

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Summary: FY 2008-09 Appropriations

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	FY 2007-08 YTD	FY 2008-09 Revised	FY 2008-09	FY 2008-09	FY 2008-09	Difference: House From FY 2007-08 YTD	
		Executive	Senate	House	Conference	Amount	%
IDG/IDT	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	0.0
Federal	76,072,200	70,598,500	69,675,500	70,598,500		(5,473,700)	(7.2)
Local	6,448,900	6,924,600	6,924,600	6,924,600		475,700	7.4
Private	3,171,800	3,087,800	3,087,800	3,087,800		(84,000)	(2.6)
Restricted	7,136,500	6,980,800	6,980,800	6,980,800		(155,700)	(2.2)
GF/GP	7,075,400	8,074,500	7,874,500	8,074,500		999,100	14.1
Gross	\$99,904,800	\$95,666,200	\$94,543,200	\$95,666,200		(\$4,238,600)	(4.2)
FTEs	472.5	491.0	483.0	491.0		18.5	3.9

Note: FY 2007-08 figures reflect supplementals and Executive Order (EO) actions through May 29, 2008.

Overview

The State Board of Education is an eight-member elected board constitutionally mandated to provide leadership and supervision for public education in Michigan. The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is the administrative arm of the Board charged with implementing state and federal educational mandates and administering programs. Major responsibilities of the MDE include developing and overseeing the K-12 school system, certifying teachers, disbursing funds to educational organizations, and providing technical assistance to school districts.

Major Budget Changes From FY 2007-08 YTD Appropriations

1. Educational Assessment and Accountability

Executive, Senate and House increase funding by \$1.1 million and 7.0 FTEs as the Department assumes responsibility for certain educational assessment functions which are currently done under contract (test creation, psychometric analysis, and the operation of a testing item bank system), in order to avoid contract cost increases.

	FY 2007-08 YTD	House Change From YTD
FTEs	34.3	8.0
Gross	\$15,608,100	(\$6,222,000)
Federal	15,608,100	(\$6,222,000)
GF/GP	\$0	\$0

Also provides \$117,200 and 1.0 FTE for additional English Language Proficiency Assessment staff and \$300,000 to support a best practices study for assessing students with disabilities.

Budget reductions include eliminating \$4.0 million in funding for the data articulation system, eliminating the one-time funding of \$3.0 million for the creation of the testing item bank, eliminating \$455,000 for the longitudinal data system, and reducing administrative funding by \$292,100.

2. Audit and Oversight of School Aid Programs

Executive, Senate and House increase budget for audit and oversight of school aid programs including \$300,000 and 3.0 FTEs for high priority schools, \$100,000 and 1.0 FTE for at-risk programs, \$100,000 and 1.0 FTE for the school readiness program, and \$100,000 and 1.0 FTE for special education programs in order to comply with recent audit recommendations.

FTEs	N/A	6.0
Gross	N/A	\$600,000
GF/GP	N/A	\$600,000

Major Budget Changes From FY 2007-08 YTD Appropriations		FY 2007-08 YTD	House Change From YTD
3. 21st Century Schools Program	FTEs	0.0	3.0
Executive and House increase budget by \$500,000 and 3.0 FTEs for the administration of the grant program for building small high schools which is included in the School Aid budget.	Gross	\$0	\$500,000
Senate does not include this program in the School Aid or MDE budget.	GF/GP	\$0	\$500,000
4. Michigan School for the Deaf and Blind (MSDB)	FTEs	103.0	6.0
Executive, Senate and House add 6.0 FTEs at the MSDB at a cost of \$480,000 in anticipation of 10% growth in student membership. The budget is reduced by \$90,000 to recognize the elimination of the Summer Institute program whose services are now offered at the department's Low Incidence Outreach Center.	Gross	\$13,184,100	\$390,000
	Federal	5,997,300	0
	Local	6,227,600	480,000
	Private	740,600	(90,000)
	Restricted	218,600	0
5. Detroit Public Schools Performance Audit	Gross	\$0	\$0
Senate adds \$300,000 for a performance audit of Detroit Public Schools.	GF/GP	\$0	\$0
House does not include this line.			
6. Consolidated Administrative and IT Services	FTEs	N/A	(5.0)
Executive, Senate and House recognize the transfer of human resources operations to the Civil Service Commission for a reduction of \$603,500 and 5.0 FTEs as well as IT administrative savings of \$10,300. The budget also includes an increase of \$100,000 to support consolidated internal audit operations.	Gross	N/A	(\$513,800)
	Federal	N/A	(342,400)
	Local	N/A	(500)
	Restricted	N/A	(54,400)
	GF/GP	N/A	(\$116,500)
7. Federal School Improvement Grant	FTEs	0.0	5.0
House recognizes the Revised Executive recommendation, which includes 5.0 FTEs and \$923,000 in federal funds to administer a new \$17.5 million federal grant for school improvement included in the School Aid budget.	Gross	\$0	\$923,000
	Federal	\$0	\$923,000
8. Economics	Gross	N/A	\$137,000
Executive, Senate and House provide \$137,000 Gross/\$15,600 GF/GP increase for economic changes in salaries and wages, retirement, insurance, workers compensation, and building occupancy charges.	Federal	N/A	120,500
	Local	N/A	(3,800)
	Private	N/A	6,000
	Restricted	N/A	(1,300)
	GF/GP	N/A	\$15,600

Major Boilerplate Changes From FY 2007-08

Sec. 215. Professional Development Travel – DELETED

Senate adds new language prohibiting more than one employee from traveling out of state for a specific professional development conference or training seminar unless it is funded with federal or private dollars and requires more than one person from the department to attend.

House does not include this section.

Sec. 215. Departmental Employee Contact with Legislature – DELETED

Prohibits disciplinary action against a department employee for communicating with a Legislator or his or her staff.

Executive and House delete. Senate restores but renumbers to Section 216.

Sec. 217. Auditor General Bills - DELETED

Requires MDE pay Auditor General bills within 60 days for costs incurred doing audits of federally funded programs.

Executive, Senate and House delete.

Sec. 220. Timely Data – MAINTAINED

Requires Department to provide data requested by Legislature, staff, and fiscal agencies in a timely manner.

Executive deletes. Senate and House restore.

Sec. 222. Policy Changes, Preparation of Regulatory Plans and Rule Promulgation – DELETED

Requires a report of policy changes made to implement enacted legislation; prohibits MDE from spending funds to prepare regulatory plans or promulgate rules that fail to reduce the disproportionate economic impact on small businesses.

Executive and House delete. Senate restores.

Sec. 503. Teacher Preparation Programs – REVISED

Provides \$100,000 each for Central Michigan University alternative route to certification program and Wayne State University pathways to teaching program. Requires a reporting requirement for the programs including number of teachers certified, time served in the classroom, and teacher evaluations. Executive, Senate and House add language directing the department to work with the universities to review the report results to determine subsequent funding strategies.

Sec. 506. Alternative Teacher Program Accreditation – DELETED

Senate adds new language requiring that alternative teacher education programs be accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) or be a candidate for accreditation.

House does not include this section.

Sec. 604. Cyberschools – DELETED

Senate adds new language requiring the Department to report on barriers to the operation of cyberschools for special student populations including dropouts and expelled students.

House does not include this section.

Sec. 605. Detroit Public School Performance Audit – DELETED

Senate adds new language requiring a performance audit of Detroit Public Schools and a report on the results of the audit.

House does not include this section.