

DESCRIPTION OF  
2012-13 NEW YORK STATE  
EXECUTIVE BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS  
FOR  
ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

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## INTRODUCTION

This report provides a summary of the 2012-13 New York State aid programs for elementary and secondary education as recommended in the Executive Budget submitted by Governor Cuomo to the Legislature on January 17, 2012.

The descriptions provided in this report were prepared for use by school district officials, representatives of educational organizations, State officials, and other persons interested in New York State public school aid.

Although other aspects of the State's budget may directly or indirectly affect public school districts, except where noted, only appropriations which are administered by the State Education Department are covered in this booklet.

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SCHOOL AID OVERVIEW

For the 2012-13 school year, the 2012-13 Executive Budget recommends a total of \$20.31 billion for School Aid, a year-to-year funding increase of \$805 million or 4.1 percent.

Key components of the 2012-13 Executive Budget for elementary and secondary education include the following:

- A two-year school aid appropriation;
- Consistent with Chapter 58 of the Laws of 2011, growth in school aid for the 2012-13 school year will be based on the rate of growth in New York State personal income -- 4.1 percent for the 2012-13 school year;
- For the 2012-13 school year, continued operating support as calculated for 2011-12 for various school aid programs including Foundation Aid and Universal Prekindergarten Aid;
- Funding is continued under the current statutory formulas for selected aids, primarily expense-based, including High Cost Excess Cost, Private Excess Cost, BOCES, and Transportation Aid;
- Aid calculations for Textbooks, Computer Software, Computer Hardware and Library Materials aids are continued under the current statutory formulas, and flexibility is provided for school districts to interchange excess expenses in order to receive additional State aid in the 2012-13 school year and after;
- As provided for under the current statutory formulas, for the 2012-13 school year, expense-based changes in Building Aids are allowed and funding for EXCEL Debt Service is continued;
- For the 2012-13 school year, a \$289.79 million adjustment to the 2011-12 school year GEA with high need school districts receiving 76 percent of the allocated increase;

- Funding is maintained at prior-year amounts for programs such as Teachers of Tomorrow, Teacher-Mentor Intern, School Health Services for Big Four City school districts, Employment Preparation Education Aid and Bilingual Education Grants; and
- A total of \$250.00 million for performance grants is provided to encourage school districts to implement innovative approaches to achieve academic gains and management efficiency.

For formula-based aids and grant programs, School Aid recommendations for the 2012-13 school year include the following:

- Within formula-based aids, excluding expense-based aids (Building, BOCES and Transportation Aids), 652 school districts experience aid increases totaling \$384.33 million and 24 school districts have aid decreases amounting to -\$4.92 million based on existing statutory provisions, for a net increase of \$379.41 million (2.66 percent). When combined with the changes in specific expense-based aids (\$172.34 million), the \$250.00 million available for performance grants and a minor increase in categorical aids (\$3.21 million), the result is a net School Aid increase of \$804.96 million (4.13 percent).<sup>1</sup>
- The 2012-13 Executive Budget continues the Foundation Aid program as well as the Universal Prekindergarten Aid program. For 2012-13 Foundation Aid, districts statewide, including the State's 207 high need districts,<sup>2</sup> will receive \$14,893.62 million, the same as last year.<sup>3</sup>
- Funding for Universal Prekindergarten Aid is expected to total \$384.29 million.
- The Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA) is adjusted to maintain growth in school aid at sustainable levels. Additional funding of \$289.79 million (with 76 percent of the increase allocated to high need school districts) is provided.
- Aids continued at base-year amounts based on data on file with the State Education Department for the 2012-13 Executive Budget include:
  - High Tax Aid -- \$204.77 million

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<sup>1</sup> For additional information regarding recommended formula aid for public schools for 2012-13, see the January 2012 school aid computer listing entitled "BT121-3" which is based on data supplied by the State Education Department.

<sup>2</sup> The State's 207 high need school districts include the Big Five City school districts and other districts identified by the State Education Department based on pupil need and school district fiscal capacity.

<sup>3</sup> For Foundation Aid, State Education Department data base updates to school district 2008-09 formula aid amounts will be reflected in subsequent aid totals including the 2012-13 school year.

- Supplemental Public Excess Cost Aid -- \$4.31 million
  - Academic Enhancement Aid -- \$8.32 million
- Grants funded at base year amounts include:
    - Academic Achievement Grant -- \$1.20 million
    - Supplemental Educational Improvement Grant -- \$17.50 million
- For the 2012-13 school year, \$219.30 million, an increase of \$6.94 million consistent with existing statutory provisions, is available for Special Services Aid for career education programs and school computer services. This aid, which also includes the Academic Improvement Aid category, is provided to both Big Five City school districts and other districts that are not components of BOCES.
  - Charter School Transitional Aid will provide \$30.98 million, an increase of \$3.63 million, for 15 qualifying school districts that have a concentration of children attending charter schools.
  - An increase of \$64.02 million, for a total of \$1,675.71 million (including summer transportation aid), is provided for expense-based Transportation Aid to reimburse school districts for the cost of transporting 2.3 million students statewide. Statewide, up to \$5.00 million continues to be available for reimbursement of district-operated summer school transportation expenses.
  - For the 2012-13 school year, aid for Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) totals \$720.88 million, an increase of \$16.65 million.
  - Reflective of existing statutory formula calculations and reported expenditures by school districts, High Cost Excess Cost Aid for the 2012-13 school year will total \$498.09 million, an increase of \$22.92 million. Private Excess Cost Aid, which provides State reimbursement to school districts for children placed by the school district's Committee on Special Education (CSE) in private school special education programs and Special Act school districts, will increase by \$45.61 million to a total of \$362.75 million. Funding for Supplemental Public Excess Cost Aid is continued at \$4.31 million.

- A total of \$6.76 million, an increase of \$1.77 million, is provided for Full-Day Kindergarten Conversion Aid.
- The statutory formulas for Textbook and Library Materials Aids are continued for 2012-13. For expense-based Textbook Aid, funding of \$182.63 million, an increase of \$3.85 million, is provided for the 2012-13 school year. For 2012-13, Library Materials Aid totals \$19.60 million, an increase of \$0.46 million.
- Funding for Computer Software Aid will total \$46.97 million, an increase of \$1.49 million.
- Computer Hardware Aid, calculated based on the existing statutory formula, will increase by \$1.88 million to a total of \$39.27 million. Consistent with current statute, public school districts must loan computer hardware and equipment to nonpublic school students.
- Consistent with existing statute, the Executive Budget provides flexibility for school districts to interchange aidable expenses for textbooks, software, hardware and library materials in order to purchase the materials that best fit their needs and to receive State aid.
- Funding for Reorganization Incentive Operating Aid will total \$2.86 million, the same as last year.
- For the 2012-13 school year, funding of \$2,721.49 million, an increase of \$91.69 million, or 3.49 percent, is provided for Building Aid, including Reorganization Incentive Building Aid.
- A total of \$27.00 million is provided in funding for 2012-13 school year programs to attract, retain and support teachers. The "Teachers of Tomorrow" initiative will be maintained at \$25.00 million. The Teacher-Mentor Intern program is continued at \$2.00 million.
- Funding of \$13.84 million is maintained to support school health services in the Big Four City school districts.
- The 2012-13 Executive Budget continues a total of \$12.50 million in funding for the Bilingual Education Grants categorical aid program.

- For the 2012-13 school year, \$181.26 million, including \$127.00 million for New York City, is available for State payment of EXCEL-related debt service.<sup>4</sup> EXCEL provides school districts with grants to support school construction costs that are associated with increasing school capacity as a response to overcrowded classrooms and projects related to improving energy efficiency and public health and safety.

In addition the 2012-13 Executive Budget provides \$250.00 million in performance grants for school districts.

- The 2011-12 Enacted Budget authorized two competitive grant programs to encourage school districts to implement innovative approaches to achieve academic gains and management efficiency. The Executive Budget provides a total of \$250.00 million in grants to be paid in the 2012-13 school year, and an additional round of awards for 2013-14.

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<sup>4</sup> The enacted 2006-07 State budget included authorization for up to \$2.60 billion for school construction through bonds issued by the State Dormitory Authority for the EXCEL (Expanding our Children's Education and Learning) program, including \$1.80 billion for New York City.

## 2012-13 EXECUTIVE BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS

For 2012-13 the Executive Budget maintains prior-year calculations for several aid categories including Foundation Aid and Universal Prekindergarten Aid. Other aids, those that are primarily expense-based, are funded under the current statutory formula. The Executive Budget also continues a Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA) reduction.

### A. 2012-13 SCHOOL AID

The 2012-13 Executive Budget recommends total funding of \$20,311.70 million, a \$804.96 million or 4.13 percent, year-to-year increase. Formula-based aids including Building Aids will increase by \$551.75 million or 2.87 percent to \$19,774.61 million. Grant programs will increase by \$3.21 million to \$287.09 million. Competitive grant awards to improve pupil achievement and school district performance will total \$250.00 million.

#### FORMULA-BASED AIDS

Funding is maintained at 2011-12 levels for Foundation Aid and Universal Prekindergarten Aid:

- Foundation Aid: The Foundation Aid formula calculates funding based on the cost of education in successful school districts, student need, and local ability to pay. The Executive Budget maintains Foundation Aid for the 2012-13 school year at \$14,893.62 million, the amount available for the 2011-12 school year.<sup>5</sup>
- Universal Prekindergarten Aid: The 2012-13 Executive Budget provides an expected \$384.29 million in funding for this program which serves approximately 104,800 students throughout the State.

The following aids are continued at base year amounts based on data on file with the State Education Department for calculation for the 2012-13 Executive Budget:

- High Tax Aid: Funding for this aid category will be maintained at \$204.77 million. Over 70 percent of aid

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<sup>5</sup> For Foundation Aid, State Education Department data base updates to school district 2008-09 formula aid amounts will be reflected in subsequent aid totals including the 2012-13 school year.

will continue to be directed to high and average need school districts.

- Supplemental Public Excess Cost Aid: As was the case last year, this aid category will provide \$4.31 million to districts statewide.
- Academic Enhancement Aid: This aid category will be continued at last year's total of \$8.32 million.

Other aids funded at base year amounts include:

- Education Grants: For the 2012-13 school year, the Yonkers City school district will continue to receive a \$17.50 million Supplemental Educational Improvement Grant. A total of \$1.20 million is maintained for the New York City school district for its Academic Achievement Grant.

Foundation Aid Setaside Requirements: For districts receiving Foundation Aid, the 2012-13 Executive Budget continues a \$170.30 million Magnet School and a \$67.48 million Teacher Support Aid setaside requirement for selected districts. New York City must set aside an amount from its Foundation Aid that is equal to its base year funding for programs for Attendance Improvement/Dropout Prevention. A setaside requirement is also provided for public school district support for children with disabilities. (See Appendix III-B)

Public Excess Cost High Cost Aid: Public Excess Cost High Cost Aid will continue to be calculated based on the existing statutory formula and will total \$498.09 million in 2012-13, an increase of \$22.92 million. This program supports the additional costs of providing resource-intensive public school and BOCES programs for students with disabilities.

Private Excess Cost Aid: This program supports special education programs serving public school children placed by a school district's Committee on Special Education (CSE) in private school settings, Special Act school districts, and the State-operated schools at Rome and Batavia. All existing provisions of law are continued. Recommended funding in 2012-13 will total \$362.75 million, an increase of \$45.61 million.

Charter School Transitional Aid: For the 2012-13 school year, \$30.98 million, an increase of \$3.63 million, is provided for aid for 15 qualifying districts with a concentration of children attending charter schools. Formula elements target aid



to districts based on the percentage of resident pupils enrolled in charter schools and the percentage of payments made to charter schools compared to a district's Total General Fund Expenditures (as reported to the State Education Department on the annual ST-3 form).

Special Services Aid: Special Services Aid funds career education programs, computer services and enhanced academic services for Big Five City and other school districts which are not components of a BOCES. The Career Education Aid ceiling for 2012-13 is continued at \$3,900. Computer Services Aid is based upon an aid ratio multiplied by expenses up to \$62.30 multiplied by the district's K-12 enrollment. The Career Education and Computer Administration Aid categories are supplemented by an additional wealth-adjusted amount calculated as Academic Improvement Aid.<sup>6</sup> Reflective of per pupil calculations as well as school district reported expenditures, for 2012-13, aid calculated by the existing statutory formula will total \$219.30 million, an increase of \$6.94 million.

Transportation Aid: Transportation Aid will total \$1,675.71 million in 2012-13 (including summer transportation aid), an increase of \$64.02 million compared to the previous year. The minimum aid ratio for Transportation Aid continues to be 6.5 percent (dependent on district wealth, aid will range from 6.5 percent to 90 percent of a district's approved transportation expenses). The aid ratio choice permitting school districts to receive aid based on public and nonpublic enrollments is continued and will benefit districts transporting large numbers of nonpublic school students. Districts will be eligible for reimbursement for capital expenditures based on the assumed useful life of the asset. District expenditures for transportation to and from school district-operated summer classes to improve student performance will be aided up to a maximum of \$5.00 million statewide.

BOCES Aid: School districts that are components of a Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) are eligible for BOCES Aid. BOCES provide services upon the request of two or more component school districts with the approval of the Commissioner of Education. Aid is provided for approved service costs, administrative expenditures, and facility rental and construction costs. For 2012-13, aid to reimburse districts for

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<sup>6</sup> The additional amount is equal to \$100 plus \$1,000 divided by a district's Combined Wealth Ratio (but not less than \$1,000) multiplied by the aid ratio for Career Education Aid. The result is multiplied by the sum of aidable career education pupils.

expenditures for BOCES services in the 2011-12 school year will total \$720.88 million, an increase of \$16.65 million.

