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Fiscal Summary (\$000)

	Expended FY 2023	Adjusted Appropriation FY 2024	Recommended FY 2025	Percentage Change 2024-25
State Budgeted	\$18,819,645	\$19,920,359	\$20,964,542	5.2%
Federal Funds	1,151,885	1,143,743	1,221,816	6.8%
<u>All Other Funds</u>	<u>27,123</u>	<u>37,740</u>	<u>46,388</u>	<u>22.9%</u>
Grand Total	\$19,998,653	\$21,101,842	\$22,232,746	5.4%

Personnel Summary - Positions By Funding Source

	Actual FY 2023	Revised FY 2024	Funded FY 2025	Percentage Change 2024-25
State	375	385	427	10.9%
Federal	148	156	170	9.0%
<u>All Other</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>107</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>15.0%</u>
Total Positions	641	648	720	11.1%

FY 2023 (as of December) and revised FY 2024 (as of January) personnel data reflect actual payroll counts. FY 2025 data reflect the number of positions funded.

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Highlights

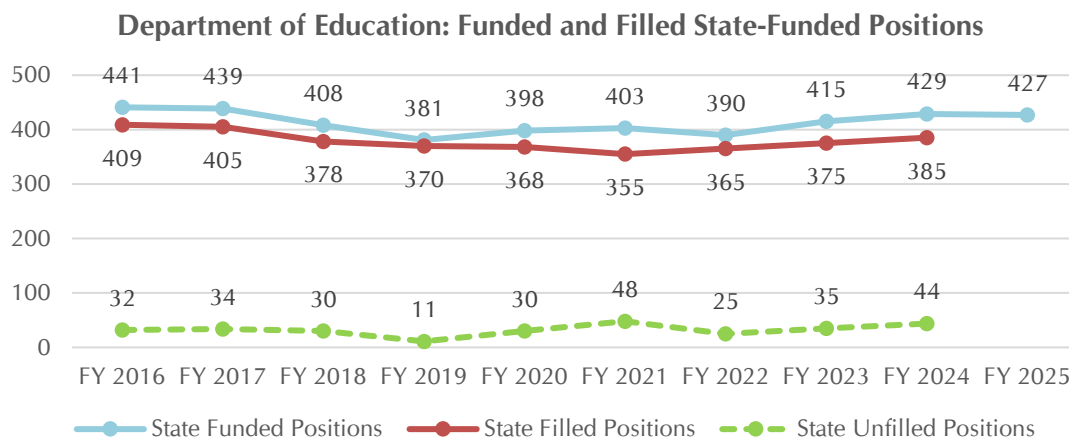
- **The Governor proposes an \$11.52 billion appropriation in FY 2025 for State formula aid to school districts, reflecting growth of \$908.1 million (8.6 percent) over the current fiscal year. The primary growth factor is a six-percent inflation adjustment. In addition, FY 2025 would mark the final year of implementing the allocation of State school aid pursuant to P.L.2018, c.67, commonly referred to “S2.” The law sets forth a multiyear schedule for increasing State formula aid payments and reallocating funding from “overfunded” to “underfunded” school districts. Some 442 school districts would receive aid increases totaling approximately \$1.0 billion in FY 2024, while another 151 school districts would have aid reductions totaling \$107.2 million.**
- **The Governor proposes funding Preschool Education Aid at \$1.23 billion, which would be \$123.8 million (11.2 percent) above FY 2024. Up to \$20 million of the appropriation would be dedicated to new or expanded full-day preschool programs, a 50 percent reduction from FY 2024.**
- **The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget proposes flat funding for Extraordinary Special Education Aid at the \$420 million in FY 2024. The FY 2024 appropriation funded 71.7 percent of the total 2022-2023 school year reimbursement to which applicant school districts would have been entitled under current law.**
- **The Governor recommends funding Stabilization Aid at \$5 million in FY 2025, or \$15 million less than in FY 2024. This category of aid, provided to 52 school districts in FY 2024, is to be allocated to school districts experiencing reductions in State aid or otherwise confronting a structural budgetary imbalance. A school district must provide a written plan explaining how it intends to fund operations in future years in which the district will not receive Stabilization Aid.**
- **The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget contains \$173.3 million for aid to nonpublic schools, or \$4.0 million (2.4 percent) more than the \$169.3 million appropriated in FY 2024. The entire increase is attributable to nonpublic transportation aid, which is recommended to grow from \$28.2 million in FY 2024 to \$32.2 million in FY 2025. Nonpublic transportation aid reimburses school districts for nonpublic bussing costs in excess of \$710, but not more than \$1,165, per pupil. The maximum per pupil amount is recommended to remain unchanged in FY 2025.**
- **The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget includes \$959.3 million for debt service payments on School Facilities Construction Bonds, some \$8.4 million more than in FY 2024.**
- **The Governor proposes \$50.0 million for SDA Capital Maintenance and Emergent Projects in FY 2025. This marks a \$25.0 million reduction compared to FY 2024.**
- **Apart from the General Fund appropriation for maintenance and emergent projects, the Governor recommends the continued use of the off-budget New Jersey Debt Defeasance and Prevention Fund to support the operations of the Schools Development Authority in FY 2025.**

Highlights (Cont'd)

- **The Governor requests unlimited supplemental appropriation authority, without additional legislative approval, for the “School District Deficit Relief Account.”** *From this account the department provides State aid advance loans to school districts experiencing financial distress. Currently, the program is funded through loan repayments and transfers of surplus balances from other State aid accounts. The request for supplemental appropriation authority responds to the continually growing demand for emergency loans.*
- **The Governor recommends not renewing the additional \$15.0 million the Legislature appropriated in FY 2024 for Charter School Facility Improvements.** *Instead of \$20.0 million, the program would be funded at \$5.0 million. This recommendation is consistent with the Governor’s general policy of eliminating or reducing in FY 2025 most appropriations the Legislature added to the FY 2024 Appropriations Act.*
- **The Governor recommends raising the appropriation for the Statewide Assessment Program by \$10.0 million, or 27.6 percent, to \$46.3 million in FY 2025.**
- **The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget encompasses \$4.5 million for new programs to implement certain generative artificial intelligence and literacy initiatives.** *Of this total, \$2.5 million is recommended for Literacy Screening grants to help schools develop literacy screening tools that assist in targeting students that are most in need. The Governor recommends \$1.0 million for an Artificial Intelligence Career and Technical Education Expansion program to support vocational and technical schools to develop programs, curricula and career pathways for generative AI. Finally, \$1.0 million is proposed for an Artificial Intelligence Innovation in Education Grants program to support public school districts in the development of programs, curricula, resources, and best practices for education on topics related to generative artificial intelligence.*
- **The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget proposes a new \$3.5 million appropriation for Menstrual Products School Reimbursement Program, to implement P.L.2023, c.147.** *The law requires school districts to ensure that students in grades six through 12 have direct access to free menstrual products in at least 50 percent of female and gender-neutral school bathrooms. The State reimburses school district for costs incurred in implementing the new requirement.*
- **The State’s contribution to the Teachers’ Pension and Annuity Fund is proposed to be funded once more at 100 percent of the actuarially determined contribution necessary to fund the normal and accrued pension liability.** *Under the FY 2025 Governor’s Budget, the State will contribute \$3.38 billion to these costs, in addition to \$875.2 million in anticipated State lottery revenue. The \$3.38 billion recommended appropriation would exceed the FY 2024 level by \$20.9 million or 0.6 percent. Although the appropriation is allocated to the Department of Education, the Department of the Treasury actually administers the Teachers’ Pension and Annuity Fund.*

Highlights (Cont'd)

- **The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget incorporates an \$82.3 million (5.7 percent) increase for health benefit coverage for retired school district employees.** *This recommendation reflects double-digit increases in prescription drug costs and single-digit increases in medical costs. Although the appropriation is allocated to the Department of Education, the Department of the Treasury actually administers the health benefit plans.*
- **The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget funds 427 State-funded positions in the department in FY 2025, which is 42 more than the FY 2024 number of filled positions.**



Background Papers:

An Overview of State School Aid p. 36

Preschool Education Aid p. 39

Extraordinary Special Education Costs Aid p. 40

Costs of Providing an Education p. 42

Schools Development Authority Funding p. 45

Status of Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds p. 48

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Fiscal and Personnel Summary

AGENCY FUNDING BY SOURCE OF FUNDS (\$000)

	Expended FY 2023	Adj. Approp. FY 2024	Recom. FY 2025	Percentage Change	
				2023-25	2024-25
General Fund					
Direct State Services	\$112,245	\$112,606	\$120,938	7.7%	7.4%
Grants-In-Aid	10,164	20,110	19,456	91.4%	(3.3%)
State Aid	829,460	5,168,677	6,056,217	630.1%	17.2%
Capital Construction	0	0	0	---	---
Debt Service	0	0	0	---	---
Sub-Total	\$951,869	\$5,301,393	\$6,196,611	551.0%	16.9%
Property Tax Relief Fund					
Direct State Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	---	---
Grants-In-Aid	75,500	75,500	50,500	(33.1%)	(33.1%)
State Aid	17,792,276	14,543,466	14,717,431	(17.3%)	1.2%
Sub-Total	\$17,867,776	\$14,618,966	\$14,767,931	(17.3%)	1.0%
Casino Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	---	---
Casino Control Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	---	---
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AFFIRMATIVE ACTION DATA

Total Minority Percentage	37.5%	36.6%	N/A	---	---
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Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000)

General Fund and Property Tax Relief Fund (PTRF), State Aid Formulaic State School Aid					
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
A) Equalization Aid (General Fund)				Budget Page: D-103	
\$248	\$678,127	\$5,022,688	\$5,910,228	\$887,540	17.7%
B) Equalization Aid (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-103	
\$7,225,781	\$7,152,463	\$3,512,715	\$3,224,495	(\$288,220)	(8.2%)
C) Security Aid (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-104	
\$287,205	\$290,798	\$304,725	\$364,517	\$59,792	19.6%
D) Adjustment Aid (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-104	
\$280,989	\$257,592	\$251,209	\$249,317	(\$1,892)	(0.8%)
E) Special Education Categorical Aid (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-106	
\$1,006,264	\$1,062,093	\$1,163,783	\$1,363,772	\$199,989	17.2%
F) Transportation Aid (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-106	
\$326,769	\$334,050	\$358,765	\$409,684	\$50,919	14.2%
TOTAL, FORMULAIC STATE SCHOOL AID					
\$9,127,256	\$9,775,123	\$10,613,885	\$11,522,013	\$908,128	8.6%

The primary categories of formulaic State school aid under the FY 2025 Governor’s Budget are proposed to grow by a net amount of \$908.1 million, or 8.6 percent, over the FY 2024 adjusted appropriation. This increase has two components whose respective magnitude the OLS estimates as follows: about \$637 million attributed to a six-percent cost-of-living adjustment to the per pupil costs used to calculate formulaic State school aid under current law; and about \$271 million attributed to the final phase of the multiyear schedule for raising State formula aid payments under P.L.2018, c.67 (commonly referred to as “S2”).

The budget proposal recommends the continuation of the scheduled reallocation of the formulaic State school aid from “overfunded” to “underfunded” school districts as established under P.L.2018, c.67. FY 2025 is to be the final year of this reallocation.

More details concerning the proposed allocation of these aid categories are described in the background paper entitled “An Overview of State School Aid” that begins on page 36. Additionally, a table of proposed district aid amounts can be found beginning on page 49.

Property Tax Relief Fund, State Aid Less: Growth Savings – Payment Changes				Budget Page: D-103	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$64,406	\$73,508	\$94,850	\$103,208	\$8,358	8.8%

Under current law, school districts are to receive 20 State school aid payments, two per month from September through June, over the course of the school year. Since FY 2009, the final two

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

payments have been delayed until the subsequent fiscal year. If the total amount of State aid payable to school districts increases from one year to the next, this accounting maneuver reduces the total amount that must be appropriated for State aid in that subsequent fiscal year, as the two delayed payments from the prior year will be smaller than the other 18 payments that will be made in the subsequent fiscal year. A larger increase in State aid payable to school districts would yield a larger savings that may be deducted from the total State aid appropriation. The larger savings included in the FY 2025 recommended budget therefore reflect a larger increase in aid payable to school districts than the increase in the current fiscal year.

Property Tax Relief Fund, Grants-In-Aid SDA Capital Maintenance and Emergent Projects (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-103	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$50,000	(\$25,000)	(33.3%)

This appropriation helps school districts undertake emergent facility and systems repairs, such as replacing boilers, electrical systems, and roofs. The \$75 million appropriated for this program in FY 2024 was distributed to 578 school districts, with awards ranging from \$353 to \$6 million. In previous years, the Schools Development Authority distributed this grant funding based on a formula that took into account an individual district’s share of the total square footage estimated to be needed to educate students in all districts.

Property Tax Relief Fund, State Aid Military Impact Aid (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-103	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$11,866	\$11,189	\$8,627	\$9,409	\$782	9.1%

The increase for Military Impact Aid reflects the net effect of several changes in the allocations of this category of aid, as shown in the table on the next page. Of note, the Colts Neck Township School District is proposed to receive \$1.8 million in Military Impact Aid in FY 2025 after ceasing to meet eligibility criteria in FY 2024.

Codified in P.L.2021, c.283, Military Impact Aid is provided to certain school districts that receive an allocation of federal Impact Aid in support of educating children whose parents are on active duty in the uniformed services.

A district is eligible to receive State Military Impact Aid if its per pupil tax levy in the prior school year exceeds its federal Impact Aid per pupil. The amount of this exceedance is multiplied by the number of federally-connected children whose parents are on active duty in the uniformed services to calculate a district’s final amount of State Military Impact Aid.

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

District	Military Impact Aid		Difference
	FY 2024	FY 2025	
Northern Burlington Regional School District	\$4,757,673	\$4,204,577	(\$553,096)
Pemberton Township School District	\$2,274,048	\$1,694,580	(\$579,468)
Cape May City School District	\$1,240,270	\$1,228,844	(\$11,426)
Colts Neck Township School District	\$0	\$1,812,528	\$1,812,528
Eastampton Township School District	\$254,881	\$291,617	\$36,736
New Hanover Township School District	\$99,840	\$176,058	\$76,218
TOTAL	\$8,626,712	\$9,408,204	\$781,492

Property Tax Relief Fund, State Aid Preschool Education Aid (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-104	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$918,518	\$990,869	\$1,108,123	\$1,231,947	\$123,824	11.2%

Under P.L.2007, c.260, certain school districts are required to provide full-day preschool for three- and four-year old children who reside in the district. Additionally, the New Jersey State Supreme Court required the State to fund preschool programs for three- and four-year old students in SDA districts (formerly known as Abbott districts). Since the enactment of the 2007 law, preschool education aid has never been sufficiently funded to allow for full implementation of preschool programs and most preschool education aid has been focused on SDA districts. However, in recent years there has been growth in the annual appropriation for preschool education aid and the number of districts providing State-funded preschool. Under the FY 2025 Governor’s Budget, 276 school districts would receive preschool education aid, including districts that received preschool expansion aid in FY 2024.

Most of the recommended FY 2025 appropriation, \$1.21 billion, would support existing preschool programs. The remaining \$20.0 million would support the expansion of free access to full-day preschool, which would be \$20.0 million less than the \$40.0 million appropriated for this purpose in FY 2024.

More details concerning the proposed allocation of preschool education aid are described in the background paper entitled “Preschool Education Aid” that begins on page 39.

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

Property Tax Relief Fund, State Aid School Choice (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-104	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$56,609	\$55,750	\$59,905	\$63,799	\$3,894	6.5%

The FY 2025 appropriation for School Choice Aid is recommended to increase, primarily as a result of increasing costs per pupil used to calculate aid under the school funding formula. The amount of choice aid per pupil is based on each district’s local share per pupil. The average local share per pupil among choice districts increased from \$11,762 in FY 2024 to \$12,759 in FY 2025, or by 8.5 percent. This increase in costs is partially offset by a slight decline in choice enrollment from 5,173 to 5,132. In total, the number of school districts receiving school choice aid in FY 2025 is 122, which is two fewer than in FY 2024.

School Choice Aid funds the Interdistrict School Choice Program, established by P.L.2010, c.65. Through the program, students are able to attend school in participating nonresident districts without being required to pay tuition. Instead, the school district of residence pays tuition to the nonresident district from its allocation of School Choice Aid.

Property Tax Relief Fund, State Aid Charter School Aid (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-104	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$27,877	\$20,062	\$21,291	\$26,588	\$5,297	24.9%

Traditionally, the State provides direct payments to charter schools for two purposes only. First, in the case of a student who enrolls in a charter school but was not included in the projected resident enrollment of a school district for that year (for example, a student who leaves a nonpublic school to enroll in a charter school), the State makes the payment for that student to the charter school, rather than the school district, in that student’s first year of enrollment. Second, the State aid notices for charter schools include certain hold harmless provisions. The first provision, which only applies to charter schools that were in operation during the 2007-2008 school year, ensures that the total revenue that a charter school receives is no less, either on a total or per pupil basis, than the amount of revenue that the school received in the 2007-2008 school year. The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget also includes the proposed renewal of language requiring that no charter school receive less total support from the State and resident school district than the amount received in the 2023-2024 school year, both on a total revenue and per pupil basis.

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

Property Tax Relief Fund, State Aid Stabilization Aid (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-104	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$36,990	\$29,652	\$20,000	\$5,000	(\$15,000)	(75.0%)

The Governor recommends decreasing the appropriation for Stabilization Aid from \$20.0 million to \$5.0 million. No rationale has been provided for the proposed reduction.

Stabilization aid may be allocated to a district that: 1) experiences a reduction in State aid or otherwise confronts a structural budgetary imbalance; and 2) provides a written plan explaining how the district intends to fund operations in future years in which the district does not receive stabilization aid. Stabilization aid grants are awarded on a competitive basis.

In FY 2024, approximately 52 school districts received a share of \$20 million in stabilization aid.

Property Tax Relief Fund, State Aid Charter School Facility Improvements (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-104	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$4,806	\$9,954	\$20,000	\$5,000	(\$15,000)	(75.0%)

The Governor recommends eliminating or reducing in FY 2025 most appropriations the Legislature added to the FY 2024 Appropriations Act. Consistent with that general policy, the Governor proposes not renewing the additional \$15.0 million the Legislature appropriated in FY 2024 for Charter School Facility Improvements.

The appropriation for Charter School Facility Improvements provides grants to support emergent needs and capital maintenance in charter schools and renaissance school projects. Funding made available for these purposes is intended to offset costs associated with ensuring that students have safe and healthy learning environments. As of March 28, 2024, nearly the full amount of the appropriation has been expended with only \$241,568 remaining available in the account. The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget proposes maintaining language that allows for the carryforward of prior year unexpended balances.

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

Property Tax Relief Fund, State Aid Clayton Model Pilot Program (P.L.2021, c.85) (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-104	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$442	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,000	(\$500)	(20.0%)

The recommended decrease is consistent with a trend seen in other portions of the Department of Education proposed budget in which appropriations for competitive grant programs are recommended to decrease by 20 percent compared to FY 2024 appropriation amounts.

The Clayton Model Pilot Program supports school districts in implementing a universal, school-based, social emotional learning program for students in grades kindergarten through five to help enhance positive youth development and academic achievement. The 2024-2025 school year will be the third year of the five-year pilot program.

As of March 28, 2024, only \$23,792 of the FY 2024 appropriation for the program has been expended, although an additional \$2.36 million has been encumbered.

Property Tax Relief Fund, State Aid Commercial Valuation Stabilization Aid (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-104	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$15,000	(\$5,000)	(25.0%)

The proposal, if enacted, would signify the first reduction in this category of State aid since FY 2020. Commercial Valuation Stabilization Aid is available to a school district that is situated in a municipality in which: 1) commercial property accounted for at least 75 percent of the total assessed property valuation in 2008; and 2) the total assessed value of commercial property decreased by at least 25 percent between 2008 and 2013. Atlantic City School District is the only district that satisfies these criteria. The reduction in this aid category is offset by a \$9.4 million increase in State school formula aid for Atlantic City.

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

Property Tax Relief Fund, State Aid Lead Testing for Schools (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-105	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$0	\$2,364	\$0	\$3,500	\$3,500	---

This funding would provide cost reimbursements to certain school entities that, pursuant to State Board of Education regulations, are required to test for the presence of lead at all water outlets that are used for drinking or food preparation. Entities under the State board’s jurisdiction include: public school districts, charter schools, renaissance schools, jointure commissions, educational services commissions, approved private schools for students with disabilities, State-funded early childcare facilities, and receiving schools. The tests are required to recur on a three-year cycle beginning with the 2024-2025 school year and cost reimbursements for the testing would be available for testing that occurs after July 1, 2024.

Funding was last appropriated for this purpose in FY 2022, at \$5.0 million. Unexpended balances from the FY 2022 appropriation supported the program in FY 2023 and FY 2024.

Property Tax Relief Fund, State Aid Menstrual Products School Reimbursement Program (P.L.2023, c.147) (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-106	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,500	\$3,500	---

P.L.2023, c.147 requires school districts to ensure that students in grades six through 12 have access to free menstrual products in at least 50 percent of female and gender-neutral school bathrooms starting on July 1, 2024. The costs of ensuring an adequate supply of menstrual products to meet the needs of students are to be borne by the State.

Consequently, the Governor recommends a new appropriation of \$3.5 million to reimburse school districts for the costs of providing access to free menstrual products to students in grades six through 12. The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget also proposes new language that would authorize the Executive to effect, in the course of the fiscal year and without additional legislative approval, unlimited supplemental appropriations to satisfy cost reimbursement claims by school districts under P.L.2023, c.147.

