

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Summary: FY 2008-09 Appropriations
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	FY 2007-08 YTD	FY 2008-09 Executive	FY 2008-09 Senate	FY 2008-09 House	FY 2008-09 Conference	Difference: Senate From FY 2007-08 YTD	
						Amount	%
IDG/IDT	\$0	\$0	\$0			\$0	0.0
Federal	72,749,800	69,675,500	69,675,500			(3,074,300)	(4.2)
Local	6,448,900	6,924,600	6,924,600			475,700	7.4
Private	3,171,800	3,087,800	3,087,800			(84,000)	(2.6)
Restricted	7,036,500	6,980,800	6,980,800			(55,700)	(0.8)
GF/GP	7,075,400	8,074,500	7,874,500			799,100	11.3
Gross	\$96,482,400	\$94,743,200	\$94,543,200			(\$1,939,200)	(2.0)
FTEs	466.5	486.0	483.0			16.5	3.5

Note: FY 2007-08 figures reflect supplementals and Executive Order (EO) actions through February 7, 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 and Senate increase funding by \$1.4 million and 13 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. 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. These costs are more than offset by eliminating \$4.0 million in funding for the data articulation system, eliminating \$455,000 for the longitudinal data system, and reducing administrative funding by \$292,100.

	FY 2007-08 YTD	Senate Change From YTD
Gross	\$12,285,700	(\$2,852,400)
Federal	12,285,700	(2,852,400)
GF/GP	\$0	\$0

2. Audit and Oversight of School Aid Programs

Executive and Senate 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	0.0	6.0
Gross	\$0	\$600,000
GF/GP	\$0	\$600,000

3. 21st Century Schools Program

Executive increases budget by \$500,000 and 3.0 FTEs for the administration of the grant program for building small high schools which she proposed in the School Aid budget.

FTEs	0.0	0.0
Gross	\$0	\$0
GF/GP	\$0	\$0

4. Michigan School for the Deaf and Blind (MSDB)

Executive and Senate 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.

FTEs	103.0	6.0
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

<u>Major Budget Changes From FY 2007-08 YTD Appropriations</u>		<u>FY 2007-08 YTD</u>	<u>Senate Change From YTD</u>
5. Detroit Public Schools Performance Audit	Gross	\$0	\$300,000
<u>Senate</u> adds \$300,000 for a performance audit of Detroit Public Schools.	GF/GP	\$0	\$300,000
6. Consolidated Administrative and IT Services	FTEs	N/A	(5.0)
<u>Executive and Senate</u> 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. Economics	Gross	N/A	\$137,000
<u>Executive and Senate</u> provide \$137,000 (\$15,600 GF/GP) gross 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 – NEW

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.

Sec. 215. Departmental Employee Contact with Legislature – MAINTAINED

Prohibits disciplinary action against a department employee for communicating with a Legislator or his or her staff. Executive deletes. 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 and Senate 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 restores

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

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 deletes. 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 and Senate 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 – NEW

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.

Sec. 604. Cyberschools – NEW

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.

Sec. 605. Detroit Public School Performance Audit – NEW

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