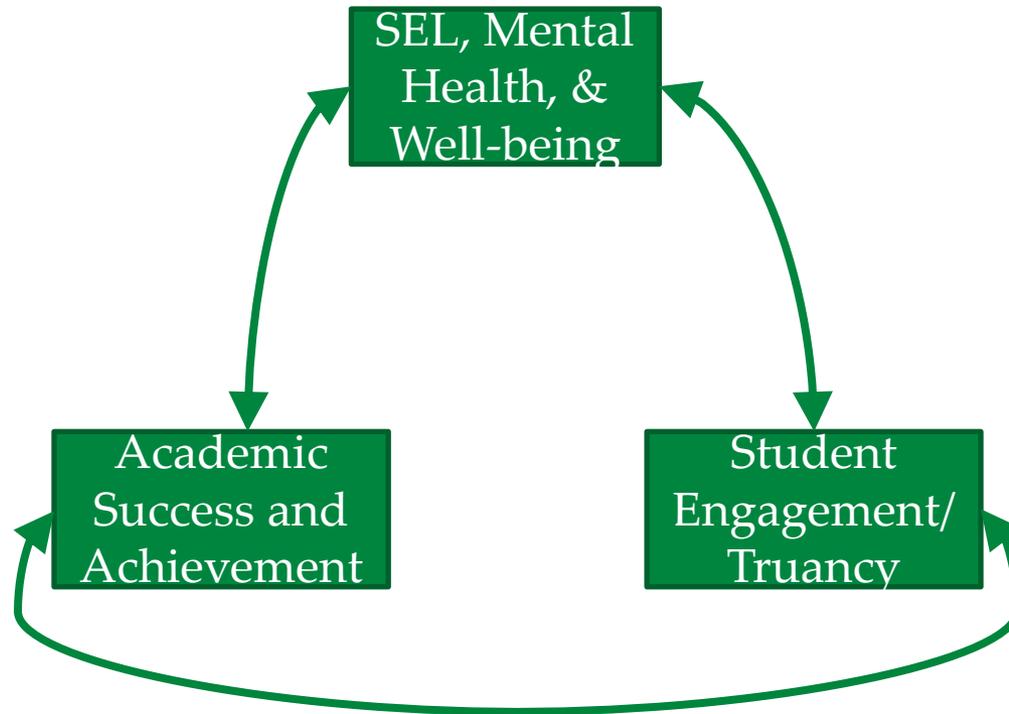
Update on Education Recovery

4/23/21

What is education recovery?

- Mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 emergency on the education and healthy development of our students.
- Ensure that all students are doing well in three key domains
 - All three domains are critical, equally important
 - Special attention to historically marginalized students
 - Needs prioritized at local level

Three Domains for Recovery



LEA Recovery Planning

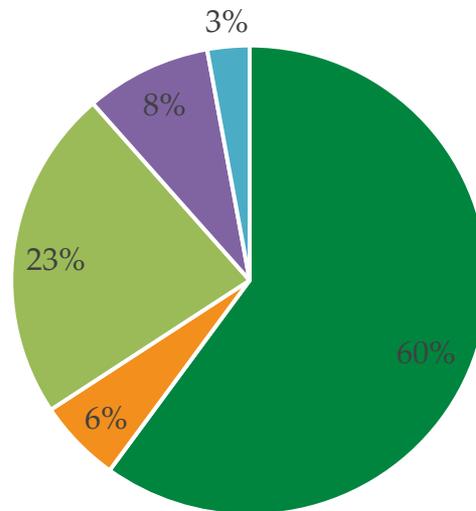
Planning Requirements

- Needs assessment and prelim plan due 4/15
- Each LEA is assigned state team to assist in recovery planning and implementation
 - Suggested best practices, ongoing support, technical assistance
- Assistance from state in regional system collaboration (e.g., mental health, DCF)
- Final plan due 6/1
- Full recovery effort = 3-5-year process