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

Property Tax Relief Fund, State Aid School Building Aid (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-106	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$20,089	\$19,163	\$15,552	\$13,925	(\$1,627)	(10.5%)

A school district may receive State aid to defray the cost of debt service payments made on bonds that were issued to pay for school facilities projects. In the case of school facilities projects that were approved prior to the effective date of P.L.2000, c.72, debt service payments are supported through appropriations made to the School Building Aid line. The recommended appropriation is declining as the outstanding debt continues to be retired.

Property Tax Relief Fund (PTRF), State Aid Eliminated Mental Health Program Grants to Specific School Districts				Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.		
A) Long Branch Public Schools – Mental Health Programs (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-105	
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	(\$100)	(100.0%)
B) Tinton Falls School District – Mental Health Assistance (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-105	
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	(\$100)	(100.0%)
C) Red Bank Regional School District – Student Mental Health Programs (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-105	
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	(\$100)	(100.0%)
D) Red Bank Borough Public Schools – Student Mental Health Programs (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-105	
\$0	\$0	\$200	\$0	(\$200)	(100.0%)
E) Freehold Township School District – Student Mental Health Assistance (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-105	
\$0	\$0	\$200	\$0	(\$200)	(100.0%)
F) Neptune City School District – Student Mental Health Programs (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-106	
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	(\$100)	(100.0%)
G) Ocean Township School District (Monmouth) – Student Mental Health Programs (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-106	
\$0	\$0	\$500	\$0	(\$500)	(100.0%)
H) Nutley Public School District – Student Mental Health Programs (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-106	
\$0	\$0	\$250	\$0	(\$250)	(100.0%)
I) Cedar Grove School District – Student Mental Health Programs (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-106	
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	(\$100)	(100.0%)
J) Eatontown Public Schools – Student Mental Health Programs (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-106	
\$0	\$0	\$500	\$0	(\$500)	(100.0%)
TOTAL, MENTAL HEALTH GRANTS TO SPECIFIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS					
\$0	\$0	\$2,150	\$0	(\$2,150)	(100.0%)

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

The FY 2024 Appropriations Act included \$2.15 million in State aid grants to specific school districts to support student mental health programs. The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget recommends not renewing each of these appropriations, which include legislative additions and original Governor’s recommendations.

Property Tax Relief Fund (PTRF), State Aid Eliminated Capital Construction and Infrastructure Grants to Specific School Districts						
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025		
A) Hunterdon County Vocational School District – Capital Construction (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-105		
\$0	\$0	\$3,000	\$0	(\$3,000)	(100.0%)	
B) Tinton Falls School District – Infrastructure Improvements (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-105		
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	(\$100)	(100.0%)	
C) Somerset County Vocational and Technical Schools – Capital Improvements (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-105		
\$0	\$0	\$750	\$0	(\$750)	(100.0%)	
D) Neptune Township School District – Capital Improvements (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-105		
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	(\$100)	(100.0%)	
E) Shrewsbury Borough School District – Capital Improvements (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-105		
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	(\$100)	(100.0%)	
F) Paramus Public Schools – Athletic Field Improvements (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-105		
\$0	\$0	\$1,500	\$0	(\$1,500)	(100.0%)	
G) Hillsborough Township School District – Capital Improvements (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-105		
\$0	\$0	\$626	\$0	(\$626)	(100.0%)	
H) Fairview Public School District – Capital Construction (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-105		
\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$0	(\$10,000)	(100.0%)	
I) Union County Vocational Technical – Capital Improvements, Development, and Related Expenditures (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-105		
\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$0	(\$25,000)	(100.0%)	
J) Robbinsville Township School District – Infrastructure Improvements (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-105		
\$0	\$0	\$983	\$0	(\$983)	(100.0%)	
K) Township of Union Public Schools – Capital Improvements (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-106		
\$0	\$0	\$2,000	\$0	(\$2,000)	(100.0%)	
L) Monroe Township School District (Middlesex) – Applegarth Elementary School Infrastructure Improvements (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-106		
\$0	\$0	\$1,000	\$0	(\$1,000)	(100.0%)	
M) North Bergen School District – Capital Improvements (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-106		
\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$0	(\$10,000)	(100.0%)	
N) Wood-Ridge School District – Highland Avenue Learning Annex (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-106		
\$0	\$0	\$12,500	\$0	(\$12,500)	(100.0%)	
TOTAL, CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION AND INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS TO SPECIFIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS						
\$0	\$0	\$67,659	\$0	(\$67,659)	(100.0%)	

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

The FY 2024 Appropriations Act included \$67.7 million in State aid grants to specific school districts to support capital construction and infrastructure improvement programs. The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget recommends not renewing each of these appropriations, which include legislative additions and original Governor’s recommendations.

Property Tax Relief Fund, State Aid Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District – KEYS Academy Operating Aid (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-106	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$0	\$0	\$250	\$0	(\$250)	(100.0%)

The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget recommends not renewing an appropriation for Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District – KEYS Academy Operating Aid, which was added to the FY 2024 Appropriations Act by the Legislature. KEYS Academy is a recovery high school for students who have been diagnosed with a substance abuse disorder and provides academic opportunities as well as health and wellness resources.

The Governor recommends eliminating or reducing in FY 2025 most appropriations the Legislature added for FY 2024. The proposed elimination of this grant is consistent with the general policy.

Property Tax Relief Fund, State Aid School Construction & Renovation Fund (PTRF)				Budget Page: D-106	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$1,042,617	\$991,210	\$950,865	\$959,271	\$8,406	0.9%

Appropriations to the School Construction and Renovation Fund are used to make the principal and interest payments that are due during the fiscal year on bond issuances for the costs of school construction grants and other school construction project costs, which are issued by the Economic Development Authority on behalf of the Schools Development Authority. The recommended FY 2025 appropriation is the Administration’s estimate of debt service to be paid on outstanding bonds, according to existing payment schedules.

The Schools Development Authority is responsible for undertaking school facilities projects in the 31 SDA (former Abbott) districts, and the State is responsible for 100 percent of the eligible costs. Additionally, a school district that is not an SDA district may receive, in lieu of debt service aid, a one-time grant to partially fund the costs of a school facilities project. The costs of these grants and the projects in the SDA districts are funded from the proceeds of the bonds issued by the Economic Development Authority.

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

Federal Funds Special Education				Budget Page: D-106	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$499,443	\$498,062	\$463,900	\$505,034	\$41,134	8.9%

This line aggregates various grant funds provided to the State under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Of the total \$41.1 million increase, some \$36.2 million is attributable to an increase in the Basic State Grant, which allocates grants to states, which then provide subgrants to school districts, to assist in providing a free appropriate public education for students with disabilities ages three through 21.

	FY 2024 Allocation	FY 2025 Allocation	Difference
IDEA Basic State Grant	\$396,618,000	\$432,813,000	\$36,195,000
IDEA Preschool Grant	\$13,000,000	\$14,799,000	\$1,799,000
IDEA Discretionary Administration	\$52,932,000	\$55,975,000	\$3,043,000
State Personnel Development	\$1,350,000	\$1,447,000	\$97,000
Total	\$463,900,000	\$505,034,000	\$41,134,000

All Other Funds Miscellaneous Grants-In-Aid				Budget Page: D-106	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$0	\$9,861	\$18,705	\$26,731	\$8,026	42.9%

This line increase is attributed exclusively to enhanced anticipated repayments by school districts of previous aid received as School District Deficit Relief. Under the program, a school district may receive an advance State aid payment if doing so is necessary to ensure the provision of a thorough and efficient education. The advance payment would be repaid as a loan over a period not to exceed 10 years through an automatic reduction in the State aid otherwise due to the district. The Lakewood Township School District is the main source of loan repayments. Its 2023-2024 school year budget assumed loan repayments of \$17.3 million and projected an additional loan in the 2023-2024 school year that would increase loan repayment requirements in the 2024-2025 school year by over \$9.0 million.

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

General Fund, Grants-In-Aid Artificial Intelligence Career and Technical Education Expansion				Budget Page: D-113	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	---

The Governor recommends an appropriation for a new grant program that would provide funding to vocational technical schools to develop programs, curricula, and career pathways related to generative artificial intelligence. In concurrent budget language recommended by the Governor, the department is directed to establish eligibility criteria for the grant program and to set program goals and requirements for grant participants.

The FY 2025 Budget in Brief states that artificial intelligence grant programs will support efforts by the department to include artificial intelligence literacy into the State standards for information literacy and issue guidance on best practices for the use of artificial intelligence in the classroom.

General Fund, Direct State Services Services Other Than Personal				Budget Page: D-118	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$3,005	\$3,360	\$3,546	\$2,743	(\$803)	(22.6%)

The recommended decrease in this budget line largely reflects the Administration’s intent to eliminate a public media campaign related to addressing the State’s teacher shortage. The FY 2024 Appropriations Act provided \$1.0 million in funding to the Office of Recruitment, Preparation, and Certification through this budget line, for the purposes of the public media campaign.

The net \$803,000 reduction also reflects minor recommended increases in Services Other Than Personal funding for the other various divisions and offices that receive funds through this aggregated budget line. The growth is part of a recommended \$682,000 increase in department-wide non-salary appropriations for operations.

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

General Fund, Direct State Services Special Purpose: Statewide Assessment Program				Budget Page: D-118	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$37,525	\$39,366	\$36,275	\$46,275	\$10,000	27.6%

Funding for this appropriation supports the State’s implementation of the federal standardized testing program, which requires annual academic assessments in English language arts and mathematics in grades three through 8 and once at the high school level.

General Fund, Direct State Services Special Purpose: Climate Change Education Grants to Schools				Budget Page: D-118	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$0	\$4,180	\$5,000	\$4,000	(\$1,000)	(20.0%)

General Fund, Direct State Services Special Purpose: Teacher Leader Network				Budget Page: D-118	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$0	\$0	\$500	\$400	(\$100)	(20.0%)

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid K-12 Computer Science Education Initiative				Budget Page: D-119	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$1,664	\$1,991	\$2,000	\$1,600	(\$400)	(20.0%)

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid Advanced Placement/International Baccalaureate Course Expansion Grants				Budget Page: D-119	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$0	\$0	\$1,000	\$800	(\$200)	(20.0%)

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid Culture and Climate Innovation Grants				Budget Page: D-119	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$0	\$0	\$2,000	\$1,600	(\$400)	(20.0%)

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid Grants for After School and Summer Activities for At-Risk Children				Budget Page: D-120	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$485	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$800	(\$200)	(20.0%)

The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget recommends 20 percent reductions, totaling \$2.3 million, to various discretionary and competitive grant programs administered by the Department of Education. Descriptions for each of the grants are as follows:

- *Climate Change Education Grants to Schools*: this grant program supports schools in implementing new climate change education, with priority given to SDA (former Abbott) districts. Proposed budget language stipulates that \$500,000 of this \$4.0 million appropriation is to support the Office of Climate Change Education;
- *Teacher Leader Network*: first established in the FY 2024 Appropriations Act, this grant provides funding for the expansion of the Teacher Leader Network, which was established by the Department of Education to develop teacher leaders to positively impact student outcomes. Currently, the Teacher Leader Network is comprised of Rowan University, Stockton University, the New Jersey Education Association, the New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association, nine school districts, and a partnership between Kean University, Plainfield Public Schools, and Scotch Plains-Fanwood Public Schools;
- *K-12 Computer Science Education Initiative*: this grant program helps school districts to offer college-level computer science courses and support the professional development of K-12 computer science teachers;
- *Advanced Placement/International Baccalaureate Course Expansion Grants*: newly established in the FY 2024 Appropriations Act, this grant program assists school districts in training or hiring additional teachers for Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate classes;
- *Culture and Climate Innovation Grants*: first established in the FY 2024 Appropriations Act, this grant program impels public school districts to address local issues related to educator quality of life; and
- *Grants for After School and Summer Activities for At-Risk Children*: this grant program supports school districts in expanding existing out-of-school time programs to offer high-quality and engaging activities to youth throughout the State.

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid Jobs for America’s Graduates New Jersey (JAG NJ)				Budget Page: D-119	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$100	\$100	\$350	\$50	(\$300)	(85.7%)

The New Jersey Chamber of Commerce runs this State’s branch of Jobs for America’s Graduates, a national nonprofit organization. The program supports young people pursuing advanced degrees by helping them to complete their programs and find entry-level jobs.

The recommended reduction to the FY 2025 appropriation: 1) eliminates the \$250,000 increase in funding added by the Legislature in FY 2024; and 2) reduces the remaining \$100,000 by an additional 50 percent.

In general, the Governor recommends eliminating or reducing in FY 2025 most appropriations the Legislature added for FY 2024. The proposed elimination of the legislative addition to this program’s appropriation in FY 2024 is consistent with the general policy.

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid Liberty Science Center - Educational Initiatives				Budget Page: D-119	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$1,350	\$1,350	\$1,350	\$675	(\$675)	(50.0%)

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid NAN Newark Tech World				Budget Page: D-119	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$250	\$400	\$400	\$200	(\$200)	(50.0%)

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid New Jersey STEM Innovation Fellowship				Budget Page: D-119	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$100	\$100	\$100	\$50	(\$50)	(50.0%)

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid Research & Development Council of New Jersey				Budget Page: D-119	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$0	\$485	\$485	\$243	(\$242)	(49.9%)

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid STEAMpark, Inc.-Educational Programs				Budget Page: D-120	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$0	\$0	\$50	\$25	(\$25)	(50.0%)

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid Unified Sports Program				Budget Page: D-120	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$25	\$25	\$25	\$13	(\$12)	(48.0%)

The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget proposes 50 percent reductions, totaling \$1.2 million, in the above appropriations provided to various educational organizations in FY 2024. The Governor had proposed the appropriations for FY 2024.

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid Innovation Dual Enrollment Pilot				Budget Page: D-119	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$0	\$0	\$500	\$0	(\$500)	(100.0%)

The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget proposes to shift the \$500,000 appropriation for this program to the Office of the Secretary of Higher Education. The Innovation Dual Enrollment Pilot appropriation funds the development of a competitive grant program that allows high school students to enroll in college courses for credit prior to graduation.

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid HomeWorks Trenton - Capital Improvements					Budget Page: D-119	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025		
\$0	\$0	\$200	\$0	(\$200)	(100.0%)	

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid Advanced Placement African American Studies Course Expansion Grants					Budget Page: D-119	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025		
\$0	\$0	\$300	\$0	(\$300)	(100.0%)	

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid Freehold Township Education Foundation					Budget Page: D-119	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025		
\$0	\$0	\$25	\$0	(\$25)	(100.0%)	

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid New Jersey Tutoring Corps					Budget Page: D-120	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025		
\$0	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$0	(\$1,500)	(100.0%)	

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid 360 Smarter Care – Mental Health Pilot Program					Budget Page: D-120	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025		
\$0	\$0	\$300	\$0	(\$300)	(100.0%)	

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid Booksmiles					Budget Page: D-120	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025		
\$0	\$0	\$25	\$0	(\$25)	(100.0%)	

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget recommends eliminating a total of \$2.4 million in grants to various educational organizations, all of which were added by the Legislature in FY 2024.

In general, the Governor recommends eliminating or reducing in FY 2025 most appropriations the Legislature added for FY 2024. The proposed elimination of the legislative addition to this program’s appropriation in FY 2024 is consistent with the general policy.

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid Literacy Screening				Budget Page: D-119	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,500	\$2,500	---

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid Governor’s Literacy Initiative				Budget Page: D-119	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$125	\$225	\$500	\$750	\$250	50.0%

The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget recommends a new \$2.5 million appropriation for a grant program to help schools develop literacy screening tools which will be used to help target resources to students most in need. This program is to be developed by the department and made available to students in grades kindergarten through three.

Additionally, the Governor recommends a \$250,000 increase in the Governor’s Literacy Initiative. Funding for this appropriation goes towards grants for two programs: the Excite Reading Initiative and the Learning Through Listening program. Both programs are aimed at improving reading levels of children in school.

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid Artificial Intelligence Innovation in Education Grants				Budget Page: D-120	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	---

The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget recommends a new \$1.0 million appropriation for a grant program to support school district development of programs, curricula, resources, and best practices for education on topics related to generative artificial intelligence. Proposed budget language stipulates that the department is to distribute grants on a competitive basis and establish written eligibility criteria for the selection of participating school districts.

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid High Poverty School District Minority Teacher Recruitment Program				Budget Page: D-120	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$500	\$750	\$750	\$1,000	\$250	33.3%

This appropriation funds a competitive grant program to support organizations in recruiting, training, and placing new teachers, with a prioritization on minority teachers, in high-poverty school districts. The recommended increase in funding for this program aligns with the Governor’s goals of addressing teacher shortages throughout the State.

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid Good Grief, Inc.				Budget Page: D-120	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50	\$50	---

Good Grief, Inc. is a nonprofit organization dedicated to grief counseling for children throughout New Jersey.

General Fund, Grants-in-Aid Advanced Placement Exam Fee Waiver				Budget Page: D-119	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$653	\$1,064	\$1,175	\$1,075	(\$100)	(8.5%)

This appropriation is used to supplement the portion of the Advanced Placement Exam Fee that is not currently funded by The College Board Test Fee Waiver and School Test Processing Fee Waiver for students that qualify for the Free or Reduced Price Lunch Program. The recommended reduction to the FY 2025 appropriation eliminates the \$100,000 added by the Legislature for this program in FY 2024.

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

Property Tax Relief Fund, State Aid Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund – Post Retirement Medical (PTRF)					Budget Page: D-120	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025		
\$968,665	\$1,082,295	\$1,166,135	\$1,232,533	\$66,398	5.7%	

Property Tax Relief Fund, State Aid Post Retirement Medical Other Than TPAF (PTRF)					Budget Page: D-120	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025		
\$224,320	\$260,346	\$279,435	\$295,346	\$15,911	5.7%	

The State pays the cost of providing health benefit coverage for retired school district employees in the School Employees' Health Benefits Program. Although the appropriations are allocated to the Department of Education, the Department of the Treasury actually administers the health benefit plans. In general, appropriation recommendations for each fiscal year reflect health benefit plan enrollment and claims projections for parts of two plan years, which run on a calendar year basis.

The FY 2025 Governor's Budget incorporates an increase of 5.7 percent in post-retirement medical costs for these retirees. This recommendation reflects double-digit increases in prescription drug costs and single-digit increases in medical costs as projected in the Rate Renewal Reports upon which the budget was developed.

The updated mid-year Rate Renewal Reports indicate that post-retirement medical costs for these school district retirees are likely to be higher than originally budgeted. The rise in expected costs over original estimates for these retirees is an additional 2.5 percent, which is comprised of a 0.6 percent increase in membership and a 1.9 percent increase in projected average costs. The report indicates that the increase in projected average cost is due to further growth in prescription drug costs, driven by the emergence of higher utilization of medications for diabetes and weight loss, which is expected to continue. Projected medical costs were unchanged.

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

Federal Funds Bilingual Education				Budget Page: D-120	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$20,425	\$21,028	\$26,813	\$34,808	\$7,995	29.8%

This line represents anticipated federal revenue for Language Acquisition Discretionary Administration. This program provides formula grants to states to improve services for English language learners. The recommended FY 2025 appropriation is composed of \$34.2 million that the State expects to receive in discretionary grants from this program, with the remainder expected to be used for administrative purposes.

Federal Funds Programs for Disadvantaged Youth				Budget Page: D-120	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$371,645	\$436,047	\$472,019	\$516,618	\$44,599	9.4%

This budget line represents an aggregation of funds received from the federal government to support disadvantaged youth students, including low-income students, migratory children, and neglected and delinquent youth. One primary driver of the overall net growth is an expected increase of \$15.0 million in Title I – Grants to Local Educational Agencies program funding, from \$405.3 million in FY 2024 to \$420.3 million in FY 2025. Under the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act, schools and districts with high concentrations of low-income students receive funding. The funds are initially awarded to state education agencies, which then disburse the funds to districts based on a formula included in federal law. Schools use the funding to provide supplemental educational services to their students.

The net growth in this budget line is also driven by an expected increase of \$22.9 million in Title I School Improvement Accountability Set Aside Administration funding, from \$60.0 million to \$89.8 million. Under the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act, state educational agencies are required to set aside approximately seven percent of their Title I allocations for schools that are in most need of support.

Significant Changes/New Programs (\$000) (Cont'd)

Federal Funds Standards, Assessments, and Curriculum				Budget Page: D-120	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$70,729	\$87,254	\$109,228	\$90,137	(\$19,091)	(17.5%)

This budget line aggregates several federal grant awards. The primary reason for this decrease is that the Administration does not expect to receive federal grant funding through the “Stronger Connections Grant Program” in FY 2025. In FY 2024, New Jersey was awarded a \$20.9 million federal grant through the program, which was intended to provide students with safer and healthier learning environments.

In addition to the anticipated loss of funding through this grant program, the Administration expects an increase of \$1.6 million in the State’s allocation from the federal Student Support and Academic Enrichment State Grants program.

General Fund, Direct State Services Special Purpose: School Bus Safety Study (P.L.2019, c.24)				Budget Page: D-124	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$0	\$0	\$250	\$0	(\$250)	(100.0%)

The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget recommends eliminating the \$250,000 appropriation that was added by the Legislature in FY 2024. Funding for this appropriation went towards supporting a study commissioned by the Department of Education on school bus safety.

Federal Funds Performance Management				Budget Page: D-125	
FY 2022 Expended	FY 2023 Expended	FY 2024 Adj. Approp.	FY 2025 Recomm.	Change FY 2024 – FY 2025	
\$894	\$575	\$0	\$1,744	\$1,744	---

The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget assumes the State’s receipt of federal funding to support administrative expenses related to the New Jersey Statewide Longitudinal Data System.

