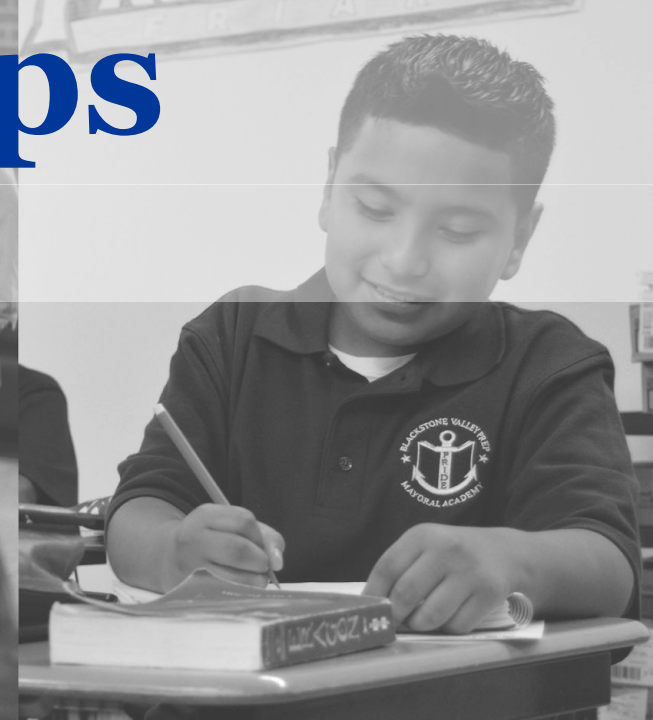


# BVP ESSER Workshops

May/June 2021



RHODE ISLAND  
MAYORAL ACADEMIES  
*opening schools. opening minds.*

# Our Mission

*The mission of Blackstone Valley Prep is to prepare every scholar for success in college and the world beyond.*

# Goals for Today

- Understand what ESSER is and how BVP is considering using the funds to advance our mission
- Review RIDE requirements relating to ESSER
- Solicit feedback from key stakeholders on our proposed initiatives

# Norms

- One voice at a time
- Your School is My School
  - For today's session, everyone is asked to both represent their respective schools/departments, and all of this is in service of ALL of BVP

# What is ESSER?

- Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund
- ***Significant*** investment in public schools \$120B (\$120,000,000,000) nationally, \$7.95MM (\$7,956,553) to BVP to be used between now and October, 2024