Prelim Themes – Local Needs Assessments

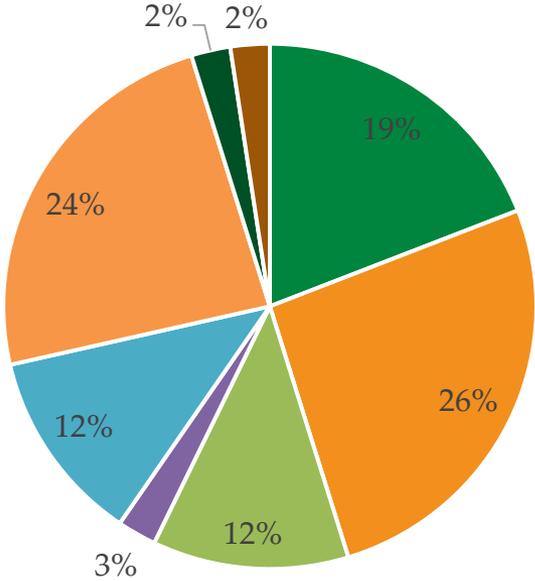
- **Note: As of Wednesday, 4/21, COB. 29 districts. Themes derived by AOE.**

Student Engagement/Truancy



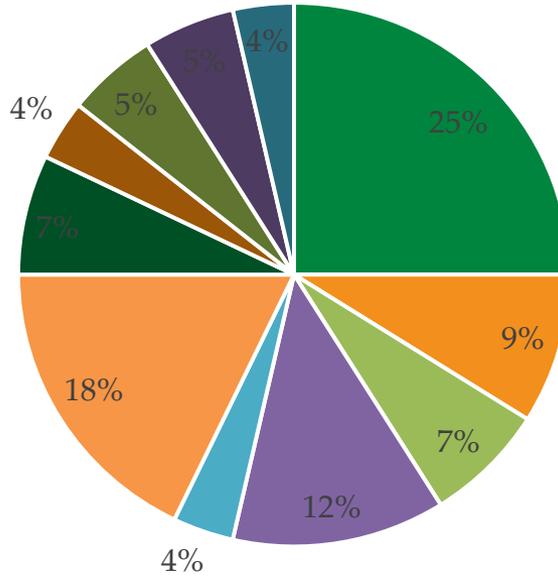
- Student Engagement
- Vulnerable Populations
- Family Engagement
- Collab with Local Providers
- Construction/Renovation

SEL/Mental Health



- Guidance/Support
- Trauma-Informed Practice
- PBIS/Behavior Interventions
- Physical Health
- Screening Tools
- MTSS
- Curriculum
- Vulnerable Populations

Academics



- MTSS
- Math
- Personalization
- PD
- Interventions
- Curric & Assessmt
- Literacy
- Science
- Personnel/Coaching
- Instruction
- Vulnerable Populations

**Summer
is wide
open.**



S.Wells/Life Pieces to Masterpieces

Summer Matters

Summer 2021 will be an important time for Vermont’s youth to re-engage, connect, and learn. Let’s work together to ensure that quality summer opportunities are available to children and youth in every Vermont community.

[Summer Program Resources](#) | [For Youth](#) | [For Schools](#) | [For Families](#) | [Health & Safety Guidance](#) | [Summer Program Map](#)

As we emerge from the pandemic, Vermont Afterschool, in partnership with the Vermont Agency of Education and Vermont Agency of Human Services, along with U.S. Senator Bernie Sanders’ Office, recently coordinated Governor Phil Scott’s and Senator Sanders’ vision to provide expanded summer enrichment opportunities for youth statewide. The work we do this summer will meet the immediate needs of Vermont families and inform our collective efforts to provide universal afterschool in the future.

We know that this summer, more than ever before, matters for our kids and families.

The lack of in-person school, the loss of connection with peers, the limits on activities and access to everything from nutrition to sports, drama, music, clubs, and social events makes it crucial that we help our youth re-connect and re-engage. Together, we are working hard to ensure robust, enriching, and fun options for kids from PK-12, as well as young adults.

Federal funding, secured by Senator Sanders in the American Rescue Plan, will allow schools and others to build summer programs focused on meeting Vermont students’ needs. School-based programming will be funded through the Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds distributed directly to school districts. The state is also directing at least \$1.5 million of ESSER state set aside funding to support programs not directly connected with a local school or school district to increase program capacity.

This summer is a time to celebrate our transition out of the grip of this pandemic and we know we need to focus on our youth.