Significant Language Changes

Ending Education Rescue Grant Program Carryforward Authority

Deletion

FY 2024 Handbook: p. B-59
 FY 2025 Budget: N/A

~~The unexpended balance at the end of the preceding fiscal year in the Education Rescue Grant Program is appropriated for the same purpose, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.~~

Explanation

The need for this language has been obviated. The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget recommends the elimination of language that would permit the department to carry forward unexpended funds for Education Rescue Grants. As of March 28, 2024, there are no unexpended funds in the program account.

The last appropriation for Education Rescue Grants was in FY 2021 when \$5.0 million was appropriated to provide grants to school districts that reduced teaching staff to rehire teaching staff or hire similarly qualified teaching staff.

Modifications to Language Concerning Preschool Expansion Aid and Related Reporting Requirements

Revision

FY 2024 Handbook: p. B-60
 FY 2025 Budget: p. D-108

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, amounts hereinabove appropriated for Preschool Education Aid shall be allocated as follows: 1) in the case of a district that received Early Launch to Learning Initiative aid in the 2007-2008 school year, an amount equal to the district's 2007-2008 allocation of Early Launch to Learning Initiative aid; 2) in the case of a school district that received a 2008-2009 allocation of Preschool Education Aid based on its 2007-2008 Early Childhood Program Aid allocation, an aid amount equal to the district's ~~2022-2023~~ 2023-2024 per pupil allocation of Preschool Education Aid inflated by the CPI and multiplied by the district's projected preschool enrollment, except in the case of a school district that participated in the federal Preschool Expansion Grant in 2018-2019, districts that received an allocation of Preschool Education Expansion Aid in 2017-2018 or 2018-2019, and districts that received an allocation of Preschool Education Aid through the competitive process administered by the Commissioner of Education which began in 2019-2020; 3) in the case of any other district with an allocation of Preschool Education Aid in the ~~2022-2023~~ 2023-2024 school year calculated using the provisions of section 12 of P.L.2007, c.260 (C.18A:7F-54), districts that participated in the federal Preschool Expansion Grant in 2018-2019, districts that received an allocation of Preschool Education Expansion Aid in 2017-2018 or 2018-2019, or districts that received an allocation of Preschool Education Aid through the competitive process administered by the Commissioner of Education which began in 2019-2020, an amount calculated in accordance with those provisions based upon ~~2023-2024~~

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Significant Language Changes (Cont'd)

2024-2025 projected FTE enrollments, and multiplied by the per pupil allocations as set forth in the ~~March 2023~~ February 2024 State Aid notice issued by the commissioner. Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, of the amounts hereinabove appropriated for Preschool Education Aid, an amount not to exceed ~~\$40,000,000~~ \$20,000,000 shall be allocated by the commissioner to districts in total additional preschool funding for the purpose of expanding free access to full-day preschool for resident three- and four-year old children in accordance with the preschool quality standards issued by the commissioner and based on a district's demonstration of its readiness to operate a preschool program consistent with those standards and to address workforce preparation and training and other ancillary needs related to preschool expansion, as determined by the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner of Education. A school district that receives Preschool Education Aid for the first time in the ~~2023-2024~~ 2024-2025 school year shall demonstrate, in its application, due diligence in establishing partnerships to provide its preschool program through a mixed-delivery system in all licensed child care providers and Head Start programs in its community or neighboring communities that are willing and able to meet all preschool program requirements. ~~The Department of Education, the Department of Children and Families, and the Department of Human Services shall post on the departments' Internet websites, no later than July 14, 2023, a list of all districts eligible to apply for Preschool Education Aid and a list of all child care providers and Head Start programs in each eligible district's community, as well as neighboring communities, and contact information for those providers. The Department of Education, the Department of Children and Families, and the Department of Human Services shall, in consultation with school districts, licensed child care providers, Head Start programs, and other stakeholders identified by the Commissioner of Education, provide a report to the Legislature, on or before March 1, 2024, on the status of preschool education in the State, generally, and on the efficacy of the mixed-delivery model of preschool education. The Department of Education may utilize up to \$250,000 of Preschool Education Aid to contract temporary staff to assist with preparation of a report on the efficacy of the mixed-delivery model of preschool education as provided herein.~~

Explanation

The Governor recommends increasing the appropriation for Preschool Education Aid by \$123.8 million, from \$1.11 billion in FY 2024 to \$1.23 billion in FY 2025. This associated language would set aside \$20.0 million of the proposed FY 2025 appropriation for preschool expansion, a decrease from \$40.0 million in FY 2024. Preschool expansion aid provides grants to school districts to establish preschool programs for the first time or to expand the number of seats available through the district's preschool programs.

Additionally, the FY 2025 Governor's Budget recommends removing language that was added by the Legislature in the FY 2024 Appropriations Act. The language required certain departments, including the Department of Education, to make available on their Internet websites a list of all districts eligible to apply for Preschool Education Aid, as well as a list of all licensed child care providers and Head Start programs in each eligible district's community. The language also required the same departments to provide a report to the Legislature by March 1, 2024,

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Significant Language Changes (Cont'd)

concerning the status of preschool education in the State and the efficacy of the mixed delivery model of preschool education. Finally, the language authorized the Department of Education to utilize up to \$250,000 of the amount appropriated for Preschool Education Aid to contract with temporary staff to produce the required report. As of March 26, 2024, no such report has been made public.

Ending Carryforward Authority and Conditions for School Security Compliance Funding

Deletion

FY 2024 Handbook: p. B-61
 FY 2025 Budget: N/A

~~Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, from the amount hereinabove appropriated for School Security Compliance Funding, the Commissioner of Education shall award grants to charter schools, renaissance school projects and school districts with school district buildings serving preschool students and no students in grades kindergarten through 12 to equip school buildings with a panic alarm or alternative emergency mechanism to comply with the provisions of P.L.2019, c.33 (C.18A:41-10 et seq.), to reimburse a school district, charter school or renaissance school project for costs previously incurred for equipping a school building after January 1, 2016, or, if the school district, charter school or renaissance school project is compliant with the provisions of P.L.2019, c.33 (C.18A:41-10 et seq.), to complete other eligible school security projects. Each grant award shall be calculated using the charter school's average daily enrollment on October 15, 2019, the renaissance school project's enrollment on October 15, 2019, or the number of students in standalone preschool facilities in the school district as reported on October 15, 2019 Application for State School Aid, the facilities efficiency standards established pursuant to section 4 of P.L.2000, c.72 (C.18A:7G-4), and an allotment per square foot, as determined by the commissioner. The unexpended balance at the end of the preceding fiscal year in the School Security Compliance Funding account is appropriated for the same purpose, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.~~

Explanation

The need for this language providing grant criteria and carryforward authority for School Security Compliance Funding has been obviated. Funds were last appropriated for this purpose in FY 2021. As of March 27, 2024, the entire balance has been expended or transferred to other accounts.

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Significant Language Changes (Cont'd)

Decreased Appropriation for Charter School Facility Improvements (PTRF)

Revision

FY 2024 Handbook: p. B-61
 FY 2025 Budget: p. D-109

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, of the amount hereinabove appropriated for Charter School Facility Improvements, to protect the health and safety of students, ~~\$20,000,000~~ \$5,000,000 shall be provided to the Department of Education to administer grants to support emergent needs and capital maintenance in charter schools and renaissance school projects upon the review of the Director of the New Jersey Department of Education Office of Charter and Renaissance Schools.

Explanation

The Governor recommends not renewing the \$15.0 million the Legislature added to the FY 2024 Appropriations Act for Charter School Facility Improvements. The appropriation amount in this associated language is thus recommended to be reduced accordingly from \$20.0 million to \$5.0 million. The appropriation for Charter School Facility Improvements provides grants to support emergent needs and capital maintenance in charter schools and renaissance school projects.

In general, the Governor recommends eliminating or reducing in FY 2025 most appropriations the Legislature added for FY 2024. The proposed elimination of the legislative addition to this program’s appropriation in FY 2024 is consistent with the general policy.

Supplemental Appropriation Authority for Menstrual Products School Reimbursement Program

Addition

FY 2024 Handbook: N/A
 FY 2025 Budget: p. D-109

In addition to the amounts hereinabove appropriated for the Menstrual Products School Reimbursement Program (P.L.2023, c.147), such additional amounts as may be required as determined by the Commissioner of Education for the support of the Menstrual Products School Reimbursement Program are appropriated, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Explanation

This recommended language would authorize the Executive to effect, in the course of the fiscal year and without additional legislative approval, unlimited supplemental appropriations for the Menstrual Products School Reimbursement Program. The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget recommends an appropriation of \$3.5

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Significant Language Changes (Cont'd)

million for this purpose. However, additional costs could be incurred if the actual need for products exceeds estimates.

P.L.2023, c.147 requires school districts to ensure that students in grades six through 12 have direct access to free menstrual products in at least 50 percent of female and gender-neutral school bathrooms, the cost of which is to be borne by the State.

Development of Artificial Intelligence Career and Technical Education Expansion Grants

Addition

FY 2024 Handbook: N/A
 FY 2025 Budget: p. D-114

The amount hereinabove appropriated for Artificial Intelligence Career and Technical Education Expansion is subject to the following conditions: the Commissioner of Education shall develop a competitive grant program to support the development by vocational technical schools of programs, curricula, and career pathways related to generative artificial intelligence; establish written eligibility criteria for the selection of participating vocational technical schools; and set program goals and requirements for such programs for the 2024-2025 school year, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Explanation

This language provision accompanies a recommended \$1.0 million appropriation to support a new grant program to be offered by the department and stipulates certain criteria for the program. Under this language provision, the grant program would be available to vocational technical schools to develop programs, curricula, and career pathways related to generative artificial intelligence. Additionally, the language provision directs the department to establish eligibility criteria for the grant program and set program goals and requirements for grant recipients.

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Significant Language Changes (Cont'd)

Development of Literacy Screening Grant Program	
Addition	FY 2024 Handbook: N/A FY 2025 Budget: p. D-122

The amount hereinabove appropriated for Literacy Screening is subject to the following conditions: the Commissioner of Education shall develop a competitive grant program for school districts to acquire or develop high-quality literacy screening tools for grades K-3, as determined by the Commissioner of Education, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Explanation

This language provision accompanies a recommended \$2.5 million appropriation to support a new Literacy Screening grant program to be offered by the department and stipulates certain details about the program. Under this language provision, the department is to develop a competitive grant program that would be made available to school districts to acquire or develop high-quality literacy screening tools for grades kindergarten to three.

Development of Artificial Intelligence Innovation in Education Grant Program	
Addition	FY 2024 Handbook: N/A FY 2025 Budget: p. D-122

The amount hereinabove appropriated for Artificial Intelligence Innovation in Education Grants is subject to the following conditions: the Commissioner of Education shall develop a competitive grant program to support the development by public school districts of programs, curricula, resources, and best practices for education on topics related to generative artificial intelligence; establish written eligibility criteria for the selection of participating public school districts; and set program goals and requirements for such programs for the 2024-2025 school year, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Explanation

This language provision accompanies a recommended \$1.0 million appropriation to support a new grant program and stipulates certain criteria therefor. The grant program would be available to public school districts to develop curricula, resources, and best practices for education on topics related to generative artificial intelligence. Additionally, the language provision directs the department to establish eligibility criteria for the program and set goals and requirements for grant recipients.

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Significant Language Changes (Cont'd)

Supplemental Appropriation Authority for School District Deficit Relief	
Revision	FY 2024 Handbook: p. B-71 FY 2025 Budget: p. D-126

In the event that sufficient balances are not available in the "School District Deficit Relief Account" for amounts recommended by the Commissioner of Education to the State Treasurer for advance State Aid payments in accordance with P.L.2006, c.15 (C.18A:7A-54 et seq.), the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting is authorized to transfer such amounts as required from available balances in State Aid accounts. Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, there are appropriated such additional amounts as are required for the "School District Deficit Relief Account," as determined by the Commissioner of Education, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Explanation

The FY 2025 Governor’s Budget recommends expanding the financing sources for the “School District Deficit Relief Account,” which provides State aid advance loans to school districts experiencing financial distress. Currently, the program is funded through loan repayments and, via the language provision, transfers of available surplus balances in other State aid accounts into the School District Deficit Relief Account. In addition, the FY 2025 Governor’s Budget recommends granting the Executive unlimited supplemental appropriation authority, without additional legislative approval, for the emergency loans.

Advance State aid payments are available for school districts for which a State monitor has been appointed if doing so is necessary to ensure the provision of a thorough and efficient education. The advance State aid payment would be repaid over a period not to exceed 10 years through an automatic reduction in the State aid otherwise due to the district.

In FY 2024 to date, about \$33.3 million in State aid advance payments were provided through the School District Deficit Relief Account to the Lakewood Township School District. Of this amount: \$18.7 million was supported by repayments of previously provided State aid advance payments; \$7.7 million was supported by transfers made into the account; and \$6.9 million was supported by unexpended balances from FY 2023. The adopted school year 2023-2024 budget by the Lakewood Township School District suggests that it may need an additional State Aid advance this fiscal year.

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Significant Language Changes (Cont'd)

FY 2024 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund Appropriations	
Deletion	FY 2024 Handbook: p. D-18 FY 2025 Budget: p. N/A
<p>Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, moneys are appropriated from the federal "Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund" (SFRF) established pursuant to the federal "American Rescue Plan Act of 2021." Pub.L. 117-2, in the following amounts for the following purposes without the additional approval by the Joint Budget Oversight Committee:</p>	
<u>Program</u> *	<u>Appropriation</u>
Learning Acceleration	\$35,000,000

* Only the Department of Education appropriation is displayed.

Explanation

The FY 2024 Appropriations Act included language allocating funds from the State's flexible \$6.24 billion federal Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund grant, which the State had received under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021; since these funds were appropriated in FY 2024, the above language is functionally obsolete.

The appropriation for Learning Acceleration was made to further assist schools in promoting the academic recovery of New Jersey students to help close achievement gaps that were caused or exacerbated by disruptions due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Grants were provided to a number of school districts and charter schools to offer high-impact tutoring interventions for students disproportionately impacted by the pandemic.

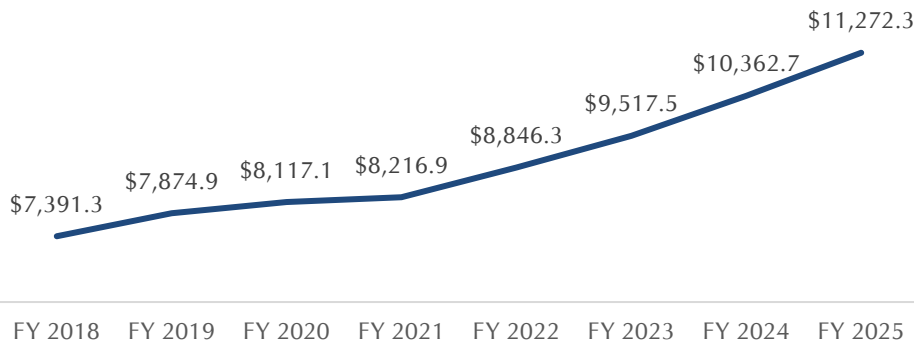
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Background Paper: An Overview of State School Aid

Budget Pages D-103, D-104, D-107 through D-110

FY 2025 is the sixth and final year of the allocation of State school aid pursuant to P.L.2018, c.67 (commonly referred to as “S2”). The law established a schedule for the reallocation of State aid from school districts deemed “overfunded” under that law to those deemed “underfunded.” The law was enacted to realign the amount of State aid provided to school districts with current needs and to move toward fully implementing P.L.2007, c.260 (commonly referred to as the “School Funding Reform Act of 2008”) as originally enacted.

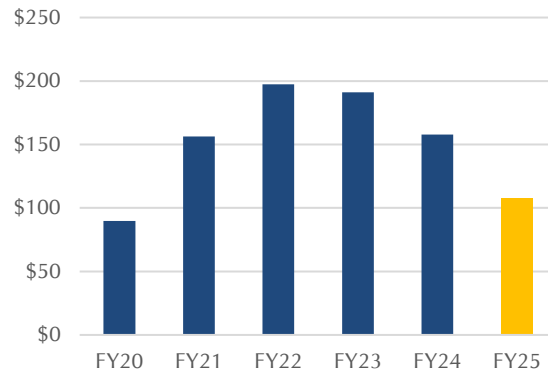
Formulaic State School Aid Appropriations (\$ millions)



Under S2, a State aid differential is calculated for each district, which is equal to the difference between the amount of formula aid received by the district in the previous fiscal year, or prebudget year aid, and the district’s uncapped aid for the year. Uncapped aid refers to the sum of equalization aid, special education categorical aid, security aid, and transportation aid as calculated under the School Funding Reform Act, without applying the State aid growth limit that was repealed under S2.

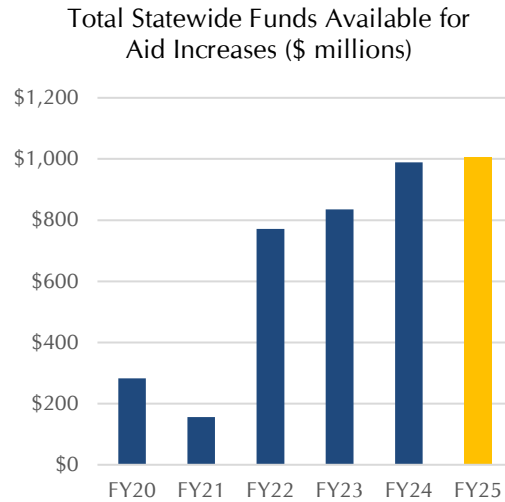
A positive State aid differential indicates that the district received, in the prebudget year, more formula aid than it ought to have received according to the School Funding Reform Act. These districts are often referred to as “overfunded” districts, and receive a reduction in formula aid each year equal to a prescribed percentage of the district’s State aid differential. For the 2024-2025 school year, the reduction is 100 percent of the State aid differential. A total of 151 school districts are proposed to experience a combined \$107.2 million reduction in formula aid in FY 2025. However, the provision of Supplemental Stabilization Aid by P.L.2023, c.32 means that the actual impact of the FY 2025 reduction in aid is greater for many districts. Table 1 on page 49 of this analysis details the school districts, sorted by legislative district, that are proposed to experience reductions in formula aid.

Total Statewide Reductions in Formula Aid (\$ millions)



Background Paper: An Overview of State School Aid (Cont'd)

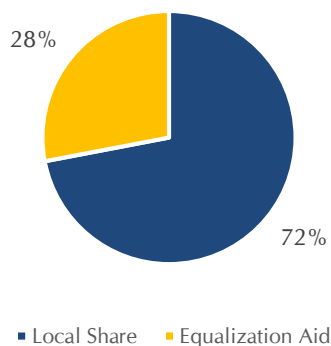
A negative State aid differential indicates that in the prebudget year, a district received less formula aid than it ought to have received according to the School Funding Reform Act. Such districts are often referred to as “underfunded” districts and receive an increase in formula aid each year equal to the district’s proportionate share of the total Statewide funds available for formula aid increases. As proposed in the FY 2025 Governor’s Budget, 442 underfunded districts would receive a proportionate share of \$1.0 billion, the amount of FY 2025 State funds available for formula increases. Table 2 on page 53 of this analysis details the school districts, sorted by legislative district, that are proposed to experience increases in formula aid.



The remainder of this background paper will provide an overview of the calculations of the four categories of formula aid. The descriptions are oversimplifications of complex formulas that rely on many variables.

Equalization Aid

Statewide Adequacy Budget



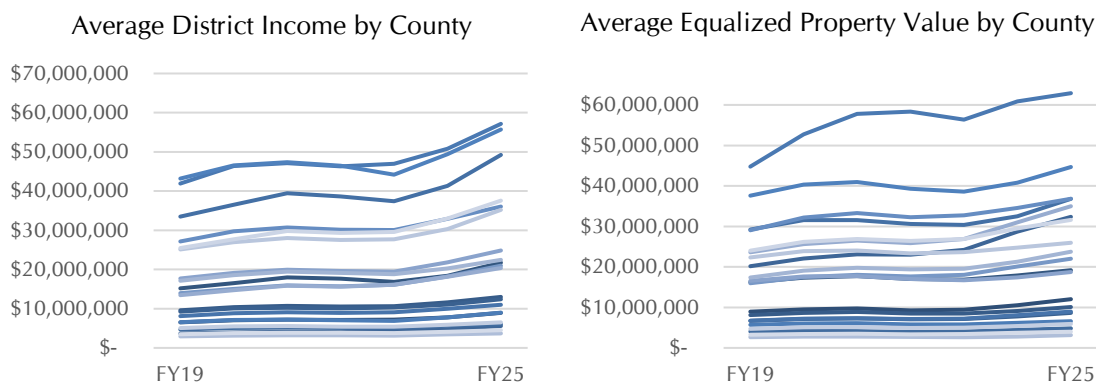
Under the School Funding Reform Act of 2008, equalization aid is equal to the difference between a district’s local share and its adequacy budget. A district’s adequacy budget is the amount that a district would need to spend in order to provide a thorough and efficient education to students enrolled in the district. A district’s adequacy budget is determined by multiplying the district’s projected weighted enrollment by a designated per pupil amount, and then adding additional amounts per pupil for at-risk students, limited English proficiency students, and combined at risk, limited English proficiency students. Finally, the adequacy budget takes into account two-thirds of the cost of providing special education and speech services to students. These costs are based on the

census-based funding model, which is described in more detail in the “Special Education Categorical Aid section of this background paper.

