FY 2022 Budget Request

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Mississippi Department of Education

VISION

To create a world-class educational system that gives students the knowledge and skills to be successful in college and the workforce, and to flourish as parents and citizens

MISSION

To provide leadership through the development of policy and accountability systems so that all students are prepared to compete in the global community



State Board of Education Goals FIVE-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN FOR 2021-2025



All
Students
Proficient
and Showing
Growth in All
Assessed
Areas



2

Every
Student
Graduates
from High
School and
is Ready for
College and
Career



3

Every
Child Has
Access
to a HighQuality Early
Childhood
Program



4

Every
School Has
Effective
Teachers and
Leaders



5

Every
Community
Effectively
Uses a
World-Class
Data System
to Improve
Student
Outcomes





Every School and District is Rated "C" or Higher





Return on Investment



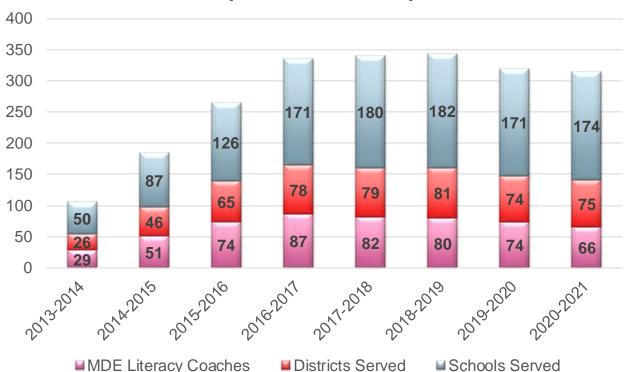
Professional Development

- MDE provides regional, on-demand professional development to educators in a range of content areas
- In 2019-20, MDE delivered 369 professional development sessions to 10,262 educators statewide through the professional development coordinator model and RESAfacilitated system
- The MDE also transitioned face-to-face professional development content into a virtual, on-demand setting to effectively serve teachers remotely during COVID-19



LBPA Implementation – Literacy Coaches

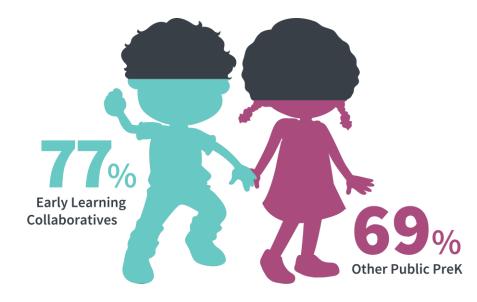
MDE Literacy Coach Support (2013-Present)





Early Childhood Education Achievement

- 77% of Early Learning
 Collaborative (ELC)
 students met target
 kindergarten-readiness
 score in 2019, an increase
 from 59% in 2015
- ELC students show higher rates of kindergarten readiness (77%) than students in other public pre-K classes (69%)



STUDENTS MEETING

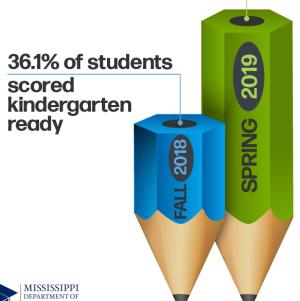
Kindergarten-Readiness Score in 2019



Kindergarten Achievement

KINDERGARTEN **READINESS AND GROWTH**

65.6% of students met end-of-year target score



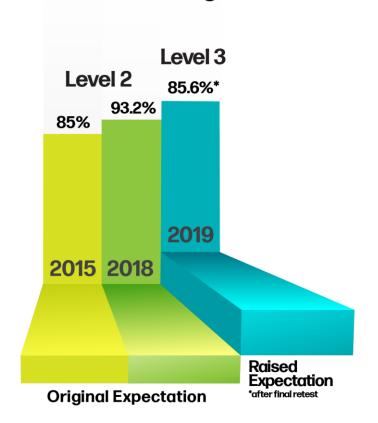
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3rd Grade Reading Achievement

- Literacy-Based Promotion Act originally required 3rd graders to score at Level 2 on a reading test to be promoted to 4th grade
- Students are now expected to score at Level 3, which is closer to proficient
- When expectations were raised in 2019, 85.6% of students met the highest reading standard ever required under the Literacy-Based Promotion Act

3rd Grade Reading Achievement



English Language Arts and Mathematics Proficiency

Mississippi Academic Assessment Program (MAAP)



