

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

GOVERNOR'S BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS

Source of Funds	FY25 Adjusted Base	FY26 Recommended	% Change Over FY25	FY27 Recommended	% Change Over FY26
GPR	7,868,908,000	9,354,243,400	18.9	9,786,310,500	4.6
PR-F	886,146,800	888,745,300	0.3	888,113,100	-0.1
PR-S	32,675,200	34,011,800	4.1	34,011,800	0.0
PR-O	22,720,800	23,595,000	3.8	23,595,000	0.0
SEG-O	82,196,900	102,921,600	25.2	105,065,600	2.1
TOTAL	8,892,647,700	10,403,517,100	17.0	10,837,096,000	4.2

FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITION SUMMARY

Source of Funds	FY25 Adjusted Base	FY26 Recommended	FTE Change Over FY25	FY27 Recommended	FTE Change Over FY26
GPR	247.29	250.29	3.00	250.29	0.00
PR-F	332.99	323.99	-9.00	316.99	-7.00
PR-S	48.49	48.49	0.00	48.49	0.00
PR-O	27.50	29.50	2.00	29.50	0.00
TOTAL	656.27	652.27	-4.00	645.27	-7.00

AGENCY DESCRIPTION

The department is headed by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, a constitutional officer who is elected on the nonpartisan spring ballot for a four-year term. The State Superintendent appoints a deputy state superintendent, an executive assistant, a special assistant and assistant state superintendents. The assistant state superintendents are responsible for administering the five operating divisions of the department: Academic Excellence, Finance and Management, Learning Support, Libraries and Technology, and Student and School Success.

MISSION

The department, under the leadership and direction of the elected State Superintendent, supports and advances public education and public libraries so all school-age children can access high-quality educational programs meeting student needs and all citizens have access to comprehensive public library resources and services.

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The department's mission is anchored in a vision of engaged learners. The department's work builds on the state's nation-leading graduation rates, college entrance exam scores and more students taking rigorous college-level courses. This vision also acknowledges that today, not every child graduates ready for college or career, and this inequity ultimately drives the department's work.

To achieve our vision for every student, the department is committed to ensuring educational equity remains central to how the department functions. Educational equity means that every student has access to the educational resources and rigor they need at the right moment in their education, across race, gender, ethnicity, language, disability, sexual orientation, family background and/or family income.

Public education in Wisconsin is one of our state's great economic and social strengths. The department's mission drives this agenda, providing direct actions to improve student learning, promote safe and healthy school environments, and ensure our educators and schools remain the best in the nation.

PROGRAMS, GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Program 1: Educational Leadership

Goal: Talented, dedicated and well-prepared educators are in every classroom and public school.

Objective/Activity: Provide every classroom with teachers who are prepared to help students meet the district's challenging academic standards.

Goal: Make the department a high-performance organization by focusing on results, service quality and customer satisfaction.

Objective/Activity: Provide timely, consistent service and dissemination of high-quality information and products to customers.

Program 3: Aids to Libraries, Individuals and Organizations

Goal: Ensure all citizens have equal access to comprehensive public library resources and services.

Objective/Activity: All libraries make effective use of technology and the internet in order to provide access to information and knowledge resources to the state's residents.

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PERFORMANCE MEASURES

2023 AND 2024 GOALS AND ACTUALS

Prog. No.	Performance Measure	Goal 2023	Actual 2023	Goal 2024	Actual 2024
1.	Number of one-year licenses with stipulations issued. ¹	3,000	3,499	2,500	3,380
1.	Number of "page views" on Wisconsin Information System for Education Data Dashboard (WISEdash). ²	100,000	186,150	100,000	89,921
1.	Number of distinct logins (WISEdash for School Districts, secure portal). ²	60,000	53,036	60,000	24,437
3.	Number of BadgerLink Successful Retrievals of Electronic Information (SREI). ³	8,500,000	8,073,303	9,000,000	4,542,644
3.	Number of items loaned out through interlibrary loan program.	8,000,000	7,320,749	8,250,000	N/A ⁴

Note: Based on calendar year, except as noted.

¹Based on fiscal year.

²The actual figures for number of page views and number of distinct logins in 2024 represent counts from January 1, 2024, through July 30, 2024.

³For BadgerLink SREI, the 2024 actual figures include data from January through June 2024.