The local share represents the estimated amount of funds that the school funding formula determines the residents of a district can afford to contribute to the district’s adequacy budget. This amount is determined by looking at the district’s equalized property value and the district’s aggregate income. These amounts are scaled by multipliers to ensure that each district’s equalization aid is equal to a proportionate share of the total amount of equalization aid available Statewide. Fluctuations in a district’s property values or income can have a substantial impact on the district’s local share, and consequently, the district’s equalization aid. The graphs below

Background Paper: An Overview of State School Aid (Cont'd)

show trends in the average equalized property value and the average district income, by county, for the duration of S2.



Special Education Categorical Aid

To fund the one-third of special education costs not accounted for in a district’s adequacy budget calculation, districts receive special education categorical aid. This aid category is calculated by multiplying a base per pupil amount for students with disabilities by the estimated number of students receiving special education services. For the purposes of accounting for the number of students with disabilities in connection with the school funding formula, the School Funding Reform Act of 2008 adopted the census-based funding model. The census-based model is employed in both the calculation of the adequacy budget and special education categorical aid. This funding approach is based on the assumption that a fixed percentage of a district’s total enrollment requires special education services. Department of Education data indicate that, in FY 2025, the fixed percentage is 15.9 percent of a district’s overall projected enrollment.

Transportation Aid

Transportation aid provides funding to support transportation services for eligible public school students, nonpublic school students, and students with specialized transportation needs. Transportation aid is calculated as the sum of the product of a base dollar amount multiplied by the number of students transported and a second dollar amount multiplied by the number of students transported and the average distance between home and school. Essentially, these two components represent a fixed cost and a cost that varies based on distance. These calculations are repeated each for students who are transported without any special services and aid for students with disabilities who have special transportation requirements.

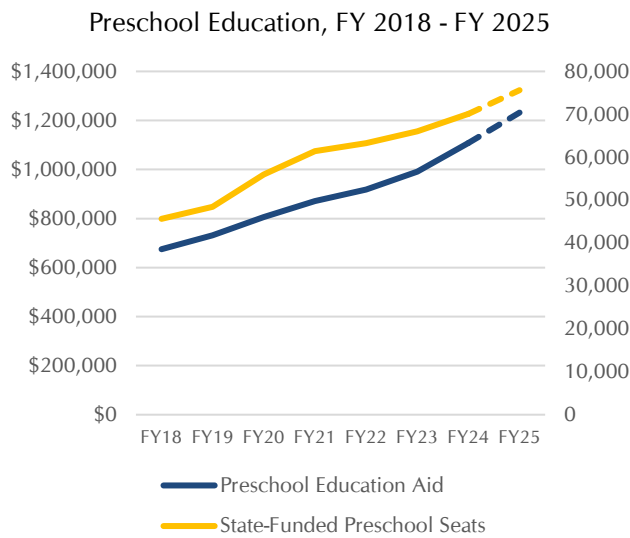
Security Categorical Aid

Finally, formulaic State school aid includes security categorical aid. Each district receives a base amount of security aid for each student in the district. Districts with a high concentration of at-risk students receive an additional amount for each at-risk student enrolled in the district. At-risk students are defined as students from households with a household income at or below 185 percent of the most recent federal poverty guidelines.

Background Paper: Preschool Education Aid

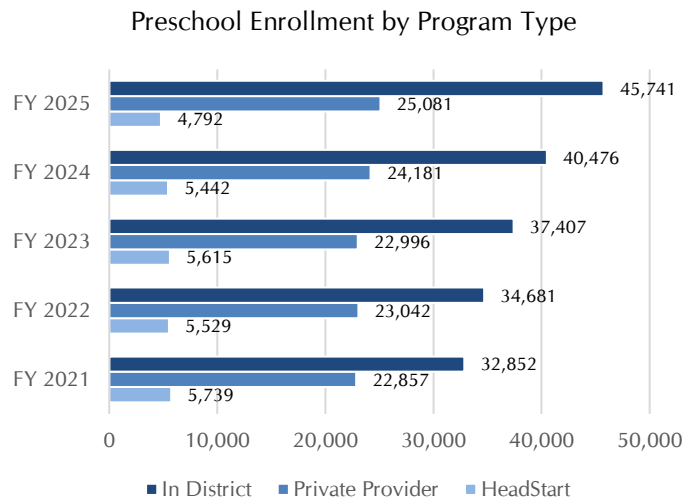
Budget Pages D-104, D-108

Under current law, certain school districts are required to provide access to free preschool education programs for three- and four-year old children who reside in the district. State aid for preschool education was initially focused on Schools Development Authority (SDA or formerly Abbott) districts, which are required to provide State-funded preschool programs under New Jersey State Supreme Court jurisprudence. The current Administration has emphasized the expansion of preschool education and the provision of universal preschool programs. As a result, the appropriation for preschool education has increased by \$557.0 million, or 82.5 percent, from \$674.9 million in FY 2018 to a recommended \$1.23 billion in FY 2025.



At present, preschool aid for school districts is calculated by multiplying the number of eligible students in a district by a per pupil amount, which varies according to the type of preschool program being provided. For the 2024-2025 school year, the per pupil amounts are: 1) \$15,594 for children enrolled in district-operated preschool programs; 2) \$17,527 for children enrolled in preschool programs operated by licensed child care providers; and 3) \$9,685 for children enrolled in Head Start preschool programs. By comparison, the base per pupil amount for students enrolled in grades kindergarten through 12 is \$13,946 in the 2024-2025 school year.

Data show that the preschool expansion has increased the number of children in both district-operated preschool programs and preschool programs run by licensed child care providers under contract with school districts, although unevenly. According to data from the department, enrollment is projected to grow by 39.2 percent between FY 2021 and FY 2025 in district-operated programs, and 9.7 percent in licensed child care centers. Enrollment in Head Start preschool centers, however, is projected to decrease by 16.5 percent over the same period.



Background Paper: Extraordinary Special Education Costs Aid

Budget Page D-106

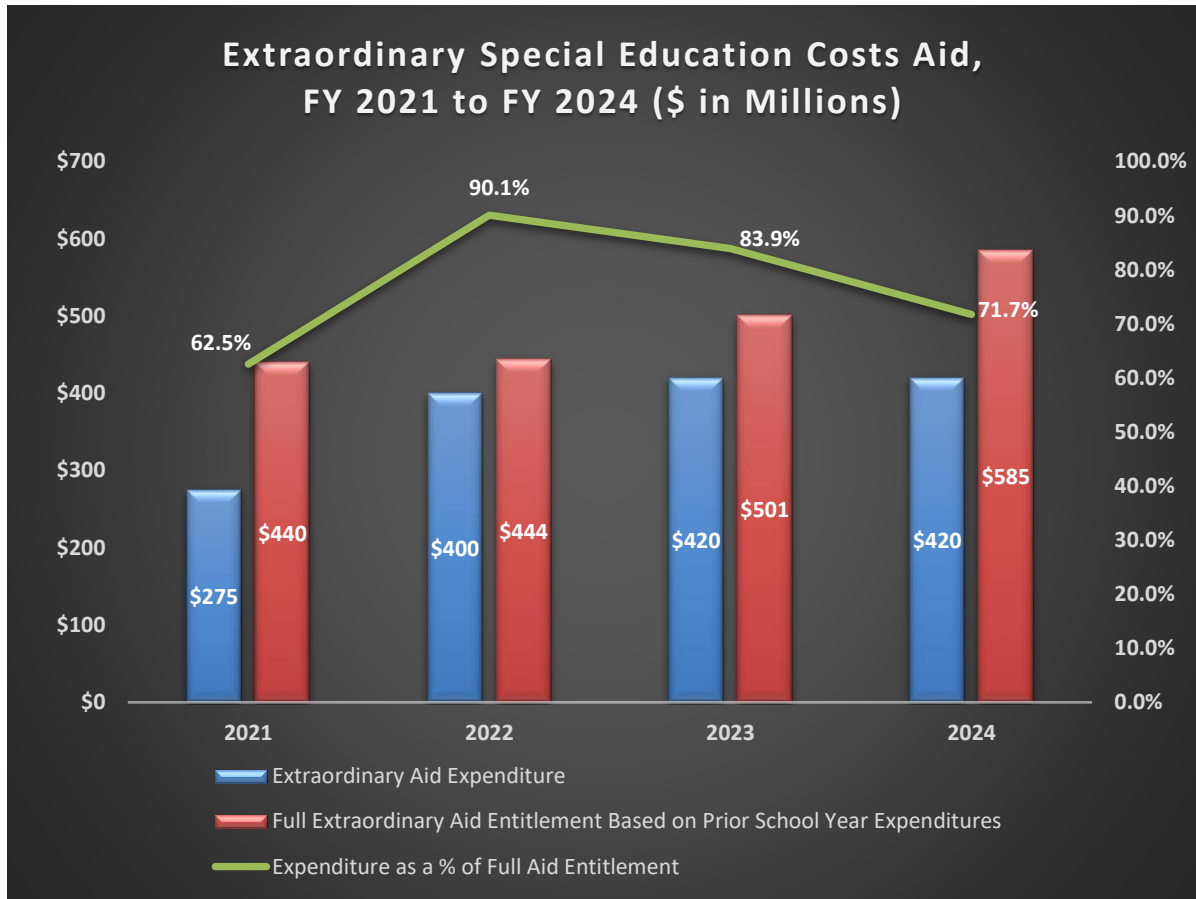
Pursuant to the "School Funding Reform Act of 2008," P.L.2007, c.260, Extraordinary Special Education Costs Aid is available for students who are educated in a general education classroom; special education program, including a resource program or special class program; or any combination of general education and special education programs and services.

School districts may apply for reimbursement for costs incurred to provide direct instructional and support services to special education students when the costs exceed \$40,000 if the student is educated in a public school program or \$55,000 if the student attends an approved private school for students with disabilities. In the case of a student educated in an in-district public school program with other students who do not have disabilities, a district would receive aid equal to 90 percent of the amount of the instructional and support services costs that exceeds \$40,000. In the event that a student is educated in a public school program with only students with disabilities, a district would receive aid equal to 75 percent of costs that exceed \$40,000. In the case of a special education student educated in an approved private school for students with disabilities, a district would receive aid equal to 75 percent of the costs exceeding \$55,000.

In order to receive Extraordinary Special Education Aid, a district is required to file an application with the Department of Education that details the reimbursable expenses incurred on behalf of the particular student. Extraordinary Special Education Cost Aid awards are provided as a reimbursement in one fiscal year for the prior fiscal year's costs. In FY 2024, for example, Extraordinary Special Education Aid awards reimbursed costs incurred in the 2022-2023 school year. The \$420.0 million program appropriation in FY 2024 funded 71.7 percent of total eligible costs submitted by 524 school districts for school year 2022-2023. An additional \$165.4 million would have been required to reimburse school districts for 100 percent of their total eligible costs. The FY 2025 Governor's Budget recommends maintaining the appropriation at \$420.0 million.

The chart on the following page shows the amount of Extraordinary Special Education Aid provided to school districts compared to the full amount of eligible costs since FY 2021. While State appropriations for this aid category have steadily increased or remained flat over this timeframe, total eligible costs have been on the rise. Extraordinary Special Education costs incurred in the 2022-2023 school year (reimbursed by the State in FY 2024) increased 33.1 percent compared to the 2019-2020 school year (reimbursed by the State in FY 2021), or 10.0 percent on an annualized basis.

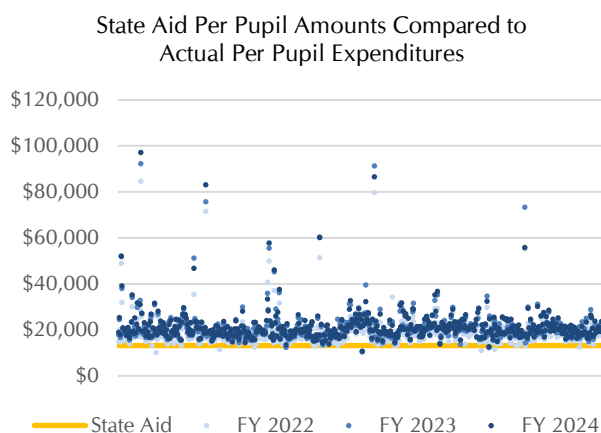
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Background Paper: Costs of Providing an Education

Every three years, the Department of Education releases the Educational Adequacy Report for the purpose of determining the costs per pupil of providing a thorough and efficient education for New Jersey’s students. This standard serves as a minimum with which school districts must comply in setting their annual budgets.

Equalization Aid: The Educational Adequacy Report takes into account several factors of educational (or classroom) costs, including employee salaries and benefits, materials and supplies, technology, student activities, security, building costs, and legal costs. These cost factors serve as variables in setting the per pupil State aid amounts that are then used to calculate State aid to school districts before applying each district’s enrollment and wealth-adjusted factor to yield so-called equalization aid. This means that wealthier districts, or districts with higher income and property values, receive State aid that equals a smaller proportion of the per pupil amount set by the Educational Adequacy Report, while lower-income districts receive a higher proportion of the per pupil amount. As one would anticipate, an analysis of district budgets shows that the per pupil cost calculated for State aid purposes in the Educational Adequacy Report falls significantly short of the actual costs of providing an education to students in New Jersey.



When looking at school district expenditures per pupil for the last three years, almost all school districts spend above the amount per pupil deemed adequate to provide a thorough and efficient education in the Educational Adequacy Report. In FY 2024, average expenditures per pupil were \$21,511, which is more than \$8,000, or 163 percent, greater than the per pupil State aid amount determined for that year. While the per pupil State aid amount needed to provide a thorough and efficient education for FY 2024 was determined to equal \$13,181,

the actual amount of equalization aid per pupil received by school districts averaged \$4,680. The majority of district expenses relate to classroom needs, with salaries and benefits for classroom employees comprising an average of 54 percent of a district’s total expenses.

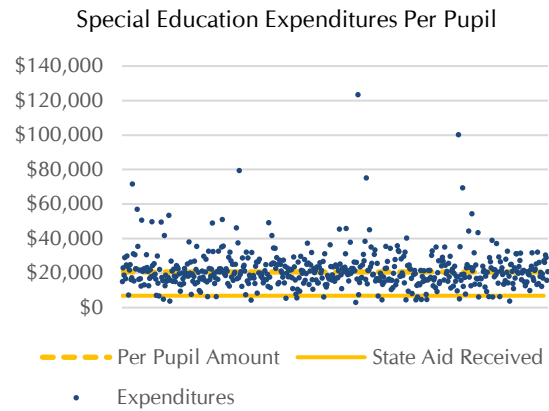
Education Spending Per Pupil Compared to Equalization Aid	
Percentage of Districts Spending Above Per Pupil Amount	99.6%
Percentage of Districts Spending Above Aid Received Per Pupil	100.0%

Special Education Categorical Aid: In addition to supporting general education expenses, the State provides Special Education Categorical Aid to support the costs of providing special education and related services to students with disabilities. These costs vary significantly from district to district. Even within districts, costs may differ according to the type of services provided. For example, it may cost a district different amounts to provide a student with special education services integrated as part of classroom instruction, compared to services the student would be provided in a separate setting.

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In examining district expenditures for special education, the per pupil amount for special education set by the Educational Adequacy Report appears to largely reflect actual average costs. In FY 2024, the per pupil amount for special education, in addition to the general base per pupil amount, as determined for State Aid purposes, was set at \$20,668, while average expenditures per pupil for special education services were estimated to be \$21,673 above the general base per pupil amount for the same year.

However, it is worth noting that special education categorical aid only provides aid for one-third of the cost in excess of the base per pupil amount under the equalization aid calculation of providing a thorough and efficient education to those students. This means that the actual amount of aid received by districts under special education categorical aid was equal to \$6,889 per student in addition to the per pupil base amount of \$4,680. The remaining cost of providing special education services is included in the calculation of a district’s adequacy budget, and consequently equalization aid. This means that two-thirds of the incremental special education costs over the base general education costs are calculated as part of the shared responsibility between the State and school districts to provide a thorough and efficient education. For wealthier districts, a greater proportion of the cost of special education falls to district taxpayers.



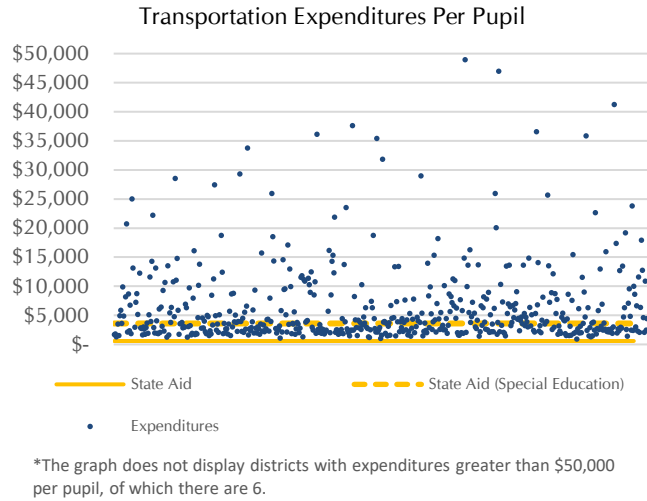
Special Education Spending Per Pupil Compared to Special Education Aid	
Percentage of Districts Spending Above Per Pupil Amount	47.7%
Percentage of Districts Spending Above Aid Received Per Pupil	95.8%

Transportation Aid: Another area of targeted State aid is student transportation services. Districts are required to provide transportation to public school students who reside outside of a prescribed radius – 2.0 miles for students in grades kindergarten through eight and 2.5 miles for students in grades nine through 12 – from their school, as well as to eligible nonpublic school students. Some districts choose to provide additional transportation services, often referred to as “courtesy busing,” but do not receive State funding for these services. The State provides transportation aid to districts to support the costs of providing required transportation services to eligible public school and nonpublic school students, as well as the cost of providing transportation services to students with specialized transportation needs.

An examination of district transportation expenditures shows that the actual cost of providing transportation varies significantly by district. There are two factors which may contribute to this variation. First, in calculating actual expenditures per pupil, only the number of students eligible for required transportation services are used, since the total number of students for whom transportation is provided for each district is not available. This means that districts that provide courtesy busing, and therefore have a higher total cost of transportation, may appear to have an inflated cost per pupil. Second, the proportion of students requiring specialized transportation is not constant from district to district, and may increase transportation costs per pupil for districts that have a higher percentage of students requiring specialized transportation. Despite these

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caveats, the data show that State aid amounts for transportation aid are not aligned with actual spending.



In FY 2024, the combined State transportation aid per pupil for students not requiring specialized transportation was \$586. In the same year, districts with the lowest expenditures per pupil for student transportation services spend approximately \$963 per pupil, or 164 percent of the per pupil State aid amount. By comparison, the total State transportation aid per pupil for students requiring specialized transportation was \$3,604. Among all districts, 53.2 percent still spent more per pupil on transportation than this amount. Average expenditures per student for transportation services approximated \$7,307 in FY 2024.

Background Paper: Schools Development Authority Funding

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The Schools Development Authority (SDA) is responsible for managing and funding the new construction, modernization, and renovation of school facilities projects in SDA (former Abbott) districts, all of which are listed in a table at the end of this background paper. There are two categories of authority projects: 1) capital projects, which are new schools, major renovations, and rehabilitation projects in SDA districts; and 2) emergent projects, which are projects deemed necessary in those districts due to potential health and safety issues. In addition, from time to time, the authority makes certain grants available to non-SDA districts for facilities projects that address health and safety issues and other critical needs, contingent on local approval of the remaining school district’s share of the total needed costs.

Authority operating costs used to be funded exclusively through bond proceeds. Current law provides an aggregate \$12.5 billion principal amount of bond proceeds, to be issued by the New Jersey Economic Development Authority, and transferred to the Schools Development Authority. This \$12.5 billion for school facilities projects is allocated under law as follows:

- \$8.9 billion for SDA districts;
- \$3.45 billion for non-SDA districts; and
- \$150.0 million for county vocational school districts.

Of the \$12.5 billion total, about \$648.2 million in unissued authorized bonding remains.

Current SDA District School Facilities Project Funding

Starting in FY 2022, the Schools Development Authority has received funding from other sources to defer the exhaustion of its bond cap and fund school facilities projects and authority operations without having to issue additional bonds. The FY 2022 Appropriations Act included a \$200.0 million appropriation out of the General Fund for the direct funding of Schools Development Authority school facilities projects. Using this appropriation, the authority advanced three capital projects in the Garfield, Bridgeton, and Elizabeth school districts. In total, these projects are expected to deliver approximately 2,000 new seats.

For FY 2023 through FY 2029, P.L.2022, c.18 provided \$1.9 billion out of the off-budget New Jersey Debt Defeasance and Prevention Fund to the authority for school facilities projects. The table depicts the annual disbursement schedule for the total \$1.9 billion allocation through FY 2029. For FY 2025, the Governor recommends adherence to the disbursement schedule, meaning that \$350.0 million out of the New Jersey Debt Defeasance and Prevention Fund appropriation would be used to fund authority projects and operations.

Disbursement Schedule of \$1.9 Billion Debt Defeasance and Prevention Fund Allocation to Schools Development Authority	
FY 2024	\$250,000,000
FY 2025	\$350,000,000
FY 2026	\$350,000,000
FY 2027	\$350,000,000
FY 2028	\$350,000,000
FY 2029	\$250,000,000
Total	\$1,900,000,000

Background Paper: Schools Development Authority Funding (Cont'd)

Of the \$1.9 billion total, some \$1.55 billion was allocated for SDA district school facilities projects. According to the authority, the enactment of P.L.2022, c.18 allowed for the advancement of 19 capital projects in 14 SDA districts. The projects are expected to provide more than 11,700 new seats in those districts.