English Language Arts (ELA) Levels 4 & 5



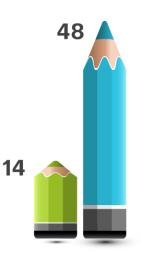
Mathematics Levels 4 & 5



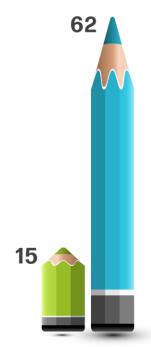
English Language Arts and Mathematics Proficiency Gains in Districts

Total districts
with more than 45%
of students scoring
proficient or advanced

20162019



English Language Arts more than tripled



Mathematics more than quadrupled



English Language Arts and Mathematics Proficiency Gains By Grade

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

| GRADE | 2017-18 PROFICIENT OR ADVANCED | 2018-19 PROFICIENT OR ADVANCED | CHANGE |
|------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Grade 3 | 44.7% | 48.3% | +3.6% 🛆 |
| Grade 4 | 45.1% | 48.5% | +3.4% 🛆 |
| Grade 5 | 36.2% | 43.1% | +6.9% △ |
| Grade 6 | 38.0% | 33.6% | -4.4% |
| Grade 7 | 34.7% | 39.0% | +4.3% △ |
| Grade 8 | 35.1% | 35.5% | +0.4% 🛆 |
| English II | 44.5% | 43.8% | -0.7% |
| Overall | 39.8% | 41.6% | +1.9% △ |

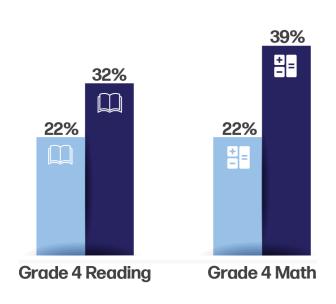
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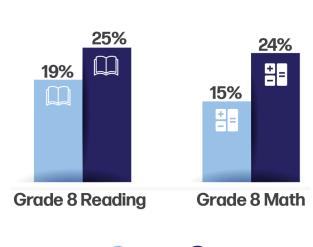
| GRADE | 2017-18 PROFICIENT OR ADVANCED | 2018-19 PROFICIENT OR ADVANCED | CHANGE |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Grade 3 | 46.0% | 51.4% | +5.4% △ |
| Grade 4 | 44.4% | 48.8% | +4.4% 🛆 |
| Grade 5 | 33.8% | 38.9% | +5.1% △ |
| Grade 6 | 46.4% | 47.6% | +1.2% △ |
| Grade 7 | 49.2% | 51.1% | +1.9% |
| Grade 8 | 41.2% | 44.8% | +3.6% △ |
| Algebra I | 46.6% | 49.3% | +2.7% |
| Overall | 43.9% | 47.3% | +3.5% △ |



NAEP Proficiency Gains in Mississippi

National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) Mississippi Students Scoring Proficient or Above









National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)

Mississippi National Rankings NAEP Gains













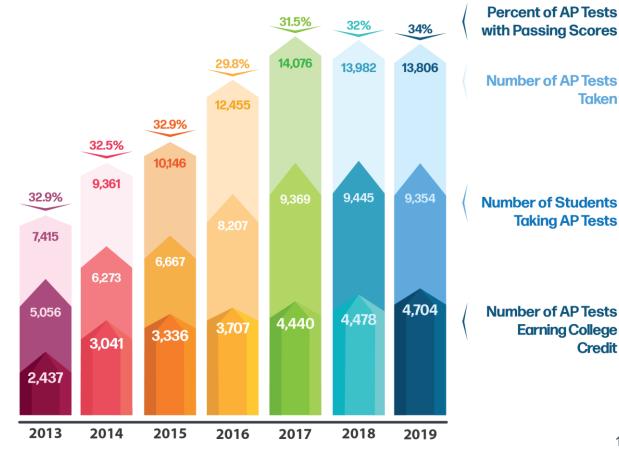




Advanced Placement (AP) Achievement

- Advanced Placement
 (AP) participation and performance nearly doubled since 2013
- AP pass rate reached an all-time high of 34% in 2019
- Greatest increase in AP qualifying scores from 2018 to 2019 was among African-American students (+9.5%) and Hispanic students (+6.4%)

