

STRENGTHENING INDIANA'S INVESTMENT IN K-12 PUBLIC EDUCATION

Two-year state budget proposal marks record investment, supports educational opportunities for all students

\$763 million in total new money for K-12 versus 2017 state biennial budget

Key points of House Enrolled Act 1001

Direct State Support for K-12 Education totaling \$689 million in new money

- Increases state K-12 tuition support by **\$539 million** over the biennium:
 - 2.5% in FY2020 (\$178 million); and
 - 2.5% in FY2021 (\$361 million).
- Increases the school funding formula's basic and categorical grants:
 - Raises the Foundation Grant from \$5,352 to:
 - \$5,548 (3.7%) in FY2020; and
 - \$5,703 (2.8%) in FY2021.
 - Raises the Complexity Adjustment Grant from \$3,539 to:
 - \$3,650 (3.1%) in FY2020; and
 - \$3,675 (0.7%) in FY2021.
 - Provides a complexity bump for schools with high English-Language Learners (ELL) student populations:
 - \$128 in additional funding per student.
 - Raises the Pre-K Special Education Grant from \$2,750 to:
 - \$2,875 (4.5%) in FY2020; and
 - \$3,000 (4.3%) in FY2021.
- Transfers **\$150 million** from State General Fund Reserves to buy down the Post-1996 Teacher Retirement Fund (TRF) Plan, resulting in a 2% reduction in school corporation retirement contributions.
 - An estimated ongoing annual savings of \$70 million, or the equivalent of 1% growth in state tuition support.

Additional \$74 million in new statewide investments for K-12 programs including:

- Increases the Teacher Appreciation Grant (TAG) Program's annual appropriation from \$30 million to \$37.5 million;
- Increases the Non-English Program's annual appropriation from \$17.5 million to \$22.5 million;
- Increases the Secured School Safety Grant Program's annual funding from \$9 million to \$19 million;
- Funds the newly created Teacher & Student Advancement Grant Program (HEA 1008) and the Teacher Residency Grant Pilot Program (HEA 1009);
- Adjusts the Aug. 1 kindergarten start date to Sept. 1, 2019, and then to Oct. 1, 2020;
- Introduces \$3 million in annual funding for computer science teacher training; and
- Urges Legislative Council to study the School Funding Formula's Complexity Index over the 2019 interim.

Supporters:

Indiana School Boards Association
Indiana Association of School Business Officials
Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents
Indiana Urban Schools Association
Indiana Small and Rural Schools Association
Coalition of Suburban and Growing Schools