This summer, we want to send three key messages:

- Summer is important. Our kids need to be able to enjoy this summer and use it



KEY LINKS & RESOURCES

Need help on how to get a summer program going? Download our new resource: [Summer Program Start-](#)

For Youth

ENGAGE

After such a difficult year, you deserve a great summer. Thanks to the passage of the American Rescue Plan, there will be a historic investment in summer opportunities for youth in Vermont. These opportunities included on this page include ways for you to connect with friends and your community, help pave the way to normalcy with your input, explore careers, find summer jobs, and most of all have FUN.

ENRICH

Your lives have been put on hold and you've missed out on your favorite activities like sports, performing arts, academic support, exploring the outdoors, and simply hanging out with your friends or having opportunities to meet new friends. **Click on the map** to check out the summer programs near you or search who's hiring.



EXPLORE

Are you starting to think about what kind of career you're interested in and how to explore these options? Perhaps a mentor could be a helpful resource as you explore these options and think about your future.

Career Exploration Opportunities

- VocRehab Summer Career Exploration Program +
- Vermont Youth Employment Program +
- LEAP Summer Work Based Learning and SkillShops Programming +
- VT Agency of Education Work-Based Learning Manual +

Alternative Program Opportunities

- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Vermont +

EARN

We know you missed out on some opportunities to be independent this past year like new jobs and the ability to save money or make your own purchases. As we get back to normal and things open back up, there are a ton of businesses interested in hiring teens. These include camps, restaurants, landscaping businesses, retail stores, and so many others.

[List of VT businesses who are looking to hire teens for the summer](#)



MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

- [Center for Young Women's Health and Young Men's Health](#)
- [Girls Health.Gov](#)
- [Reach Out](#)
- [Teens Health](#)
- [National Alliance on Mental Health](#)
- [Coping for Kids: Calming Exercises](#)
- [Kids Health: Self-help guide](#)
- [PBS Kids: Feeling games for young kids](#)
- [CDC: LGBT+ health resources](#)

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Summer Program Map

Want to add your program to the map? [Click here](#) to submit information.

Can't find a program for your needs? [Tell us about it](#).

Be sure to reach out to program contacts to clarify details as information is subject to change. Vermont Afterschool supports quality summer programs and opportunities for children and youth but does not specifically endorse any of the programs in these search results.

Narrow your search

Select an item in one or more areas

Reset Filters

County

(All)

Town

(All)

Associated SD or SU

(All)

Organization

(All)

Community-based vs. school-based

(All)

Space still available

(All)

Open to youth statewide (any town)

(All)

Accommodations for special needs

(All)

Transportation provided

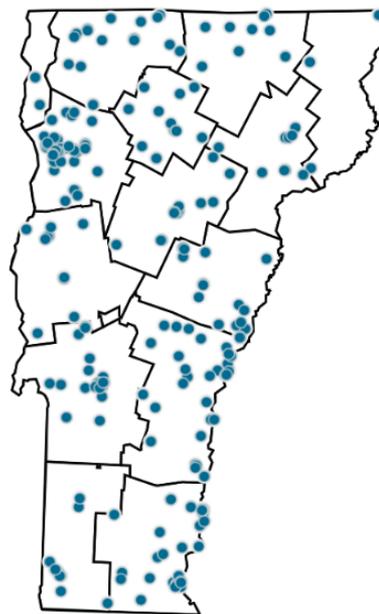
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Youth employment opportunities available

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Map

Hover over or click any point for more info



Results

Click any program for more info

269 sites

4 Corners Children's Center, Inc., run by 4 Corners Children's Center @ 4 Corners Childrens Center in Hartland

ACT Summer Day Camps, run by ACT Teen Center @ Addison Central Teens in Middlebury

ANWSD After School Programs @ Vergennes Union Elementary in Vergennes

ANWSD After School Programs @ Vergennes Union High School in Vergennes

All-4-One @ Union Street School in Springfield

All-4-One @ Commons Park in Springfield

All-4-One @ North School Park in Springfield

All-4-One @ Parks and Rec Department in Springfield

Interim Final Rule – ARPA ESSER

- We expected this would come out at some point; useful to have clarity now.
- We must develop a plan to spend the money; process to develop that plan is now clearly outlined in the rule.
- We will consider legislative priorities in the development of the plan.
- We interpreted the language of ARPA as making the appropriation directly to each SEA. Interim final rule and application template issued by USED reinforce that interpretation. AOE cannot be compliant with the interim final rule if all set-aside funds are to be controlled by the GA. Such an approach appears to be inconsistent with the federal law.