⁴The number of items loaned through the interlibrary loan program is based in part on the statistics filed in the public library annual reports, which will not be available until July 2025.

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2025, 2026 AND 2027 GOALS

Prog. No.	Performance Measure	Goal 2025¹	Goal 2026	Goal 2027
1.	Number of one-year licenses with stipulations issued. ²	3,200	3,100	3,000
1.	Number of "page views" on Wisconsin Information System for Education Data Dashboard (WISEdash).	200,000	200,000	200,000
1.	Number of distinct logins (WISEdash for School Districts, secure portal).	60,000	60,000	60,000
3.	Number of BadgerLink Successful Retrievals of Electronic Information (SREI).	8,200,000	8,400,000	8,500,000
3.	Number of items loaned out through interlibrary loan program.	7,650,000	7,800,000	8,000,000

Note: Based on calendar year, except as noted.

¹Goals for 2025 have been revised for all performance measures.

²Based on fiscal year.

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34. Personal Financial Literacy Grants
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39. Early College Credit Program State Aid
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**Table 1
Department Budget Summary by Funding Source (in thousands of dollars)**

	ACTUAL FY24	ADJUSTED BASE FY25	AGENCY REQUEST FY26	AGENCY REQUEST FY27	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FY26	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FY27
GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE	\$7,252,582.5	\$7,868,908.0	\$9,558,044.1	\$10,510,795.9	\$9,354,243.4	\$9,786,310.5
State Operations	55,234.1	56,859.0	87,779.0	84,015.4	128,507.2	74,825.1
Local Assistance	6,492,609.0	7,021,887.0	8,647,976.5	9,476,846.1	8,357,641.5	8,791,998.0
Aids to Ind. & Org.	704,739.3	790,162.0	822,288.6	949,934.4	868,094.7	919,487.4
FEDERAL REVENUE (1)	\$2,060,443.5	\$886,146.8	\$888,745.3	\$888,113.1	\$888,745.3	\$888,113.1
State Operations	70,996.5	61,344.8	63,943.3	63,311.1	63,943.3	63,311.1
Local Assistance	1,920,049.7	761,933.5	761,933.5	761,933.5	761,933.5	761,933.5
Aids to Ind. & Org.	69,397.2	62,868.5	62,868.5	62,868.5	62,868.5	62,868.5
PROGRAM REVENUE (2)	\$51,193.8	\$55,396.0	\$57,726.0	\$57,751.8	\$57,606.8	\$57,606.8
State Operations	30,610.4	37,888.5	39,707.4	39,733.2	39,622.1	39,622.1
Local Assistance	20,583.4	17,507.5	18,018.6	18,018.6	17,984.7	17,984.7
SEGREGATED REVENUE (3)	\$92,635.4	\$82,196.9	\$102,921.6	\$105,065.6	\$102,921.6	\$105,065.6
State Operations	2,107.9	2,397.5	3,122.2	3,169.6	3,122.2	3,169.6
Local Assistance	90,377.5	79,499.4	99,499.4	101,596.0	99,499.4	101,596.0
Aids to Ind. & Org.	150.0	300.0	300.0	300.0	300.0	300.0
TOTALS - ANNUAL	\$9,456,855.2	\$8,892,647.7	\$10,607,437.0	\$11,561,726.4	\$10,403,517.1	\$10,837,096.0
State Operations	158,948.9	158,489.8	194,551.9	190,229.3	235,194.8	180,927.9
Local Assistance	8,523,619.7	7,880,827.4	9,527,428.0	10,358,394.2	9,237,059.1	9,673,512.2
Aids to Ind. & Org.	774,286.6	853,330.5	885,457.1	1,013,102.9	931,263.2	982,655.9

(1) Includes Program Revenue-Federal and Segregated Revenue-Federal

(2) Includes Program Revenue-Service and Program Revenue-Other

(3) Includes Segregated Revenue-Service, Segregated Revenue-Other and Segregated Revenue-Local

