

2020-2021 Budget Update

State Aid Subcommittee February 10, 2020

Update

Executive Budget

Higher Education Joint Budget Hearing

Education Joint Budget Hearing



State Aid

Amount of funding

Foundation Aid Formula

Expense-Based Aid Reforms



State Aid Regents Compared to Executive

Aid Category	Regents Proposal	Executive Budget
Foundation Aid*	\$1.9 billion	\$504 million
Community Schools Setaside**	\$0	\$50 million
Reimbursement-based Aids***	\$82 million	\$72 million
Additional Foundation Aid for High Need	\$0	\$200 million
Districts		
Prekindergarten Expansion	\$20 million	\$15 million
Prekindergarten Inclusion Funding Pilot	\$6 million	\$0
Foundation Aid Review	\$1.2 million	\$0
Financial Technical Assistance	\$0.6 million	\$0
Other initiatives	\$0	\$35 million
Total	\$2.1 billion	\$826 million

*Executive includes \$10 million from increases in consolidated expense-based aids

**Funds within Foundation Aid increase amount

***Difference is due to Foundation Aid consolidation



Foundation Aid

- Increases formula aid by \$504 million
- Provides \$200 million for distribution during budget negotiations
- Consolidates ten existing aid formulas (including BOCES and Special Services Aid) into Foundation Aid; ends future reimbursement for those categories



Expense-Based Aid Reforms

- Reduces Building Aid reimbursement for projects approved after July 2020.
- Closes the building aid "incidental cost loophole," which was previously proposed by the Board of Regents.
- Caps growth in aidable transportation expenses.



Regents Funding Priorities Included in the Executive Budget

- \$18 million for My Brother's Keeper
- \$15 million for Expanded Prekindergarten for 3and 4-year olds
- \$25.4 million in Capital spending authority for the Office of Professions' Systems Modernization
- Funding for the following access and opportunity programs at 2019-20 enacted budget levels:
 - Liberty Partnerships: \$18.36 million
 - Higher Education Opportunity Program (HEOP): \$35.5 million
 - Science and Technology Entry Program (STEP): \$15.8 million



Collegiate Science and Technology Entry Program (CSTEP): \$11.98 million

New Appropriations in the Executive Budget

- \$1 million for the development of a statewide curriculum on Civic Education and Values, Shared History of Diversity and the Role of Religious Freedom in Our Country
- \$500,000 for a STEM Entrepreneur in Residence pilot program
- \$16 million for improving student and teacher performance and achievement, pursuant to a plan developed by the Division of the Budget



- Requires the appointment of a monitor for both academic and fiscal issues for the Rochester School District- the monitor would be chosen by the Commissioner and the Mayor of Rochester jointly and these provisions would sunset on June 30, 2021
- Allows for charters that have been surrendered, revoked or terminated on or after July 1, 2015 to be reissued without counting towards the charter cap



- Establishes the Syracuse Comprehensive Education and Workforce Center which includes a Regional STEAM high school
- Increases the share of maintenance costs for special education students placed in residential schools for local school districts outside of NYC



- Authorizes public accounting firms to incorporate in NYS with minority ownership by individuals who are not CPAs- imposes a \$300 annual fee which would generate \$1.5M in annual revenues which would be swept into the General Fund
- Allows registered pharmacy technicians to be employed in any registered pharmacy and increases current law ratios
- Expands the list of adult immunizations that pharmacists can administer



- Would expand Collaborative Drug Therapy
 Management (CDTM) to all settings, allow PAs and NPs to participate in CDTM, and require participating pharmacists to be certified by SED
- Increases oversight of physicians, physician assistants and specialist assistants, including requiring a fingerprint-based criminal history background check prior to licensure and eliminates lifetime licensure under certain circumstances



Next in the Annual Budget Cycle

- February 15th Database (for State Aid)
 - Updated aid estimates; typically used for the Enacted Budget
- Early March
 - One-House Bills
- April 1
 - > Enacted Budget, release of State Aid runs





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