

Public School Funding Formula SB1196

Overarching Goals & Objectives

- Focus on student needs
 - Allocate additional resources to students that need it the most
 - Less emphasis on inputs
 - ► More emphasis on outcomes
- Grant spending flexibility at the local level
 - Empower the professional educators and administrators to determine the programs and plans necessary to achieve student growth and achievement
- Simplify state distribution to school districts
 - ► Fewer line items

Paradigm Shift

Current

- Resource based allocation model focused on inputs
- Current funding model was originally developed in 1994, and over the years over 63 line items were added/changed/removed to model to address various issues

Future

- Student based model focused on outcomes.
- Allows for much greater flexibility at the local level to determine need and allocate necessary resources.
- No use it or lose it.
- Greater adaptability for future changes.

Why Now?

- Current model is not meeting the needs of today's students.
- ► Educational delivery methods have changed.
- ► Mobile Student Population.
- ▶ Building on success of Career Ladder with focus on ensuring the professionals in the classroom and in the individual buildings can make decisions to serve their students.
- ▶ There is no one size fits all for Idaho's schools.

ISAT Results for 2016, 2017, and 2018: Percentage of Students Proficient and Advanced

Gra de	English / Language Arts			Math		
	2016	2017	2018	2016	2017	2018
3	49%	47%	50%	52%	50%	52%
4	50%	48%	50%	47%	47%	48%
5	54%	54%	55%	40%	42%	43%
6	51%	51%	53%	39%	40%	44%
7	53%	54%	54%	42%	42%	44%
8	54%	52%	54%	38%	39%	41%
10	62%	59%	59%	31%	32%	33%

Time to Chart a New Course

- ► Three Years of Interim Committee meetings gathering stakeholder input
- ▶ 14 Funding Formula Panels were conducted in every state region
 - Mix of teachers, specialists, technology directors, principals, school board members, school business officials, superintendents and charter school administrators. Each of these meetings was a three-hour facilitated discussion, where six to 12 district professionals shared what is working for their districts, what is not working and what issues are most important to them.
 - ▶ 110 total participants
 - ▶ 17 teachers
 - ▶ 10 principals
 - 9 Board members
 - ► 40 Superintendents
 - ▶ 29 School Business Officials
 - ▶ 20 Charter School Representatives
 - ▶ 5 Special Programs, CTE, Special Education

Public Input meetings in every State Region

- Region 1: 93
- Region 2: 26
- Region 3: 70
- Region 4: 47
- Region 5: 55
- Region 6: 49

699 Survey Responses

- 95% of survey respondents do not think the funding formula works well for Idaho.
- 75% of survey respondents do not think the current funding formula provides enough flexibility to districts.

- In-Person Meetings with state-level groups and entities that work in education
 - Idaho Association of School Administrators
 - Idaho Department of Education
 - Idaho Education Association
 - Idaho School Boards Association
 - Idaho Charter School Network
 - Idaho Association of School Business Officials
 - Idaho State Board of Education
 - Idaho Business for Education
 - Idaho legislative staff
 - Office of the Governor of Idaho

- After the release of the draft legislation, legislators and & stakeholders met for over 3 weeks to discuss and negotiate particular technical and substantive issues with the draft legislation.
- Over 15 hours of meetings with approximately 15 to 20 people each meeting.
- Dozens of changes were incorporated into the bill based on the suggestions and feedback provided by stakeholder groups.
 - Multiple Definitions
 - Payment schedule
 - Enrollment Counts
 - ▶ Teacher Contracts
 - ► Flexibility in Local Salary Schedules

Student Based Foundation Funding

- ▶ Base amount of funding for every Idaho student (Section 4, P.7)
- What's included in the base funding amount?
 - Salaries, Salary-Based Apportionments (Admin., Classified)
 - Benefits Obligation
 - Employer's Benefit Obligation (Admin., Classified)
 - Professional Development
 - College and Career Advisors and Student Mentors
 - IT Staffing
 - Literacy Intervention
 - Content and Curriculum
 - Math and Science Requirements
 - Remediation/Waiver (Non-Title I)
 - Limited English Proficient
 - Student Achievement Assessments
 - Math Initiative

Special Programs/Line Items

Section 6, P. 8

- ► Transportation Support Program
- Border District allowance
- Exceptional child contract allowance
- Bond levy equalization support program
- Safe environment support program
- Advanced opportunities
- National Board Certification, Teacher additional education attainment (BA+24), etc.
- School District facilities funds
- Charter school facilities funds
- Master Educator Premiums
- Leadership Premiums
- Mastery-based education
- Classroom technology
- Continuous Improvement Plans
- Support for schools with special conditions

Student Weights





Student Weights Section 7, P.9

- Student Weights ► Economically disadvantaged—10% weight
 - 4 ways to qualify. Definition Section 2, P.4
 - English Language Learner—10% weight
 - Existing definition used elsewhere in code. Section 4, P.5
 - Special Education—10% weight
 - Existing definition used in IDAPA Rule. Section 4, P.5
 - ► Gifted & Talented—2% weight
 - Existing definition used in code.Section 4, P.5
 - Grade weight
 - ► K-3 students—10%
 - ▶ 9-12 students—10%

School or District Weights Section 7, P. 10

Remote School Weight

- 30 or fewer students
- 31-164 students
- 165-329 students

Small School Weight—Reflects current policy

- K-3
 - 30 or fewer students
 - 31-164 students
 - 165-329 students
- Grades 9-12
 - 30 or fewer students
 - 31-164 students
 - 165-329 students

Enrollment vs. ADA

4 Student Enrollment Count Periods (Section 8, P.11)

- First Day of October
- First Day of December
- First Day of February
- First Day of April

Payment Schedule (Section 10, P.12)

- August 15–30%, based on prior year
- October 15–20%, based on prior year
- December 15–20%, based on October weighted student enrollment
- February 15–15%, based on average October & December weighted student enrollment
- April 15—15%, based on average October, December, & February weighted student enrollment
- June 15—reconciliation payment based on average of all 4 enrollment counts

Career Ladder & Local Salary Schedules

- Career Ladder (Section 2, P.4 and Section 15, P.15)
 - Residency and Professional Endorsement based on combination of experience and performance.
 - LEA's submit annual report to the state to determine placement of instructional or pupil service staff on the career ladder.
- ► Local Salary Schedules (Section 2, P.5 and Section 15, P.15)
 - Residency 1 and Professional 1 have required minimum salaries
 - ► Each LEA can create their own local salary schedule. No requirement to conform local salary schedule to state career ladder schedule.
- Based on the reports provided by LEA's, the legislature will annually identify the percentage of the foundation amount per student associated with the state career ladder schedule.

Transition Period

Section 5, P.8

- Year 1 (2019-2020 School Year)
 - Run new funding model side by side with existing funding model
 - Rule making for additional clarity regarding enrollment counts
- Year 2 (2020-2021 School Year)
 - ► Hold Harmless + 2% Hold positive
 - > 7.5% cap on annual increase
 - > 7.5% cap does not apply to enrollment growth
- Year 3 (2021-2022 School Year)
 - ► Hold Harmless + 2% Hold positive
 - > 7.5% cap on annual increase
 - > 7.5% cap does not apply to enrollment growth
- Year 4 (2022-2023 School Year)
 - ► Hold Harmless + 2% Hold positive
 - > 7.5% cap on annual increase
 - > 7.5% cap does not apply to enrollment growth