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2018-19 Regents State Aid Proposal

State Aid Subcommittee

December 11, 2017



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Recap of Subcommittee Discussions

- **State Revenue Projections**
- **Federal Funding Uncertainty**
- **Recent State Investments in Education**
- **Regents Policy Priorities**

Regents State Aid Proposal

- **Total Increase: \$1.6 billion, or 6.3%**
- **Brings School Aid to a new high of \$27 billion**
- **Continues progress toward phasing-in Foundation Aid**
- **Invests in Regents Priority Areas**

Foundation Aid: \$1.25 billion

- **Phase-in increase for districts with a phase-in remaining.**
- **Minimum increase for all districts; allows for districts to increase spending in a progressive manner, with the least wealthy able to accommodate a 3 percent increase in spending.**

English Language Learners Set-aside: \$85 million

- **Within the Foundation Aid increase, \$85 million is targeted to districts with English language learners (ELL).**
- **If enacted, similar to the community schools set-aside, the department will issue guidance to school districts on how funds must be spent on ELL educational services.**

Reimbursement-based Aids: \$314 million

- **Based on the most recent district claims and consistent with entitlement provisions in law:**
 - Building Aid: \$175 million
 - Transportation Aid: \$98 million
 - BOCES Aid: \$17 million
 - Special Education: \$11 million
 - Other: \$13 million

Career and Technical Education: \$25 million

- **For BOCES component districts, the aid salary ceiling will be increased to \$60,000 over five years, with inflationary adjustments after that point.**
- **For non-component districts, 2018-19 CTE expenses will be made reimbursable in the following year, consistent with BOCES Aid.**
- **As a transition, Special Services Aid will increase \$25 million in 2018-2019 to provide “seed” money.**

Universal Prekindergarten: \$20 million

- **Based on the recommendation of the Early Childhood Blue Ribbon Committee, additional grants totaling \$20 million will be offered in 2018-2019.**
- **With the consolidation of multiple prekindergarten programs, pre-k funding in New York would be well over \$800 million in total.**

Next Steps

- **December:** Regents adopt State Aid proposal
- **January:** Governor introduces Executive Budget
- **February:** SED releases updated State Aid data
- **March:** Legislature introduces one-House budget bills; budget negotiations between Legislature and Executive
- **April 1:** Expected Enacted Budget, release of State Aid runs

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Thank You

