K-12 and Special Education Funding

Base Amounts

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States using a student-based foundation often provide a minimum guaranteed dollar amount that is allocated through the foundation formula to each district per student. As a note, the base amount does not necessarily equal the overall spending per student. States sometimes have other funding external to the primary funding formula, called categorical grants, that are not included in this dollar figure. Also, states may apply an additional funding weight to support services for certain student populations beyond the base amount.

50-State Comparisons on each data point are here.

STATE	Base Amount (Y/N)	Base Amount	Source
Alabama	No		
Alaska	Yes	\$5930 (2021-22)	Alaska Stat. Ann. § 14.17.470
Arizona	Yes	\$4305.73 (2020-21) \$4390.65 (2021-22)	Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 15-901
Arkansas	Yes	\$7182 (2021-22) \$7349 (2022-23)	A.C.A. § 6-20-2305

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California	Yes	2020-21: K-3: \$8,503 4-6: \$7,818 7-8: \$8,050 9-12: \$9,572	CA EDUC § 42238.02
Colorado	Yes	\$7225.28 (2021-22)	Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 22-54-104
			SB 21-268
Connecticut	Yes	\$11,525 (2021-22)	Conn. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 10-262f
Delaware	No		
District of Columbia	Yes	2021-22: PK3: \$15,155 PK4-K: \$14,703 1-5: \$11,310 6-8: \$12,215 9-12: \$13,798	D.C. Code Ann. § 38-2903 D.C. Code Ann. § 38-2904
Florida	Yes	\$4,372.91 (2021-22) K-3: additional weight of 0.126 9-12: additional weight of 0.01	Fla. Stat. Ann. § 1011.62 S.B. 2500
Georgia	Yes	\$2775.21 (2020-2021)	HB793 (Budget bill)
Hawaii	Yes	\$4,490.93 (2020-21) K-2: additional weight of 0.15 Middle school: additional weight of 0.033 Schools also receive a flat base funding determined by grade levels served	HRS § 302A-1303.6 Hawaii Department of Education

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Idaho	No		
Illinois	No		
Indiana	Yes	\$5,995 (2021-22)	Ind. Code Ann. § 20-43-3-8
lowa	Yes	\$6,323.63 (2021-2022) Note: state cost is 87.5% of \$7,227	Iowa Department of Education website Legislative Services Agency - Legislative Guide
Kansas	Yes	\$4,569 (2020-21) \$4,706 (2021-22) \$4,846 (2022-23) For 2023-24 and every school year after, adjusted based on the Consumer Price Index.	Kan. Stat. Ann. § 72-5132
Kentucky	Yes	\$4,000 (2020-21) \$4,000 (2021-22)	2020-2021 Budget of the Commonwealth 2021-2022 Budget of the Commonwealth
Louisiana	Yes	\$4,015 (2021-2022)	SCR 2 (2021 legislative session)
Maine	No		
Maryland	Yes	\$7,991 (2021-2022) \$8,310 (2022-2023)	Md. Code Ann., Educ. § 5-201
Massachusetts	No		

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Michigan	Yes	\$8,529 (Basic Revenue 2020-2021) \$8,700 (Basic Revenue 2021-2022)	Mich. Comp. Laws Ann. § 388.1620
Minnesota	Yes	\$6,567 (2020-2021) \$6,728 (2021-2022)	Minn. Stat. Ann. § 126C.10
Mississippi	Yes	\$5,626 (2019-2020) \$5,829 (2020-2021)	Mississippi Department of Education Miss. Code. Ann. § 37-151-7
Missouri	Yes	\$6,375 (2020-2021)	HB 2002 (Budget bill)
Montana	No		
Nebraska	No		
Nevada	Yes	\$6,980 (2021-2022) \$7,074 (2022-2023)	Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 387.1214 SB458 (Budget bill)
New Hampshire	Yes	\$3,708.78 (2020-2021) \$3786.66 (2021-2022)	N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 198:40-a New Hampshire Department of Education
New Jersey	Yes	\$11,775 (2019-2020)	N.J. Stat. Ann. § 18A:7F-46 N.J. Stat. Ann. § 18A:7F-51 Educational Adequacy Report 2020
New Mexico	No		
New York	Yes	6,835 (2020-2021)	New York State Education Department State Aid Handbook (2021-2022)

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North Carolina	No		
North Dakota	Yes	\$10,136 (2021-2022) \$10,237 (2022-2023)	N.D. Cent. Code Ann. § 15.1-27-04.1(3)(A - C)
Ohio	No		
Oklahoma	No		
Oregon	Yes	\$4500 (2021-2022)	Or. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 327.013
Pennsylvania	No		
Rhode Island	Yes	\$10,310 (2021-2022) \$10,635 (2022-2023)	16 R.I. Gen. Laws Ann. § 16-7.2-3 Note: Per statute, the department of elementary and secondary instruction determines the "core-instruction amount" derived from regional expenditure data. This amount is set to adequately fund base student instructional needs and is multiplied by a district's ADM. FY 2021, FY 2022
South Carolina	Yes	\$2489 (2020-2021)	S.C. Code Ann. § 59-20-20(6) Fiscal Year 2021 Funding Manual
South Dakota	No		
Tennessee	No		
Texas	Yes	\$6160 (2020-2023)	Tex. Educ. Code Ann. § 48.051

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Utah	Yes	\$3,745 (2020-2021) \$3,809 (2021-2022)	SB2 (Budget bill) SB1 (Budget bill)
Vermont	No		
Virginia	No		
Washington	No		
West Virginia	No		
Wisconsin	No		
Wyoming	No		
Total answers	Yes: 30 No: 21		