# The arc of the process: RAPID

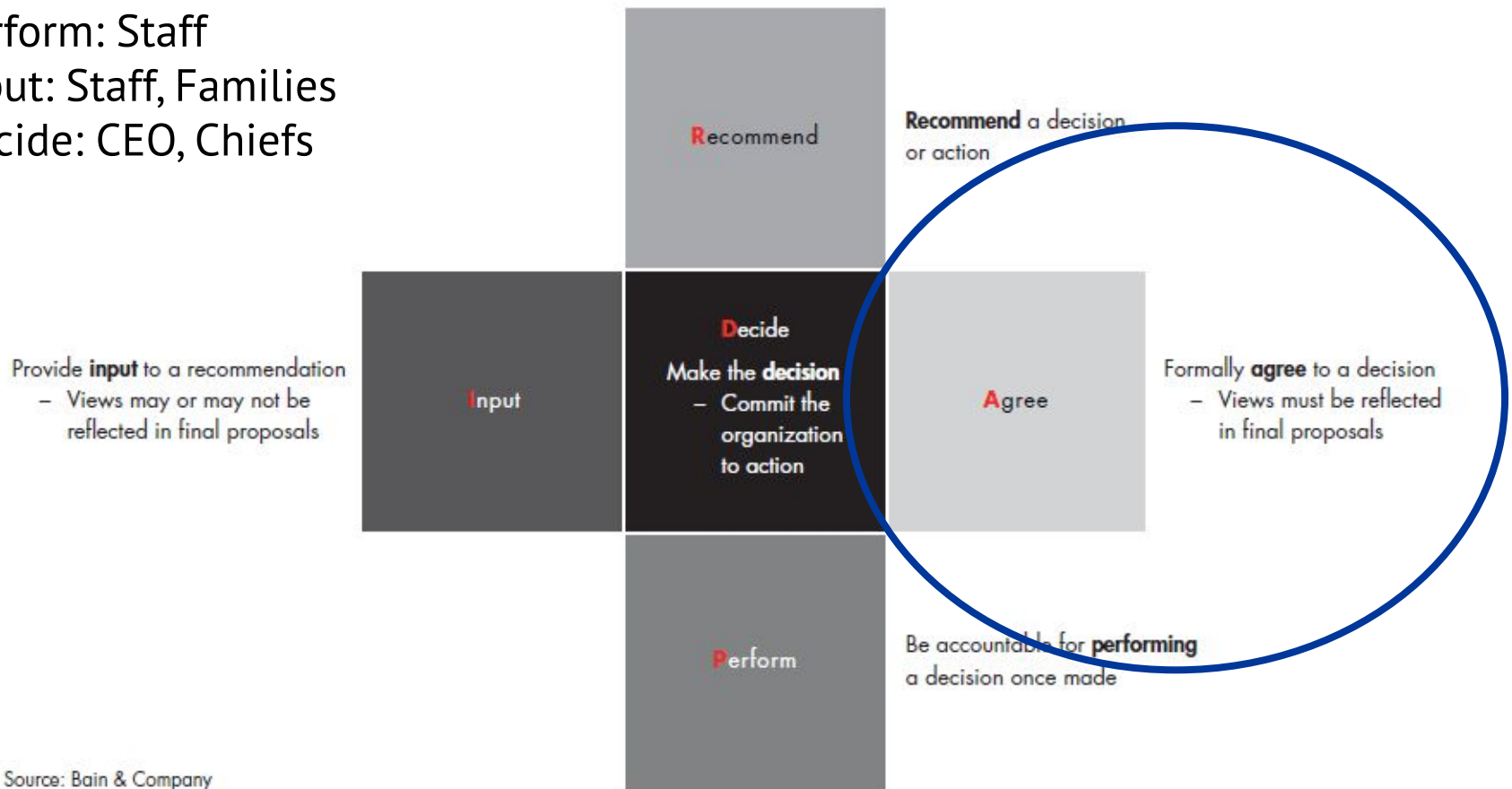
Recommend: HOSs, Cabinet

**Agree: Board, RIDE**

Perform: Staff

Input: Staff, Families

Decide: CEO, Chiefs



# The arc of the process: RAPID

**March 11:**  
American Rescue  
Plan with ESSER  
III Passed by feds

**March 12:** BVP  
Cabinet  
brainstorm  
workshop

**April 14:** RIDE  
announces ESSER  
III Allocations  
(guidance still  
pending)

**April 26:** BVP  
Board Workshop 1

**May 13: BVP  
Cabinet/HOS  
Workshop**

**May/June:** Staff  
Workshops

**May/June:**  
Family/Scholars

**June: Board  
Workshop**

**June:** Initial RIDE  
Submission

# BEWARE: Cliff Falling is Deadly





# Initiative Categorical Overview

## **RIDE Categories**

- Energize School Community
- High Quality Instruction
- Universal Screening
- Support Transitions
- Close the Digital Divide

# Key Initiatives

- Expand **summer** and **after-school** programs with a particular focus on academic support for scholars who may need the most acceleration and enrichment opportunities for all
- Investments in **talent**: literacy and MLL expertise, teacher support, professional training, teacher and leader pipeline
- Investments in **family** support and transition support
- High-quality **curriculum** adoption and implementation
- **Technology** and **infrastructure** upgrades

