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2019-2020 Regents State Aid Proposal \$2.1 Billion

State Aid Subcommittee

December 10, 2018

Overview

- **Annual State Aid Budget Cycle**
- **Review of Subcommittee Discussions and Regents Priorities**
- **Foundation Aid Phase-in**
- **Prekindergarten Program Consolidation**
- **2019-2020 Proposal (\$2.1 billion):**
 - **Foundation Aid Phase-in (\$1.66 billion)**
 - **ELL Support within Foundation Aid (\$85 million)**
 - **Expense-based Aids (\$410 million)**
 - **Universal Prekindergarten (\$26 million)**
 - **Career and Technical Education (\$25 million)**

Annual State Aid Budget Cycle

- **November 15th Database:** Provides first estimates for aid in the upcoming year
- **December:** Regents State Aid Proposal
- **January:** Executive Budget
- **February 15th Database:** Updated aid estimates; typically used for Enacted Budget
- **Early March:** One-House Bills
- **April 1st:** Enacted Budget, release of aid runs

State Aid Subcommittee Discussions

Summer/Fall 2018: Co-chairs met with stakeholder groups

September 2018: Subcommittee reviewed 2018-2019 Proposal and Enacted Budget

October 2018: Subcommittee discussed Foundation Aid formula history and impact of the remaining phase-in

November 2018: Subcommittee reviewed conceptual proposal

2019-2020 Regents Priorities

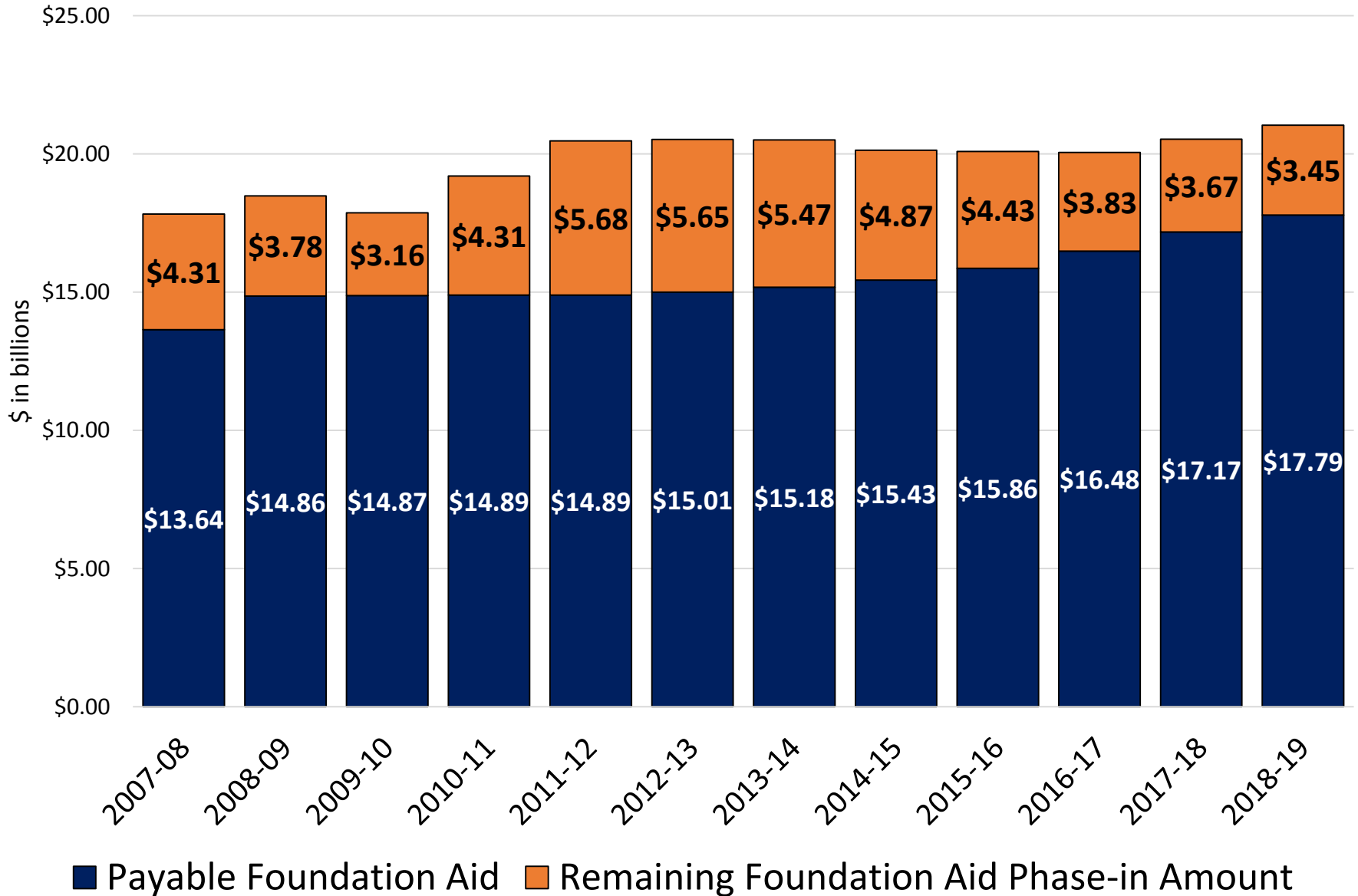
“The 5 E’s”

