Colorado BOCES Association IDEA & ECEA Funding

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Together We Can

Vision

All students in Colorado will become educated and productive citizens capable of succeeding in a globally competitive workforce.

Mission

The mission of CDE is to shape, support, and safeguard a statewide education system that prepares all students for success in a globally competitive world.

Goals

Successful students

Prepare students to thrive in their education and in a globally competitive workforce.

- Ensure every student is on track to graduate postsecondary and workforce ready.
- Increase achievement for all students and close achievement gaps.
- Ensure students graduate ready for success in postsecondary education and the workforce.
- Increase national and international competitiveness for all students.

Great teachers and leaders

Ensure effective educators for every student and effective leaders for every school and district.

- Increase and support the effectiveness of all educators.
- Optimize the preparation, retention, and effectiveness of new educators.
- Eliminate the educator equity gap.

Outstanding schools and districts

Build the capacity of schools and districts to meet the needs of Colorado students and their families.

- Increase school and district performance.
- Turnaround the state's lowest performing districts and schools.
- Foster innovation and expand access to a rich array of high quality school choices for students.

Best education system in the nation

Build the best education system in the nation.

- Lead the nation in policy, innovation, and positive outcomes for students.
- Operate with excellence, efficiency, and effectiveness to become the best SEA in the nation.
- Attract and retain outstanding talent to CDE.

IDEA Funding

- **USDE provides funding amount to Colorado**
- **CDE submits application for use of funds**
  - Required to budget to figures USDE provides
  - Set amounts for:
    - Administration
    - Other State Level Activities
- **Application Requires Input Process**

IDEA Funding

- **Other State Level Activities**
  - Required Activities
    - Monitoring, enforcement & complaint investigation
    - Mediation Process
  - Optional Authorized
    - Technical Assistance & Support
    - Positive Behavioral Intervention & Supports for Mental Health
    - Capacity Building for LEAs
    - Technology in IEP processes & in the classroom
    - Transition Programs & Alternative Programming – Expelled, etc.
    - Development of alternative assessments
    - Supplemental Educational Services based on assessments

IDEA Funding

In millions	FY 12	FY 13	FY 14	Change FY 12 - FY 13	Change FY 13 - FY 14
IDEA Award*	$ 153.1	$ 154.2	$ 145.6	0.7%	-5.6%
Part B Distribution	$ 136.9	$ 137.4	$ 131.1	0.4%	-4.6%
Set Aside	$ 13.6	$ 14.1	$ 11.8	3.7%	-16.3%
Admin	$ 2.6	$ 2.7	$ 2.7	3.8%	0.0%

ECEA Funding

- **ECEA Funding is part of the total Categorical Funding "pot"**
- **The "pot" increases by inflation each year**
- **General Assembly then allocates the pot among the categorical programs**
  - ECEA (Special Education)
  - Gifted & Talented
  - Transportation
  - English Language Proficiency
  - Career & Technical Education
  - Expelled & At-Risk Programs
  - Small Attendance Center & Comprehensive Health

ECEA Funding

In millions	FY 12	FY 13	FY 14	Change FY 12 - FY 13	Change FY 13 - FY 14
Categorical Funding	$ 129.8	$ 134.6	$ 157.2	3.7%	16.8%
ECEA	$ 123.0	$ 127.8	$ 150.2	3.9%	17.5%
Tier A	$ 105.0	$ 108.3	$ 111.0	3.1%	1.6%
Tier B	$ 18.0	$ 19.5	$ 39.2	8.3%	101.0%
Child Find	$ 2.3	$ 2.3	$ 2.5	0.0%	8.7%
High Cost Pool	$ 4.0	$ 4.0	$ 4.0	0.0%	0.0%
Educational Orphans	$ 0.5	$ 0.5	$ 0.5	0.0%	0.0%

Total Funding

In millions	FY 12	FY 13	FY 14	Change FY 12 - FY 13	Change FY 13 - FY 14
Total Awards	$ 282.9	$ 288.8	$ 302.8	2.1%	4.8%
Total Distributions (Not including Supplementals)	$ 266.7	$ 272.0	$ 288.3	2.0%	6.0%
Total Set-Aside	$ 13.6	$ 14.1	$ 11.8	3.7%	-16.3%
Total Admin	$ 2.6	$ 2.7	$ 2.7	3.8%	0.0%

SB13-213 and Special Education Funding

- **22-20-114**
  - 1) Growth Tax Revenues – amounts available that are above the amount specified in the ballot
    - If growth tax revenues, then may be available to fund Tier A students up to $2,500
  - 2) Reallocation of categorical funding plus additional amount
    - Intent of General Assembly that amounts appropriated for English Language Development Programs and Services for Expelled and at-risk student grant programs prior to 2015-16 be used for Tier B students
    - In addition to the above, intent to add at least $80 million to increase funding for Tier B
      - This additional funding would be from the initial ballot increase