**Table 2
Department Position Summary by Funding Source (in FTE positions)**

	ADJUSTED BASE FY25	AGENCY REQUEST FY26	AGENCY REQUEST FY27	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FY26	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FY27
GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE	247.29	256.29	256.29	250.29	250.29
State Operations	247.29	256.29	256.29	250.29	250.29
FEDERAL REVENUE (1)	332.99	323.99	316.99	323.99	316.99
State Operations	332.99	323.99	316.99	323.99	316.99
PROGRAM REVENUE (2)	75.99	79.99	79.99	77.99	77.99
State Operations	75.99	79.99	79.99	77.99	77.99
TOTALS - ANNUAL	656.27	660.27	653.27	652.27	645.27
State Operations	656.27	660.27	653.27	652.27	645.27

(1) Includes Program Revenue-Federal and Segregated Revenue-Federal

(2) Includes Program Revenue-Service and Program Revenue-Other

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**Table 3
Department Budget Summary by Program (in thousands of dollars)**

	ACTUAL FY24	ADJUSTED BASE FY25	AGENCY REQUEST		GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION	
			FY26	FY27	FY26	FY27
1. Educational leadership	\$161,227.5	\$159,867.4	\$194,685.3	\$190,315.3	\$227,253.2	\$182,938.9
2. Aids for local educational programming	\$9,190,832.3	\$8,630,723.2	\$10,297,808.6	\$11,207,399.0	\$10,061,728.3	\$10,524,582.2
3. Aids to libraries, individuals and organizations	\$104,795.3	\$102,057.1	\$114,943.1	\$164,012.1	\$114,535.6	\$129,574.9
TOTALS	\$9,456,855.2	\$8,892,647.7	\$10,607,437.0	\$11,561,726.4	\$10,403,517.1	\$10,837,096.0

**Table 4
Department Position Summary by Program (in FTE positions)**

	ADJUSTED BASE FY25	AGENCY REQUEST		GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION	
		FY26	FY27	FY26	FY27
1. Educational leadership	656.27	660.27	653.27	652.27	645.27
TOTALS	656.27	660.27	653.27	652.27	645.27

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1. General Equalization Aid

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	332,759,000	0.00	672,316,000	0.00	493,800,000	0.00	699,900,000	0.00
TOTAL	332,759,000	0.00	672,316,000	0.00	493,800,000	0.00	699,900,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing significant increases in state general equalization aid in each year of the biennium. The Governor also recommends increasing special adjustment aid from 85 percent of prior year general equalization aid to 90 percent of prior year general equalization aid in each year.

The Governor further recommends indexing the current revenue limit per pupil adjustment of \$325 to inflation beginning in FY26, providing an estimated revenue limit adjustment of \$334 per member in FY26 and \$345 per member in FY27. In addition, the Governor recommends increasing the low revenue ceiling to \$12,000 per member in FY26 and \$12,400 per member in FY27, and repealing the inability of a school district to use the low revenue ceiling adjustment if the district has a failed referendum.

Finally, the Governor recommends increasing the state general equalization aid and revenue limit four-year-old kindergarten (4K) membership calculations for school districts, independent charter schools and private schools participating in the state's parental choice programs that provide full-day 4K programs to 1.0 FTE beginning in FY27.

2. Special Education Categorical Aid

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	820,517,300	0.00	1,166,550,300	0.00	542,949,100	0.00	587,658,200	0.00
TOTAL	820,517,300	0.00	1,166,550,300	0.00	542,949,100	0.00	587,658,200	0.00

The Governor recommends increasing the rate at which eligible special education costs are reimbursed to 60 percent in FY26 and FY27. The Governor also recommends changing the appropriation type from sum certain to sum sufficient to ensure school districts receive the percent reimbursement promised by the state.

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3. High-Cost Special Education Aid

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	20,424,000	0.00	21,820,000	0.00	8,789,000	0.00	9,720,000	0.00
TOTAL	20,424,000	0.00	21,820,000	0.00	8,789,000	0.00	9,720,000	0.00

The Governor recommends increasing the reimbursement rate for eligible program costs to 40 percent in FY26 and FY27. The Governor also recommends changing the appropriation type from sum certain to sum sufficient to ensure school districts receive the percent reimbursement promised by the state.

4. Early Childhood Special Education

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	600,000	0.00	10,600,000	0.00	600,000	0.00	600,000	0.00
TOTAL	600,000	0.00	10,600,000	0.00	600,000	0.00	600,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to support early childhood special education identification efforts, which will provide training and support to school districts, independent charter schools and child care providers through partnership with cooperative educational service agencies.