Textbook, Software and Computer Hardware Aids, and Library Materials Aids: For the 2012-13 school year, the Executive Budget continues statutory per pupil funding for Textbook Aid, Computer Software Aid, Computer Hardware Aid, and Library Materials Aid. As provided for by Chapter 53 of the Laws of 2011, the Executive Budget includes flexibility for school districts to interchange excess 2011-12 expenses for these aids in order to receive 2012-13 State aid to purchase the materials that best fit their needs. The following statutory provisions apply:

- Textbook Aid: These funds reimburse school districts for the purchase of textbooks which are loaned to both public and nonpublic pupils. Schools are also able to qualify for reimbursement based on eligible purchases of content-based instructional materials in an electronic format. Districts will be reimbursed for expenses up to \$58.25 per pupil (of this amount, \$15.00 per pupil is funded through the Lottery account and \$43.25 is funded through the General Fund). This aid will total \$182.63 million in 2012-13, an increase of \$3.85 million. Materials purchased under this program and designated for use in public schools are to be loaned on an equitable basis to nonpublic school pupils.
- Computer Software Aid: Under this program, aid is apportioned to districts for the purchase and loan of computer software. Software programs designated for use in public schools are to be loaned on an equitable basis to nonpublic school pupils pursuant to the Rules of the Board of Regents. For the 2012-13 school year, districts will be reimbursed for expenses up to \$14.98 per pupil based on public and nonpublic school enrollment. For 2012-13, Computer Software Aid will total \$46.97 million, an increase of \$1.49 million.
- Instructional Computer Hardware and Technology Equipment Aid: This aid category provides reimbursement for expenses up to a wealth-adjusted \$24.20 per pupil for the lease or purchase of mini- and micro-computers, computer terminals and technology equipment for instructional purposes, as well as for repair costs and for staff development. Per pupil aid is based on public and nonpublic pupils. Consistent with current statute, public school districts must loan computer hardware and

equipment to nonpublic school students. For the 2012-13 school year, funding of \$39.27 million, an increase of \$1.88 million, is provided.

- Library Materials Aid: Districts are reimbursed for expenses up to \$6.25 per pupil based on public and nonpublic school enrollment. For 2012-13, Library Materials Aid will total \$19.60 million, an increase of \$0.46 million. Materials purchased under this program and designated for use in public schools are to be loaned on an equitable basis to nonpublic school pupils.

Full-Day K Conversion Aid: This aid category provides funding to encourage school districts to establish full-day kindergarten programs intended to strengthen the quality of education for five-year-old children. School districts first offering full-day kindergarten programs in 2012-13 will receive Selected Foundation Aid per pupil for any increase in the number of students served in full-day programs in 2012-13 compared to 2011-12. For 2012-13, a total of \$6.76 million, an increase of \$1.77 million, is provided for this program.

Reorganization Incentive Operating Aid: For 2012-13, aid for operating expenses incurred by school districts that are scheduled for reorganization will amount to \$2.86 million, the same as last year. For districts that reorganize after July 1, 2007, Reorganization Incentive Operating Aid is paid as a supplement based on 2006-07 formula Operating Aid. The Operating Aid enhancement for reorganizing districts will be 40 percent per year for the first five years, after which the percentage of additional operating aid decreases by four percent per year.

Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA): A GEA of -\$2,266.69 million is included within formula aids for the 2012-13 school year. The GEA is continued as calculated for the 2011-12 school year, but is adjusted by \$289.79 million. The additional adjustment is calculated in a manner that reflects a district's Extraordinary Needs Percent, its total general fund expenditures and the district's 2011-12 Gap Elimination Adjustment amount. A district will receive up to 25 percent of its 2011-12 GEA. High need school districts will receive 76 percent of the allocated increase.

Building/Reorganization Incentive Building Aid: For the 2012-13 school year, Building Aid to support school building projects throughout the State (including Reorganization Incentive Aid for building expenses incurred by those school districts that reorganize under section 3602 of the Education

Law) will total \$2,721.49 million, an increase of \$91.69 million, or 3.49 percent. Projects receive aid based on the date of approval by voters with Building Aid based on the greater of their current year AV/RWADA aid ratio or a prior year selected Building Aid ratio. An additional enrichment of up to 10 percent is provided for projects approved July 1, 1998 and thereafter.

For aid payable for projects approved after July 1, 2005, for high need school districts including the Big Five City schools, districts may compute an additional amount equal to .05 times their selected aid ratio. The maximum aid payable is 98 percent of the project's approved costs.

For projects for which a contract is signed July 1, 2004 or later, the 2005-06 Enacted Budget included changes to the Building Aid formula that address increased costs specific to New York City. These are continued in 2012-13. The New York City cost allowance will include legitimate extraordinary costs related to:

- multi-story construction necessitated by substandard site sizes,
- site security costs,
- difficulties with delivery of construction supplies,
- increased fire resistance and fire suppression costs,
- site acquisition,
- environmental remediation and
- building demolition costs.

Payment for new construction projects otherwise eligible for aid continues to be deferred in instances in which the school district did not file a notice that a general construction contract has been signed with the Commissioner of Education by the November 15, 2011 database.

A similar provision applies to initial aid payments for New York City. This aligns the claiming process for New York City more closely with that of districts in the rest of the state.

Current statute (Chapter 58 of the Laws of 2011) requires school districts to notify the State Education Department if a school building is sold or ownership transferred and the building is no longer operated by the district. SED will re-compute the Building Aid payable to the district for such building.

Also, Chapter 97 of the Laws of 2011 provides that, except for New York City projects, the assumed amortization for

projects approved by the Commissioner of Education after July 1, 2011 will begin the later of eighteen months after State Education Department (SED) approval or when the final cost report and certificate of substantial completion have been received by SED or, if the district is unable to complete the final cost report because of circumstances beyond its control, upon the date of a finding by the Commissioner that the certificate of substantial completion of the project has been issued by the architect or engineer.

#### OTHER FUNDING

EXCEL Debt Service<sup>7</sup>: A total of \$181.26 million for EXCEL debt service payments, including \$127.00 million associated with debt service payments for grants to New York City, is available for the 2012-13 school year. EXCEL provides school districts with grants to support school construction costs that are associated with increasing school capacity as a response to overcrowded classrooms, and projects related to improving energy efficiency and public health and safety.

#### GRANT PROGRAMS AND ADDITIONAL AID CATEGORIES

Teachers of Tomorrow: For the 2012-13 school year, \$25.00 million will continue to be available for incentives such as awards and stipends to retain and attract teachers into New York's classrooms, particularly in areas where teacher shortages exist. Of available funds, up to \$15.00 million, or 60 percent, will go to New York City.

Teacher-Mentor Intern: Under this program, funding of \$2.00 million will be available to support school-year programs through which new teachers work with an experienced teacher as their mentor.

Teacher Resource and Computer Training Centers: No funding is recommended for this program which totals \$20.44 million in the 2011-12 school year.

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<sup>7</sup> The enacted 2006-07 State budget included authorization for up to \$2.60 billion for EXCEL funding (Expanding our Children's Education and Learning) to support school construction through bonds issued by the State Dormitory Authority. New York City will receive up to \$1.80 billion with an additional \$400 million available for the State's high need school districts. The remaining \$400 million is allocated for projects in average and low need districts. As additional bonds are issued up to the total authorized amount of \$2.60 billion, the annual amount of EXCEL debt service is projected to increase to \$191.00 million.

School Health Services: For the 2012-13 school year, \$13.84 million in funding is continued to provide necessary health services to students in the Big Four City school districts.

Employment Preparation Education (EPE) Aid: EPE funding is available for adult education programs such as literacy, basic skills and high school equivalency programs for persons who are 21 years of age or older who have not received a high school diploma. School districts and BOCES offering such programs are required to submit plans of service to the Commissioner of Education for approval. Total aid will be \$96.00 million for the 2012-13 school year, the same amount as in 2011-12. If approved claims exceed such amount, all claims will be subject to proration.

Urban-Suburban Transfer: A total of \$2.73 million is continued to districts that participate in a voluntary interdistrict transfer between urban and suburban school districts to reduce racial isolation. Related transportation expenses are eligible for Transportation Aid.

Education of Homeless Children: Chapter 348 of the Laws of 1988 amended Section 3602 of the Education Law to institute this program of State aid under which school districts where homeless children are temporarily located are reimbursed for the direct cost of educating such children. This cost to the State is partially recaptured from the district of last attendance for each such homeless child by deducting an amount equal to the district's basic contribution per pupil<sup>8</sup> from the district's State aid. For the 2012-13 school year, aid for homeless pupils is estimated at \$18.23 million, an increase of \$1.00 million.

Aid for Incarcerated Youth: A total of \$20.50 million, an increase of \$1.00 million, is provided in support for the provision of educational services to youth detained in local correctional facilities. Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 53 of the Laws of 1992, such services may be provided, and aided, during summer sessions as well as the regular school year.

Bilingual Education Grants: The 2012-13 Executive Budget provides \$12.50 million, the same amount as last year, for funding for regional bilingual programs at BOCES and to support programs such as innovative Two-Way Bilingual Education Programs. Such courses employ two languages (one of which is

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<sup>8</sup> A district's basic contribution per pupil is equal to its total base-year property and non-property taxes divided by the base-year public school resident enrollment.

English) for the purpose of instruction and involve students whose native language is other than English.

Education of OMH/OPWDD Pupils: A total of \$80.00 million, an increase of \$4.00 million is provided in the School Aid appropriation for apportionment to school districts for the purpose of providing educational services for children who are residents in, and those formerly receiving services from, Office of Mental Health and Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (formerly the Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities) facilities pursuant to Chapter 66 of the Laws of 1978 and subdivision 5 of section 3202 of the Education Law. Aid is also provided for children who reside in intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded who receive educational services pursuant to Chapter 721 of the Laws of 1979.

Learning Technology Grants: Learning technology programs, including services benefiting nonpublic school students, will continue to be funded at \$3.29 million. These programs provide both technology and staff development which facilitate student learning.

Bus Driver Safety: A total of \$400,000 is continued in funding for grants to schools for training purposes including, but not limited to, funding of a statewide school bus driver safety program and the distribution of training materials.

Roosevelt School District: For the 2012-13 school year, \$12.00 million is provided for academic improvement in the Roosevelt Union Free School District.

Education of Native Americans: Based on projected claims and existing statutory provisions, a total of \$32.00 million, a decrease of -\$4.05 million, is provided for the 2012-13 school year for the full cost of elementary and secondary education (including transportation expenses) for Native American children as authorized by Article 83 of the Education Law. The program benefits approximately 2,500 children living on 9 reservations and educated in 3 reservation schools, 13 public school districts and 4 BOCES.

#### PERFORMANCE GRANTS

Competitive Grants to Improve School Performance: The 2011-12 Enacted Budget authorized two competitive grant programs to encourage school districts to implement innovative approaches to achieve academic gains and management efficiency. The Executive

Budget authorizes \$250.00 million in grants in the 2012-13 school year and an additional round of awards for 2013-14.

#### B. OTHER STATE AID PROGRAMS

The Executive Budget includes a two-year appropriation for education funding. The aids and 2012-13 appropriation amounts highlighted below are shown in Table II-B on a State fiscal year basis. These programs affect school districts, but they are typically not funded in the School Aid appropriations.

Basic Education for Public Assistance Recipients: For 2012-13, \$1.84 million is continued for basic education programs including reading, mathematics, and life skills offered to public assistance recipients 16 years of age or older who have a reading level below the ninth grade. Funding is also available for programs in Literacy Zones in high-need communities to improve education and literacy levels.

Children of Migrant Workers: A total of \$89,000, the same as last year, is provided to school districts supplementing Federal funds used to develop educational programs for the children of migrant farm workers.

Adult Literacy Education: For 2012-13, an appropriation of \$4.29 million continues to be available for a program of adult literacy consisting of competitive grants to community-based organizations, literacy volunteer organizations, and two- and four-year colleges and libraries.

New York State Center for School Safety: For 2012-13 \$466,000, the same as last year, is available through the New York State Center for School Safety to disseminate information and provide training and technical assistance on violence prevention to schools and communities.

Lunch/Breakfast Programs: A total of \$33.70 million in State funds, an increase of \$600,000, is provided to subsidize school lunch and school breakfast programs. This amount is based on projected increases in the number of school lunches provided, including support for additional expenses of school breakfast programs for schools with extraordinary needs. The Federal share of the School Lunch and Breakfast Program under the Food and Nutrition Fund will equal \$966.00 million for the 2012-13 Federal fiscal year.

Health Education Program: For 2012-13, \$691,000 will continue to be available for health-related programs including



those providing instruction and supportive services in comprehensive health education or AIDS prevention programs.

Primary Mental Health Project: A total of \$894,000 is continued in 2012-13 for State support for school-based programs for the early detection and prevention of school adjustment and learning problems experienced by children in the primary grades.

Student Mentoring-Tutoring Program: A total of \$490,000 is continued for model programs to improve pupil graduation rates.

Consortium for Worker Education: For the 2012-13 school year, this not-for-profit organization, which provides adult education services to union members and workers in New York City, will be funded at \$11.50 million, a decrease of \$1.50 million from last year.

Extended School Day/School Violence Prevention: A total of \$24.34 million awarded through a competitive process is available to fund local school-based intervention programs, including the establishment of appropriate before- and/or after-school programs.

Academic Intervention for Nonpublic Schools: A total of \$922,000 will continue to support a program of academic intervention services to enhance the educational performance of students attending nonpublic schools.

Nonpublic School Aid: Appropriations totaling \$116.62 million, a year-to-year increase of \$13.24 million, are available to reimburse the actual expenses, as approved by the Commissioner of Education, incurred by nonpublic schools for specified State testing and data-collection activities, pursuant to the provisions of Chapters 507 and 508 of the Laws of 1974.

Private Schools for the Blind and Deaf: An apportionment of \$99.30 million in State funding is provided for allowances to eight private schools for the deaf, two private schools for the blind, and the Henry Viscardi School for children with multiple disabilities. Nearly 1,500 students attend these schools. The educational costs for these schools were paid by school districts in the first instance in the 2011-12 school year. School districts will receive reimbursement, less a local contribution, beginning in the 2012-13 State fiscal year.

Preschool Special Education: Pursuant to section 4410 of the Education Law, \$936.70 million in State funding, is provided for the State's preschool special education program. This

constitutes a \$66.80 million year-to-year increase compared to total State and discretionary federal funding for 2011-12.

These funds will support the State's 59.5 percent share of the costs of education for three- and four-year old children with disabilities. Similar to 2011-12, prior year claims on file with the State Education Department as of April 1, 2012 will receive payment priority. Any remaining claims for which there is insufficient appropriation authority to pay in 2012-13 will receive priority status for payment in 2013-14.