# ESSER + Title = Funds to full picture of our Recovery/Acceleration Work (~\$10.5MM)

## RIDE Categories

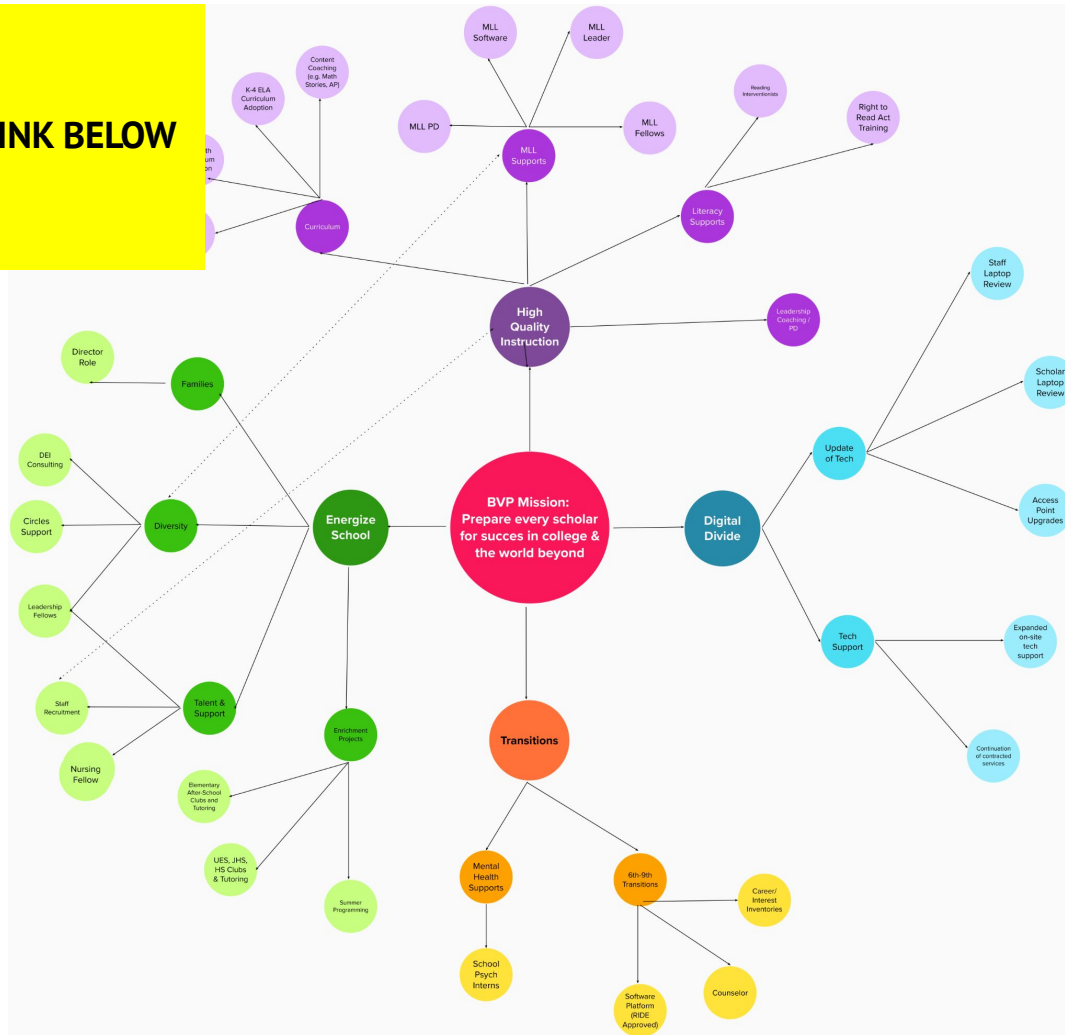
- Energize School Community (\$1.9MM)
- High Quality Instruction (\$7.7MM)
- Universal Screening (embedded with HQ Instruction)
- Support Transitions (\$200K)
- Close the Digital Divide (\$590K)

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**\$10.5MM**

# Big-picture Visual of the BVP Draft Plan

UPDATE FROM LINK BELOW



# Three big questions:

*What do you like?*

*What is missing?*

*What should be reconsidered?*

# Feedback we heard:

## *Staff:*

- + Overall very positive feedback
- + Enthusiastic regarding new positions,
- + Enthusiasm for continuing DEI work
- + MLL investments in people and materials; literacy coaching
  
- Concerned about “falling off cliff”
- Some tension re: “more time” vs. “sustainability”
  
- ? Arts and Music should be a focus
- ? Classroom tech, specifically voice amplification should be considered
- ? More counseling, especially missing at younger grades

## *Scholars:*

- + Overall very positive feedback
- + Enthusiastic about tech review
- + Enthusiastic about greater investment in clubs and activities
- + Support for teachers
  
- ? Libraries / book access
- ? More sports teams
- ? More college programming
- ? More support for mentoring/advising
- ? Reconsider food vendor