



50-State Comparison

K-12 Funding: At-Risk Funding for Low-Income Students

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STATE ▲	AT-RISK FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME STUDENTS (Y/N)	AT-RISK IDENTIFIER	AT-RISK CITATION
Alabama	none	none	none
Alaska	none	none	none
Arizona	none	none	none
Arkansas	Yes Multiple Weights System	National School Lunch Program	Ark. Code Ann. § 6-20-2305
California	Yes Multiple Weights System	National School Lunch Program, English language learner, foster care	Cal. Educ. Code § 42238.02
Colorado	Yes Multiple Weights System	National School Lunch Program, unsatisfactory academic performance for English language learners	Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 22-54-103

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Connecticut	Yes Multiple Weights System	National School Lunch Program, free milk eligibility, English language learners	Conn. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 10-262f
Delaware	none	none	none
District of Columbia	Yes Flat Weight System	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), foster care, homeless	D.C. Code Ann. § 38-2905
Florida	none	none	none
Georgia	none	none	none
Hawaii	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program	Note: This program is not in statute, but the weighted student formula is available through the Department of Education .
Idaho	none	none	none
Illinois	Yes Resource-Allocation Model	Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)	105 Ill. Comp. Stat. Ann. 5/18-8.15
Indiana	Yes Flat Weight System	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), foster care	Ind. Code Ann. § 20-43-13-4

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Iowa	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program	Iowa Code Ann. § 257.11
Kansas	Yes Multiple Weights System	National School Lunch Program	Kan. Stat. Ann. § 72-5132 and Kan. Stat. Ann. § 72-5151
Kentucky	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program	702 Ky. Admin. Regs. 3:270
Louisiana	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program, English language learner	2019 Louisiana Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3, Louisiana 2019 Regular Session
Maine	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program	Me. Rev. Stat. tit. 20-A, § 15675
Maryland	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program	Md. Code Ann., Educ. § 5-207
Massachusetts	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program	Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. ch. 70, § 2
Michigan	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF); or who is homeless, migrant, or in foster care	Mich. Comp. Laws Ann. § 388.1631a
Minnesota	Yes Multiple Weights System	National School Lunch Program	Minn. Stat. Ann. § 126C.05

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Mississippi	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program	Miss. Code. Ann. § 37-151-7
Missouri	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program	Mo. Ann. Stat. § 163.011
Montana	Yes Categorical	none	Mont. Code Ann. § 20-9-328
Nebraska	Yes Multiple Weights System	National School Lunch Program	Neb. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 79-1007.06
Nevada	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program	Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 387.121
New Hampshire	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program	N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 198:40-a
New Jersey	Yes Multiple Weights System	National School Lunch Program	N.J. Stat. Ann. § 18A:7F-45 & 51
New Mexico	Yes Flat Weight System	Title I, English language learner, student mobility	N.M. Stat. Ann. § 22-8-23.3
New York	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program	Title V, Article 73, § 3602
North Carolina	Yes Resource-Allocation Model	Title I	Note: This program is not in statute, but the formula is available through the Department of Education .

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North Dakota	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program	N.D. Cent. Code Ann. § 15.1-27-03.1
Ohio	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program, recipient of public assistance, Title I	Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 3317.022 & ODE EMIS MANUAL .
Oklahoma	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program	Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 70, § 18-201.1 & Okla. Admin. Code 210:25-3-8
Oregon	Yes Flat Weight System	United States Census Bureau, foster care, placement in facilities for neglected and delinquent children	Or. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 327.013
Pennsylvania	Yes Multiple Weights System	United States Census Bureau, Federal Poverty Guidelines	24 Pa. Stat. Ann. § 25-2502.53
Puerto Rico	Yes	Additional Cost Factors: Poverty Rate	2018 Puerto Rico Laws Act 85 (H.B. 1441)
Rhode Island	Yes Flat Weight System	Federal Poverty Guidelines	16 R.I. Gen. Laws Ann. § 16-7.2-3
South Carolina	Yes Flat Weight System	Medicaid, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF,) homeless, transient, or foster care	Note: This program is not in statute but is found in Department of Education regulation and manuals . S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-274.1 https://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess123_2019-2020/appropriations2019/GOVPartIB.pdf
South Dakota	none	none	none

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Tennessee	Yes Resource-Allocation Model	National School Lunch Program	Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-3-307
Texas	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program	Tex. Educ. Code Ann. § 42.152
Utah	Yes Categorical	Limited English proficiency, National School Lunch Program, low performance on a statewide assessment, student mobility	Utah Admin. Code r. R277-708
Vermont	Yes Flat Weight System	Nutrition benefits or English is not the primary language	Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 16, § 4001 & § 4010
Virginia	Yes Multiple Weights System	National School Lunch Program	2019 VA H.B. 1700 Ch. 854
Washington	Yes Categorical	National School Lunch Program	Wash. Rev. Code Ann. § 28A.150.260 & § 28A.165.055
West Virginia	Yes Categorical	Net enrollment	W. Va. Code Ann. § 18-9A-21
Wisconsin	Yes Categorical	National School Lunch Program	Wis. Stat. Ann. § 121.136
Wyoming	Yes Flat Weight System	National School Lunch Program	Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 21-13-309