Summer School Program for Disabled Students: An appropriation of \$321.70 million, a year-to-year increase of \$30.40 million, is provided to meet the State's share of costs of summer school programs for school-age pupils with disabilities pursuant to Section 4408 of the Education Law.

Center for Autism and Related Services: For 2012-13, a total of \$490,000 in State funds is provided for this SUNY-affiliated resource center that provides evidence-based training and support to families, professionals, school districts and peers of people with autism and related disabilities. As was the case last year, this State support is supplemented by \$500,000 in funding through Federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) resources for a total of \$990,000.

Special Education - Federal Medicaid Offset: For the 2012-13 State fiscal year, the Executive Budget includes a -\$4.40 million offset to State special education costs based on recovery of Federal Medicaid funds for medically related services provided to eligible children in special education programs for services provided prior to July 2009.

Targeted Special Education Teacher Salary Supplement: A total of \$4.00 million in Federal IDEA funds will provide support to private special education providers that serve students with disabilities. This will allow them to provide targeted adjustments to teacher salaries or benefits to help allow these schools to attract new teachers and prevent excessive turnover of existing teaching staff.

Summer Food Program: A total of \$3.05 million in State funds is continued to subsidize summer food service programs operating during the 2012-13 school year.

Math and Science High Schools: For the 2012-13 school year, \$1.38 million is continued to support three math/science academies to provide expanded learning opportunities.

Reimbursement for the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation Mobility Tax: Effective April 1, 2012, Chapter 56 of the Laws of 2011 exempts elementary and secondary schools from the MTA payroll tax. The Executive Budget includes an appropriation of \$60.00 million for full reimbursement of remaining public school district costs for the mobility tax incurred prior to this date.

Smart Scholars Early College High School Program: No new appropriations are recommended for this program which totals \$6.00 million in the 2011-12 school year. However, a recommended reappropriation will continue to be available to support the annual costs of this innovative program.

Small Government Assistance to School Districts: For the 2012-13 school year, \$1.87 million, the same as last year, is provided to school districts impacted by assessment reductions resulting from a forest land management program.

SUMMARY OF 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR/FISCAL YEAR APPROPRIATIONSSchool Year/Fiscal Year Impact

There are two time frames to consider when discussing 2012-13 New York State aid programs relating to support for public schools: the 2012-13 school year which runs from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013; and the 2012-13 State fiscal year which runs from April 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013. Tables in this section summarize: the school year and State fiscal year State-funded appropriations for School Aid and the 2011-12 and 2012-13 State fiscal year appropriations from the General Fund and Lottery Fund.

- Table II-A shows the school year changes for aid programs funded within the School Aid appropriations for 2012-13. Formula-based aids, including Building Aids, increase by 2.87 percent. The net increase for all school aid is 4.13 percent.
- Table II-B gives the 2011-12 and 2012-13 State fiscal year appropriations from the General Fund, School Tax Relief Fund, and Lottery Fund.

TABLE II-A  
SUMMARY OF AIDS FINANCED THROUGH SCHOOL AID APPROPRIATIONS  
-- 2011-12 AND 2012-13 SCHOOL YEARS -- NEW YORK STATE

AID CATEGORY	2011-12	2012-13	Change	
	School Year	School Year	Amount	Percent
(----- Amounts in Millions -----)				
<b>I. Formula-Based Aids:</b>				
Foundation Aid	\$14,893.62	\$14,893.62	\$0.00	0.00 %
Excess Cost - High Cost	475.17	498.09	22.92	4.82
Excess Cost - Private	317.14	362.75	45.61	14.38
Reorganization Operating Aid	2.86	2.86	0.00	0.00
Textbooks (Incl. Lottery)	178.78	182.63	3.85	2.15
Computer Hardware	37.39	39.27	1.88	5.03
Computer Software	45.48	46.97	1.49	3.28
Library Materials	19.14	19.60	0.46	2.40
BOCES	704.23	720.88	16.65	2.36
Special Services	212.36	219.30	6.94	3.27
Transportation (Including Summer)	1,611.69	1,675.71	64.02	3.97
High Tax	204.77	204.77	0.00	0.00
Universal Prekindergarten	383.23	384.29	1.06	0.28
Academic Achievement Grant	1.20	1.20	0.00	0.00
Supplemental Educational Improvement Grant	17.50	17.50	0.00	0.00
Charter School Transitional Aid	27.35	30.98	3.63	13.27
Full-Day Kindergarten	4.99	6.76	1.77	35.47
Academic Enhancement Aid	8.32	8.32	0.00	0.00
Supplemental Public Excess Cost	4.31	4.31	0.00	0.00
Gap Elimination Adjustment	(2,556.48)	(2,266.69)	289.79	NA
Building Aid/Reorganization Building	2,629.80	2,721.49	91.69	3.49
<b>Total Formula-Based Aids</b>	<b>\$19,222.86</b>	<b>\$19,774.61</b>	<b>\$551.75</b>	<b>2.87 %</b>
<b>II. Grant Programs and Additional Aid Categories:</b>				
Teachers of Tomorrow	25.00	25.00	0.00	0.00
Teacher-Mentor Intern	2.00	2.00	0.00	0.00
Teacher Centers	20.44	0.00	(20.44)	(100.00)
School Health Services	13.84	13.84	0.00	0.00
Roosevelt	6.00	12.00	6.00	100.00
Urban-Suburban Transfer	2.73	2.73	0.00	0.00
Employment Preparation Education	96.00	96.00	0.00	0.00
Homeless Pupils	17.23	18.23	1.00	5.80
Incarcerated Youth	19.50	20.50	1.00	5.13
Bilingual Education	12.50	12.50	0.00	0.00
Education of OMH/OPWDD Pupils	76.00	80.00	4.00	5.26
Special Act School Districts	2.70	2.70	0.00	0.00
Chargebacks	(54.50)	(39.80)	14.70	NA
BOCES Aid for Special Act Districts	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00
Learning Technology Grants	3.29	3.29	0.00	0.00
Native American Building	4.00	5.00	1.00	25.00
Native American Education	36.05	32.00	(4.05)	(11.23)
Bus Driver Safety	0.40	0.40	0.00	0.00
	<b>283.88</b>	<b>287.09</b>	<b>3.21</b>	<b>1.13</b>
<b>Total Formula-Based and Grant Programs</b>	<b>\$19,506.74</b>	<b>\$20,061.70</b>	<b>\$554.96</b>	<b>2.84 %</b>
Performance Grants	0.00	250.00	250.00	NA
<b>SCHOOL YEAR TOTAL</b>	<b>\$19,506.74</b>	<b>\$20,311.70</b>	<b>\$804.96</b>	<b>4.13 %</b>

Source: State Education Department computer runs and Executive Budget estimates of January 17, 2012.

TABLE II-B  
2011-12 AND 2012-13 STATE FISCAL YEAR APPROPRIATIONS FROM GENERAL & SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

State Education Department Aid to Localities Appropriation	2011-12	2012-13	Change	
			Amount	Percent
School Aid and STAR	\$23,520,229,395	\$23,580,081,977	\$59,852,582	0.25 %
School District Performance Improvement Program	250,000,000	0 (a)	(250,000,000)	(100.00)
School District Management Efficiency Program	250,000,000	0 (a)	(250,000,000)	(100.00)
General Support for Public Schools	15,802,828,769	16,095,061,603	292,232,834	1.85
BOCES	698,385,626	731,560,374	33,174,748	4.75
Employment Preparation Education	96,000,000	96,000,000	0	0.00
Homeless Pupils	12,058,000	17,225,000	5,167,000	42.85
Bilingual Education Grants	8,750,000	12,500,000	3,750,000	42.86
Learning Technology	2,300,000	3,285,000	985,000	42.83
Urban-Suburban Transfer	1,911,000	2,730,000	819,000	42.86
Native American Building	3,500,000	5,000,000	1,500,000	42.86
Incarcerated Youth	13,650,000	19,500,000	5,850,000	42.86
Education of OMH/OPWDD Pupils	53,200,000	76,000,000	22,800,000	42.86
Special Act Districts	1,890,000	2,700,000	810,000	42.86
Bus Driver Training	280,000	400,000	120,000	42.86
Teachers of Tomorrow	17,500,000	25,000,000	7,500,000	42.86
Teacher-Mentor Intern	1,400,000	2,000,000	600,000	42.86
Teacher Resource Centers	14,308,000	0	(14,308,000)	(100.00)
Special Academic Improvement Grants	4,200,000	10,200,000	6,000,000	142.86
Education of Native Americans	22,400,000	32,000,000	9,600,000	42.86
School Health Services Grants	9,688,000	13,840,000	4,152,000	42.86
Metropolitan Commuter Transportation Mobility Tax	70,000,000	60,000,000	(10,000,000)	(14.29)
Total General Fund	17,334,249,395	17,205,001,977	(129,247,418)	(0.75)
STAR: School Tax Relief Fund	3,302,000,000	3,322,100,000	20,100,000	0.61
Lottery - Education	2,199,980,000	2,216,980,000	17,000,000	0.77
Lottery - Video Lottery Aid	684,000,000	836,000,000	152,000,000	22.22
<b>Other Public Elementary and Secondary Education Programs</b>	<b>\$265,712,000</b>	<b>\$255,729,000</b>	<b>(\$9,983,000)</b>	<b>(3.76) %</b>
Targeted Prekindergarten	1,303,000	1,303,000	0	0.00
Children of Migrant Workers	89,000	89,000	0	0.00
Adult Basic Education	1,843,000	1,843,000	0	0.00
Adult Literacy Education	4,293,000	4,293,000	0	0.00
Lunch/Breakfast Programs	33,100,000	33,700,000	600,000	1.81
Nonpublic School Aid	103,377,000	116,620,000	13,243,000	12.81
New York State Center for School Safety	466,000	466,000	0	0.00
Health Education Program	691,000	691,000	0	0.00
Academic Intervention Services for Nonpublic Schools	922,000	922,000	0	0.00
Extended School Day/School Violence Prevention	24,344,000	24,344,000	0	0.00
Primary Mental Health Project	894,000	894,000	0	0.00
Summer Food Program	3,049,000	3,049,000	0	0.00
Consortium for Worker Education	13,000,000	11,500,000	(1,500,000)	(11.54)
Charter School Start Up Grants	4,837,000	4,837,000	0	0.00
Smart Scholars Early College High School Program	6,000,000	0 (a)	(6,000,000)	(100.00)
Student Mentoring and Tutoring Program	490,000	490,000	0	0.00
Postsecondary Aid to Native Americans	598,000	598,000	0	0.00
New York State Historical Association -- National History Day	100,000	0	(100,000)	(100.00)
Small Government Assistance to School Districts	1,868,000	1,868,000	0	0.00
Need Based Grants to School Districts	16,226,000	0	(16,226,000)	(100.00)
Math and Science High Schools	1,382,000	1,382,000	0	0.00
County Vocational Education and Extension Boards	932,000	932,000	0	0.00
Center for Autism and Related Disabilities - SUNY Albany	490,000 (b)	490,000 (b)	0	0.00
Say Yes to Education Program	350,000	350,000	0	0.00
Prior Year Claims/Fiscal Stabilization Grants	45,068,000	45,068,000	0	0.00
<b>Other School Programs</b>	<b>\$1,141,620,000</b>	<b>\$1,341,820,000</b>	<b>\$200,200,000</b>	<b>17.54 %</b>
Private Schools for the Blind & Deaf (G.F.)	20,000,000	99,300,000	79,300,000	396.50
Private Schools for the Blind & Deaf (Lott.)	20,000	20,000	0	0.00
Special Education Targeted Adjustment	0 (c)	0 (c)	0	NA
Preschool Special Education	869,900,000	936,700,000	66,800,000	7.68
Summer School Handicapped	291,300,000	321,700,000	30,400,000	10.44
Less: Special Education Medicaid Offset	(26,600,000)	(4,400,000)	22,200,000	(83.46)
Less: Consortium for Worker Education Offset	(13,000,000)	(11,500,000)	1,500,000	(11.54)
<b>FISCAL YEAR TOTAL</b>	<b>\$24,927,561,395</b>	<b>\$25,177,630,977</b>	<b>\$250,069,582</b>	<b>1.00 %</b>

(a) 2011-12 funding reappropriated.

(b) An additional \$500,000 in Federal funding is provided to support this program.

(c) A total of \$4.00 million in Federal funding is provided to support this program.

Source: Laws of the State of New York: Chapter 53 Laws of 2011; 2012-13 Executive Budget.

General Effects of Aid Changes: Statewide, New York City, Big Five Cities and Rest of State

Recommended formula-based aid provisions, including funding for Building Aids, will produce a net formula aid increase statewide of \$551.75 million, or 2.87 percent. This will be supplemented by \$250.00 million in performance grants to be allocated through a competitive process.

- Table II-C lists the aid amounts allocated to each of the Big Five City school districts. The aids analyzed are those shown in Table II-A and include formula aids plus selected other School Aid programs.
- Table II-D lists changes in all School Aid individual aid categories for New York City. The net increase for formula aids is 2.93 percent.
- In Table II-E, major 2012-13 formula aid categories have been combined to show the overall impact upon school districts in the State's 18 most populous counties, New York City, and the rest of the State.

The State average increase for these aids will be 2.87 percent. The 368 districts in the 18 most populous counties contain 47.97 percent of the State's public school pupils. These districts will receive 42.65 percent of the 2012-13 combined aids total. Districts in the 18 most populous counties will have an average increase in combined aids of 3.01 percent. Districts in the rest of the State, exclusive of New York City, will have an average increase of 2.20 percent and will receive 17.70 percent of the 2012-13 combined aids total.