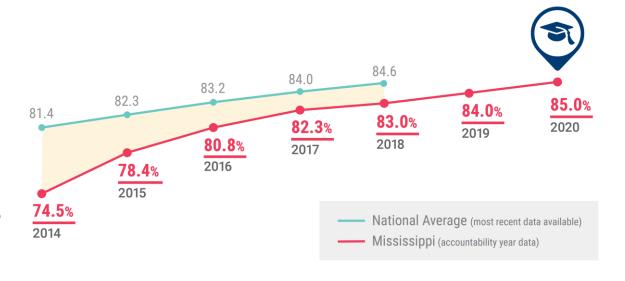
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Graduation Rate

- Graduation rate increased for all subgroups from 2014 to 2020 accountability year
- Graduation rate for students with disabilities had the greatest increase from 27.5% to 42.2% (+14.7%)

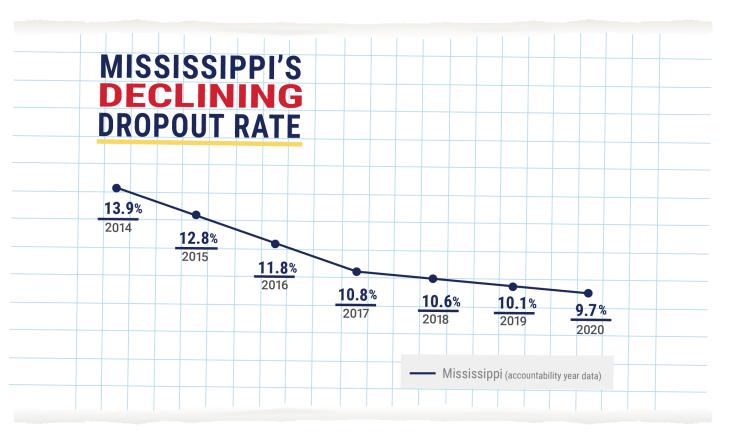
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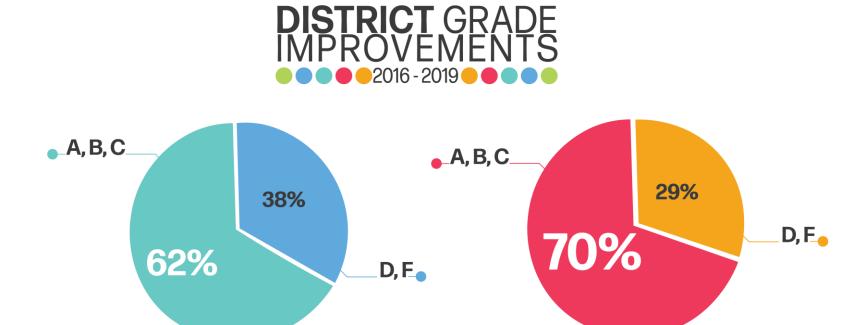
Declining Drop-out Rate

Drop-out rate decreased from 13.9% in 2014 to 9.7% for the 2020 accountability year





District Improvement



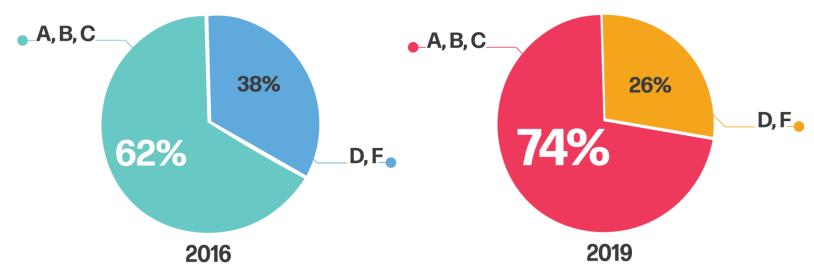
2019



2016

School Improvement







Note: Percentages have been rounded

2020 Quality Counts Ranking

- Quality Counts ranks Mississippi No. 2
 in the nation for improvement in
 education
- Mississippi one of the five most improved states in the nation for education
- KIDS COUNT 2020 showed Mississippi experienced the greatest improvement in education, ranking 39th in the country, a substantial upturn from the previous ranking of 44th in 2019