1. **Equity**
2. **Every Student Succeeds Act Implementation**
3. **Early Learning**
4. **English Language Learners**
5. **Efficiency** (Initiatives and investments that will enhance and/or streamline Department and school district functions)

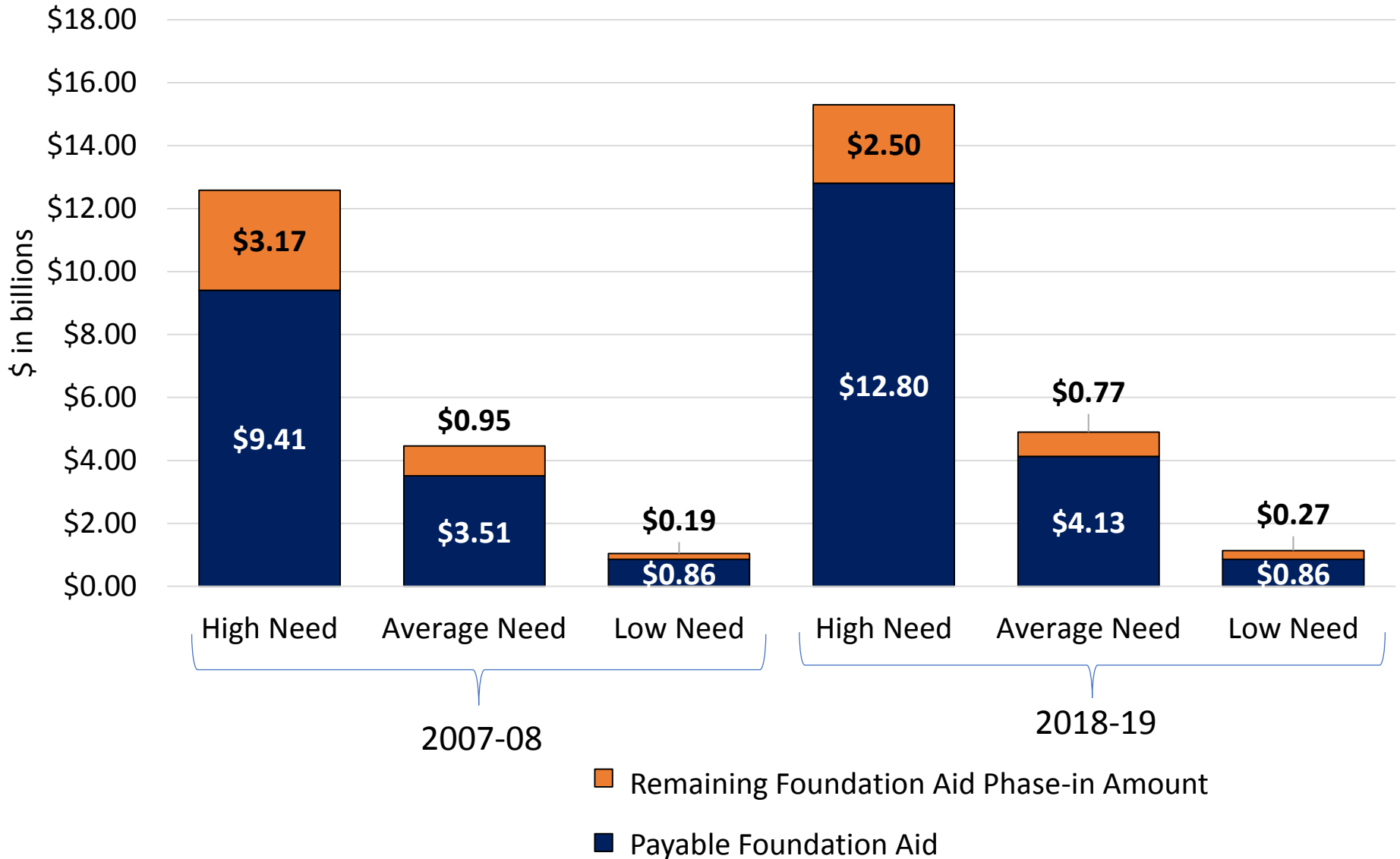
Foundation Aid Phase-in

- **2018-2019 Foundation Aid: \$17.8 billion**
An increase of \$5.3 billion since creation in 2007
- **As of the November Database, without any further inflationary adjustments, the remaining phase-in amount was \$4.1 billion**
- **Assuming a three-year phase-in schedule, adjusting for inflation increases the phase-in amount to \$4.9 billion**

Actual Foundation Aid Paid to Districts vs. Formula Generated Phase-in Amount



Actual Foundation Aid Paid to District vs. Formula Generated Phase-in Amount; by Needs/Resource Category



Prekindergarten Consolidation

- **In 2017, the Governor and Legislature passed a law, at the recommendation of the Board of Regents, that would consolidate the multiple prekindergarten programs into two over a number of years.**
- **The first consolidation occurred in the 2017-18 school year.**
- **The 2019-20 school year further consolidates five programs.**
- **Included within this consolidation is the continuation of a federal grant program using state funds, an increase in state support of \$25 million.**

2019-2020 Regents State Aid Proposal

Aid Category	Increase Amount (\$ millions)
Foundation Aid Phase-in	\$1,575
ELL Acceleration/Setaside	\$85
Total Foundation Aid	\$1,660
Expense-based Aids	\$410
Universal Prekindergarten	\$26
Career and Technical Education	\$25
Grand Total	\$2,121