TABLE IIC  
SUMMARY OF SELECTED AIDS TO THE BIG FIVE SCHOOL DISTRICTS FINANCED THROUGH  
SCHOOL AID APPROPRIATIONS: 2011-12 AND 2012-13

AID CATEGORY	New York City		Buffalo		Rochester		Syracuse		Yonkers	
	2011-12	2012-13	2011-12	2012-13	2011-12	2012-13	2011-12	2012-13	2011-12	2012-13
i. Formula-Based Aids:										
Foundation Aid	\$6,187.05	\$6,187.05	\$432.81	\$432.81	\$351.32	\$351.32	\$217.32	\$217.32	\$167.83	\$167.83
Special Education - High Cost	228.42	221.41	2.30	3.36	3.54	5.04	7.14	6.87	3.01	5.54
Special Education - Private	147.38	175.61	22.54	23.40	8.60	10.21	0.52	0.59	6.05	6.12
Textbooks	74.19	74.60	2.65	2.57	1.88	2.13	1.34	1.33	1.77	1.84
Computer Hardware	15.10	15.34	0.96	0.94	0.76	0.74	0.47	0.46	0.00	0.32
Computer Software	19.07	19.18	0.67	0.66	0.53	0.53	0.34	0.33	0.35	0.43
Library Materials	7.96	8.00	0.28	0.27	0.22	0.22	0.14	0.14	0.16	0.18
Special Services	142.18	148.81	24.71	24.86	13.51	13.75	14.19	13.70	6.55	7.18
Transportation (Including Summer)	492.21	507.96	34.48	36.58	46.15	47.08	15.79	17.02	18.55	22.37
Universal Prekindergarten	224.82	224.95	12.76	12.76	10.82	10.82	7.43	7.43	4.27	4.27
Academic Achievement Grant/SEIP	1.20	1.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17.50	17.50
Charter School Transitional Aid	0.00	0.00	6.29	8.00	6.76	9.20	1.71	2.44	0.00	0.00
Academic Enhancement Aid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.33	2.33	0.00	0.00
Supplemental Public Special Education	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.55	0.55
Gap Elimination Adjustment	(840.55)	(705.48)	(33.04)	(24.78)	(23.98)	(17.99)	(19.50)	(14.62)	(28.12)	(25.31)
Building Aid	919.38	962.90	100.96	119.10	22.00	21.83	10.66	20.32	8.80	8.06
Total Formula-Based Aids	\$7,618.41	\$7,841.53	\$608.37	\$640.53	\$442.10	\$454.88	\$259.87	\$275.67	\$207.27	\$216.89
Change from 2011-12 School Year		\$223.12		\$32.16		\$12.78		\$15.80		\$9.62
Percent		2.93%		5.29%		2.89%		6.08%		4.64%
ii. Grant Programs and Additional Aid Categories:										
Teachers of Tomorrow	15.00	15.00	1.06	1.06	2.60	2.60	0.51	0.51	2.16	2.16
Teacher-Mentor Intern	0.80	0.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Teacher Centers	8.58	0.00	0.37	0.00	0.24	0.00	0.24	0.00	0.15	0.00
School Health Services	0.00	0.00	5.30	5.30	6.29	6.29	1.08	1.08	1.17	1.17
Subtotal	24.38	15.80	6.73	6.36	9.13	8.89	1.83	1.59	3.48	3.33
Total	\$7,642.79	\$7,857.33	\$615.10	\$646.89	\$451.23	\$463.77	\$261.70	\$277.26	\$210.75	\$220.22
Change from 2011-12 School Year		\$214.54		\$31.79		\$12.54		\$15.56		\$9.47
Percent		2.81%		5.17%		2.78%		5.95%		4.49%

Source: State Education Department computer runs and Executive Budget estimates of January 17, 2012.



TABLE II-D  
SUMMARY OF AIDS FINANCED THROUGH SCHOOL AID APPROPRIATIONS  
- 2011-12 AND 2012-13 SCHOOL YEARS - NEW YORK CITY

AID CATEGORY	2011-12	2012-13	Change	
	School Year	School Year	Amount	Percent
I. Formula-Based Aids:	(----- Amounts in Millions -----)			
Foundation Aid	\$6,187.05	\$6,187.05	\$0.00	0.00 %
Excess Cost - High Cost	228.42	221.41	(7.01)	(3.07)
Excess Cost - Private	147.38	175.61	28.23	19.15
Textbooks (Incl. Lottery)	74.19	74.60	0.41	0.55
Computer Hardware	15.10	15.34	0.24	1.59
Computer Software	19.07	19.18	0.11	0.58
Library Materials	7.96	8.00	0.04	0.50
Special Services	142.18	148.81	6.63	4.66
Transportation (Including Summer)	492.21	507.96	15.75	3.20
Universal Prekindergarten	224.82	224.95	0.13	0.06
Academic Achievement Grant	1.20	1.20	0.00	0.00
Gap Elimination Adjustment	(840.55)	(705.48)	135.07	NA
Building Aid	919.38	962.90	43.52	4.73
<b>Total Formula-Based Aids</b>	<b>\$7,618.41</b>	<b>\$7,841.53</b>	<b>\$223.12</b>	<b>2.93 %</b>
II. Grant Programs and Additional Aid Categories:				
Teachers of Tomorrow	15.00	15.00	0.00	0.00
Teacher-Mentor Intern	0.80	0.80	0.00	0.00
Teacher Centers	8.59	0.00	(8.59)	(100.00)
Employment Preparation Education	32.00	32.00	0.00	0.00
Bilingual Education	5.50	5.50	0.00	0.00
Education of OMH/OPWDD Pupils	19.50	19.50	0.00	0.00
Chargebacks	(14.10)	(5.10)	9.00	NA
Learning Technology Grants	1.13	1.13	0.00	0.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>68.42</b>	<b>68.83</b>	<b>0.41</b>	<b>0.60</b>
<b>SCHOOL YEAR TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,686.83</b>	<b>\$7,910.36</b>	<b>\$223.53</b>	<b>2.91 %</b>

Source: State Education Department computer runs and Executive Budget estimates of January 17, 2012.

TABLE II-E  
CHANGE IN SCHOOL AID (a) FOR 2011-12 AND 2012-13 SCHOOL YEARS:  
18 MOST POPULOUS COUNTIES, NEW YORK CITY AND REST OF STATE

AREA	No. of Dtrs.	Percent of Total State TAFPU (b)	2011-12		Change in Aid from 2011-12 to 2012-13		
			Combined Aids	Amount	Amount	Percent	
(----- Dollar Amounts in Thousands -----)							
Albany	12	1.43	\$223,831	\$224,263	1.13	\$432	0.19
Broome	12	1.07	238,570	241,860	1.22	3,290	1.38
Chautauqua	18	0.72	209,194	218,859	1.11	9,665	4.62
Dutchess	13	1.62	235,192	241,723	1.22	6,531	2.78
Erie	28	4.66	1,102,005	1,149,921	5.82	47,916	4.35
Monroe	18	4.02	877,192	900,388	4.55	23,196	2.64
Nassau	56	7.40	779,432	805,381	4.07	25,949	3.33
Niagara	10	1.13	260,363	261,869	1.32	1,506	0.58
Oneida	15	1.26	308,031	326,194	1.65	18,163	5.90
Onondaga	18	2.61	557,521	579,470	2.93	21,949	3.94
Orange	17	2.31	461,671	476,401	2.41	14,730	3.19
Rensselaer	11	0.79	166,880	172,312	0.87	5,432	3.26
Rockland	8	1.52	162,574	168,132	0.85	5,558	3.42
Saratoga	12	1.24	178,440	182,538	0.92	4,098	2.30
Schenectady	6	0.85	162,592	162,608	0.82	16	0.01
Suffolk	65	9.14	1,548,543	1,587,280	8.03	38,737	2.50
Ulster	9	0.93	162,417	164,519	0.83	2,102	1.29
Westchester	40	5.27	545,269	569,320	2.88	24,051	4.41
18 Most Populous Counties	368	47.97	\$8,179,717	\$8,433,039	42.65	\$253,322	3.10
New York City	1	38.85	7,618,410	7,841,530	39.65	223,120	2.93
Rest of State	307	13.18	3,424,728	3,500,041	17.70	75,313	2.20
TOTAL STATE	676	100.00	\$19,222,855	\$19,774,610	100.00	\$551,755	2.87

Note: The amounts do not include \$250 million in performance and management efficiency grants that will be distributed to school districts through a competitive process.

(a) 2012-13 school district aid as calculated for the computer listing entitled "BT121-3" released in January 2012 with the 2012-13 Executive Budget. Includes foundation aid, public high cost and private excess cost aids, BOCES, textbook, library materials, special services, transportation (including summer), computer software, computer hardware, high tax, full-day k, universal prekindergarten, education grants, academic enhancement aid, charter school transitional aid, operating reorganization aid, supplemental public excess cost aid, gap elimination adjustment, building, and reorganization incentive building.

(b) The Selected TAFPU for payment pupil count for Foundation Aid.

Source: State Education Department computer runs and Executive Budget estimates of January 17, 2012.

### III

#### APPENDICES

The third section consists of five appendices. Each of the appendices is described below.

- Appendix III-A summarizes the School Aid categories and adjustments recommended for 2012-13 and compares them with the 2011-12 aid categories.
- Appendix III-B provides the mathematical formulas for computing 17 different aids for 2012-13 school aid payments.

For Foundation Aid, Universal Prekindergarten Aid, High Tax Aid, and Academic Enhancement Aid a district will receive aid as calculated for the 2011-12 school year.

- Appendix III-C describes the pupil counts used in aid formulas other than Foundation Aid.
- Appendix III-D describes weightings used to calculate pupil needs for aid and district wealth for Foundation Aid.
- Appendix III-E provides the regional cost indices used for the Foundation Aid formula.

APPENDIX III-A  
COMPARISON OF 2011-12 AND 2012-13 SCHOOL AID PROGRAMS

<u>Category</u>	<u>2011-12 School Year</u>	<u>2012-13 School Year</u>
<u>FOUNDATION AID</u>	<p>A district will receive the same aid for 2011-12 as was calculated for 2010-11 by the State Education Department.</p> <p>For the 2011-12 school year a district will receive the sum of its 2006-07 Base Amount plus a Foundation phase-in increase equal to 37.5 percent of the difference between the 2006-07 base amount and its fully phased-in Foundation Aid amount.</p> <p>For 2011-12 the Foundation phase-in increase continues to be the same as for 2010-11.</p>	<p>A district will receive the same aid for 2012-13 as was calculated for 2011-12 by the State Education Department.</p> <p>For the 2012-13 school year and after the phase-in increase will be determined annually.</p>
<u>URBAN-SUBURBAN TRANSFER SUPPLEMENTATION</u>	<p>Qualifying districts that receive pupils from another district for the purpose of promoting diversity are eligible for an apportionment based on Selected Foundation Aid per pupil</p>	Same
Apportionment	<p>Selected Foundation Aid x (Number of Pupils Received - Formula Pupil Margin)</p>	Same
Formula Pupil Margin	<p>Formula Pupil Margin = .365 x (Total Foundation Aid - Total Foundation Aid Base)/Total Foundation Aid/TAFPU</p>	Same

PUBLIC EXCESS HIGH COST AID  
FOR DISABLED PUPILS

Wealth Measure	Combined Wealth Ratio	Same <sup>9</sup>
State Share	.49	Same
Minimum Aid Ratio	.25	Same
High Cost Eligibility	Lesser of 4 x AOE/TAPU for Expense or \$10,000	Same

PRIVATE EXCESS COST AID:

Ceiling Range for Aid	Tuition - Deduct	Same
Deduct	Local Levy/Enrollment	Same
Wealth Measure	Combined Wealth Ratio	Same
State Share	.85	Same
Minimum Aid Ratio	.50	Same
Pupils	Attending private or State- run schools	Same

<sup>9</sup> For the 2012-13 school year, for aids other than Foundation Aid, a district's Combined Wealth Ratio is equal to: (.5 x Pupil Wealth Ratio) + (.5 x Alternate Pupil Wealth Ratio). The district's Pupil Wealth Ratio is equal to:

$$\frac{2009 \text{ Actual Valuation}/2010-11 \text{ TWP}}{\$589,500} ; \text{ and the}$$

Alternate Pupil Wealth Ratio is equal to:  $\frac{2009 \text{ District Income}/2010-11 \text{ TWP}}{\$158,500}$

For the 2011-12 school year, for aids other than Foundation Aid, a district's Combined Wealth Ratio is equal to: (.5 x Pupil Wealth Ratio) + (.5 x Alternate Pupil Wealth Ratio). The district's Pupil Wealth Ratio is equal to:

$$\frac{2008 \text{ Actual Valuation}/2009-10 \text{ TWP}}{\$599,500} ; \text{ and the}$$

Alternate Pupil Wealth Ratio is equal to:  $\frac{2008 \text{ District Income}/2009-10 \text{ TWP}}{\$172,800}$

FULL-DAY K CONVERSION AID

Eligible Districts

A district that offers Full-Day Kindergarten to all students is eligible for aid if in 1996-97 and 2010-11 it had half-day kindergarten enrollment or if it had no kindergarten enrollment in 1996-97 and 2010-11.

A district that offers Full-Day Kindergarten to all students is eligible for aid if in 1996-97 and 2011-12 it had half-day kindergarten enrollment or if it had no kindergarten enrollment in 1996-97 and 2011-12.

Pupil Count

2011-12 full-day kindergarten enrollment - 2010-11 full-day kindergarten enrollment

2012-13 full-day kindergarten enrollment - 2011-12 full-day kindergarten enrollment

Aid Per Pupil

Selected Foundation Aid per pupil.

Same

TRANSPORTATION AID

Wealth Measure

Actual Valuation/Full Year Attendance RWADA, a district's Combined Wealth Ratio or Selected AV/enrollment

Same

State Share

The greatest of:  
1.01 - (.46 \* AV/RWADA wealth ratio) or 1.263 \* State Sharing Ratio or (NYC excepted): 1.01 - (.46 \* AV/public + nonpublic enrollment wealth ratio)

Same

State Sharing Ratio

The greatest of:  
1.37 - (1.23 x CWR)  
1.00 - (0.64 x CWR)  
0.80 - (0.39 x CWR)  
0.51 - (0.22 x CWR)  
The maximum aid ratio is 0.90. For a district of average wealth (CWR = 1.000), aid ratio is 0.41.