Funding for Emergent and Capital Maintenance Needs

Each Appropriations Act since FY 2022 has appropriated \$75 million for SDA Capital Maintenance and Emergent Projects. The FY 2025 Governor's Budget proposes \$50 million for the program, representing a \$25 million reduction. Separate from the emergent projects managed directly by the authority for the SDA districts, this funding is available to SDA districts and non-SDA districts to offset district costs associated with measures that ensure that students have safe and healthy learning environments. The \$75 million appropriated for this program in FY 2024 was distributed to 578 school districts, with awards ranging from \$353 to \$6 million.

Capital maintenance projects are school facilities projects intended to extend the useful life of a school facility, including upgrades and replacements of building systems such as structure, enclosure, mechanical, plumbing, and electrical systems. Meanwhile, emergent projects alleviate a condition that, if not corrected on an expedited basis, would render a school facility so potentially injurious or hazardous that it causes an imminent peril to the health and safety of students and staff.

School Facilities Project Funding for Non-SDA Districts

Under current law, the SDA provides one-time grant funding for non-SDA school districts for the State share of a school facilities project. The State share of costs for a school facilities project receiving funding under this program (traditionally known as the "Regular Operating District Grant Program") is at least 40 percent of eligible project costs. For a school facilities project to be considered for grant funding, a school district is required to demonstrate local matching funds for the balance of the project.

While nearly all of the \$3.6 billion allocated under statute for non-SDA district school facilities projects has been exhausted, P.L.2022, c.18 provided an additional appropriation of \$350.0 million for the Regular Operating District Grant Program out of the New Jersey Debt Defeasance and Prevention Fund. In September 2023, the Department of Education and the authority announced the awarding of \$450.0 million in funds to 261 school districts with \$100.0 million coming from previous non-P.L.2022, c.18 allocations to the authority. This round of funding only considered "Level 1" school facilities projects, which address the most critical operational building needs, including health and safety issues, and program mandates.

Future Fiscal Considerations for the SDA

P.L.2023, c.311 provides that certain administrative, non-project insurance, operating, and other expenses of the Schools Development Authority are to be funded through State appropriations, rather than through the proceeds of bonds issued for school construction purposes as is the case

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under current law. State appropriations would presumably not be needed until after FY 2029, which is the final year in which the authority will be funded by New Jersey Debt Defeasance and Prevention Fund moneys pursuant to P.L.2022, c.18.

New Jersey SDA (Former Abbott) Districts			
County	School District	County	School District
Atlantic	Pleasantville	Hudson	Union City
Bergen	Garfield	Hudson	West New York
Burlington	Burlington City	Mercer	Trenton
Burlington	Pemberton Township	Middlesex	New Brunswick
Camden	Camden City	Middlesex	Perth Amboy
Camden	Gloucester City	Monmouth	Asbury Park
Cumberland	Bridgeton	Monmouth	Keansburg
Cumberland	Millville	Monmouth	Long Branch
Cumberland	Vineland	Monmouth	Neptune Township
Essex	East Orange	Passaic	Passaic City
Essex	Irvington	Passaic	Paterson
Essex	Newark	Salem	Salem City
Essex	Orange	Union	Elizabeth
Hudson	Harrison	Union	Plainfield
Hudson	Hoboken	Warren	Phillipsburg
Hudson	Jersey City		

Background Paper: Status of Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds

Throughout calendar years 2020 and 2021, the federal government awarded relief funds to states and local units of government to address the various impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The federal relief packages include specific funds to assist schools, with the primary source of education-related relief funds being the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund. New Jersey received \$4.3 billion in total aid from the three rounds of ESSER funding. The State serves as the administrator of the federal grant.

The first round of funding through the ESSER Fund was provided under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act of 2020, the second round under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act of 2021, and the third round under the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021.

The table below depicts the status of the ESSER funds in the State accounting system as of March 28, 2024. The table further provides the date that the funds must be obligated to avert the reversion of unexpended balances to the federal government.

Status of ESSER Funds in State Accounts as of March 28, 2024 (in \$ Million)					
Funding Round	Deadline for Obligating Funds	Grant Award	Amount Expended	Amount Encumbered	Uncommitted Balance
ESSER I (CARES Act)	9/30/2022	\$310.4	\$305.5	\$0	\$3.6
ESSER II (CRRSA Act)	9/30/2023	\$1,231.0	\$1,212.6	\$13.3	\$4.1
ESSER III (ARP Act)	9/30/2024	\$2,766.5	\$1,665.7	\$1,095.0	\$3.9
TOTAL		\$4,307.9	\$3,183.8	\$1,108.3	\$11.6

Background Paper: Proposed State Aid Changes

Table 1: School Districts Proposed for State Aid Reductions, FY 2025 Governor’s Budget

LD	County	District	FY 2024 Formula Aid	P.L.2023, c.32 Aid	FY 2024 Combined Aid	FY 2025 Proposed Aid	Proposed Reduction
1	Atlantic	Corbin City	\$492,838	\$14,276	\$507,114	\$422,900	-\$84,214
1	Atlantic	Estell Manor City	\$1,443,185	\$120,028	\$1,563,213	\$1,254,639	-\$308,574
1	Cape May	Cape May Point	\$2,027	\$2,730	\$4,757	\$759	-\$3,998
1	Cape May	Dennis Twp	\$1,574,187	\$365,234	\$1,939,421	\$1,468,141	-\$471,280
1	Cape May	Lower Cape May Regional	\$2,597,626	\$549,982	\$3,147,608	\$2,406,178	-\$741,430
1	Cape May	Lower Twp	\$2,656,707	\$658,502	\$3,315,209	\$2,426,071	-\$889,138
1	Cape May	Middle Twp	\$13,628,161	-	\$13,628,161	\$12,976,302	-\$651,859
1	Cape May	North Wildwood City	\$296,902	\$37,322	\$334,224	\$261,353	-\$72,871
1	Cape May	Sea Isle City	\$177,762	\$10,826	\$188,588	\$145,496	-\$43,092
1	Cape May	Stone Harbor Boro	\$51,952	-	\$51,952	\$50,466	-\$1,486
1	Cape May	Upper Twp	\$4,050,229	\$937,275	\$4,987,504	\$3,490,511	-\$1,496,993
1	Cape May	West Wildwood	\$53,997	-	\$53,997	\$53,008	-\$989
1	Cape May	Wildwood City	\$1,912,821	\$1,412,376	\$3,325,197	\$1,189,000	-\$2,136,197
1	Cape May	Wildwood Crest Boro	\$349,501	\$20,351	\$369,852	\$343,192	-\$26,660
2	Atlantic	Brigantine City	\$845,078	\$179,930	\$1,025,008	\$745,388	-\$279,620
2	Atlantic	Galloway Twp	\$27,662,176	-	\$27,662,176	\$27,564,182	-\$97,994
2	Atlantic	Linwood City	\$1,183,202	-	\$1,183,202	\$1,009,084	-\$174,118
2	Atlantic	Longport	\$89,385	-	\$89,385	\$78,154	-\$11,231
2	Atlantic	Mainland Regional	\$7,681,447	\$48,907	\$7,730,354	\$6,162,664	-\$1,567,690
2	Atlantic	Margate City	\$504,806	\$678	\$505,484	\$484,880	-\$20,604
2	Atlantic	Northfield City	\$5,485,418	-	\$5,485,418	\$4,672,785	-\$812,633
2	Atlantic	Somers Point City	\$3,301,645	\$728,519	\$4,030,164	\$2,166,186	-\$1,863,978
2	Atlantic	Ventnor City	\$1,159,698	\$113,804	\$1,273,502	\$1,047,819	-\$225,683
3	Gloucester	Clearview Regional	\$12,316,180	\$689,415	\$13,005,595	\$10,170,220	-\$2,835,375
3	Gloucester	East Greenwich Twp	\$7,464,867	-	\$7,464,867	\$6,770,313	-\$694,554
3	Gloucester	Elk Twp	\$2,264,465	-	\$2,264,465	\$2,062,379	-\$202,086
3	Gloucester	Logan Twp	\$1,734,931	\$338,215	\$2,073,146	\$1,760,425	-\$312,721
3	Gloucester	Mantua Twp	\$5,032,560	\$372,458	\$5,405,018	\$4,654,038	-\$750,980
3	Gloucester	Pitman Boro	\$5,508,314	\$973,152	\$6,481,466	\$4,743,930	-\$1,737,536
3	Gloucester	South Harrison Twp	\$943,448	-	\$943,448	\$519,597	-\$423,851
3	Gloucester	Wenonah Boro	\$196,348	\$23,466	\$219,814	\$191,800	-\$28,014
3	Gloucester	West Deptford Twp	\$14,909,089	-	\$14,909,089	\$14,747,025	-\$162,064
3	Salem	Alloway Twp	\$2,505,810	\$338,012	\$2,843,822	\$1,769,026	-\$1,074,796
3	Salem	Elsinboro Twp	\$1,056,271	-	\$1,056,271	\$714,037	-\$342,234
3	Salem	Lower Alloways Creek	\$327,920	\$35,967	\$363,887	\$328,000	-\$35,887
3	Salem	Pittsgrove Twp	\$14,504,727	-	\$14,504,727	\$14,162,477	-\$342,250
3	Salem	Quinton Twp	\$3,012,165	\$4,642	\$3,016,807	\$2,878,201	-\$138,606
3	Salem	Woodstown-Piles Grove Reg	\$8,675,911	-	\$8,675,911	\$8,664,405	-\$11,506
4	Camden	Black Horse Pike Regional	\$41,165,949	-	\$41,165,949	\$39,830,967	-\$1,334,982
4	Gloucester	Franklin Twp	\$8,391,093	\$168,866	\$8,559,959	\$8,448,740	-\$111,219
4	Gloucester	Newfield Boro	\$2,302,636	\$140,045	\$2,442,681	\$1,575,192	-\$867,489
5	Camden	Audubon Boro	\$7,914,508	-	\$7,914,508	\$7,762,531	-\$151,977
5	Camden	Barrington Boro	\$4,556,834	-	\$4,556,834	\$3,770,054	-\$786,780
5	Camden	Black Horse Pike Regional	\$41,165,949	-	\$41,165,949	\$39,830,967	-\$1,334,982
5	Camden	Haddon Heights Boro	\$1,333,891	-	\$1,333,891	\$1,282,909	-\$50,982
5	Camden	Runnemede Boro	\$7,106,398	-	\$7,106,398	\$2,872,443	-\$4,233,955
6	Camden	Audubon Boro (Audubon Park)	\$968,987	\$83,192	\$1,052,179	\$870,128	-\$182,051
6	Camden	Cherry Hill Twp	\$36,377,427	-	\$36,377,427	\$29,477,245	-\$6,900,182
6	Camden	Eastern Camden County Reg	\$10,704,565	-	\$10,704,565	\$9,524,187	-\$1,180,378
6	Camden	Gibbsboro Boro	\$2,240,277	-	\$2,240,277	\$2,044,303	-\$195,974
6	Camden	Haddon Twp	\$9,962,936	-	\$9,962,936	\$9,156,850	-\$806,086
6	Camden	Haddonfield (Tavistock)	\$268	\$187	\$455	\$188	-\$267
6	Camden	Oaklyn Boro	\$3,528,662	-	\$3,528,662	\$2,896,458	-\$632,204
6	Camden	Voorhees Twp	\$6,081,445	-	\$6,081,445	\$5,028,488	-\$1,052,957
7	Burlington	Bordentown Regional	\$9,828,082	\$427,888	\$10,255,970	\$8,213,153	-\$2,042,817

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LD	County	District	FY 2024 Formula Aid	P.L.2023, c.32 Aid	FY 2024 Combined Aid	FY 2025 Proposed Aid	Proposed Reduction
7	Burlington	Delanco Twp	\$2,716,007	-	\$2,716,007	\$2,276,300	-\$439,707
7	Burlington	Lenape Regional	\$23,623,885	\$775,551	\$24,399,436	\$18,931,779	-\$5,467,657
7	Burlington	Palmyra Boro	\$7,098,442	-	\$7,098,442	\$6,027,710	-\$1,070,732
7	Burlington	Riverton	\$548,200	\$266,077	\$814,277	\$432,064	-\$382,213
8	Atlantic	Mullica Twp	\$4,677,876	\$150,361	\$4,828,237	\$4,677,876	-\$150,361
8	Burlington	Bass River Twp	\$624,562	-	\$624,562	\$245,782	-\$378,780
8	Burlington	Chesterfield Twp	\$3,517,260	\$62,457	\$3,579,717	\$3,343,403	-\$236,314
8	Burlington	Eastampton Twp	\$3,873,600	-	\$3,873,600	\$3,843,579	-\$30,021
8	Burlington	Evesham Twp	\$6,773,130	\$486,787	\$7,259,917	\$6,754,617	-\$505,300
8	Burlington	Hainesport Twp	\$733,146	\$51,947	\$785,093	\$781,220	-\$3,873
8	Burlington	Lenape Regional	\$23,623,885	\$775,551	\$24,399,436	\$18,931,779	-\$5,467,657
8	Burlington	Lumberton Twp	\$4,721,940	\$88,800	\$4,810,740	\$3,704,424	-\$1,106,316
8	Burlington	Medford Lakes Boro	\$1,233,813	\$277,811	\$1,511,624	\$1,372,080	-\$139,544
8	Burlington	Pemberton Twp (Pemberton Boro)	\$211,712	-	\$211,712	\$109,666	-\$102,046
8	Burlington	Rancocas Valley Regional	\$17,344,064	-	\$17,344,064	\$17,240,858	-\$103,206
8	Burlington	Shamong Twp	\$2,829,452	\$176,013	\$3,005,465	\$2,253,039	-\$752,426
8	Burlington	Southampton Twp	\$1,282,876	\$36,053	\$1,318,929	\$1,298,908	-\$20,021
8	Burlington	Tabernacle Twp	\$2,641,666	\$276,473	\$2,918,139	\$2,361,221	-\$556,918
8	Burlington	Washington Twp	\$147,522	\$36,932	\$184,454	\$136,157	-\$48,297
8	Burlington	Westampton	\$5,072,008	-	\$5,072,008	\$5,027,560	-\$44,448
8	Burlington	Woodland Twp	\$534,022	\$41,069	\$575,091	\$268,360	-\$306,731
8	Ocean	Pinelands Regional	\$11,919,466	-	\$11,919,466	\$9,948,366	-\$1,971,100
9	Ocean	Barnegat Twp	\$25,694,371	-	\$25,694,371	\$23,729,468	-\$1,964,903
9	Ocean	Beach Haven Boro	\$74,049	-	\$74,049	\$61,361	-\$12,688
9	Ocean	Eagleswood Twp	\$562,892	\$8,055	\$570,947	\$535,069	-\$35,878
9	Ocean	Lacey Twp	\$10,470,890	\$2,619,533	\$13,090,423	\$7,264,988	-\$5,825,435
9	Ocean	Little Egg Harbor Twp	\$8,834,762	\$283,441	\$9,118,203	\$7,272,070	-\$1,846,133
9	Ocean	Long Beach Island	\$268,564	-	\$268,564	\$257,935	-\$10,629
9	Ocean	Ocean Gate Boro	\$382,276	\$155,454	\$537,730	\$346,568	-\$191,162
9	Ocean	Ocean Twp	\$1,748,949	\$419,134	\$2,168,083	\$1,683,865	-\$484,218
9	Ocean	Pinelands Regional	\$11,919,466	-	\$11,919,466	\$9,948,366	-\$1,971,100
9	Ocean	Stafford Twp	\$4,977,808	\$1,566,594	\$6,544,402	\$4,378,777	-\$2,165,625
9	Ocean	Toms River Regional	\$30,978,802	\$9,518,422	\$40,497,224	\$28,180,559	-\$12,316,665
9	Ocean	Tuckerton Boro	\$1,608,810	\$103,413	\$1,712,223	\$1,259,815	-\$452,408
10	Monmouth	Spring Lake Boro	\$276,636	-	\$276,636	\$260,911	-\$15,725
10	Ocean	Bay Head Boro	\$81,693	-	\$81,693	\$72,688	-\$9,005
10	Ocean	Brick Twp	\$14,632,033	\$1,677,892	\$16,309,925	\$14,519,578	-\$1,790,347
10	Ocean	Lavallette Boro	\$166,096	\$4,019	\$170,115	\$168,969	-\$1,146
10	Ocean	Point Pleasant Beach	\$603,862	\$3,606	\$607,468	\$580,936	-\$26,532
10	Ocean	Point Pleasant Boro	\$3,567,363	\$168,202	\$3,735,565	\$3,680,096	-\$55,469
10	Ocean	Seaside Heights Boro	\$348,697	\$147,948	\$496,645	\$257,317	-\$239,328
10	Ocean	Seaside Park Boro	\$65,153	\$2,493	\$67,646	\$52,375	-\$15,271
10	Ocean	Toms River Regional	\$30,978,802	\$9,518,422	\$40,497,224	\$28,180,559	-\$12,316,665
11	Monmouth	Allenhurst	\$39,274	-	\$39,274	\$35,412	-\$3,862
11	Monmouth	Asbury Park City	\$20,702,767	\$5,667,589	\$26,370,356	\$16,545,718	-\$9,824,638
11	Monmouth	Bradley Beach Boro	\$461,097	\$79,228	\$540,325	\$409,390	-\$130,935
11	Monmouth	Colts Neck Twp	\$1,835,151	-	\$1,835,151	\$1,821,070	-\$14,081
11	Monmouth	Eatontown Boro	\$1,742,104	\$96,348	\$1,838,452	\$1,775,784	-\$62,668
11	Monmouth	Loch Arbour	\$22,137	\$807	\$22,944	\$22,378	-\$566
11	Monmouth	Long Branch City	\$54,218,602	-	\$54,218,602	\$43,817,200	-\$10,401,402
11	Monmouth	Monmouth Regional	\$1,843,991	\$67,232	\$1,911,223	\$1,874,748	-\$36,475
11	Monmouth	Neptune City	\$716,560	\$94,305	\$810,865	\$670,301	-\$140,564
11	Monmouth	Neptune Twp	\$12,775,170	\$2,787,119	\$15,562,289	\$8,326,611	-\$7,235,678
11	Monmouth	Ocean Twp	\$5,563,580	\$32,861	\$5,596,441	\$5,587,145	-\$9,296
11	Monmouth	Red Bank Boro	\$8,776,601	\$360,165	\$9,136,766	\$7,057,307	-\$2,079,459
12	Middlesex	Old Bridge Twp	\$26,870,989	\$1,325,330	\$28,196,319	\$24,342,728	-\$3,853,591