QUALITY COUNTS MOST IMPROVED

| | SCORE / | CHANGE |
|----------------------|----------------|-----------|
| STATE | GRADE | 2008-2020 |
| District of Columbia | 85.7 B | 9.3 1 |
| Mississippi | 73.9 C | 6.2 1 |
| Tennessee | 75.6 C | 3.7 1 |
| Louisiana | 71.4 <u>C-</u> | 3.5 ↑ |
| Wyoming | 81.9 B- | 2.9 1 |
| | | |

Source: EdWeek Research Center, 2020 Category: Chance for Success





- Modernize Mississippi Student Information System (MSIS) \$8.9M (Goal 5)
 - The requested funding is a \$5.5M increase over FY21
 - For administrative staff, MSIS modernization will improve data quality with less effort; this will free district resources so they can better support data quality and data-driven decision making
 - For educators and students, MSIS modernization will enable the return of near real-time, high-quality information to the classroom, strengthened by analysis of statewide, longitudinal data
 - For state-level policy-makers, MSIS modernization will support a more nimble and cost-effective way to provide accurate information needed to answer critical questions across a broad set of issues
 - The modernization of MSIS will include:
 - Increase frequency of data collection to "near" real-time
 - Expanded data validation to improve data quality
 - Automate data and analysis reporting while increasing transparency

- Expansion of Early Childhood Education Programs \$10.8M (Goal 3)
 - The proposed budget reflects an increase in general funds of \$3M over the FY21 funding level
 - Research shows that children who start school behind their peers have a very difficult time meeting grade-level expectations, continue to struggle throughout elementary, middle, and high school, and have lower graduation rates
 - Kindergarten Readiness scores for Fall 2019 indicate that incoming kindergarten students who participated in public school preschool programs met or exceeded the entry level readiness benchmark when compared to their age peers who had attended no pre-kindergarten program



- Expansion of the Literacy Based Promotion Act \$16M (Goals 1, 2, 4, 6)
 - The proposed budget reflects an increase of \$1M over the FY21 funding level
 - Additional professional development opportunities are needed to support educators (administrators, teachers, preservice teachers, and postsecondary reading faculty) as a result of the increased performance standard for passing the 3rd grade assessment in 2018-19 and as a result of the impact of COVID-19
 - Additional professional development for educators focused on diagnostic/ prescriptive supports for struggling students who promote to 4th grade based on Good Cause Exemptions or who enter 4th grade having scored below proficiency on the 3rd grade exit assessment
 - Continue funding for screening assessments and literacy resources for PK-3rd grade
 - More children in low-performing schools need support to increase reading proficiency and increased funding would allow for an additional 15 literacy coaches



- Secondary Education: Middle/High School Innovation & Redesign \$460K (Goals 1, 2, 4, 6)
 - Requested increase of \$98K over FY21 level will support districts of innovation implementation, early college high school programs, middle school redesign efforts, and similar programs
 - MDE aims to develop middle school students who can connect current academic choices with future possibilities in high school and beyond, recognizing how their habits of learning will impact future successes
- Secondary Education \$1,000,000 (Goals 1, 2, 4, 6)
 - Increase of \$1,000,000 for courses, curriculum and training, and exam costs including Advanced Placement, dual credit, International Baccalaureate, Cambridge, diploma endorsements (career and technical, academic and distinguished academic) and WorkKeys



- Expansion of Professional Development Programming \$1.6M (Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 6)
 - Budget reflects an increase of \$1.2M
 - Expand development and delivery of online professional development
 - Deepen knowledge of Mississippi-College and Career-Readiness Standards (MSCCRS) through teacher standards institutes
 - Increase the adoption of high-quality instructional materials and aligned professional development to ensure greater student achievement for all students
- Mississippi Community Oriented Policing Services (MCOPS) \$3M (Goal 4)
 - Additional funding request of \$1M to increase number of awards to local education agencies
 - Provides grants up to \$10K to applicants with at least a 50/50 match of local funds
 - Grants support School Resource Officers (SROs) to engage in community policing in and around primary and secondary schools



- Detention Centers \$1.5M (Goals 1, 2, 4, 6)
 - Proposed increase reflects an increase of \$600K over the FY21 funding level
 - Funds will provide \$100K to each of the 15 Juvenile Detention Centers in the state to support educational services to youth placed in the centers
 - Remaining cost will be provided by sponsoring school district
- Superintendents' and Principals' Academies \$500K (Goals 4, 6)
 - Funding was not received for this initiative in FY21
 - Prior to the reduction of funding, three cohorts of superintendents were trained using the nationally recognized Lamar University Superintendents' Academy model
 - Retention rates of superintendents who participated and feedback from participants continue to support the need for this initiative
 - Funding would support both a new and aspiring Superintendents' Academy