Same

Sparsity Adjustment

21 - 2009-10 public enrollment/square mile)/317.88

Same except for the use of 2010-11 public enrollment

Minimum Aid Ratio

.065

Same

Maximum Aid Ratio

.90

Same

Base	Approved Expenditures	Same
Urban-Suburban Transfer	Approved expenditures of transportation of pupils in voluntary interdistrict programs.	Same
<u>BOCES AID</u>		
Wealth Measure	Actual Valuation/Full Year Attendance RWADA	Same
State Share	.49	Same
Minimum Aid Ratio	.36	Same
Salary Ceiling	\$30,000	Same
Millage Formula	8 mills	Same
Save-Harmless	100% of 1967-68 Aid	Same
<u>BUILDING AID</u>		
Wealth Measure	Actual Valuation/Full Year Attendance RWADA	Same
Aid Ratio Choice	Districts may use the higher of the current year aid ratio or the aid ratio computed for use in any year commencing with the 1981-82 school year.	Same
	Starting with all new building projects approved by the voters beginning July 1, 2000, the selected building aid ratio is based upon the greater of a district's current-year building aid ratio or the ratio selected for use in 1999-00 reduced by 10 percentage points.	Same
	School districts with a pupil wealth ratio greater than 2.50 and an alternate pupil wealth ratio less than .850 in the school year in which the project was approved and the approval date was between 7/1/00 and 6/30/04 may select an aid ratio equal to 1.263 multiplied by the district's State sharing	Same

ratio.

School districts with a pupil wealth ratio greater than 2.50 and an alternate pupil wealth ratio less than .850 in the 2000-01 school year and the voter approval date was between 7/1/05 and 6/30/08 may select an aid ratio equal to 1.263 multiplied by the district's State sharing ratio.

Same

HNSBAR

High Need Supplemental Building Aid Ratio: For aid payable in the 2005-06 school year and after for projects approved after July 1, 2005, high need school districts, including the Big Five City schools, may compute an additional amount equal to .05 times their selected aid ratio. The maximum aid payable is 98% of the approved costs.

Same

Base

Approved Expenditures

Same

Additional Adjustments

For aid payable in 1998-99 and after for new projects approved by the voters after 7/1/98, districts will receive an additional 10% State reimbursement. In addition, cost allowances on all contracts awarded after 7/1/98 will be adjusted to reflect regional costs for school districts in high cost areas of the State.

Same

New York City Data

In order to align the claiming process for New York City more closely with that of districts in the rest of state, aid on debt service in excess of that based on estimates submitted by New York City before November 15 of the base year will be considered payable in the following year.

Same



Sale of School Building	Chapter 58 of the Laws of 2011 requires school districts to notify the State Education Department if a school building is sold or ownership transferred and the building is no longer operated by the district. SED will re-compute the Building Aid payable to the district for such building.	Same
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Final Cost Report	Chapter 97 of the Laws of 2011 provides that, except for New York City projects, the assumed amortization for projects approved by the Commissioner of Education after July 1, 2011 will begin the later of eighteen months after State Education Department (SED) approval or when the final cost report and certificate of substantial completion have been received by SED or, if the district is unable to complete the final cost report because of circumstances beyond its control, upon the date of a finding by the Commissioner that the certificate of substantial completion of the project has been issued by the architect or engineer.	Same
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REORGANIZATION INCENTIVE BUILDING AID

Prior to July 1, 1983:		
Building Aid:		
Additional Percentage	25%	Same

Effective July 1, 1983:		
Building Aid:		
Additional Percentage	30%	Same

Eligibility Date:		
New Projects	Approved by voters within ten years of reorganization.	Same

REORGANIZATION INCENTIVE

OPERATING AID

Eligibility Date:

School districts that  
reorganize after July 1,  
2007.

Same

Operating Aid:

Additional Percentage  
(5 years)

40%

Same

Taper

4%/9 years

Same

SPECIAL SERVICES AID/

ACADEMIC IMPROVEMENT AID

Eligible Districts

Big Five City school  
districts and other  
districts that are non-  
components of BOCES

Same

Career Education Aid:

State Share

.41

Same

Minimum Aid Ratio

.36

Same

Ceiling

\$3,900

Same

Wealth Measure

Combined Wealth Ratio

Same

Pupil Count

Grade 10-12 ADA in a Career  
Education Sequence + (.16 x  
Business Sequence ADA)

Same

Computer Administration Aid:

State share

.49

Same

Minimum Aid Ratio

.30

Same

Ceiling

\$62.30/pupil

Same

Wealth Measure

Combined Wealth Ratio

Same

Pupil Count

Fall Public Enrollment  
(Attendance)

Same

Academic Improvement Aid:

State Share

.41

Same

Minimum Aid Ratio

.36

Same

Ceiling

\$100 + (\$1,000 divided by a  
district's Combined Wealth  
Ratio but not less than  
\$1,000)

Same

Wealth Measure

Combined Wealth Ratio

Same

Pupil Count

Career Education Pupils

Same

TEXTBOOK AID

Up to \$58.25 per public and nonpublic pupil (district of residence)

Same

Aid cannot exceed the amount of base-year textbook expenditures.

Same

The existing formulas for Textbook, Computer Software, Computer Hardware and Library Materials Aids are continued. For 2012-13 aid based on 2011-12 expenditures, if a district exceeds its maximum allocation in any of the above aids, the 2011-12 expense over the maximum allocation can be designated as an expense for aid in one or more of the other aid categories, with the exception of Library Materials expense.

COMPUTER SOFTWARE AID

Up to \$14.98 per public and nonpublic pupil (district of attendance)

Same

Aid cannot exceed the amount of base-year software expenditures.

Same

Regarding flexibility in how 2011-12 expenses for Textbook, Computer Software, Computer Hardware and Library Materials Aids may be claimed for 2012-13 aid, see Textbook Aid above.

INSTRUCTIONAL COMPUTER  
HARDWARE AND TECHNOLOGY  
EQUIPMENT AID

Based on approved expense up to an amount equal to \$24.20 x public and nonpublic pupils (district of attendance) x current year Building Aid ratio

Same

Aid cannot exceed the amount of base-year approved expenditures.

Same

Regarding flexibility

in how 2011-12 expenses for Textbook, Computer Software, Computer Hardware and Library Materials Aids may be claimed for 2012-13 aid, see Textbook Aid above.

LIBRARY MATERIALS AID

Up to \$6.25 per public and nonpublic pupil (district of attendance)

Same

Aid cannot exceed the amount of base-year library expenditures.

Same

Regarding flexibility in how 2011-12 expenses for Textbook, Computer Software, Computer Hardware and Library Materials Aids may be claimed for 2012-13 aid, see Textbook Aid above.

UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN AID

A district will receive aid for 2011-12 as was calculated for 2010-11 by the State Education Department.

A district will receive aid for 2012-13 as was calculated for 2011-12 by the State Education Department.

HIGH TAX AID

A district will receive the same aid as that for 2008-09 calculated by the State Education Department based on data on file for the computer run "SA0910" for the 2009-10 enacted budget.

Same

TEACHER CENTERS

\$20.44 million

None

TEACHER-MENTOR INTERN

\$2.00 million

Same

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

\$13.84 million

Same

INCARCERATED YOUTH

\$19.50 million

\$20.50 million

LEARNING TECHNOLOGY

\$3.29 million

Same

BUS DRIVER SAFETY

\$.40 million

Same

EMPLOYMENT PREPARATION

EDUCATION AID

Ceiling	\$12.15/contact hour	\$12.40/contact hour <sup>10</sup>
Wealth Measure	AV/TWPU	Same
State Share	.60	Same
Minimum Aid Ratio	.40	Same
Pupil Count	Contact Hours	Same

CHARTER SCHOOL TRANSITIONAL

AID

Total Aid	The sum of Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 aid.	Same
Tier 1 Aid Eligible Districts (Enrollment or TGFE <sup>11</sup> )	2010-11 charter school enrollment (excluding enrollment in schools chartered by the board of education) greater than 2 percent of resident public school enrollment <u>or</u> 2010-11 charter school payments greater than 2 percent of 2010-11 total general fund expenditures.	2011-12 charter school enrollment (excluding enrollment in schools chartered by the board of education) greater than 2 percent of resident public school enrollment <u>or</u> 2011-12 charter school payments greater than 2 percent of 2011-12 total general fund expenditures.
Basic Tuition <sup>12</sup>	0.8 x 2010-11 charter school adjusted expense per pupil.	0.8 x 2011-12 charter school adjusted expense per pupil.
Pupils	Increase in charter school enrollment from 2009-10 to 2010-11.	Increase in charter school enrollment from 2010-11 to 2011-12.

<sup>10</sup> For the 2012-13 school year, a \$96.00 million funding limit is provided, the same as for the 2011-12 school year.

<sup>11</sup> Expenditures and transfers from a district's total general and debt service funds as reported to the State Education Department on the annual ST-3 form:

<sup>12</sup> The charter school adjusted expense per pupil equals a district's approved operating expense (AOE) per pupil for the year prior to the base year multiplied by the percentage increase of the total statewide approved operating expense for the base year over the total statewide approved operating expense for two years prior to the base year. Approved Operating Expenditures are a district's expenditures for the day-to-day operation of the school as defined in Education Law Section 3602, Subdivision 1, Paragraph t. For the TAPU for Expense pupil count, see Appendix III-C.

Tier 2 Aid Eligible Districts (Enrollment or TGFE)	2009-10 charter school enrollment (excluding enrollment in schools chartered by the board of education) greater than 2 percent of resident public school enrollment <u>or</u> 2009-10 charter school payments greater than 2 percent of 2009-10 total general fund expenditures.	2010-11 charter school enrollment (excluding enrollment in schools chartered by the board of education) greater than 2 percent of resident public school enrollment <u>or</u> 2010-11 charter school payments greater than 2 percent of 2010-11 total general fund expenditures.
Basic Tuition	0.6 x 2010-11 charter school adjusted expense per pupil.	0.6 x 2011-12 charter school adjusted expense per pupil.
Pupils	Increase in charter school enrollment from 2008-09 to 2009-10.	Increase in charter school enrollment from 2009-10 to 2010-11.
Tier 3 Aid Eligible Districts (Enrollment or TGFE)	2008-09 charter school enrollment (excluding enrollment in schools chartered by the board of education) greater than 2 percent of resident public school enrollment <u>or</u> 2008-09 charter school payments greater than 2 percent of 2008-09 total general fund expenditures.	2009-10 charter school enrollment (excluding enrollment in schools chartered by the board of education) greater than 2 percent of resident public school enrollment <u>or</u> 2009-10 charter school payments greater than 2 percent of 2009-10 total general fund expenditures.
Basic Tuition	0.4 x 2010-11 charter school adjusted expense per pupil.	0.4 x 2011-12 charter school adjusted expense per pupil.
Pupils	Increase in charter school enrollment from 2007-08 to 2008-09	Increase in charter school enrollment from 2008-09 to 2009-10.
<u>SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN</u>	\$17.50 million	Same
<u>ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT GRANT</u>	\$1.20 million	Same

SUPPLEMENTAL PUBLIC EXCESS  
COST AID

A district will receive the same aid as that for 2008-09 calculated by the State Education Department based on data on file for the computer run "SA0910" for the 2009-10 enacted budget.

Same

ACADEMIC ENHANCEMENT AID

Districts identified as districts in need of improvement for at least 5 years.

Same

A district will receive the same aid as that for 2008-09 calculated by the State Education Department based on data on file for the computer run "SA0910" for the 2009-10 enacted budget.

Same

GAP ELIMINATION ADJUSTMENT  
INCLUDING ADMINISTRATIVE  
EFFICIENCY AID AND OTHER  
ADJUSTMENTS

For the 2011-12 school year, a statewide reduction of -\$2,556.48 million calculated as follows:

The 2011-12 statewide reduction of -\$2,556.48 million will be adjusted by \$289.79 million for a net reduction of -\$2,266.69 million. The adjustment will be calculated as follows:

The lesser of:

The sum of a) the product of -6.40 percent multiplied by a district's 2011-12 formula aid as computed for the 2011-12 Executive Budget school aid computer listing entitled "BT111-2" (without Universal Prekindergarten and Building and Building Reorganization Incentive Aids) plus b) the result of -\$4,400.00 multiplied by 1.0 minus a district's three-year K-6 free and reduced price lunch percentage for Foundation Aid with the result multiplied by a district's Combined Wealth Ratio for Foundation Aid multiplied by estimated 2010-11 public enrollment.

The adjustment is the greater of (a), (b) or (c) but not more than the maximum (d).

(a) A district's Extraordinary Needs Percent divided by the state average of 52.70 percent multiplied by \$214.50 with the result multiplied by the State Sharing Ratio and by 2011-12 public enrollment.

(b) For districts with a 2011-12 GEA divided by district 2011-12 total general fund expenditures less than the statewide average of -4.76 percent:

The initial minimum reduction is -9.50 percent

multiplied by a district's 2011-12 formula aid as computed for the 2011-12 Executive Budget school aid computer listing entitled "BT111-2" (without Universal Prekindergarten and Building and Building Reorganization Incentive Aids). The maximum reduction is -21.40 percent.

or

For districts with a Tax Effort Ratio (a district's residential levy divided by district adjusted gross income) greater than 4.00 percent and a Combined Wealth Ratio for Foundation Aid less than 1.50: The result of -23.00 percent divided by the quotient of a district's Tax Effort Ratio divided by 4.247 percent  $(-23\% / (\text{district TER} / 4.247\%))$ , but not less than -13.00 percent, multiplied by 2011-12 Formula Aid as computed for the 2011-12 Executive Budget school aid computer listing entitled "BT111-2" (without Universal Prekindergarten and Building and Building Reorganization Incentive Aids). The maximum reduction is -23.00 percent; the minimum reduction is -13.00 percent.

For high need districts the Gap Elimination Adjustment will not exceed -6.80 percent of the district's 2010-11 Total General Fund Expenditures (TGFE).

For qualifying high need districts, those with 2008-09 expenditures for administrative purposes less than 1.55 percent and

The positive result of the district's 2011-12 GEA divided by the district's 2011-12 total general fund expense is divided by .0476 and the result is multiplied by \$90.00 with the result multiplied by the State Sharing Ratio and by 2011-12 public enrollment.

(c) The positive result of the product of 1.00 percent multiplied by a district's 2011-12 GEA.

(d) A district's maximum adjustment will not exceed 25.00 percent multiplied by the district's 2011-12 GEA.



a three-year K-6 free and reduced price lunch percentage for Foundation Aid greater than 75.00 percent, the district's Gap Elimination Adjustment will be -4.09 percent of the district's 2010-11 TGFE.

For the Big Five City school districts, the percent will be: New York City (-4.537), Buffalo (-4.1), Rochester (-4.13) Syracuse (-5.53) and Yonkers (-5.97).

ADMINISTRATIVE EFFICIENCY AID

For all other districts the Gap Elimination Adjustment will not exceed -11.00 percent of the district's 2010-11 TGFE.