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12	Middlesex	Spotswood (Helmetta)	\$296,511	\$109,486	\$405,997	\$284,908	-\$121,089
12	Monmouth	Manalapan-Englishtown Reg	\$8,154,718	\$797,983	\$8,952,701	\$8,177,339	-\$775,362
12	Monmouth	Upper Freehold Regional	\$2,574,502	\$232,290	\$2,806,792	\$2,580,991	-\$225,801
12	Ocean	Jackson Twp	\$27,861,779	\$4,149,911	\$32,011,690	\$23,402,010	-\$8,609,680
12	Ocean	Plumsted Twp	\$4,484,095	\$627,931	\$5,112,026	\$4,470,415	-\$641,611
13	Monmouth	Atlantic Highlands Boro	\$309,066	-	\$309,066	-	-\$309,066
13	Monmouth	Hazlet Twp	\$6,795,610	\$1,066,791	\$7,862,401	\$6,555,094	-\$1,307,307
13	Monmouth	Highlands Boro	\$229,270	\$41,796	\$271,066	-	-\$271,066
13	Monmouth	Keansburg Boro	\$24,300,776	\$403,195	\$24,703,971	\$24,300,776	-\$403,195
13	Monmouth	Oceanport Boro (Sea Bright)	\$45,203	\$1,148	\$46,351	\$39,494	-\$6,857
15	Hunterdon	Delaware Valley Regional	\$1,434,280	\$278,960	\$1,713,240	\$1,317,632	-\$395,608
15	Hunterdon	Frenchtown Boro	\$164,737	\$49,840	\$214,577	\$158,650	-\$55,927
15	Hunterdon	Hunterdon Central Reg	\$4,368,868	\$61,737	\$4,430,605	\$4,386,537	-\$44,068
16	Hunterdon	Clinton Town	\$576,078	-	\$576,078	\$459,730	-\$116,348
16	Hunterdon	High Bridge Boro	\$750,671	\$228,823	\$979,494	\$644,245	-\$335,249
16	Hunterdon	Hunterdon Central Reg	\$4,368,868	\$61,737	\$4,430,605	\$4,386,537	-\$44,068
16	Hunterdon	Lebanon Boro	\$155,856	-	\$155,856	\$148,500	-\$7,356
16	Hunterdon	N Hunt/Voorhees Regional	\$3,614,102	\$207,983	\$3,822,085	\$3,630,666	-\$191,419
16	Middlesex	South Brunswick Twp	\$15,684,951	\$2,681,738	\$18,366,689	\$14,275,906	-\$4,090,783
16	Somerset	Hillsborough Twp	\$20,610,037	\$585,188	\$21,195,225	\$17,897,452	-\$3,297,773
16	Somerset	Hillsborough Twp (Millstone)	\$32,491	\$17,462	\$49,953	\$16,572	-\$33,381
17	Somerset	Franklin Twp	\$21,506,144	-	\$21,506,144	\$21,119,162	-\$386,982
18	Middlesex	East Brunswick Twp	\$39,826,250	-	\$39,826,250	\$38,505,885	-\$1,320,365
18	Middlesex	Highland Park Boro	\$6,416,165	-	\$6,416,165	\$6,144,009	-\$272,156
18	Middlesex	South Plainfield Boro	\$16,357,405	-	\$16,357,405	\$12,788,220	-\$3,569,185
20	Union	Kenilworth Boro	\$5,563,722	\$66,628	\$5,630,350	\$3,872,360	-\$1,757,990
21	Union	Berkeley Heights Twp	\$3,027,816	-	\$3,027,816	\$3,019,951	-\$7,865
23	Hunterdon	Bloomsbury Boro	\$723,936	-	\$723,936	\$583,009	-\$140,927
23	Hunterdon	Califon Boro	\$99,204	\$11,781	\$110,985	\$101,595	-\$9,390
23	Hunterdon	Delaware Valley Regional	\$1,434,280	\$278,960	\$1,713,240	\$1,317,632	-\$395,608
23	Hunterdon	Lebanon Twp	\$950,476	\$71,563	\$1,022,039	\$934,749	-\$87,290
23	Hunterdon	N Hunt/Voorhees Regional	\$3,614,102	\$207,983	\$3,822,085	\$3,630,666	-\$191,419
23	Warren	Blairstown Twp (Hardwick)	\$103,446	\$32,331	\$135,777	\$99,810	-\$35,967
23	Warren	Franklin Twp	\$299,222	\$36,568	\$335,790	\$318,528	-\$17,262
23	Warren	Frelinghuysen Twp	\$207,950	\$38,394	\$246,344	\$209,075	-\$37,269
23	Warren	Great Meadows Regional	\$1,888,956	\$292,800	\$2,181,756	\$1,843,320	-\$338,436
23	Warren	Greenwich Twp	\$5,010,360	-	\$5,010,360	\$4,413,293	-\$597,067
23	Warren	Hope Twp	\$348,566	\$52,533	\$401,099	\$345,551	-\$55,548
23	Warren	Knowlton Twp	\$337,872	\$102,958	\$440,830	\$330,935	-\$109,895
23	Warren	North Warren Regional	\$1,226,248	\$377,929	\$1,604,177	\$1,174,533	-\$429,644
23	Warren	Oxford Twp	\$2,194,370	\$59,327	\$2,253,697	\$2,190,204	-\$63,493
23	Warren	Warren County Vocational	\$3,433,758	\$93,196	\$3,526,954	\$3,497,603	-\$29,351
23	Warren	Warren Hills Regional	\$9,385,897	\$553,212	\$9,939,109	\$9,084,167	-\$854,942
23	Warren	Washington Twp	\$803,768	\$224,213	\$1,027,981	\$739,075	-\$288,906
23	Warren	White Twp	\$622,794	\$89,369	\$712,163	\$574,022	-\$138,141
24	Morris	Roxbury Twp	\$8,387,471	\$488,799	\$8,876,270	\$6,490,582	-\$2,385,688
24	Morris	Washington Twp	\$3,685,673	\$308,550	\$3,994,223	\$3,742,959	-\$251,264
24	Sussex	Andover Reg	\$1,235,695	\$48,494	\$1,284,189	\$1,264,413	-\$19,776
24	Sussex	Frankford Twp	\$723,910	\$94,423	\$818,333	\$765,023	-\$53,310
24	Sussex	Frankford Twp(Branchville Boro)	\$177,441	-	\$177,441	\$163,350	-\$14,091
24	Sussex	Fredon Twp	\$292,167	\$18,984	\$311,151	\$305,044	-\$6,107
24	Sussex	Green Twp	\$1,130,859	\$427,010	\$1,557,869	\$973,721	-\$584,148
24	Sussex	Hamburg Boro	\$1,347,843	-	\$1,347,843	\$1,176,209	-\$171,634
24	Sussex	Hopatcong	\$2,716,165	\$712,854	\$3,429,019	\$2,881,593	-\$547,426
24	Sussex	Kittatinny Regional	\$1,631,368	\$441,514	\$2,072,882	\$1,443,308	-\$629,574
24	Sussex	Stillwater Twp	\$514,629	\$97,148	\$611,777	\$540,213	-\$71,564

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24	Sussex	Wallkill Valley Regional	\$3,197,129	\$69,619	\$3,266,748	\$3,243,616	-\$23,132
24	Warren	Great Meadows Regional	\$1,888,956	\$292,800	\$2,181,756	\$1,843,320	-\$338,436
24	Warren	Warren County Vocational	\$3,433,758	\$93,196	\$3,526,954	\$3,497,603	-\$29,351
25	Morris	Butler Boro	\$3,379,908	-	\$3,379,908	\$2,419,045	-\$960,863
25	Morris	Jefferson Twp	\$5,105,647	\$1,007,260	\$6,112,907	\$4,849,657	-\$1,263,250
25	Morris	Morris Hills Regional	\$10,159,410	-	\$10,159,410	\$8,796,506	-\$1,362,904
25	Morris	Rockaway Boro	\$2,067,164	-	\$2,067,164	\$1,918,254	-\$148,910
25	Passaic	West Milford Twp	\$5,571,517	\$788,110	\$6,359,627	\$5,489,980	-\$869,647
26	Morris	Morris Hills Regional	\$10,159,410	-	\$10,159,410	\$8,796,506	-\$1,362,904
26	Passaic	Lakeland Regional	\$1,746,442	\$427,002	\$2,173,444	\$1,604,452	-\$568,992
26	Passaic	Pompton Lakes Boro	\$9,913,824	-	\$9,913,824	\$9,489,432	-\$424,392
26	Passaic	Pingwood Boro	\$1,733,616	\$97,495	\$1,831,111	\$1,827,585	-\$3,526
27	Essex	Essex Co Voc-Tech	\$29,961,159	-	\$29,961,159	\$29,218,449	-\$742,710
27	Essex	West Orange Town	\$34,288,620	-	\$34,288,620	\$33,585,837	-\$702,783
28	Essex	Essex Co Voc-Tech	\$29,961,159	-	\$29,961,159	\$29,218,449	-\$742,710
29	Essex	Essex Co Voc-Tech	\$29,961,159	-	\$29,961,159	\$29,218,449	-\$742,710
30	Monmouth	Avon Boro	\$170,683	\$8,476	\$179,159	\$155,217	-\$23,942
30	Monmouth	Farmingdale Boro	\$541,292	\$52,322	\$593,614	\$589,115	-\$4,499
30	Monmouth	Lake Como	\$239,631	\$38,632	\$278,263	\$221,550	-\$56,713
31	Hudson	Jersey City	\$133,512,145	\$33,701,019	\$167,213,164	\$133,512,145	-\$33,701,019
32	Hudson	Jersey City	\$133,512,145	\$33,701,019	\$167,213,164	\$133,512,145	-\$33,701,019
34	Essex	Essex Co Voc-Tech	\$29,961,159	-	\$29,961,159	\$29,218,449	-\$742,710
36	Bergen	Ridgefield Boro	\$4,923,411	-	\$4,923,411	\$4,497,470	-\$425,941
37	Bergen	Leonora Boro	\$5,795,883	-	\$5,795,883	\$5,388,088	-\$407,795
38	Bergen	Hasbrouck Heights Boro	\$3,369,778	-	\$3,369,778	\$2,521,520	-\$848,258
38	Bergen	Hasbrouck Heights Boro (Teterboro)	\$11,615	\$3,661	\$15,276	\$12,760	-\$2,516
38	Bergen	New Milford Boro	\$4,076,227	\$397,496	\$4,473,723	\$4,065,497	-\$408,226
38	Bergen	River Dell Regional	\$2,633,055	-	\$2,633,055	\$2,329,282	-\$303,773
38	Bergen	River Edge Boro	\$3,777,747	-	\$3,777,747	\$3,261,595	-\$516,152
39	Bergen	Rockleigh	\$45,517	\$1,379	\$46,896	\$41,091	-\$5,805
39	Bergen	Waldwick Boro	\$2,425,057	\$137,612	\$2,562,669	\$2,233,597	-\$329,072
40	Essex	Essex Co Voc-Tech	\$29,961,159	-	\$29,961,159	\$29,218,449	-\$742,710
40	Passaic	Hawthorne Boro	\$4,778,522	-	\$4,778,522	\$3,893,802	-\$884,720
40	Passaic	Passaic Valley Regional	\$2,153,850	-	\$2,153,850	\$2,123,264	-\$30,586

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1	Atlantic	Atlantic Co Vocational	\$22,007,496	-	\$22,007,496	\$22,813,712	\$806,216
1	Atlantic	Weymouth Twp	\$651,399	\$96,798	\$748,197	\$1,082,281	\$334,084
1	Cape May	Avalon Boro	\$67,254	-	\$67,254	\$68,851	\$1,597
1	Cape May	Cape May City	\$191,918	\$3,874	\$195,792	\$199,894	\$4,102
1	Cape May	Cape May Co Vocational	\$1,396,049	-	\$1,396,049	\$1,396,049	-
1	Cape May	Ocean City	\$1,590,489	-	\$1,590,489	\$1,630,648	\$40,159
1	Cape May	West Cape May Boro	\$93,200	-	\$93,200	\$113,912	\$20,712
1	Cape May	Woodbine Boro	\$3,454,901	-	\$3,454,901	\$4,493,795	\$1,038,894
1	Cumberland	Bridgeton City	\$122,619,510	-	\$122,619,510	\$134,592,697	\$11,973,187
1	Cumberland	Commercial Twp	\$8,846,023	\$42,020	\$8,888,043	\$10,186,240	\$1,298,197
1	Cumberland	Cumberland Co Vocational	\$20,239,457	-	\$20,239,457	\$24,393,374	\$4,153,917
1	Cumberland	Cumberland Regional	\$15,957,283	-	\$15,957,283	\$19,460,153	\$3,502,870
1	Cumberland	Downe Twp	\$1,136,343	\$74,976	\$1,211,319	\$1,808,390	\$597,071
1	Cumberland	Fairfield Twp	\$5,269,552	-	\$5,269,552	\$7,668,076	\$2,498,524
1	Cumberland	Lawrence Twp	\$5,996,995	-	\$5,996,995	\$7,040,368	\$1,043,373
1	Cumberland	Maurice River Twp	\$5,339,868	-	\$5,339,868	\$5,653,165	\$313,297
1	Cumberland	Millville City	\$71,997,937	-	\$71,997,937	\$80,449,201	\$8,451,264
1	Cumberland	Vineland City	\$140,874,364	-	\$140,874,364	\$149,927,221	\$9,052,857
2	Atlantic	Absecon City	\$6,857,377	-	\$6,857,377	\$7,311,844	\$454,467
2	Atlantic	Atlantic City	\$115,106,753	-	\$115,106,753	\$124,522,187	\$9,415,434
2	Atlantic	Atlantic Co Vocational	\$22,007,496	-	\$22,007,496	\$22,813,712	\$806,216
2	Atlantic	Egg Harbor Twp	\$81,291,694	-	\$81,291,694	\$82,133,930	\$842,236
2	Atlantic	Greater Egg Harbor Reg	\$37,748,590	-	\$37,748,590	\$39,881,001	\$2,132,411
2	Atlantic	Hamilton Twp	\$29,315,327	-	\$29,315,327	\$31,370,820	\$2,055,493
2	Atlantic	Pleasantville City	\$78,544,456	-	\$78,544,456	\$82,695,781	\$4,151,325
2	Atlantic	Port Republic City	\$670,996	-	\$670,996	\$711,939	\$40,943
3	Cumberland	Cumberland Co Vocational	\$20,239,457	-	\$20,239,457	\$24,393,374	\$4,153,917
3	Cumberland	Cumberland Regional	\$15,957,283	-	\$15,957,283	\$19,460,153	\$3,502,870
3	Cumberland	Deerfield Twp	\$2,914,889	-	\$2,914,889	\$3,282,920	\$368,031
3	Cumberland	Greenwich Twp	\$576,814	-	\$576,814	\$723,980	\$147,166
3	Cumberland	Hopewell Twp	\$3,524,338	-	\$3,524,338	\$4,543,353	\$1,019,015
3	Cumberland	Hopewell Twp (Shiloh Boro)	\$339,642	-	\$339,642	\$566,805	\$227,163
3	Cumberland	Stow Creek Twp	\$455,065	\$31,638	\$486,703	\$809,415	\$322,712
3	Cumberland	Upper Deerfield Twp	\$10,053,443	-	\$10,053,443	\$11,988,360	\$1,934,917
3	Gloucester	Clayton Boro	\$18,191,602	-	\$18,191,602	\$19,951,401	\$1,759,799
3	Gloucester	Delsea Regional H.s Dist.	\$14,597,763	-	\$14,597,763	\$14,599,119	\$1,356
3	Gloucester	Gateway Regional	\$10,125,167	-	\$10,125,167	\$10,998,733	\$873,566
3	Gloucester	Glassboro	\$14,577,379	-	\$14,577,379	\$16,060,233	\$1,482,854
3	Gloucester	Gloucester Co Vocational	\$14,583,105	-	\$14,583,105	\$15,589,802	\$1,006,697
3	Gloucester	Greenwich Twp	\$805,726	-	\$805,726	\$888,776	\$83,050
3	Gloucester	Harrison Twp	\$5,430,972	-	\$5,430,972	\$5,430,972	-
3	Gloucester	Kingsway Regional	\$22,706,118	-	\$22,706,118	\$23,279,335	\$573,217
3	Gloucester	National Park Boro	\$3,096,968	-	\$3,096,968	\$3,322,499	\$225,531
3	Gloucester	Paulsboro Boro	\$20,143,338	-	\$20,143,338	\$22,693,902	\$2,550,564
3	Gloucester	Swedesboro-Woolwich	\$11,860,272	-	\$11,860,272	\$12,457,224	\$596,952
3	Gloucester	Westville Boro	\$4,224,331	-	\$4,224,331	\$4,993,652	\$769,321
3	Salem	Mannington Twp	\$243,637	\$27,548	\$271,185	\$517,067	\$245,882
3	Salem	Oldmans Twp	\$2,060,938	-	\$2,060,938	\$2,711,851	\$650,913
3	Salem	Penns Grv-Carney's Pt Reg	\$35,760,709	-	\$35,760,709	\$39,379,866	\$3,619,157
3	Salem	Pennsville	\$16,605,572	-	\$16,605,572	\$19,180,677	\$2,575,105
3	Salem	Pittsgrove Twp (Elmer Boro)	\$2,016,041	-	\$2,016,041	\$2,164,423	\$148,382
3	Salem	Salem City	\$20,824,366	-	\$20,824,366	\$24,905,890	\$4,081,524
3	Salem	Salem County Vocational	\$9,917,251	-	\$9,917,251	\$10,843,854	\$926,603
3	Salem	Upper Pittsgrove Twp	\$2,393,801	\$18,982	\$2,412,783	\$2,487,097	\$74,314
4	Atlantic	Atlantic Co Vocational	\$22,007,496	-	\$22,007,496	\$22,813,712	\$806,216

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4	Atlantic	Buena Regional	\$17,606,675	\$8,399	\$17,615,074	\$18,869,799	\$1,254,725
4	Camden	Camden County Vocational	\$31,321,244	-	\$31,321,244	\$32,830,805	\$1,509,561
4	Camden	Chesilhurst	\$1,552,558	-	\$1,552,558	\$2,324,662	\$772,104
4	Camden	Gloucester Twp	\$64,825,488	-	\$64,825,488	\$69,054,831	\$4,229,343
4	Camden	Waterford Twp	\$12,734,441	-	\$12,734,441	\$13,846,248	\$1,111,807
4	Camden	Winslow Twp	\$47,700,875	-	\$47,700,875	\$53,583,743	\$5,882,868
4	Gloucester	Delsea Regional H.s Dist.	\$14,597,763	-	\$14,597,763	\$14,599,119	\$1,356
4	Gloucester	Gloucester Co Vocational	\$14,583,105	-	\$14,583,105	\$15,589,802	\$1,006,697
4	Gloucester	Monroe Twp	\$54,624,992	-	\$54,624,992	\$60,267,589	\$5,642,597
4	Gloucester	Washington Twp	\$42,120,028	\$996,411	\$43,116,439	\$43,715,976	\$599,537
5	Camden	Bellmawr Boro	\$10,322,965	-	\$10,322,965	\$12,027,396	\$1,704,431
5	Camden	Brooklawn Boro	\$5,044,261	-	\$5,044,261	\$5,692,030	\$647,769
5	Camden	Camden City	\$333,950,970	-	\$333,950,970	\$348,746,369	\$14,795,399
5	Camden	Camden County Vocational	\$31,321,244	-	\$31,321,244	\$32,830,805	\$1,509,561
5	Camden	Collingswood Boro	\$10,689,136	-	\$10,689,136	\$10,689,136	-
5	Camden	Gloucester City	\$36,762,342	-	\$36,762,342	\$40,554,907	\$3,792,565
5	Camden	Merchantville Boro	\$5,054,430	-	\$5,054,430	\$5,200,662	\$146,232
5	Camden	Mount Ephraim Boro	\$4,284,646	-	\$4,284,646	\$4,506,807	\$222,161
5	Camden	Pennsauken Twp	\$77,448,446	-	\$77,448,446	\$91,792,960	\$14,344,514
5	Camden	Woodlynne Boro	\$11,645,502	-	\$11,645,502	\$13,759,370	\$2,113,868
5	Gloucester	Deptford Twp	\$30,034,804	-	\$30,034,804	\$34,103,651	\$4,068,847
5	Gloucester	Gateway Regional	\$10,125,167	-	\$10,125,167	\$10,998,733	\$873,566
5	Gloucester	Gloucester Co Vocational	\$14,583,105	-	\$14,583,105	\$15,589,802	\$1,006,697
5	Gloucester	Woodbury City	\$23,914,783	-	\$23,914,783	\$26,529,113	\$2,614,330
5	Gloucester	Woodbury Heights Boro	\$1,468,892	-	\$1,468,892	\$1,543,505	\$74,613
6	Burlington	Burlington Co Vocational	\$17,162,374	-	\$17,162,374	\$17,382,315	\$219,941
6	Burlington	Maple Shade Twp	\$24,188,902	-	\$24,188,902	\$26,878,428	\$2,689,526
6	Camden	Berlin Boro	\$6,217,587	-	\$6,217,587	\$6,803,228	\$585,641
6	Camden	Berlin Twp	\$5,730,072	-	\$5,730,072	\$6,869,484	\$1,139,412
6	Camden	Camden County Vocational	\$31,321,244	-	\$31,321,244	\$32,830,805	\$1,509,561
6	Camden	Clementon Boro	\$11,060,703	-	\$11,060,703	\$13,276,201	\$2,215,498
6	Camden	Haddonfield	\$3,024,102	-	\$3,024,102	\$3,380,441	\$356,339
6	Camden	Hi Nella	\$1,415,364	\$87,368	\$1,502,732	\$1,951,003	\$448,271
6	Camden	Laurel Springs Boro	\$3,321,076	-	\$3,321,076	\$3,869,251	\$548,175
6	Camden	Lawnside Boro	\$5,998,562	-	\$5,998,562	\$6,825,601	\$827,039
6	Camden	Lindenwold Boro	\$59,524,585	-	\$59,524,585	\$66,026,101	\$6,501,516
6	Camden	Magnolia Boro	\$3,544,423	-	\$3,544,423	\$4,764,502	\$1,220,079
6	Camden	Pine Hill Boro	\$23,784,969	-	\$23,784,969	\$26,099,070	\$2,314,101
6	Camden	Pine Valley	-	-	-	-	-
6	Camden	Somerdale Boro	\$4,222,753	\$138,435	\$4,361,188	\$4,806,235	\$445,047
6	Camden	Sterling High School Dist	\$9,929,381	-	\$9,929,381	\$10,650,093	\$720,712
6	Camden	Stratford Boro	\$8,035,487	-	\$8,035,487	\$8,078,117	\$42,630
7	Burlington	Beverly City	\$6,380,701	-	\$6,380,701	\$6,685,551	\$304,850
7	Burlington	Burlington City	\$22,124,573	-	\$22,124,573	\$26,723,505	\$4,598,932
7	Burlington	Burlington Co Vocational	\$17,162,374	-	\$17,162,374	\$17,382,315	\$219,941
7	Burlington	Burlington Twp	\$26,963,177	-	\$26,963,177	\$28,058,814	\$1,095,637
7	Burlington	Cinnaminson Twp	\$19,342,148	-	\$19,342,148	\$21,096,944	\$1,754,796
7	Burlington	Delran Twp	\$26,723,560	-	\$26,723,560	\$29,300,172	\$2,576,612
7	Burlington	Edgewater Park Twp	\$14,156,311	-	\$14,156,311	\$17,317,430	\$3,161,119
7	Burlington	Florence Twp	\$12,042,231	-	\$12,042,231	\$12,375,146	\$332,915
7	Burlington	Moorestown Twp	\$5,412,056	-	\$5,412,056	\$6,247,623	\$835,567
7	Burlington	Mount Laurel Twp	\$7,364,000	-	\$7,364,000	\$7,636,887	\$272,887
7	Burlington	Riverside Twp	\$21,469,309	-	\$21,469,309	\$26,998,219	\$5,528,910
7	Burlington	Willingboro Twp	\$51,559,840	-	\$51,559,840	\$54,791,936	\$3,232,096
8	Atlantic	Atlantic Co Vocational	\$22,007,496	-	\$22,007,496	\$22,813,712	\$806,216
8	Atlantic	Egg Harbor City	\$8,727,784	-	\$8,727,784	\$9,629,265	\$901,481