- Mississippi Statewide Assessment System \$11M (Goals 1, 2, 6)
 - Funding reflects a \$48K increase
 - Funding for the Office of Student Assessment to fund existing computer-based assessments to comply with Miss. Code Ann. 37-16-1 through 4 and 37-16-9
- Office of Test Security \$847K (Goal 1)
 - Funding requested to establish the Office of Test Security to investigate allegations of test irregularities/cheating in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. 37-16-4
 - Funding reflects an increase of \$300K
 - Three PINs are requested in addition to funds for travel



- Accreditation Review Teams \$400K (Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6)
 - An increase of \$330K is requested to conduct on-site reviews of compliance with accreditation standards and accountability requirements in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 37-17-6
 - Conduct follow-up visits to verify compliance with accreditation standards and accountability requirements
- Full Funding of MAEP \$2.5B Preliminary (Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 6)
 - Preliminary estimate for full funding of the Mississippi Adequate Education Program calculated by MDE staff and verified by an independent certified accounting firm as required by Statute



- MS School for the Blind (MSB)/MS School for the Deaf (MSD) \$12.9M (Goals 1, 2, 3, 4)
 - Funding includes an increase of \$2.1M over FY21 for MSD and MSB to provide a statewide residential setting for eligible students with disabilities six days per week and to expand direct supports to students and families served in their home communities
- Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science (MSMS) \$4.9M (Goals 1, 2, 3, 4)
 - MSMS requests an increase of \$37K over the FY21 funding level
 - MSMS has received positive national attention related to large annual scholarship awards for seniors and high ACT scores of graduates
- Mississippi School of the Arts (MSA) \$3M (Goals 1, 2, 3, 4)
 - The FY22 request reflects an increase of \$445K for MSA, needed for increased costs for food, utilities, and other essential services such as transportation and technology
 - MSA has received positive national attention related to large annual scholarship awards for seniors and high ACT scores of graduates



Digital Learning



Mississippi Connects Components



Devices and Services

Laptops or tablets delivered to districts with all software, security and support features pre-loaded and configured for immediate use



Digital Curriculum and Learning Management Systems

High-quality instructional materials and online platforms for teaching and learning



Connectivity

Enhanced internet connectivity in areas of the state where students do not have broadband service



Professional Development

Training and technology support for educators, students and parents to be successful with digital learning



Telehealth and Teletherapy

Student access to telehealth and teletherapy services for their physical, social and emotional health



Mississippi Connects



Mississippi legislators passed two laws that made Mississippi the **only state in the nation** with a comprehensive digital learning program that provides computers to every public-school student in the state:

- Equity in Distance Learning Act (SB 3044)
- Mississippi Pandemic Response Broadband Availability Act (HB 1788)



Equity in Distance Learning Act (SB 3044)

148

of 150 districts purchased devices

390,000

devices purchased

325,000

devices ordered through state bulk purchasing program 65,000

devices ordered independently 98.6%

of SB 3044 funds expended

(\$147,672,168 of \$149.7 million appropriation)



All devices delivered before December 1.

All reimbursement requests fulfilled by the December 15 deadline.

Mississippi Pandemic Broadband Availability Act (HB 1788)

144

of 150
public-school
districts
participated

ALL

Choctaw
Tribal
schools
participated

31

of 121 independent schools participated

78.9%

of HB 1788 funds expended

(\$39,427,967 of \$50 million appropriation)



Main purchases included hot spots and equipment including access points, switches and fiber optic cable to strengthen and expand the footprint of a school campus' network infrastructure. A few districts used funds to build new cell towers.

K-12's FY 2022 Summary Budget Request

Budget Summary
MS Adequate Education Program (MAEP)
Vocational Education
Chickasaw School Fund
MS School for the Blind & Deaf (MSBD)
General Education



Total K-12's FY 2022 Budget Request-State Support

| | Over FY 2021 Level | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-------|--|
| Total FY 2022 Request | Amount | % | |
| \$2,787,265,329 | \$240,412,451 | 8.63% | |

Breakdown of the Requested Increase

| MAEP | \$212,574,474 | 7.63% |
|--|---------------|-------|
| Other (Vocational Education, Chickasaw, General Education, MSBD) | \$ 27,837,977 | 1.00% |



| Major Program | Total State | % of K12 | Amount over | % of |
|---------------|-----------------|----------|---------------|----------|
| | Support Request | Total | FY21 Level | Increase |
| MAEP | \$2,478,580,418 | 88.93% | \$212,574,474 | 7.63% |

Final estimate for full funding of the Mississippi Adequate Education Program (MAEP) calculated by MDE staff and verified by an independent certified accounting firm as required by Statute.

