Community Education Revenue

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Community education programs are intended to maximize the community's use of public schools and to expand the involvement of community members who have skills and knowledge to share. Districts establishing a community education program must provide for a citizens' advisory council to advise the school administration on how best to use school facilities and community resources. Fees may be charged for community education programs.

Districts with a community education program may also prepare a youth development plan to improve coordination of agencies that address the needs and develop the resources of youth in the community. A participating district may also offer a youth service program to provide meaningful opportunities for community involvement and citizenship.

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Community education programs are funded through a partially equalized aid and levy. Districts that prepare a youth service program and a youth development plan are eligible for additional revenue. Districts that establish youth after-school enrichment programs are authorized to levy an additional amount.

Community Education revenue is a partially equalized revenue consisting of:

- Basic revenue equal to \$5.42 per capita;
- Youth Service revenue equal to \$1.00 per capita; and
- After-school Enrichment revenue equal to \$1.85 times the first 10,000 district residents and \$0.43 times the remaining districts residents.

Statewide, community education revenue equals \$40.2 million in fiscal year FY 2019. The community education levy, equal to the lesser of the program's revenue or the amount raised by a tax rate of 0.94 percent of adjusted net tax capacity raises \$39.2 million for FY 19 and state aid equals \$300,000.

Community Education Expenditures

A district's community education revenue must be reserved and must be spent according to the district's community education plan. The plan may include general community education programs, school-age care programs, programs for adults with disabilities, Youth Service programs and after school enrichment activities.