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LD	County	District	FY 2024 Formula Aid	P.L.2023, c.32 Aid	FY 2024 Combined Aid	FY 2025 Proposed Aid	Proposed Increase
8	Atlantic	Folsom Boro	\$4,542,103	\$59,834	\$4,601,937	\$4,806,512	\$204,575
8	Atlantic	Greater Egg Harbor Reg	\$37,748,590	-	\$37,748,590	\$39,881,001	\$2,132,411
8	Atlantic	Hammonton Town	\$29,315,130	-	\$29,315,130	\$29,315,130	-
8	Burlington	Burlington Co Vocational	\$17,162,374	-	\$17,162,374	\$17,382,315	\$219,941
8	Burlington	Mansfield Twp	\$864,028	-	\$864,028	\$1,016,830	\$152,802
8	Burlington	Medford Twp	\$4,252,865	-	\$4,252,865	\$4,651,272	\$398,407
8	Burlington	Mount Holly Twp	\$14,033,569	-	\$14,033,569	\$15,850,191	\$1,816,622
8	Burlington	New Hanover Twp	\$2,128,981	-	\$2,128,981	\$2,646,780	\$517,799
8	Burlington	Northern Burlington Reg	\$18,221,806	-	\$18,221,806	\$18,987,801	\$765,995
8	Burlington	Pemberton Twp	\$65,407,716	\$214,577	\$65,622,293	\$66,615,453	\$993,160
8	Burlington	Springfield Twp	\$793,414	-	\$793,414	\$795,102	\$1,688
9	Ocean	Berkeley Twp	\$3,498,416	-	\$3,498,416	\$3,808,720	\$310,304
9	Ocean	Central Regional	\$4,216,590	-	\$4,216,590	\$4,488,613	\$272,023
9	Ocean	Lakehurst Boro	\$6,864,309	-	\$6,864,309	\$7,773,019	\$908,710
9	Ocean	Manchester Twp	\$5,372,064	-	\$5,372,064	\$5,986,685	\$614,621
9	Ocean	Ocean County Vocational	\$5,585,095	-	\$5,585,095	\$5,585,095	-
9	Ocean	Southern Regional	\$3,935,969	-	\$3,935,969	\$4,234,450	\$298,481
10	Monmouth	Brielle Boro	\$871,767	-	\$871,767	\$932,307	\$60,540
10	Monmouth	Manasquan Boro	\$873,431	-	\$873,431	\$932,525	\$59,094
10	Monmouth	Monmouth Co Vocational	\$8,120,555	-	\$8,120,555	\$8,120,555	-
10	Monmouth	Sea Girt Boro	\$149,542	-	\$149,542	\$157,739	\$8,197
10	Monmouth	Spring Lake Heights Boro	\$534,142	-	\$534,142	\$553,709	\$19,567
10	Ocean	Central Regional	\$4,216,590	-	\$4,216,590	\$4,488,613	\$272,023
10	Ocean	Island Heights Boro	\$161,476	-	\$161,476	\$169,291	\$7,815
10	Ocean	Ocean County Vocational	\$5,585,095	-	\$5,585,095	\$5,585,095	-
10	Ocean	Point Pleasant Beach (Mantoloking)	\$6,719	-	\$6,719	\$7,891	\$1,172
11	Monmouth	Deal Boro	\$250,981	-	\$250,981	\$252,136	\$1,155
11	Monmouth	Fair Haven Boro	\$1,099,538	-	\$1,099,538	\$1,232,597	\$133,059
11	Monmouth	Freehold Boro	\$25,405,122	-	\$25,405,122	\$26,863,748	\$1,458,626
11	Monmouth	Freehold Regional	\$23,786,497	\$4,464,057	\$28,250,554	\$30,550,220	\$2,299,666
11	Monmouth	Freehold Twp	\$5,277,991	-	\$5,277,991	\$5,864,246	\$586,255
11	Monmouth	Interlaken	\$119,452	-	\$119,452	\$133,244	\$13,792
11	Monmouth	Monmouth Co Vocational	\$8,120,555	-	\$8,120,555	\$8,120,555	-
11	Monmouth	Red Bank Regional	\$1,787,169	-	\$1,787,169	\$2,029,229	\$242,060
11	Monmouth	Rumson-Fair Haven Reg	\$1,275,361	-	\$1,275,361	\$1,298,564	\$23,203
11	Monmouth	Shrewsbury Boro	\$525,747	-	\$525,747	\$569,512	\$43,765
11	Monmouth	Tinton Falls	\$2,532,454	\$50,776	\$2,583,230	\$2,751,903	\$168,673
12	Burlington	Burlington Co Vocational	\$17,162,374	-	\$17,162,374	\$17,382,315	\$219,941
12	Burlington	North Hanover Twp	\$17,829,739	-	\$17,829,739	\$19,645,347	\$1,815,608
12	Burlington	Northern Burlington Reg	\$18,221,806	-	\$18,221,806	\$18,987,801	\$765,995
12	Middlesex	Middlesex Co Vocational	\$19,381,915	-	\$19,381,915	\$20,565,050	\$1,183,135
12	Middlesex	Spotswood	\$6,307,471	-	\$6,307,471	\$7,029,009	\$721,538
12	Monmouth	Freehold Regional	\$23,786,497	\$4,464,057	\$28,250,554	\$30,550,220	\$2,299,666
12	Monmouth	Matawan-Aberdeen Regional	\$14,246,781	-	\$14,246,781	\$15,251,934	\$1,005,153
12	Monmouth	Millstone Twp	\$2,941,663	\$80,399	\$3,022,062	\$3,116,463	\$94,401
12	Monmouth	Monmouth Co Vocational	\$8,120,555	-	\$8,120,555	\$8,120,555	-
12	Monmouth	Roosevelt Boro	\$687,139	-	\$687,139	\$987,067	\$299,928
12	Ocean	Ocean County Vocational	\$5,585,095	-	\$5,585,095	\$5,585,095	-
13	Monmouth	Freehold Regional	\$23,786,497	\$4,464,057	\$28,250,554	\$30,550,220	\$2,299,666
13	Monmouth	Henry Hudson Regional	\$499,068	\$38,338	\$537,406	\$1,093,926	\$556,520
13	Monmouth	Holmdel Twp	\$4,725,189	-	\$4,725,189	\$5,135,133	\$409,944
13	Monmouth	Keyport Boro	\$4,800,107	\$96,664	\$4,896,771	\$5,675,580	\$778,809
13	Monmouth	Little Silver Boro	\$875,998	-	\$875,998	\$897,082	\$21,084
13	Monmouth	Marlboro Twp	\$7,498,856	\$141,479	\$7,640,335	\$8,057,759	\$417,424
13	Monmouth	Matawan-Aberdeen Regional	\$14,246,781	-	\$14,246,781	\$15,251,934	\$1,005,153

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LD	County	District	FY 2024 Formula Aid	P.L.2023, c.32 Aid	FY 2024 Combined Aid	FY 2025 Proposed Aid	Proposed Increase
13	Monmouth	Middletown Twp	\$13,200,485	\$217,769	\$13,418,254	\$13,990,077	\$571,823
13	Monmouth	Monmouth Beach Boro	\$234,592	-	\$234,592	\$254,651	\$20,059
13	Monmouth	Monmouth Co Vocational	\$8,120,555	-	\$8,120,555	\$8,120,555	-
13	Monmouth	Oceanport Boro	\$766,249	-	\$766,249	\$926,353	\$160,104
13	Monmouth	Red Bank Regional	\$1,787,169	-	\$1,787,169	\$2,029,229	\$242,060
13	Monmouth	Rumson Boro	\$1,042,247	-	\$1,042,247	\$1,166,449	\$124,202
13	Monmouth	Rumson-Fair Haven Reg	\$1,275,361	-	\$1,275,361	\$1,298,564	\$23,203
13	Monmouth	Shore Regional	\$891,348	-	\$891,348	\$931,316	\$39,968
13	Monmouth	Union Beach	\$5,725,773	-	\$5,725,773	\$5,725,773	-
13	Monmouth	West Long Branch Boro	\$744,380	-	\$744,380	\$958,441	\$214,061
14	Mercer	East Windsor Regional	\$48,573,275	-	\$48,573,275	\$48,644,884	\$71,609
14	Mercer	Hamilton Twp	\$109,271,095	-	\$109,271,095	\$134,701,935	\$25,430,840
14	Mercer	Mercer County Vocational	\$5,709,048	-	\$5,709,048	\$6,341,720	\$632,672
14	Mercer	Robbinsville Twp	\$10,119,558	-	\$10,119,558	\$10,119,558	-
14	Mercer	W Windsor-Plainsboro Reg	\$14,493,990	-	\$14,493,990	\$16,145,757	\$1,651,767
14	Middlesex	Cranbury Twp	\$1,038,913	-	\$1,038,913	\$1,100,536	\$61,623
14	Middlesex	Jamesburg Boro	\$10,893,725	-	\$10,893,725	\$13,152,700	\$2,258,975
14	Middlesex	Middlesex Co Vocational	\$19,381,915	-	\$19,381,915	\$20,565,050	\$1,183,135
14	Middlesex	Monroe Twp	\$11,170,497	-	\$11,170,497	\$12,274,587	\$1,104,090
15	Hunterdon	Delaware Twp	\$636,662	-	\$636,662	\$691,788	\$55,126
15	Hunterdon	East Amwell Twp	\$521,349	-	\$521,349	\$593,842	\$72,493
15	Hunterdon	Hunterdon Co Vocational	\$933,283	-	\$933,283	\$933,283	-
15	Hunterdon	Kingwood Twp	\$511,888	\$61,303	\$573,191	\$584,351	\$11,160
15	Hunterdon	South-Hunterdon	\$1,346,649	-	\$1,346,649	\$1,407,279	\$60,630
15	Mercer	Ewing Twp	\$25,216,765	-	\$25,216,765	\$25,991,249	\$774,484
15	Mercer	Hopewell Valley Regional	\$5,604,495	-	\$5,604,495	\$6,116,840	\$512,345
15	Mercer	Lawrence Twp	\$6,442,083	-	\$6,442,083	\$6,905,878	\$463,795
15	Mercer	Mercer County Vocational	\$5,709,048	-	\$5,709,048	\$6,341,720	\$632,672
15	Mercer	Trenton City	\$336,330,541	-	\$336,330,541	\$377,118,410	\$40,787,869
15	Mercer	W Windsor-Plainsboro Reg	\$14,493,990	-	\$14,493,990	\$16,145,757	\$1,651,767
16	Hunterdon	Clinton Twp	\$2,226,399	-	\$2,226,399	\$2,293,940	\$67,541
16	Hunterdon	Flemington-Raritan Reg	\$5,546,642	\$107,069	\$5,653,711	\$6,095,841	\$442,130
16	Hunterdon	Hunterdon Co Vocational	\$933,283	-	\$933,283	\$933,283	-
16	Hunterdon	Readington Twp	\$2,409,287	-	\$2,409,287	\$2,764,562	\$355,275
16	Mercer	Mercer County Vocational	\$5,709,048	-	\$5,709,048	\$6,341,720	\$632,672
16	Mercer	Princeton	\$5,348,358	-	\$5,348,358	\$5,825,807	\$477,449
16	Middlesex	Middlesex Co Vocational	\$19,381,915	-	\$19,381,915	\$20,565,050	\$1,183,135
16	Somerset	Branchburg Twp	\$3,352,821	-	\$3,352,821	\$3,741,018	\$388,197
16	Somerset	Montgomery Twp	\$7,724,327	-	\$7,724,327	\$8,393,076	\$668,749
16	Somerset	Montgomery Twp (Rocky Hill)	\$119,325	-	\$119,325	\$139,605	\$20,280
16	Somerset	Somerset Co Vocational	\$1,428,562	-	\$1,428,562	\$1,428,562	-
17	Middlesex	Middlesex Co Vocational	\$19,381,915	-	\$19,381,915	\$20,565,050	\$1,183,135
17	Middlesex	New Brunswick City	\$185,885,120	-	\$185,885,120	\$198,757,814	\$12,872,694
17	Middlesex	North Brunswick Twp	\$46,649,823	-	\$46,649,823	\$56,141,437	\$9,491,614
17	Middlesex	Piscataway Twp	\$21,836,042	\$350,077	\$22,186,119	\$26,654,634	\$4,468,515
17	Somerset	Somerset Co Vocational	\$1,428,562	-	\$1,428,562	\$1,428,562	-
17	Somerset	South Bound Brook	\$6,272,025	-	\$6,272,025	\$6,598,461	\$326,436
18	Middlesex	Edison Twp	\$73,507,998	-	\$73,507,998	\$94,373,215	\$20,865,217
18	Middlesex	Metuchen Boro	\$2,880,618	-	\$2,880,618	\$3,200,394	\$319,776
18	Middlesex	Middlesex Co Vocational	\$19,381,915	-	\$19,381,915	\$20,565,050	\$1,183,135
18	Middlesex	Milltown Boro	\$5,553,394	-	\$5,553,394	\$7,424,861	\$1,871,467
18	Middlesex	South River Boro	\$28,828,110	-	\$28,828,110	\$32,884,120	\$4,056,010
19	Middlesex	Carteret Boro	\$49,821,220	-	\$49,821,220	\$59,733,450	\$9,912,230
19	Middlesex	Middlesex Co Vocational	\$19,381,915	-	\$19,381,915	\$20,565,050	\$1,183,135
19	Middlesex	Perth Amboy City	\$193,187,152	-	\$193,187,152	\$209,659,195	\$16,472,043
19	Middlesex	Sayreville Boro	\$41,503,852	-	\$41,503,852	\$48,223,754	\$6,719,902

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19	Middlesex	South Amboy City	\$8,374,855	-	\$8,374,855	\$9,573,009	\$1,198,154
19	Middlesex	Woodbridge Twp	\$103,258,413	-	\$103,258,413	\$127,342,551	\$24,084,138
20	Union	Elizabeth City	\$504,440,064	-	\$504,440,064	\$554,610,546	\$50,170,482
20	Union	Roselle Boro	\$40,554,813	-	\$40,554,813	\$47,692,283	\$7,137,470
20	Union	Union County Vocational	\$17,505,113	-	\$17,505,113	\$18,615,140	\$1,110,027
20	Union	Union Twp	\$45,949,949	-	\$45,949,949	\$57,804,572	\$11,854,623
21	Middlesex	Dunellen Boro	\$15,939,663	-	\$15,939,663	\$19,256,004	\$3,316,341
21	Middlesex	Middlesex Boro	\$14,832,456	-	\$14,832,456	\$17,289,575	\$2,457,119
21	Middlesex	Middlesex Co Vocational	\$19,381,915	-	\$19,381,915	\$20,565,050	\$1,183,135
21	Morris	Long Hill Twp	\$1,258,184	-	\$1,258,184	\$1,413,506	\$155,322
21	Morris	Morris County Vocational	\$1,816,157	-	\$1,816,157	\$1,977,235	\$161,078
21	Morris	Sch Dist Of The Chathams	\$4,780,762	-	\$4,780,762	\$5,156,910	\$376,148
21	Somerset	Bernards Twp	\$7,379,157	-	\$7,379,157	\$8,263,018	\$883,861
21	Somerset	Green Brook Twp	\$1,803,374	-	\$1,803,374	\$1,942,665	\$139,291
21	Somerset	Somerset Co Vocational	\$1,428,562	-	\$1,428,562	\$1,428,562	-
21	Somerset	Somerset Hills Regional	\$2,298,892	-	\$2,298,892	\$2,442,478	\$143,586
21	Somerset	Warren Twp	\$3,022,886	-	\$3,022,886	\$3,144,257	\$121,371
21	Somerset	Watchung Boro	\$1,116,702	-	\$1,116,702	\$1,325,993	\$209,291
21	Somerset	Watchung Hills Regional	\$2,439,898	-	\$2,439,898	\$2,573,281	\$133,383
21	Union	Garwood Boro	\$701,643	-	\$701,643	\$776,165	\$74,522
21	Union	Mountainside Boro	\$1,484,594	-	\$1,484,594	\$1,643,111	\$158,517
21	Union	New Providence Boro	\$2,895,412	-	\$2,895,412	\$3,234,595	\$339,183
21	Union	Springfield Twp	\$3,132,281	-	\$3,132,281	\$3,447,296	\$315,015
21	Union	Summit City	\$4,735,491	-	\$4,735,491	\$5,341,936	\$606,445
21	Union	Union County Vocational	\$17,505,113	-	\$17,505,113	\$18,615,140	\$1,110,027
21	Union	Westfield Town	\$7,549,099	-	\$7,549,099	\$8,396,328	\$847,229
22	Somerset	North Plainfield Boro	\$58,649,072	-	\$58,649,072	\$68,322,868	\$9,673,796
22	Somerset	Somerset Co Vocational	\$1,428,562	-	\$1,428,562	\$1,428,562	-
22	Union	Clark Twp	\$2,803,295	-	\$2,803,295	\$3,007,847	\$204,552
22	Union	Cranford Twp	\$4,556,373	-	\$4,556,373	\$5,081,555	\$525,182
22	Union	Linden City	\$54,284,533	-	\$54,284,533	\$65,428,814	\$11,144,281
22	Union	Plainfield City	\$235,072,376	-	\$235,072,376	\$265,204,841	\$30,132,465
22	Union	Rahway City	\$37,678,120	-	\$37,678,120	\$50,341,186	\$12,663,066
22	Union	Roselle Park Boro	\$19,249,850	-	\$19,249,850	\$21,032,125	\$1,782,275
22	Union	Scotch Plains-Fanwood Reg	\$7,401,870	-	\$7,401,870	\$8,523,461	\$1,121,591
22	Union	Union County Vocational	\$17,505,113	-	\$17,505,113	\$18,615,140	\$1,110,027
22	Union	Winfield Twp	\$1,468,664	\$11,836	\$1,480,500	\$2,130,978	\$650,478
23	Hunterdon	Alexandria Twp	\$763,278	\$60,181	\$823,459	\$835,380	\$11,921
23	Hunterdon	Bethlehem Twp	\$634,072	\$50,805	\$684,877	\$695,797	\$10,920
23	Hunterdon	Clinton Town (Glen Gardner)	\$362,783	\$33,907	\$396,690	\$555,834	\$159,144
23	Hunterdon	Franklin Twp	\$445,852	-	\$445,852	\$478,960	\$33,108
23	Hunterdon	Hampton Boro	\$878,318	-	\$878,318	\$1,162,013	\$283,695
23	Hunterdon	Holland Twp	\$892,752	\$140,779	\$1,033,531	\$1,049,581	\$16,050
23	Hunterdon	Hunterdon Co Vocational	\$933,283	-	\$933,283	\$933,283	-
23	Hunterdon	Milford Boro	\$147,120	\$44,594	\$191,714	\$277,321	\$85,607
23	Hunterdon	Tewksbury Twp	\$1,015,027	-	\$1,015,027	\$1,070,474	\$55,447
23	Hunterdon	Union Twp	\$660,745	-	\$660,745	\$814,199	\$153,454
23	Somerset	Bedminster Twp	\$1,168,729	-	\$1,168,729	\$1,241,261	\$72,532
23	Somerset	Bound Brook Boro	\$30,226,013	-	\$30,226,013	\$34,828,069	\$4,602,056
23	Somerset	Bridgewater-Raritan Reg	\$13,554,948	-	\$13,554,948	\$14,712,913	\$1,157,965
23	Somerset	Manville Boro	\$21,022,232	-	\$21,022,232	\$26,893,117	\$5,870,885
23	Somerset	Somerset Co Vocational	\$1,428,562	-	\$1,428,562	\$1,428,562	-
23	Somerset	Somerville Boro	\$9,630,266	-	\$9,630,266	\$10,043,891	\$413,625
23	Warren	Alpha Boro	\$2,121,801	-	\$2,121,801	\$2,402,610	\$280,809
23	Warren	Belvidere Town	\$2,531,769	\$92,227	\$2,623,996	\$2,724,579	\$100,583
23	Warren	Blairstown Twp	\$790,663	\$15,252	\$805,915	\$811,566	\$5,651