Qualifying districts will receive aid for administrative efficiency.

Districts, other than the Big Five City school districts, with less than 1.80 percent of 2008-09 expenditures (as reported to the State Education Department on the district's annual ST-3 form) devoted to spending for Board of Education and Central Administration purposes and administrative expenditures less than \$348.00 per pupil (2010-11 public enrollment) will receive a wealth-adjusted<sup>13</sup>

<sup>13</sup> For the 2011-12 school year, a district's Combined Wealth Ratio for Foundation Aid (FACWR) is equal to: (.5 x Pupil Wealth Ratio) + (.5 x Alternate Pupil Wealth Ratio). The Pupil Wealth Ratio for Foundation Aid is equal to:

$$\frac{\text{Selected Actual Valuation/2009-10 TWP}}{\$593,600} \quad ; \text{ and the}$$

Alternate Pupil Wealth Ratio for Foundation Aid is equal to:

$$\frac{\text{Selected District Income/2009-10 TWP}}{\$172,200}$$

Selected Actual Valuation is the lesser of 2008 Actual Valuation or the average of 2007 Actual Valuation and 2008 Actual Valuation as reported by the

amount calculated as \$75.00  
x Foundation State Sharing  
Ratio (.100 minimum) x  
Selected Total Aidable  
Foundation Pupils (TAFPU).<sup>14</sup>

NEED-BASED ADJUSTMENT

Districts with a  
Need/Resource Capacity Code  
of 3 or 4 will receive an  
amount calculated as \$61.00  
multiplied by 2010-11  
public enrollment. For  
districts with a  
Need/Resource Capacity Code  
of 5, the amount will be  
\$54.00 multiplied by 2010-  
11 public enrollment.

If a district's 2010-11  
Limited English Proficiency  
(LEP) pupil count is  
greater than 13.00 percent  
of its 2010-11 public  
enrollment, the district  
will receive an amount  
calculated as 0.0075  
multiplied by a district's  
2011-12 Formula Aid as  
computed for the 2011-12  
Executive Budget school aid  
computer listing entitled  
"BT111-2" (without  
Universal Prekindergarten  
and Building and Building  
Reorganization Incentive  
Aids)

LOW WEALTH/HIGH TAX  
ADJUSTMENT

For districts with a Tax  
Effort Ratio (a district's  
residential levy divided by

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Office of the State Comptroller. A district's Actual Valuation is the sum of  
the taxable full value of real property in the school district.

Selected District Income is the lesser of 2008 Adjusted Gross Income or the  
average of 2007 Adjusted Gross Income and 2008 Adjusted Gross Income.  
Adjusted Gross Income is the Adjusted Gross Personal Income of a school  
district, as reported by the Department of Taxation and Finance, including  
the results of the statewide computerized income verification process.

<sup>14</sup> For Foundation Aid pupil counts for aid and wealth calculations, see  
Appendix III-D. The Foundation State Sharing Ratio is the greatest of:

- 1.37 - (1.230 x Foundation Aid Combined Wealth Ratio)
- 1.00 - (0.640 x FACWR)
- 0.80 - (0.390 x FACWR)
- 0.51 - (0.173 x FACWR)

district adjusted gross income) greater than 6.00 percent and a Combined Wealth Ratio for Foundation Aid less than 0.70, the district will receive an amount calculated as \$100.00 multiplied by 2010-11 public enrollment.

ENROLLMENT ADJUSTMENT

For districts with a) a public enrollment increase from 2009-10 to 2010-11 equal to or greater than 45 and a Combined Wealth Ratio for Foundation Aid less than 3.00 and b) the enrollment increase is either greater than 1.00 percent or the Combined Wealth Ratio for Foundation Aid less than 2.00, the district will receive an amount calculated as \$500.00 multiplied by the increase in public enrollment.

APPENDIX III-B  
MATHEMATICAL EXPLANATION OF AID FORMULAS

The mathematical formulas for calculating 2012-13 public high cost and private excess cost aids, BOCES aid, textbook aid, library materials aid, special services including academic improvement aid, transportation aid, computer software aid, instructional computer hardware and technology equipment aid, employment preparation education aid, incarcerated youth aid, building aid, reorganization incentive building aid, reorganization incentive operating aid, full-day kindergarten incentive aid, charter school transitional aid and the gap elimination adjustment are presented in this appendix.

The State average wealth measures used in the calculation of 2012-13 aid ratios are:

2009 Actual Valuation/2010-11 TWPU	\$589,500
2009 Adjusted Gross Income/2010-11 TWPU	\$158,500
2009 Actual Valuation/2010-11 RWADA	\$711,500

Note that all aid ratios are assumed to have a minimum of .000 and a maximum of 1.000 unless otherwise stated.

Details of pupil counts for Foundation Aid are included in Appendix III-D.

Pupil counts for other 2012-13 aids appear in Appendix III-C. Pupil count abbreviations frequently used in this appendix include:

TAFPU...Total Aidable Foundation Pupil Units  
TWFPU...Total Wealth Foundation Pupil Units

TWPU....Total Wealth Pupil Units  
ADA.....Average Daily Attendance  
RWADA...Resident Weighted Average Daily Attendance

CHARTER SCHOOL TRANSITIONAL AID

Education Law, Section 3602, Subdivision 41

A district's Charter School Transitional Aid equals the sum of Tier 1, 2 and 3 aid.

Tier 1 Aid: Districts are eligible for Tier 1 Aid if their number of resident pupils enrolled in charter schools (excluding enrollment in schools chartered by the board of education) in the 2011-12 school year was greater than 2.0 percent of total resident public school enrollment or payments made to charter schools in the 2011-12 school year exceed 2.0 percent of the district's 2011-12 total general fund expenditures.

The Tier 1 formula =  $(0.80 \times 2011-12 \text{ charter school basic tuition}) \times$  the increase in the number of resident pupils enrolled in a charter school between the 2010-11 and 2011-12 school years.

Tier 2 Aid: Districts are eligible for Tier 2 Aid if their number of resident pupils enrolled in charter schools (excluding enrollment in schools chartered by the board of education) in the 2010-11 school year was greater than 2.0 percent of total resident public school enrollment or payments made to charter schools in the 2010-11 school year exceed 2.0 percent of the district's 2010-11 total general fund expenditures.

The Tier 2 formula =  $(0.60 \times 2011-12 \text{ charter school basic tuition}) \times$  the increase in the number of resident pupils enrolled in a charter school between the 2009-10 and 2010-11 school years.

Tier 3 Aid: Districts are eligible for Tier 3 Aid if their number of resident pupils enrolled in charter schools (excluding enrollment in schools chartered by the board of education) in the 2009-10 school year was greater than 2.0 percent of total resident public school enrollment or payments made to charter schools in the 2009-10 school year exceed 2.0 percent of the district's 2009-10 total general fund expenditures.

The Tier 3 formula =  $(0.40 \times 2011-12 \text{ charter school basic tuition}) \times$  the increase in the number of resident pupils enrolled in a charter school between the 2008-09 and 2009-10 school years.

Charter school basic tuition: This equals a district's approved operating expense (AOE) per pupil for the year prior to the base year multiplied by the percentage increase of the total statewide approved operating expense for the base year over the total statewide approved operating expense for two years prior to the base year. Approved Operating Expenditures are a district's expenditures for the day-to-day operation of the school as defined in Education Law Section 3602, Subdivision 1, Paragraph t. For the TAPU for Expense pupil count, see Appendix III-C.

PUBLIC HIGH COST EXCESS COST AID

Education Law, Section 3602, Subdivision 5

A district receives Public High Cost Excess Cost Aid for pupils with disabilities educated in resource intensive programs run by public school districts or BOCES. Public High Cost Special Education Aid is available for public school pupils with disabilities in programs in which the cost exceeds the lesser of:

\$10,000 or 4 x AOE/TAPU for Expense (without limits)

Per Pupil Calculation:

$$\text{High Cost Excess Cost Aid} = (\text{Approved Program Cost} - (3 \times \text{AOE/TAPU})) \times \text{Aid Ratio}$$

$$\text{AOE/TAPU} = \frac{\text{2010-11 Approved Operating Expenses (AOE)}}{\text{2010-11 TAPU for Expense}}$$

Excess Cost Aid Ratio =

$$1 - (\text{Combined Wealth Ratio} \times .51)$$

Minimum: .250

For the 2012-13 school year, for aids other than Foundation Aid, a district's Combined Wealth Ratio is equal to: (.5 x Pupil Wealth Ratio) + (.5 x Alternate Pupil Wealth Ratio). The district's Pupil Wealth Ratio is equal to:

$$\frac{\text{2009 Actual Valuation/2010-11 TWPU}}{\$589,500}; \text{ and the}$$

Alternate Pupil Wealth Ratio is equal to:

$$\frac{\text{2009 District Income/2010-11 TWPU}}{\$158,500}$$

PUBLIC EXCESS COST SETASIDE

Education Law, Section 3602, Subdivision 4, paragraph c

All school districts are required to set aside a portion of their Foundation Aid to support the education of students with disabilities and to ensure that federal maintenance of effort requirements regarding spending for students with disabilities are met.

Public Excess Cost Aid Setaside =

(2006-07 Supplemental Public Excess Cost Aid Base - 2006-07 High Cost Aid)

X

1 + percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) between the current year and 2006-07 (1.1530 for 2012-13)

EXCESS COST AID FOR PRIVATE SCHOOL PUPILS

Education Law, Section 4405, Subdivision 3, paragraphs a and b  
Education Law, Section 4401, Subdivision 6 and 7

A district receives Private Excess Cost Aid for pupils with disabilities in private school settings and the two State-operated schools at Rome and Batavia. The aid is computed on a student-by-student basis with districts receiving private excess cost aid for each student.

Private Excess Cost Aid

Private Excess Cost Aid per pupil = Aidable Cost x Aid Ratio

Aidable Cost = Tuition - (Basic Contribution per enrolled pupil)

Basic Contribution = A district's tax levy based on its property and non-property taxes divided by its base-year (2011-12) resident enrollment.

Excess Cost Aid Ratio = 1 - (Combined Wealth Ratio x .15)

Minimum: .50

SPECIAL SERVICES AID/ACADEMIC IMPROVEMENT AID

Education Law, Section 3602, Subdivision 10

Districts that are non-components of a BOCES, including the Big Five City school districts, are eligible to receive Career Education Aid, Computer Administration Aid and Academic Improvement Aid.

Career Education Aid = Ceiling x Aid Ratio x Career Ed Pupils

Ceiling = \$3,900

Aid Ratio = 1 - (Combined Wealth Ratio x .59)

Minimum: .360

Career Education Pupils = 2011-12 Grade 10-12 ADA in a Career Education Trade Sequence + (.16 x Business Sequence ADA)

Computer Administration Aid = Expenses (up to \$62.30 x Enrollment) x Computer Expenses Aid Ratio

Enrollment = Fall 2011 public enrollment attending in the district

Computer Expenses Aid Ratio = 1 - (Combined Wealth Ratio x .51)

Minimum: .300

Academic Improvement Aid = Ceiling x Aid Ratio x Career Ed Pupils

$\text{Ceiling} = \frac{\$100 \text{ plus } \$1,000}{\text{Combined Wealth Ratio}}$ . No eligible district will receive less than \$1,100

$\text{Aid Ratio} = 1 - (\text{Combined Wealth Ratio} \times .59)$

Minimum: .360

#### TRANSPORTATION AID

Education Law, Section 3602, Subdivision 7

Districts are allotted reimbursement for transportation expenses through the transportation aid formula. Districts will be eligible for reimbursement for capital expenditures based on the assumed useful life of the asset.

Transportation Aid = [Aid Ratio + Sparsity Factor] x Approved Expenses

Aid Ratio = greatest of three aid ratio calculations, two of which are based on a district's Actual Valuation per pupil:

(i) 1.263 x State Sharing Ratio

(ii)  $1.010 - \frac{(2009 \text{ AV}/2010-11 \text{ RWADA} \times .46)}{\text{Statewide Average } (\$711,500)}$

(iii)  $1.010 - \frac{(2009 \text{ AV}/2010-11 \text{ Resident Public+Nonpublic Enrollment} \times .46)}{\text{Statewide Average } (\$635,300)}$

Minimum: .065, Maximum: .900

State Sharing Ratio = The greatest of the following but not less than zero nor more than .90:

1.37 - (1.23 x CWR)

1.00 - (0.64 x CWR)

0.80 - (0.39 x CWR)

0.51 - (0.22 x CWR)

Sparsity Factor =

$\frac{21.00 - 2010-11 \text{ Public Enrollment/Square Mile}}{317.88}$

Approved Transportation Expenses include:

- Health and life insurance
- Collision insurance
- Equipment
- Uniforms
- Driver and mechanic salaries
- Supervisor and other salaries
- Operating and maintenance expenses
- Social Security payments on all salaries
- Approved contract expenses



- Retirement benefits
- Computerized bus routing services
- Transportation of children to and from day care centers
- Transportation of pupils in voluntary interdistrict programs
- District expenditures for transportation of pupils to and from district-operated summer classes to improve student performance will be aided up to a maximum of \$5.0 million statewide

But do not include:

- Transportation of pupils less than 1-1/2 miles from school
- Field trips
- Salaries of assistant drivers on regular buses (district operated programs)
- Salaries of drivers and mechanics who work on other than bus-type vehicles
- Bus purchase expenses exceeding the State contract price

BOCES AID

Education Law, Section 1950, Subdivision 5

Districts which are components of Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) are eligible to receive BOCES operating, capital, and rental aids with the total amount subject to a save-harmless provision.

