

## Business Manager responses to Covid-19 costs

1. Childcare workers - providing childcare to essential employees all day versus only having afterschool contracts for a few hours a day.
2. Supplies and Equipment for Food Service packing lunches and coolers items that would normally not be needed because food would be served in a cafeteria, not delivered in a to go style
3. Ink Cartridges and other supplies for home use for staff and students
4. Higher Quantities of Disinfectant cleaners to clean the schools and offices
5. Higher volume of device purchases to get as many students on one to one for at home learning.
6. We are paying our contracted buses to deliver food versus students. It's costing us almost the same as normal except that we will get some fuel reimbursement because the distances are not quite as far with one longer run versus two shorter runs for all buses. But if this means we lose transportation revenue in any way, then we will show this as a cost or loss due to this situation.
7. not knowing what of the things that we are doing will be reimbursable and how that will affect us in the long run would be one issue. It is not clear that we can count on the revenue that we typically would.
8. As spouses are losing their jobs we will have staff coming onto our insurance that we did not plan for. GE in Rutland is going to temporarily lay off 60% of their workforce.
9. All kinds of materials and devices for students and staff to work from home. Internet non-existent or unstable.
10. Platforms that allow for students and staff to work remotely. Long distance and cell phone data.
11. Our biggest expense worry is the cost of providing compensatory special ed services this summer to make up for services that can't be provided now (we are paying our inhouse staff now and may have to pay them, or a contractor, again this summer)
12. We are still struggling to provide childcare for essential workers - we will likely have to compensate a third-party provider (the state reimbursement rate may not be enough)
13. The possibility that we may have to pay incentive pay for employees who provide essential services but can't work from home.
14. Budget approval concerns for districts with late budget votes por failed budgets.
15. Need for technology equipment for teachers and staff working remotely (90% - 95% of employees are working remotely)
16. Transportation for meals delivery
17. extra worker hours for student non-congregate meal prep and distribution, and custodial
18. Extra supplies and for facility cleaning - disinfecting
19. Specialized supplies for unitized non-congregate meal distribution (to go containers, single use bags for deliver to families, will need curbside coolers as the weather warms up)
20. question of hazard pay for vital positions (facilities, nutrition, mail service - albeit centralized, etc)
21. fatigue - teachers and administrative staff have worked very hard, and sometime long hours, to get moving on remote operations, but this pace is not sustainable. What hidden costs are there as we now try to shift to a more sustainable pace
22. providing Child Care for Essential Employees in the Community since March 19, 2020. No real communication as to how this is going to be reimbursed.
23. We are under the impression that we need to continue paying all employees - So Food Service is a concern. We are receiving reimbursement for the Breakfast and Lunches that are being prepared, but not sure it will be enough to cover the entire staff. Food Service is supplemented every year so that amount will likely increase.

24. Elections are required under the new Emergency changes to the election law to request a waiver of holding a floor meeting/vote from Secretary of State

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25. Professional Development on how to teach through an online platform

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26. Paying tuition to our receiving schools (although we don't know what they are doing for our students. . . )

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27. Attorney fees to assist in navigating all these new requirements

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28. 80 hours of additional sick time for those that meet the new requirements

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29. Meals: We are not YET counting staff time as a COVID 19 costs - but they really are from 3/18 our 1st deliver date - we are paying for 28 para educators and 15 drivers. =- We are purchasing freezer bags for delivering & individual coolers for leave the food in when the family does not have one. We are now looking into renting refrigeration trailer to support weekend meals & we

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30. We are sending staff who volunteer to go to support child care - and we pay their salary. WE are also paying for child care fees. -- recently added was supporting medical services and IF a school nurse volunteer to work/help medical, like child care we will pay their salary.

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31. Other items starting to crop up NOW under COE -- so far we've been lending devices we use in the classroom - we anticipate there may be breakage, loss etc that will need to be replaced perhaps now & definately when school returns.

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32. We are struggling with internet services.

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33. I update our delivery schedule for new enrollments every night -- and this is the first night when I only had 1 new family -- I've been averaging 10-20 new kids a day.. (breaks my heart).....We started feeding 380 kids we are not feeding 715. And I have 180 interested in weekend meals...

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34. food delivery containers, bussing to deliver meals, equipment to seal meals as we are making multi-day deliveries, food as meal numbers served increase

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35. Will special education reimbursement continue to be received for staff salaries"? We are to continue paying all school employees per the Governor, but some staff, like 1:1 instructional assistants cannot perform their full job remotely. If they were assigned as a 1:1 staff, will we get reimbursement even though they are not providing the same level of support to the student? Same question for staff who support state placed students.

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36. biggest issue is needing carryforward waivers for title funds. currently is no relief and likely have far more than the 15% threshold. received a waiver for last year but do not have the ability to implement the plan the waiver was on. this is a fed issue

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37. will need to order a program to assist in preschool screening which needs to be done remotely. I'm sure there will be more as faculty and staff maneuver through the Continuity of Learning Plans...

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38. \$15,000 worth of computers for teachers that were going to be upgraded next year but due to distance learning we had to upgrade now

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39. concerned about outstanding revenue. . . property tax revenue from towns - our "true up" is usually in April - hoping it will all be received.

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40. How will SPED revenue be calculated? Will it be the same although we are providing education differently?

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41. We are fronting daycare costs that MIGHT be reimbursed.

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42. We are looking into tracfones for families that we are not able to contact and count as "present" because they have no phone or no minutes on their phones, etc. We have purchased meal totes for buses, and receptacles (coolers) for families so we can leave meals.

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43. daycare expenses for families whose parents are essential employees. Probably only about \$2K per week right now and crossing my fingers it doesn't expand.

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