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LD	County	District	FY 2024 Formula Aid	P.L.2023, c.32 Aid	FY 2024 Combined Aid	FY 2025 Proposed Aid	Proposed Increase
23	Warren	Hackettstown	\$16,100,615	-	\$16,100,615	\$19,381,147	\$3,280,532
23	Warren	Harmony Twp	\$392,530	\$640	\$393,170	\$421,298	\$28,128
23	Warren	Lopatcong Twp	\$4,141,731	-	\$4,141,731	\$4,551,850	\$410,119
23	Warren	Mansfield Twp	\$3,617,731	\$124,277	\$3,742,008	\$5,071,430	\$1,329,422
23	Warren	Phillipsburg Town	\$47,178,953	-	\$47,178,953	\$51,272,752	\$4,093,799
23	Warren	Pohatcong Twp	\$2,612,592	-	\$2,612,592	\$2,750,316	\$137,724
23	Warren	Washington Boro	\$4,477,311	-	\$4,477,311	\$5,483,487	\$1,006,176
24	Morris	Chester Twp	\$1,666,101	-	\$1,666,101	\$1,879,599	\$213,498
24	Morris	Morris County Vocational	\$1,816,157	-	\$1,816,157	\$1,977,235	\$161,078
24	Morris	Mount Olive Twp	\$34,706,288	-	\$34,706,288	\$39,800,820	\$5,094,532
24	Morris	Netcong Boro	\$2,305,031	-	\$2,305,031	\$2,545,805	\$240,774
24	Morris	West Morris Regional	\$3,814,662	\$47,606	\$3,862,268	\$3,998,864	\$136,596
24	Sussex	Byram Twp	\$1,979,010	\$16,292	\$1,995,302	\$2,103,646	\$108,344
24	Sussex	Franklin Boro	\$3,442,968	-	\$3,442,968	\$4,453,445	\$1,010,477
24	Sussex	Hampton Twp	\$576,734	\$31,660	\$608,394	\$720,204	\$111,810
24	Sussex	Hardyston Twp	\$1,122,984	\$50,044	\$1,173,028	\$1,237,123	\$64,095
24	Sussex	High Point Regional	\$3,413,610	\$33,680	\$3,447,290	\$3,611,884	\$164,594
24	Sussex	Lafayette Twp	\$335,661	-	\$335,661	\$362,832	\$27,171
24	Sussex	Lenape Valley Regional	\$4,536,665	-	\$4,536,665	\$5,315,458	\$778,793
24	Sussex	Montague Twp	\$2,135,063	-	\$2,135,063	\$2,210,289	\$75,226
24	Sussex	Newton Town	\$12,994,296	-	\$12,994,296	\$15,497,290	\$2,502,994
24	Sussex	Ogdensburg Boro	\$1,612,425	-	\$1,612,425	\$1,779,591	\$167,166
24	Sussex	Sandyston-Walpack Twp	\$440,917	-	\$440,917	\$594,673	\$153,756
24	Sussex	Sparta Twp	\$5,763,479	-	\$5,763,479	\$6,388,376	\$624,897
24	Sussex	Stanhope Boro	\$1,113,251	-	\$1,113,251	\$1,444,308	\$331,057
24	Sussex	Sussex County Vocational	\$4,197,167	-	\$4,197,167	\$4,197,167	-
24	Sussex	Sussex-Wantage Regional	\$5,740,648	-	\$5,740,648	\$6,678,290	\$937,642
24	Sussex	Vernon Twp	\$16,356,084	\$211,766	\$16,567,850	\$17,378,143	\$810,293
24	Warren	Allamuchy Twp	\$1,063,035	-	\$1,063,035	\$1,186,174	\$123,139
25	Morris	Boonton Twp	\$873,055	-	\$873,055	\$942,734	\$69,679
25	Morris	Dover Town	\$51,139,095	-	\$51,139,095	\$56,331,052	\$5,191,957
25	Morris	Dover Town (Victory Gardens)	\$5,387,665	-	\$5,387,665	\$5,641,547	\$253,882
25	Morris	Harding Township	\$716,619	-	\$716,619	\$768,872	\$52,253
25	Morris	Kinnelon Boro	\$2,767,647	-	\$2,767,647	\$3,064,772	\$297,125
25	Morris	Madison Boro	\$3,082,108	-	\$3,082,108	\$3,460,536	\$378,428
25	Morris	Mendham Boro	\$570,877	-	\$570,877	\$628,584	\$57,707
25	Morris	Mendham Twp	\$1,268,851	-	\$1,268,851	\$1,471,555	\$202,704
25	Morris	Mine Hill Twp	\$2,424,008	-	\$2,424,008	\$3,179,427	\$755,419
25	Morris	Morris County Vocational	\$1,816,157	-	\$1,816,157	\$1,977,235	\$161,078
25	Morris	Morris School District	\$8,830,986	-	\$8,830,986	\$9,906,463	\$1,075,477
25	Morris	Mount Arlington Boro	\$868,905	-	\$868,905	\$948,600	\$79,695
25	Morris	Randolph Twp	\$6,957,114	\$410,721	\$7,367,835	\$7,369,785	\$1,950
25	Morris	Rockaway Twp	\$4,031,485	-	\$4,031,485	\$4,500,196	\$468,711
25	Morris	West Morris Regional	\$3,814,662	\$47,606	\$3,862,268	\$3,998,864	\$136,596
25	Morris	Wharton Boro	\$7,356,643	-	\$7,356,643	\$8,901,533	\$1,544,890
25	Passaic	Passaic County Vocational	\$66,796,098	-	\$66,796,098	\$71,833,112	\$5,037,014
26	Morris	Boonton Town	\$3,873,077	-	\$3,873,077	\$5,754,936	\$1,881,859
26	Morris	Denville Twp	\$2,916,066	-	\$2,916,066	\$3,396,690	\$480,624
26	Morris	East Hanover Twp	\$1,355,808	-	\$1,355,808	\$1,773,197	\$417,389
26	Morris	Florham Park Boro	\$1,272,647	-	\$1,272,647	\$1,430,098	\$157,451
26	Morris	Hanover Park Regional	\$2,276,263	-	\$2,276,263	\$2,387,871	\$111,608
26	Morris	Hanover Twp	\$1,719,210	-	\$1,719,210	\$1,798,785	\$79,575
26	Morris	Lincoln Park Boro	\$2,009,872	-	\$2,009,872	\$2,392,549	\$382,677
26	Morris	Montville Twp	\$5,136,781	-	\$5,136,781	\$5,601,503	\$464,722
26	Morris	Morris County Vocational	\$1,816,157	-	\$1,816,157	\$1,977,235	\$161,078
26	Morris	Morris Plains Boro	\$1,122,755	-	\$1,122,755	\$1,334,878	\$212,123

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LD	County	District	FY 2024 Formula Aid	P.L.2023, c.32 Aid	FY 2024 Combined Aid	FY 2025 Proposed Aid	Proposed Increase
26	Morris	Mountain Lakes Boro	\$1,302,638	-	\$1,302,638	\$1,344,776	\$42,138
26	Morris	Parsippany-Troy Hills Twp	\$10,592,617	-	\$10,592,617	\$12,069,785	\$1,477,168
26	Morris	Pequannock Twp	\$2,538,497	-	\$2,538,497	\$2,792,902	\$254,405
26	Morris	Riverdale Boro	\$599,980	-	\$599,980	\$652,735	\$52,755
26	Passaic	Bloomington Boro	\$1,239,062	\$23,795	\$1,262,857	\$1,316,638	\$53,781
26	Passaic	Passaic County Vocational	\$66,796,098	-	\$66,796,098	\$71,833,112	\$5,037,014
26	Passaic	Wanaque Boro	\$1,327,463	\$57,530	\$1,384,993	\$1,413,899	\$28,906
27	Essex	Livingston Twp	\$8,787,890	-	\$8,787,890	\$9,827,185	\$1,039,295
27	Essex	Millburn Twp	\$6,444,266	-	\$6,444,266	\$7,063,767	\$619,501
27	Essex	Montclair Town	\$8,757,817	-	\$8,757,817	\$9,317,995	\$560,178
27	Essex	Roseland Boro	\$704,010	-	\$704,010	\$728,650	\$24,640
27	Essex	West Essex Regional	\$2,669,840	-	\$2,669,840	\$3,057,208	\$387,368
27	Passaic	Clifton City	\$90,456,020	-	\$90,456,020	\$98,947,413	\$8,491,393
27	Passaic	Passaic County Vocational	\$66,796,098	-	\$66,796,098	\$71,833,112	\$5,037,014
28	Essex	Irvington Township	\$138,417,244	-	\$138,417,244	\$169,112,258	\$30,695,014
28	Essex	Newark City	\$1,149,975,941	-	\$1,149,975,941	\$1,251,079,807	\$101,103,866
28	Essex	South Orange-Maplewood	\$9,294,342	-	\$9,294,342	\$10,319,520	\$1,025,178
28	Union	Hillside Twp	\$34,967,331	-	\$34,967,331	\$38,880,421	\$3,913,090
28	Union	Union County Vocational	\$17,505,113	-	\$17,505,113	\$18,615,140	\$1,110,027
29	Essex	Newark City	\$1,149,975,941	-	\$1,149,975,941	\$1,251,079,807	\$101,103,866
29	Hudson	East Newark Boro	\$5,402,028	-	\$5,402,028	\$7,158,582	\$1,756,554
29	Hudson	Harrison Town	\$28,847,906	-	\$28,847,906	\$33,566,361	\$4,718,455
29	Hudson	Hudson County Vocational	\$22,673,936	\$297,779	\$22,971,715	\$23,234,084	\$262,369
30	Monmouth	Belmar Boro	\$727,912	\$25,374	\$753,286	\$803,359	\$50,073
30	Monmouth	Freehold Regional	\$23,786,497	\$4,464,057	\$28,250,554	\$30,550,220	\$2,299,666
30	Monmouth	Howell Twp	\$20,601,309	\$1,149,009	\$21,750,318	\$22,118,857	\$368,539
30	Monmouth	Monmouth Co Vocational	\$8,120,555	-	\$8,120,555	\$8,120,555	-
30	Monmouth	Wall Twp	\$5,302,925	-	\$5,302,925	\$5,810,660	\$507,735
30	Ocean	Lakewood Twp	\$26,575,697	-	\$26,575,697	\$27,541,324	\$965,627
30	Ocean	Ocean County Vocational	\$5,585,095	-	\$5,585,095	\$5,585,095	-
31	Hudson	Bayonne City	\$109,015,269	-	\$109,015,269	\$129,108,116	\$20,092,847
31	Hudson	Hudson County Vocational	\$22,673,936	\$297,779	\$22,971,715	\$23,234,084	\$262,369
31	Hudson	Kearny Town	\$68,284,766	-	\$68,284,766	\$80,653,378	\$12,368,612
32	Hudson	Hoboken City	\$4,689,864	\$142,215	\$4,832,079	\$5,209,170	\$377,091
32	Hudson	Hudson County Vocational	\$22,673,936	\$297,779	\$22,971,715	\$23,234,084	\$262,369
33	Hudson	Guttenberg Town	\$15,185,872	-	\$15,185,872	\$17,320,392	\$2,134,520
33	Hudson	Hudson County Vocational	\$22,673,936	\$297,779	\$22,971,715	\$23,234,084	\$262,369
33	Hudson	North Bergen Twp	\$61,841,569	\$780,065	\$62,621,634	\$70,022,909	\$7,401,275
33	Hudson	Secaucus Town	\$3,142,250	-	\$3,142,250	\$3,761,518	\$619,268
33	Hudson	Union City	\$226,682,966	-	\$226,682,966	\$241,788,996	\$15,106,030
33	Hudson	Weehawken Twp	\$1,752,691	\$38,065	\$1,790,756	\$1,891,169	\$100,413
33	Hudson	West New York Town	\$126,700,785	-	\$126,700,785	\$135,328,084	\$8,627,299
34	Essex	Belleville Town	\$54,384,062	-	\$54,384,062	\$66,585,432	\$12,201,370
34	Essex	Bloomfield Twp	\$48,647,386	-	\$48,647,386	\$53,117,893	\$4,470,507
34	Essex	City Of Orange Twp	\$103,321,262	-	\$103,321,262	\$119,284,536	\$15,963,274
34	Essex	East Orange	\$175,087,372	-	\$175,087,372	\$175,286,872	\$199,500
34	Essex	Glen Ridge Boro	\$2,189,649	-	\$2,189,649	\$2,369,882	\$180,233
34	Essex	Nutley Town	\$9,419,915	-	\$9,419,915	\$12,488,029	\$3,068,114
35	Bergen	Bergen County Vocational	\$5,695,547	-	\$5,695,547	\$5,695,547	-
35	Bergen	Elmwood Park	\$19,973,598	-	\$19,973,598	\$26,035,294	\$6,061,696
35	Bergen	Garfield City	\$67,111,896	-	\$67,111,896	\$77,407,074	\$10,295,178
35	Passaic	Haledon Boro	\$13,637,130	-	\$13,637,130	\$14,202,642	\$565,512
35	Passaic	North Haledon Boro	\$722,334	-	\$722,334	\$855,498	\$133,164
35	Passaic	Passaic Co Manchester Reg	\$13,402,074	-	\$13,402,074	\$16,508,318	\$3,106,244
35	Passaic	Passaic County Vocational	\$66,796,098	-	\$66,796,098	\$71,833,112	\$5,037,014
35	Passaic	Paterson City	\$529,272,462	-	\$529,272,462	\$583,574,424	\$54,301,962

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35	Passaic	Prospect Park Boro	\$11,341,345	-	\$11,341,345	\$13,974,328	\$2,632,983
36	Bergen	Bergen County Vocational	\$5,695,547	-	\$5,695,547	\$5,695,547	-
36	Bergen	Carlstadt Boro	\$696,616	-	\$696,616	\$759,597	\$62,981
36	Bergen	Carlstadt-East Rutherford	\$811,994	-	\$811,994	\$847,864	\$35,870
36	Bergen	Cliffside Park Boro	\$8,621,511	-	\$8,621,511	\$9,813,779	\$1,192,268
36	Bergen	East Rutherford Boro	\$989,423	-	\$989,423	\$1,165,277	\$175,854
36	Bergen	Edgewater Boro	\$2,101,604	-	\$2,101,604	\$2,283,189	\$181,585
36	Bergen	Fairview Boro	\$30,681,674	-	\$30,681,674	\$33,836,684	\$3,155,010
36	Bergen	Lyndhurst Twp	\$5,350,576	-	\$5,350,576	\$5,895,707	\$545,131
36	Bergen	North Arlington Boro	\$8,856,284	-	\$8,856,284	\$11,426,889	\$2,570,605
36	Bergen	Rutherford Boro	\$3,148,063	-	\$3,148,063	\$3,371,027	\$222,964
36	Bergen	Wallington Boro	\$7,556,726	-	\$7,556,726	\$9,425,642	\$1,868,916
36	Bergen	Wood-Ridge Boro	\$1,499,521	-	\$1,499,521	\$1,700,467	\$200,946
36	Passaic	Passaic City	\$252,109,741	-	\$252,109,741	\$252,109,741	-
36	Passaic	Passaic County Vocational	\$66,796,098	-	\$66,796,098	\$71,833,112	\$5,037,014
37	Bergen	Bergen County Vocational	\$5,695,547	-	\$5,695,547	\$5,695,547	-
37	Bergen	Bogota Boro	\$13,764,050	-	\$13,764,050	\$17,518,797	\$3,754,747
37	Bergen	Englewood City	\$5,251,981	-	\$5,251,981	\$5,870,289	\$618,308
37	Bergen	Englewood Cliffs Boro	\$638,509	-	\$638,509	\$707,182	\$68,673
37	Bergen	Fort Lee Boro	\$5,404,664	-	\$5,404,664	\$5,819,605	\$414,941
37	Bergen	Hackensack City	\$36,631,374	-	\$36,631,374	\$38,300,187	\$1,668,813
37	Bergen	Palisades Park	\$2,624,903	-	\$2,624,903	\$2,945,272	\$320,369
37	Bergen	Ridgefield Park Twp	\$15,437,083	-	\$15,437,083	\$16,958,840	\$1,521,757
37	Bergen	Teaneck Twp	\$7,657,877	-	\$7,657,877	\$8,190,030	\$532,153
37	Bergen	Tenafly Boro	\$4,327,847	-	\$4,327,847	\$4,661,552	\$333,705
38	Bergen	Bergen County Vocational	\$5,695,547	-	\$5,695,547	\$5,695,547	-
38	Bergen	Bergenfield Boro	\$20,192,365	-	\$20,192,365	\$22,559,543	\$2,367,178
38	Bergen	Fair Lawn Boro	\$20,615,966	-	\$20,615,966	\$22,470,518	\$1,854,552
38	Bergen	Glen Rock Boro	\$3,127,668	-	\$3,127,668	\$3,419,680	\$292,012
38	Bergen	Little Ferry Boro	\$4,658,729	-	\$4,658,729	\$5,006,390	\$347,661
38	Bergen	Lodi Borough	\$35,805,929	-	\$35,805,929	\$40,454,693	\$4,648,764
38	Bergen	Maywood Boro	\$1,975,505	-	\$1,975,505	\$4,066,732	\$2,091,227
38	Bergen	Moonachie Boro	\$740,771	-	\$740,771	\$833,796	\$93,025
38	Bergen	Oradell Boro	\$956,688	-	\$956,688	\$1,038,322	\$81,634
38	Bergen	Paramus Boro	\$5,118,844	-	\$5,118,844	\$5,643,805	\$524,961
38	Bergen	Rochelle Park Twp	\$931,286	-	\$931,286	\$967,518	\$36,232
38	Bergen	Saddle Brook Twp	\$2,381,110	-	\$2,381,110	\$2,970,288	\$589,178
38	Bergen	South Hackensack Twp	\$499,267	-	\$499,267	\$544,328	\$45,061
39	Bergen	Allendale Boro	\$1,031,561	-	\$1,031,561	\$1,161,772	\$130,211
39	Bergen	Alpine Boro	\$287,364	-	\$287,364	\$307,444	\$20,080
39	Bergen	Bergen County Vocational	\$5,695,547	-	\$5,695,547	\$5,695,547	-
39	Bergen	Closter Boro	\$1,462,558	-	\$1,462,558	\$1,607,032	\$144,474
39	Bergen	Cresskill Boro	\$1,977,748	-	\$1,977,748	\$2,178,251	\$200,503
39	Bergen	Demarest Boro	\$849,087	-	\$849,087	\$961,910	\$112,823
39	Bergen	Dumont Boro	\$12,823,681	-	\$12,823,681	\$14,654,915	\$1,831,234
39	Bergen	Emerson Boro	\$1,333,121	-	\$1,333,121	\$1,556,819	\$223,698
39	Bergen	Harrington Park Boro	\$766,385	-	\$766,385	\$861,720	\$95,335
39	Bergen	Haworth Boro	\$524,692	-	\$524,692	\$616,994	\$92,302
39	Bergen	Hillsdale Boro	\$1,377,792	-	\$1,377,792	\$1,557,725	\$179,933
39	Bergen	Ho Kus Boro	\$1,135,458	-	\$1,135,458	\$1,287,255	\$151,797
39	Bergen	Mahwah Twp	\$4,286,101	-	\$4,286,101	\$4,742,316	\$456,215
39	Bergen	Midland Park Boro	\$1,140,627	-	\$1,140,627	\$1,250,658	\$110,031
39	Bergen	Montvale Boro	\$1,319,005	-	\$1,319,005	\$1,545,461	\$226,456
39	Bergen	Northern Highlands Reg	\$1,466,001	-	\$1,466,001	\$1,566,044	\$100,043
39	Bergen	Northern Valley Regional	\$2,727,034	-	\$2,727,034	\$3,181,622	\$454,588
39	Bergen	Northvale Boro	\$743,794	-	\$743,794	\$1,039,051	\$295,257

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39	Bergen	Norwood Boro	\$789,910	-	\$789,910	\$847,366	\$57,456
39	Bergen	Oakland Boro	\$1,757,246	-	\$1,757,246	\$1,969,743	\$212,497
39	Bergen	Old Tappan Boro	\$901,598	-	\$901,598	\$1,068,081	\$166,483
39	Bergen	Park Ridge Boro	\$1,457,270	-	\$1,457,270	\$1,610,072	\$152,802
39	Bergen	Pascack Valley Regional	\$2,548,655	-	\$2,548,655	\$2,711,521	\$162,866
39	Bergen	Ramapo-Indian Hill Reg	\$3,189,222	-	\$3,189,222	\$3,263,292	\$74,070
39	Bergen	Ramsey Boro	\$2,983,078	-	\$2,983,078	\$3,121,646	\$138,568
39	Bergen	River Vale Twp	\$1,279,020	-	\$1,279,020	\$1,394,673	\$115,653
39	Bergen	Saddle River Boro	\$524,389	-	\$524,389	\$551,691	\$27,302
39	Bergen	Upper Saddle River Boro	\$1,360,208	-	\$1,360,208	\$1,505,923	\$145,715
39	Bergen	Westwood Regional	\$3,608,050	-	\$3,608,050	\$3,990,141	\$382,091
39	Bergen	Woodcliff Lake Boro	\$897,254	-	\$897,254	\$1,046,751	\$149,497
40	Bergen	Bergen County Vocational	\$5,695,547	-	\$5,695,547	\$5,695,547	-
40	Bergen	Franklin Lakes Boro	\$1,647,467	-	\$1,647,467	\$1,889,728	\$242,261
40	Bergen	Ramapo-Indian Hill Reg	\$3,189,222	-	\$3,189,222	\$3,263,292	\$74,070
40	Bergen	Ridgewood Village	\$6,774,640	-	\$6,774,640	\$7,289,667	\$515,027
40	Bergen	Wyckoff Twp	\$2,601,035	-	\$2,601,035	\$2,912,524	\$311,489
40	Essex	Caldwell-West Caldwell	\$3,308,617	-	\$3,308,617	\$3,643,396	\$334,779
40	Essex	Cedar Grove Twp	\$2,089,420	-	\$2,089,420	\$2,263,969	\$174,549
40	Essex	Essex Fells Boro	\$271,825	-	\$271,825	\$297,881	\$26,056
40	Essex	Fairfield Twp	\$952,647	-	\$952,647	\$1,031,509	\$78,862
40	Essex	North Caldwell Boro	\$964,947	-	\$964,947	\$1,072,898	\$107,951
40	Essex	Verona Boro	\$2,601,365	-	\$2,601,365	\$2,898,360	\$296,995
40	Essex	West Essex Regional	\$2,669,840	-	\$2,669,840	\$3,057,208	\$387,368
40	Passaic	Little Falls Twp	\$1,233,022	-	\$1,233,022	\$1,424,938	\$191,916
40	Passaic	Passaic County Vocational	\$66,796,098	-	\$66,796,098	\$71,833,112	\$5,037,014
40	Passaic	Totowa Boro	\$1,110,677	-	\$1,110,677	\$1,241,752	\$131,075
40	Passaic	Wayne Twp	\$10,517,516	-	\$10,517,516	\$12,326,052	\$1,808,536
40	Passaic	Woodland Park	\$2,747,157	-	\$2,747,157	\$3,556,467	\$809,310

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