BOCES Operating Aid = Base Year Approved Expenses x Aid Ratio

Approved Expenses includes salaries of BOCES employees up to \$30,000

Aid Ratio = greater of:

- (i)  $1 - \frac{.008 \text{ (.003 for Central High Schools and Component Districts)}}{\text{District Actual Valuation Tax Rate (Local Revenue/2009 Actual Valuation)}}$
- (ii)  $1 - \frac{(2009 \text{ Actual Valuation}/2010-11 \text{ RWADA} \times .51)}{\text{Statewide Average } (\$711,500)}$

Minimum: .360; Maximum: .900

BOCES Capital Aid = 2012-13 Capital Expense x RWADA Aid Ratio  
(Maximum: .900)

BOCES Rental Aid = 2012-13 Rental Expense x RWADA Aid Ratio  
(Maximum: .900)

Save-Harmless Provision

A district may receive the greater of:

- (i) 2012-13 BOCES Operating, Capital and Rental Aids, or
- (ii) BOCES aid received during 1967-68

BUILDING AID

Education Law, Section 3602, Subdivision 6

School districts with approved building projects may receive building aid to be paid according to an assumed amortization schedule. Aid is available for expenses related to the installation of computer laboratory hardware and for the purchase of stationary metal detectors. Payment for new construction projects otherwise eligible for aid is deferred in instances in which the school district other than New York City did not file a notice that a general construction contract has been signed with the Commissioner of Education by the November 15, 2011 database. A similar provision applies to aid payments for New York City.

Building Aid = Selected Aid Ratio x Approved Building Expenses

Current AV/RWADA Aid Ratio =

$$1 - \frac{(2009 \text{ Actual Valuation}/2010-11 \text{ RWADA} \times .51)}{\text{Statewide Average } (\$711,500)}$$

Approved Building Expenses:

For projects associated with any existing bonds, bond anticipation notes (BANs) and lease-purchase agreements that have principal remaining as of July 1, 2002, an assumed amortization will be applied to determine Building and Reorganization Incentive Building Aid. The assumed amortization is based on approved project costs, the term of borrowing and an assumed interest rate. New projects subject to prospective assumed amortization are those that were either approved by the Commissioner of Education on or after December 1, 2001, or, for which debt (bonds, BANs, and capital notes) is first issued on or after such date. Each project is assigned a useful life, cost allowance and assumed interest rate.

Starting in 2005-06, for projects in New York City for which a contract is signed July 1, 2004 or later, the cost allowance will include legitimate extraordinary costs related to:

- Multi-story construction necessitated by substandard site sizes,
- site security costs,
- difficulties with delivery of construction supplies,
- increased fire resistance and fire suppression costs,
- site acquisition,
- environmental remediation and
- building demolition costs.

The State share of financing costs associated with refinancings for borrowings which had principal remaining as of July 1, 2002 is reimbursed in full to districts. In addition, districts are reimbursed for lease expenses and on a one year lag for costs of metal detectors, building condition surveys conducted once in five years, and capital outlay exception.

Selected Aid Ratio:

For the 2012-13 school year, districts may use the higher of the current year aid ratio or the aid ratio computed for use in any year commencing with the 1981-82 school year.

Starting with all new building projects approved by the voters after July 1, 2000, the selected Building Aid ratio is based upon the greater of a school district's current-year Building Aid ratio or the aid ratio selected for use in 1999-00 reduced by 10 percentage points. School districts with a pupil wealth ratio greater than 2.50 and an alternate pupil wealth ratio less than .850 in the school year in which the project was approved and the voter approval date was between 7/1/00 and 6/30/04 may select an aid ratio equal to 1.263 multiplied by the district's State Sharing Ratio.

School districts with a pupil wealth ratio greater than 2.50 and an alternate pupil wealth ratio less than .850 in the 2000-01 school year and the voter approval date was between 7/1/05 and 6/30/08, may select an aid ratio equal to the product of 1.263 multiplied by the district's State Sharing Ratio.

For aid payable in the 2005-06 school year and after for projects approved after July 1, 2005, for high need school districts including the Big Five City schools, may compute an additional amount equal to .05 times their selected aid ratio. The maximum aid payable is 98% of the project's approved costs.

Incentive:

For aid payable in 1998-99 and after for new projects approved by the voters after 7/1/98, districts will continue to receive an additional 10 percent State reimbursement. However, the sum of the incentive and the selected aid ratio may not exceed .950 except that, for projects approved in high need districts, by the voters or the board of education in the Big Four dependent districts or the chancellor in New York City, on or after 7/1/2005, the sum of the incentive and the selected aid ratio, including the high-need supplemental Building Aid ratio, may not exceed .980.

In addition, cost allowances on all contracts awarded after 7/1/98 will be adjusted to reflect regional costs for school districts in high cost areas of the State.

New York City Data Submission:

In order to align the claiming process for New York City more closely with that of districts in the rest of state, aid on debt service in excess of that based on estimates submitted by New York City before November 15 of the base year will be considered payable in the following year.

Sale of School Building:

Pursuant to Chapter 58 of the Laws of 2011, school districts are required to notify the State Education Department if a school building is sold or ownership transferred and the building is no longer operated by the district. SED will re-compute the Building Aid payable to the district for such building.

Final Cost Report:

Chapter 97 of the Laws of 2011 provides that, except for New York City projects, the assumed amortization for projects approved by the Commissioner of Education after July 1, 2011 will begin the later of eighteen months after State Education Department (SED) approval or when the final cost report and certificate of substantial completion have been received by SED or, if the district is unable to complete the final cost report because of circumstances beyond its control, upon the date of a finding by the Commissioner that the certificate of substantial completion of the project has been issued by the architect or engineer.

REORGANIZATION INCENTIVE BUILDING AID

Education Law, Section 3602, Subdivision 14, paragraphs e and f

An eligible district may receive Reorganization Incentive Building Aid in addition to its regular Building Aid.

For districts reorganizing prior to July 1, 1983,

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Reorganization Incentive} \\ \text{Building Aid} \end{array} = \text{Approved Expenses} \times \text{Building Aid Ratio} \times 25\%$$

For districts reorganizing after July 1, 1983,

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Reorganization Incentive} \\ \text{Building Aid} \end{array} = \text{Approved Expenses} \times \text{Building Aid Ratio} \times 30\%$$

REORGANIZATION INCENTIVE OPERATING AID

Education Law, Section 3602, Subdivision 14, paragraphs d and d-1

School districts that reorganize after July 1, 2007, are eligible to receive reorganization incentive operating aid for 14 years beginning with the first school year of operating as a reorganized district. The reorganization percentage will be 40 percent for a period of five years, to be reduced by 4 percent per year for nine years.

For the first five years, Reorganization Incentive Operating Aid =

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{2006-07 Selected} \\ \text{Operating Aid per Pupil} \end{array} \times \begin{array}{l} \text{Total Aidable Pupil} \\ \text{Units} \end{array} \times .40$$

The amount calculated as 2006-07 Selected Operating Aid per Pupil x Total Aidable Pupil Units will not be recalculated during the 14 years that a district receives aid. The 2006-07 Selected Operating Aid per Pupil x Total Aidable Pupil Units amount is frozen as of the date upon which a data file was created for the February 15, 2007 State Aid estimates. The sum of 2006-07 Operating Aid and Incentive Operating Aid is limited to 95 percent of 2010-11 Approved Operating Expense.

### TEXTBOOK AID

Education Law, Section 701, Subdivisions 4, 6 and 7

All districts are eligible for Textbook Aid. The aid provided is to be used by districts to purchase textbooks to be made available to all resident enrolled pupils. Textbooks are loaned to both public and nonpublic pupils. A district's 2012-13 aid cannot exceed the amount of its base-year actual expenditures.

The existing formulas for Textbook, Computer Software, Computer Hardware and Library Materials Aids are continued. For 2012-13 aid is based on 2011-12 expenditures. If a district exceeds its maximum allocation in any of the above aids, the 2011-12 expense over the maximum allocation can be designated as an expense for aid in one or more of the other aid categories, with the exception of Library Materials expense.

Textbook Aid = 2011-12 Cost of Textbooks, not to exceed \$58.25 (\$43.25 per pupil for Regular Textbook Aid plus \$15.00 per pupil for Lottery Textbook Aid) x 2011-12 Resident Public and Nonpublic School Enrollment

### COMPUTER SOFTWARE AID

Education Law, Section 751

All districts are eligible for Computer Software Aid. The aid is for the purchase of computer software which a pupil is required to use as a learning aid in a particular class in the school the pupil attends. Software programs designated for use in public schools are to be loaned on an equitable basis to nonpublic school pupils pursuant to the Rules of the Board of Regents. A district's 2012-13 aid cannot exceed the amount of its base-year actual expenditures.

Regarding flexibility in how 2011-12 expenses for Textbook, Computer Software, Computer Hardware and Library Materials Aids may be claimed for 2012-13 aid, see Textbook Aid above.

Computer Software Aid = 2011-12 Cost of Software (up to \$14.98 x Enrollment)

Enrollment = Fall 2011 public and private school enrollment for the district of attendance plus BOCES and private school pupils in full-time programs for children with disabilities.

### INSTRUCTIONAL COMPUTER HARDWARE AND TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AID

Education Law, Section 753

A district may be eligible for Computer Hardware Aid to purchase or lease micro- and/or mini-computer equipment or terminals as well as technology equipment for instructional purposes. Schools may use up to 20 percent of hardware aid for the repair of instructional computer hardware and technology equipment or for training and staff development for instructional purposes.

Technology equipment is defined as equipment used in conjunction with or in support of educational programs including, but not limited to, video, solar

energy, robotic, satellite or laser equipment. Beginning in 2007-08, public school districts must loan computer hardware and equipment to nonpublic school pupils.

Approved expenses for technology education equipment were first eligible for aid in the 1992-93 school year. Beginning with the 1998-99 school year, the local match was eliminated.

Regarding flexibility in how 2011-12 expenses for Textbook, Computer Software, Computer Hardware and Library Materials Aids may be claimed for 2012-13 aid, see Textbook Aid above.

Hardware Aid = 2011-12 Approved Expenses (up to \$24.20 x Enrollment) x Current Year Building Aid Ratio

Aid cannot exceed the amount of base-year approved expenditures.

Enrollment = Fall 2011 public and private school enrollment for the district of attendance plus BOCES and private school pupils in full-time programs for children with disabilities.

#### LIBRARY MATERIALS AID

Education Law, Section 711, Subdivision 4

All districts are eligible for Library Materials Aid. The aid is provided to enable districts to purchase necessary library materials to be made available on an equitable basis to all pupils attending public and nonpublic schools within such district. A district's 2012-13 aid cannot exceed the amount of its base-year actual expenditures.

Regarding flexibility in how 2011-12 expenses for Textbook, Computer Software, Computer Hardware and Library Materials Aids may be claimed for 2012-13 aid, see Textbook Aid above.

Library Materials Aid = 2011-12 cost of Library Materials (up to \$6.25 x Enrollment)

Enrollment = Fall 2011 public and private school enrollment for the district of attendance plus BOCES and private school pupils in full-time programs for children with disabilities.

#### FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN CONVERSION AID

Education Law, Section 3602, Subdivision 9

Eligibility for Full-Day K Conversion Aid: If in 1996-97 and 2011-12 a district had half-day kindergarten enrollment or if a district had no kindergarten enrollment in 1996-97 and 2011-12.

Eligible school districts offering full-day kindergarten programs to all kindergarten students will receive Selected Foundation Aid per pupil for any increase in the number of students served in full-day programs in 2012-13 compared to 2011-12.

Full-Day Kindergarten Conversion Aid =

(2012-13 Full-Day K Enrollment - 2011-12 Full-Day K Enrollment)  
x Selected Foundation Aid per pupil

EMPLOYMENT PREPARATION EDUCATION (EPE) AID

Education Law, Section 3602, Subdivision 11

Districts are eligible for EPE aid for the attendance of pupils age 21 or older who have not received a high school diploma or equivalency diploma.

Since 1991-92, aid paid directly to BOCES for approved BOCES EPE programs has been based on component districts' aid ratios. Beginning in 1995-96, the BOCES EPE aid ratio has been based on the aggregate actual valuation and TWPU of the component districts of the BOCES. Adults can register with BOCES for participation at a BOCES site. Since 1996-97, the BOCES EPE aid ratio has been the greater of the EPE aid ratio based on the aggregate wealth of the component districts or 85 percent of the highest EPE aid ratio of a component district of the BOCES.

$$\text{EPE Aid} = \$12.40 \times \text{EPE Aid Ratio} \times \text{EPE Hours}$$

$$\text{EPE Aid Ratio} = 1 - (\text{Pupil Wealth Ratio} \times .40) \text{ Minimum: } .400$$

$$\text{Pupil Wealth Ratio} = \frac{2009 \text{ Actual Valuation}/2010-11 \text{ TWPU}}{\text{State Average } (\$589,500)}$$

$$\text{EPE Hours} = \text{Total hours of instruction for all students in EPE programs between July 1 and June 30 of the current year.}$$

EPE aid will be reduced if it and other State and Federal sources of aid for EPE programs exceed the entire cost of such program in that year. For the 2012-13 school year, total aid is limited to \$96.00 million.

INCARCERATED YOUTH AID

Education Law, Section 3602, Subdivision 13

All districts are eligible for Incarcerated Youth Aid. The aid is provided to enable districts to educate students in local centers of detention. Incarcerated Youth Aid equals the lesser of:

- (i) 2010-11 AOE/TAPU for Expense x Number of full-day program pupils (2010-11 AOE/TAPU x 1.25 x pupils in 10 month programs or 2010-11 AOE/TAPU x 1.50 x pupils in 12 month programs) + ([.5 x (AOE/TAPU for Expense)] x Number of half-day program pupils) or
- (ii) Actual total instructional cost for the incarcerated youth program plus approved administrative costs (which may not exceed five percent of total instructional costs)

GAP ELIMINATION ADJUSTMENT (GEA)

Education Law, Section 3602, Subdivisions 17 and 18

The 2011-12 statewide reduction of -\$2,556.48 million will be adjusted by \$289.79 million for a net reduction of -\$2,266.69 million. The adjustment will be calculated as follows:

2011-12 GEA

The lesser of:

The sum of (a) the product of -6.40 percent multiplied by a district's 2011-12 Formula Aid as computed for the 2011-12 Executive Budget school aid computer listing entitled "BT111-2" (without Universal Prekindergarten and Building and Building Reorganization Incentive Aids) plus (b) the result of -\$4,400.00 multiplied by 1.0 minus a district's three-year K-6 free and reduced price lunch percentage for Foundation Aid with the result multiplied by a district's Combined Wealth Ratio for Foundation Aid multiplied by 2010-11 public enrollment.

