



K-12 Education Budget

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House DFLers are delivering historic new investments in education while providing Minnesota schools sustainable funding to meet the needs of all students. By indexing the formula to inflation and tackling the cross-subsidies, we ensure our teachers, principals, and administrators have the tools to help our students succeed.

Top Impacts:

Stabilizes school funding so schools can plan for the future:

- Increases the general education formula by 4% and 2% while indexing the formula to inflation
- Reduces 50% of the special education cross-subsidy and eliminating 100% of the English Learner cross-subsidy by 2027
- Increases the transportation sparsity aid from 18.2% to 40%

Supports our students' health and well-being:

- Investments to expand full-service community schools
- Investments in our school support staff – social workers, counselors, psychologists, and school nurses

Invests in equity and academic innovation in our schools:

- Comprehensive funding for literacy with the Read Act
- Investments in Math Corps and expansion of financial literacy and computer science opportunities
- Resources to teach to the social studies standards in the areas of civics, holocaust and genocide studies, and ethnic studies
- Increases voluntary pre-kindergarten spots

Increases career pathways and connections with community:

- New funding for after-school programming, community education, adult basic education, and our regional and county libraries
- Increased investments to expand career and technical education opportunities

Build and diversify our workforce:

- Increases investments in recruiting teachers of color and indigenous teachers
- Creates a special education teacher pipeline program and aid training for our paraprofessionals/ESPs
- Removes barriers and creates new pathways to recruit and retain teachers