\$ 90,415,353

3.25%

\$11,932,094

0.43%

New CTE Programs-Additional Teachers/Equipment

National Certification-Costs for students to take National Industry Certification exams

Innovative Districts and Schools-Support to help struggling schools implement innovative practices as mandated by Legislation Expand Early College High School Programs

Chickasaw School Fund

\$ 19,576,109

0.70%

\$ 3,614,958

0.13%

Funding formula as established by Federal Court Order 84-4109 is based on revenue generated from Sixteenth Section lands in non-Chickasaw county districts. Provides funding for Districts in Chickasaw Cession counties.



| | Total State | % of K12 | Amount over | % of |
|---|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|
| Major Program | Support Request | Total | FY21 Level | Increase |
| MS Schools for the Blind & the Deaf (MSB/MSD) | \$ 12,914,263 | 0.46% | \$ 2,116,772 | 0.08% |
| MSB and MSD were established to provide educational opportunities for st Residential setting offered to students in grades K-12; offers home- Provides Braille textbooks to districts throughout the State Provides Statewide assessments & interventions in the MS Assista | ears old | ∍d | | |
| General Education – MDE Other | \$160,611,139 | 5.76% | \$ 3,501,077 | 0.13% |
| Direct Support to School Districts - \$141,602,942 (National Board, Educable Child, Literacy Based Promotion Act, Butesting, Teacher Supply, Early Childhood/Pre-kindergarten Program Policing Services (MCOPS), Child Nutrition Federal Program Match Students with Special Needs, School Recognition Program, etc.) | | | | |
| Flow Through Programs - \$4,637,500 (Algebra Nation, Detention Centers, Amplify Data Coaching, MS Department of Health, World Class Teacher Programs, MS Construction Education Program, Dyslexia) | | | | |



| Major Program | Total State Support Request | % of K12 Total | Amount over FY21 Level | % of Increase | | |
|---|--------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|------------------|--|--|
| General Education – MDE Other (Continued) | | | | | | |
| State Schools/School Attendance Officers - \$14,370,697 (MS School for Mathematics & Science (MSMS), MS School for the Attendance Officers) | | | | | | |
| General Education – MDE Operations | \$ 25,168,047 | 0.90% | \$ 6,673,076 | 0.24% | | |
| Total K-12's FY22 State Support Request | \$2,787,265,329 | 100.00% | \$240,412,451 | 8.63% | | |



K-12 ALL SOURCES OF FUNDS

| | FY22 Total Request | FY 21 Appropriated | Inc./(Dec.) Over FY 2021 |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Total General Funds | \$2,492,067,372 | \$2,218,807,477 | \$273,259,895 |
| Total Re-Appropriated GF Authority | \$0 | \$4,700,000 | (\$4,700,000) |
| Total Education Enhancement Funds | \$274,197,957 | \$274,197,957 | \$0 |
| Total Diverted Public School Building Funds | \$20,000,000 | \$20,000,000 | \$0 |
| Total Other State Special Funds (CEF, HCEF, ETF) | \$1,000,000 | \$29,147,444 | (\$28,147,444) |
| Total State Request | \$2,787,265,329 | \$2,546,852,878 | \$240,412,451 |
| Total Federal/Other Special Funds** | \$868,877,158 | \$868,877,158 | \$0 |
| Total K-12 Funds | \$3,656,142,487 | \$3,415,730,036 | \$240,412,451 |

^{*}Federal/Special spending authority may be adjusted during the year and requests for escalation will be made to the Department of Finance & Administration (DFA) as notification of grant increases are received for Title programs, Special Education programs, Child Nutrition programs, etc.