Foundation Aid Increase (\$1.58 billion)

- Provides for a three-year phase-in of the remaining Foundation Aid amount, adjusted for inflation, of \$4.9 billion.
- Provides a minimum increase for all school districts of one percent.
- Increases of roughly the same amount in 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 would fully complete the phase-in.

ELL Acceleration/Setaside (\$85 million)

- **Within the 2019-2020 Foundation Aid phase-in, accelerate funding that is provided for weighted ELL students to ensure that those funds are prioritized in the first year of the phase-in cycle.**
- **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 (\$410 million)

Based on the most recent district claims and consistent with entitlement provisions in law:

- **Building Aid: \$272 million**
- **Transportation Aid: \$77 million**
- **BOCES Aid: \$22 million**
- **Special Education: \$13 million**
- **Federal Prekindergarten Consolidation: \$25 million**
- **Other: \$1 million**

Universal Prekindergarten (\$26 million)

- In addition to the consolidation of Federal grant funds (\$25 million), the Regents Proposal would also further expand prekindergarten by \$26 million:
 - **\$20 million** for the addition of 2,000 slots for four-year olds statewide.
 - **\$6 million** for pilot programs to create a single reimbursement structure for prekindergarten inclusion programs by blending existing prekindergarten and preschool special education funding mechanisms.

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, 2019-20 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.**



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