The initial minimum reduction is -9.50 percent multiplied by a district's 2011-12 Formula Aid as computed for the 2011-12 Executive Budget school aid computer listing entitled "BT111-2" (without Universal Prekindergarten and Building and Building Reorganization Incentive Aids). The maximum reduction is -21.40 percent.

or

For districts with a Tax Effort Ratio (a district's residential levy divided by district adjusted gross income) greater than 4.00 percent and a Combined Wealth Ratio for Foundation Aid less than 1.50: The result of -23.00 percent divided by the quotient of a district's Tax Effort Ratio divided by 4.247 percent ( $-23\% / (\text{district TER} / 4.247\%)$ ), but not less than -13.00 percent, multiplied by 2011-12 Formula Aid as computed for the 2011-12 Executive Budget school aid computer listing entitled "BT111-2" (without Universal Prekindergarten and Building and Building Reorganization Incentive Aids). The maximum reduction is -23.00 percent; the minimum reduction is -13.00 percent.

The Gap Elimination Adjustment for high need districts will not exceed -6.80 percent of the district's 2010-11 Total General Fund Expenditures (TGFE). For qualifying high need districts, those with 2008-09 expenditures for administrative purposes less than 1.55 percent and a three-year K-6 free and reduced price lunch percentage for Foundation Aid greater than 75.00 percent, the district's Gap Elimination Adjustment will be -4.09 percent of the district's 2010-11 TGFE.

For the Big Five City school districts, the percent will be:

New York City -4.537 percent  
Buffalo -4.1 percent  
Rochester -4.13 percent  
Syracuse -5.53 percent  
Yonkers -5.97 percent

For all other districts, the GEA will not exceed -11.00 percent of the district's 2010-11 TGFE.



Administrative Efficiency Aid

Qualifying districts will receive Administrative Efficiency Aid. Districts that qualify for this aid are those, other than the Big Five City school districts, with 2008-09 Board of Education and Central Administration expenditures (as reported to the State Education Department on the district's annual ST-3 form) the sum of which is less than 1.80 percent of the district's total expenditures and administrative expenditures are less than \$348.00 per pupil (2010-11 public enrollment). Eligible districts will receive:

\$75.00 x Foundation State Sharing Ratio (.100 minimum) x Selected TAFPU.

Foundation State Sharing Ratio = The greatest of the following but not less than zero nor more than .90. High need school districts may compute an additional amount equal to .05 times their ratio up to a maximum of .90.

- 1.37 - (1.230 x FACWR)
- 1.00 - (0.640 x FACWR)
- 0.80 - (0.390 x FACWR)
- 0.51 - (0.173 x FACWR)

A district's Combined Wealth Ratio for Foundation Aid (FACWR) is equal to: (.5 x Pupil Wealth Ratio) + (.5 x Alternate Pupil Wealth Ratio). The Pupil Wealth Ratio for Foundation Aid is equal to:

$$\frac{\text{Selected Actual Valuation/2009-10 TWPU}}{\$593,600} ; \text{ and the}$$

Alternate Pupil Wealth Ratio for Foundation Aid is equal to:

$$\frac{\text{Selected District Income/2009-10 TWPU}}{\$172,200}$$

Selected Actual Valuation is the lesser of 2008 Actual Valuation or the average of 2007 Actual Valuation and 2008 Actual Valuation as reported by the Office of the State Comptroller. A district's Actual Valuation is the sum of the taxable full value of real property in the school district.

Selected District Income is the lesser of 2008 Adjusted Gross Income or the average of 2007 Adjusted Gross Income and 2008 Adjusted Gross Income. Adjusted Gross Income is the Adjusted Gross Personal Income of a school district, as reported by the Department of Taxation and Finance, including the results of the statewide computerized income verification process.

Need-Based Adjustment

Districts with a Need/Resource Capacity Code of 3 or 4 will receive an amount calculated as \$61.00 multiplied by 2010-11 public enrollment. For districts with a Need/Resource Capacity Code of 5, the amount will be \$54.00 multiplied by 2010-11 public enrollment.

If a district's 2010-11 Limited English Proficiency (LEP) pupil count is greater than 13.00 percent of its 2010-11 public enrollment, the district will receive an amount calculated as 0.0075 multiplied by the district's 2011-12 Formula Aid as computed for the 2011-12 Executive Budget school aid

computer listing entitled "BT111-2" (without Universal Prekindergarten and Building and Building Reorganization Incentive Aids)

Low Wealth/High Tax Adjustment

For districts with a Tax Effort Ratio (a district's residential levy divided by district adjusted gross income) greater than 6.00 percent and a Combined Wealth Ratio for Foundation Aid less than 0.70 the district will receive an amount calculated as \$100.00 multiplied by 2010-11 public enrollment.

Enrollment Adjustment

For districts with a) a public enrollment increase from 2009-10 to 2010-11 equal to or greater than 45 and a Combined Wealth Ratio for Foundation Aid less than 3.00 and b) the enrollment increase is either greater than 1 percent or the Combined Wealth Ratio for Foundation Aid less than 2.00 the district will receive an amount calculated as \$500.00 multiplied by the increase in public enrollment.

2012-13 GEA Adjustment

The adjustment is the greater of (i), (ii) or (iii) but not more than the maximum (iv):

- (i) A district's Extraordinary Needs Percent divided by the state average of 52.70 percent multiplied by \$214.50 with the result multiplied by the State Sharing Ratio and by 2011-12 public enrollment.
- (ii) For districts with a 2011-12 GEA divided by district 2011-12 total general fund expenditures less than the statewide average of -4.76 percent:

The positive result of the district's 2011-12 GEA divided by the district's 2011-12 total general fund expense is divided by .0476 and the result is multiplied by \$90.00 with the result multiplied by the State Sharing Ratio and by 2011-12 public enrollment.

- (iii) The positive result of the product of 1.00 percent multiplied by a district's 2011-12 GEA.
- (iv) A district's maximum adjustment will not exceed the positive result of 25.00 percent multiplied by the district's 2011-12 GEA.

State Sharing Ratio = The greatest of the following but not less than zero nor more than .90:

- 1.37 - (1.23 x CWR)
- 1.00 - (0.64 x CWR)
- 0.80 - (0.39 x CWR)
- 0.51 - (0.22 x CWR)

$$\text{Extraordinary Needs Percent} = \frac{\text{Extraordinary Needs Pupil Count}}{2011-12 \text{ Public Enrollment}}$$

Extraordinary Needs Pupil Count = The sum of the following:

- (i) 2011-12 public enrollment (including charter school enrollment) x the three-year average percentage of students in grades K-6 who are eligible for the free and reduced price lunch program (2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11) x .65, and  
  
2011-12 public enrollment (including charter school enrollment) x the percentage of students aged 5-17 in poverty as of the 2000 census (National Center for Education Statistics - NCES) x .65, and
- (ii) The number of Limited English Proficiency pupils x .50., and
- (iii) For districts operating a K-12 program, a sparsity count equal to 2011-12 public enrollment x

$$\frac{25 - 2011-12 \text{ Public Enrollment/Square Mile}}{50.9}$$

with no maximum

APPENDIX III-C

DESCRIPTION OF PUPIL COUNTS USED IN AID FORMULAS FOR THE 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR

I. Average Daily Attendance/Average Daily Membership<sup>a</sup>

- A. Average Daily Attendance (ADA) is the average number of pupils present on each regular school day in a given period. The average is determined by dividing the total number of attendance days of all pupils by the number of days school was in session.
- B. Average Daily Membership (ADM) is a measure of enrollment. It is the total possible aggregate daily attendance of all pupils in the district divided by the days of session.

II. For Foundation Aid pupil counts for wealth and aid, see Appendix III-D.

III. TAPU for Expense, RWADA, and TWPU

Short Title	<u>Total Aidable Pupil Units For Expense</u>	<u>Resident Weighted Average Daily Attendance</u>	<u>Total Wealth Pupil Units</u>
	TAPU for Expense	RWADA	TWPU
Year used for aid payable in 2012-13	2010-11	2010-11	2010-11
Attendance Periods	Full Year	Full Year	Full Year
Students: Based on:	Served 100% ADA	Resident 100% ADA	Resident 100% ADA
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<u>Basic Weightings</u>			
Half-Day Kindergarten	.50	.50	.50
Kindergarten-Grade 6	1.00	1.00	1.00
Grades 7-12	1.00	1.25	1.00
Dual Enrollment	1.00	--	--

<sup>a</sup> The average daily attendance (or average daily membership) of pupils attending private and State operated schools (Rome and Batavia) for pupils with disabilities is excluded from ADA (or ADM).

	<u>Total Aidable Pupil Units For Expense</u>	<u>Resident Weighted Average Daily Attendance</u>	<u>Total Wealth Pupil Units</u>
<u>Additional Weightings</u>			
Secondary (including PSEN <sup>b</sup> but excluding students with disabilities (swd) in 1.7 & .9 public excess cost categories)	.25	--	.25
PSEN K-12 (including swd)	.25	--	.25
SWD in public schools for:			
60% of school day (special class)	1.70	--	1.70
20% of school week (resource room) <sup>c</sup>	.90	--	.90
Direct/Indirect Consultant Teacher	.90	--	.90
Private School	--	--	--
Summer/Extra School	.12	--	--

<sup>b</sup> PSEN (Pupils with Special Educational Needs) are determined by multiplying district average daily attendance by the percentage of the student population falling below the State reference point on third and sixth grade reading and mathematics pupil evaluation program (PEP) tests administered in the Spring of 1985 and the Spring of 1986.

<sup>c</sup> Or five periods (at least 180 minutes) per week.

APPENDIX III-D  
FOUNDATION AID PUPIL UNITS

Total Wealth Foundation Pupil Units (TWFPU)

The sum of:

- (i) Average daily membership for the year prior to the base year,
- (ii) The full-time equivalent enrollment of resident pupils attending public school elsewhere, less the full-time equivalent enrollment of nonresident pupils, and
- (iii) The full-time equivalent enrollment of resident pupils attending a board of cooperative educational services full time.

Selected Total Aidable Foundation Pupil Units (TAFPU)

For the purposes of computing Foundation Aid, districts may select the TAFPU calculated for the current aid year, or the average of the TAFPU calculated for the current year and the TAFPU calculated for the base year. In determining the average TAFPU, current year TAFPU definitions are used for both years.

Total Aidable Foundation Pupil Units (TAFPU) =

(2010-11 Average Daily Membership (ADM) x Base Year Enrollment Index) +  
(2010-11 Summer ADM x .12) + 2010-11 Weighted Foundation Pupils with  
Disabilities (WFPWD)

Average Daily Membership (ADM) =

- Possible aggregate attendance of students in kindergarten through grade 12 (or equivalent ungraded programs), which is the total of the number of enrolled students that could have attended school on all days of session divided by the number of days of session;
- Possible aggregate attendance of non-resident students (in-state and out of state) attending the district full time but not resident students enrolled full time in another district;
- Possible aggregate attendance of Native American students that are residents of any portion of a reservation located wholly or partially in New York State;
- Possible aggregate attendance of students living on federally owned land or property;
- Possible aggregate attendance of students receiving home or hospital instruction (not home-schooled students, including students receiving instruction through a two-way telephone communication system);
- Full-time-equivalent enrollment of resident pupils attending a charter school;
- Full time equivalent enrollment of pupils with disabilities in BOCES programs;
- Equivalent attendance of students under the age of 21, not on a regular day school register in programs leading to a high school diploma or high school equivalency diploma;
- Average daily attendance of dual enrolled nonpublic school students in

career education, gifted and talented, and special education programs of the public school district as authorized by Section 3602-c of the Education Law. Attendance is weighted by the fraction of the school day that the student is enrolled in the public school programs. Dual Enrolled students with disabilities are further weighted at 1.41.

Enrollment Index for the base year =

$$\frac{2011-12 \text{ Public School Enrollment}}{2010-11 \text{ Public School Enrollment}}$$

Summer Average Daily Membership =

Possible aggregate attendance (in hours) of pupils who attend programs of instruction operated by the district during the months of July and August, other than pupils with disabilities in twelve month programs, divided by the number of hours summer school was in session.

Weighted Foundation Pupils With Disabilities (WFPWD) =

The full-time equivalent enrollment of pupils with disabilities determined by a school district committee on special education to require any of the services listed below, and who receive such services from the school district of attendance during the year prior to the base year will be multiplied by 1.41. (A weighting based on a Regents' analysis of special education and general education costs in successful school districts):

- Placement for 60 percent or more of the school day in a special class;
- Home or hospital instruction for a period of more than sixty days;
- Special services or programs for more than 60 percent of the school day;
- Placement for 20 percent or more of the school week in a resource room or requiring special services or programs including related services for 20% or more of the school week, or in the case of pupils in grades seven through twelve or a multi-level middle school program as defined by the commissioner or in the case of pupils in grades four through six in an elementary school operating on a period basis, the equivalent of five periods per week, but not less than the equivalent of one hundred eighty minutes in a resource room or in other special services or programs including related services, or
- At least two hours per week of direct or indirect consultant teacher services

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0.50 multiplied by the full time equivalent enrollment of declassified pupils. (Declassified pupils are pupils in their first year in a full-time regular education program after having been in a special education program)

APPENDIX III-E  
REGIONAL COST INDEX

Counties in each region - Regional Cost Index

Capital District - 1.124	Mohawk Valley - 1.000
Albany	Fulton
Columbia	Herkimer
Greene	Madison
Rensselaer	Montgomery
Saratoga	Oneida
Schenectady	Schoharie
Warren	
Washington	
Central New York - 1.103	North Country - 1.000
Cayuga	Clinton
Cortland	Essex
Onondaga	Franklin
Oswego	Hamilton
	Jefferson
	Lewis
	St. Lawrence
Finger Lakes - 1.141	Southern Tier - 1.045
Genesee	Broome
Livingston	Chemung
Monroe	Chenango
Ontario	Delaware
Orleans	Otsego
Seneca	Schuyler
Wayne	Steuben
Wyoming	Tioga
Yates	Tompkins
Hudson Valley - 1.314	Western - 1.091
Dutchess	Allegany
Orange	Cattaraugus
Putnam	Chautauqua
Rockland	Erie
Sullivan	Niagara
Ulster	
Westchester	
Long Island/New York City - 1.425	
New York City	
Nassau	
Suffolk	

NOTE: School districts are assigned to counties based on the location of the district's central office. The regional cost indices are based on a Regents' study of median salaries for 59 professional, non-teaching, occupations in nine labor force regions.