FY 2022 Budget Request MAEP/Historical Data

Base Student Cost
Teacher Salary Comparison
ADA/Enrollment



FY 2022 MAEP Request

FY 2021 BASE STUDENT COST BEFORE ADJUSTMENTS

SUMMARY OF BASE STUDENT COST FOR FY 2022 - FINAL

ADJUSTMENT FOR TEACHER PAY RAISE

ADJUSTMENT FOR HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUM INCREASE

ADJUSTMENT FOR INFLATION

27.42

BASE STUDENT COST FOR FY 2022 - FINAL \$ 5,874.08



5,829.35

FY 2022 MAEP Request

SUMMARY OF MAEP COST FOR FY 2022 - FINAL

MAEP BASE COST \$ 1,926,275,038

ADD-ON PROGRAMS 536,918,217

OTHER PROGRAMS * _____15,387,163

TOTAL MAEP COST FOR FY 2022 - FINAL

2,478,580,418

* Includes Extended School Year, University Based and 504 Programs, Non-Public Textbooks, Bus Driver Training, University Based Special Needs Transportation, and Dyslexia Scholarship Program.



FY 2022 MAEP Request

BREAKDOWN OF FY 2022 MAEP COST - FINAL

MAEP BASE COST \$ 1,926,275,038

| ADD-ON PROGRAMS: | Units | Cost |
|--|-------|-------------------|
| SPECIAL EDUCATION SALARY & FRINGE | 6,038 | \$ 328,070,658 |
| CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION SALARY & FRINGE | 940 | 52,253,643 |
| GIFTED EDUCATION SALARY & FRINGE | 725 | 43,466,673 |
| TRANSPORTATION | | 78,403,890 |
| ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS | | 34,723,353 |
| OTHER PROGRAMS: | | |
| EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR | | 7,966,940 |
| UNIVERSITY BASED & 504 PROGRAMS | | 4,507,121 |
| NON-PUBLIC TEXTBOOKS | | 468,363 |
| BUS DRIVER TRAINING | | 194,838 |
| UNIVERSITY BASED TRANSPORTATION | | 99,988 |
| DYSLEXIA SCHOLARSHIP | | 2,149,913 |

TOTAL ADD-ON & OTHER PROGRAMS COST 552,305,380

TOTAL FY 2022 MAEP COST - FINAL <u>\$ 2,478,580,418</u>

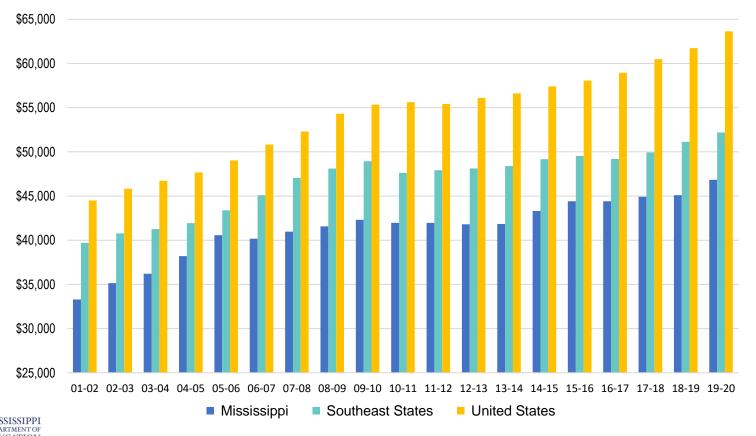


Appropriated Base Student Cost

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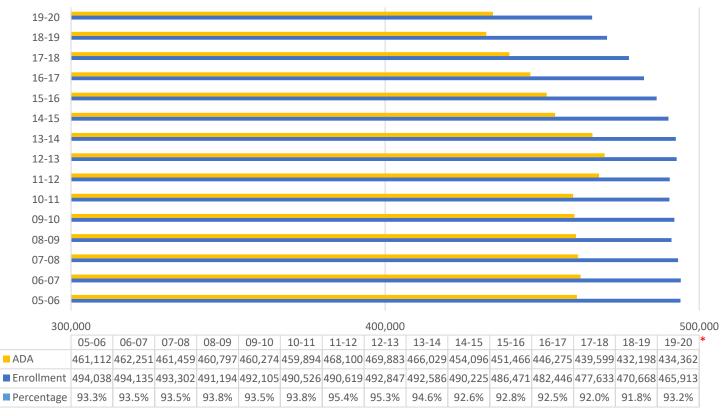


Average Teacher Salary Comparison



Ensuring a bright future for every child

Enrollment/Average Daily Attendance







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