5. Special Education Transition Readiness Grants

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	1,500,000	0.00	1,500,000	0.00	500,000	0.00	500,000	0.00
TOTAL	1,500,000	0.00	1,500,000	0.00	500,000	0.00	500,000	0.00

The Governor recommends increasing funding to support transition readiness grants.

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6. Aid for Comprehensive School Mental Health Systems

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	83,888,000	0.00	83,888,000	0.00	83,888,000	0.00	83,888,000	0.00
TOTAL	83,888,000	0.00	83,888,000	0.00	83,888,000	0.00	83,888,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding for reimbursement of costs incurred by school districts and independent charter schools that provide in- and out-of-school time mental health services and programs for students. The Governor also recommends that reimbursements may be provided in an amount up to the greater of \$100 per pupil or \$100,000 per school district and independent charter school.

7. Aid for School-Based Mental Health Professional Staff

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	62,752,000	0.00	67,237,000	0.00	62,752,000	0.00	67,237,000	0.00
TOTAL	62,752,000	0.00	67,237,000	0.00	62,752,000	0.00	67,237,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to reimburse school districts, independent charter schools and private schools participating in a parental choice program for the costs of school-based mental health professional staff. The Governor also recommends ensuring that the costs for all categories of pupil services staff be eligible for reimbursement, including school counselors, school psychologists and school nurses.

8. Peer-to-Peer Suicide Prevention Grants

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	350,000	0.00	350,000	0.00	250,000	0.00	250,000	0.00
TOTAL	350,000	0.00	350,000	0.00	250,000	0.00	250,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to increase support for peer-to-peer suicide prevention grants and increase the maximum grant from \$1,000 to \$6,000.

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9. Mental Health Training

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	380,000	0.00	380,000	0.00	380,000	0.00	380,000	0.00
TOTAL	380,000	0.00	380,000	0.00	380,000	0.00	380,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to increase support for existing school mental health training programs to expand the allowable types of training and to increase the capacity of the Wisconsin Safe and Health School Center to deliver trainings.

10. Per Pupil Aid

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	88,581,900	0.00	123,431,900	0.00	88,581,900	0.00	123,431,900	0.00
TOTAL	88,581,900	0.00	123,431,900	0.00	88,581,900	0.00	123,431,900	0.00

The Governor recommends fully funding a per pupil payment of \$800 in FY26 and \$850 in FY27. The Governor also recommends an additional payment of \$160 in FY26 and \$170 in FY27 for each economically disadvantaged student, a 20 percent increase of the per pupil payment.

11. Early Literacy Investments

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	18,500,000	0.00	23,518,000	0.00	61,495,200	0.00	18,093,500	0.00
TOTAL	18,500,000	0.00	23,518,000	0.00	61,495,200	0.00	18,093,500	0.00

The Governor recommends funding initiatives that implement and support the literacy program created under 2023 Wisconsin Act 20 as follows: (a) \$50,000,000 GPR in FY26 to replace unreleased funding appropriated for use in the 2023-25 biennium; (b) \$7,045,200 GPR in FY26 and \$11,018,000 GPR in FY27 for 64 early literacy coaches in FY26 and 100 early literacy coaches in FY27; (c) \$2,625,500 GPR in FY27 for the required intensive summer reading program interventions; (d) \$1,450,000 GPR in each year to reimburse diagnostic assessments administered by schools; (e) \$3,000,000 GPR in each year to support organizations providing high-dosage literacy tutoring; and (f) repealing the July 1, 2028, sunset date of the Office of Literacy.

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12. The Literacy Lab

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,092,500	0.00	1,125,300	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,092,500	0.00	1,125,300	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to support The Literacy Lab, which will provide evidence-based literacy interventions in Milwaukee and Racine schools.

13. Adult Literacy Grants

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	66,800	0.00	66,800	0.00	716,800	0.00	716,800	0.00
TOTAL	66,800	0.00	66,800	0.00	716,800	0.00	716,800	0.00

The Governor recommends providing additional funding to increase capacity of adult literacy services.

14. Supplemental Nutrition Aid

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	146,328,500	1.00	147,816,600	1.00	0	0.00	147,720,000	0.00
TOTAL	146,328,500	1.00	147,816,600	1.00	0	0.00	147,720,000	0.00

The Governor recommends creating a new sum sufficient categorical aid to eliminate all fees charged to students for meals served by a school district, independent charter school, tribal school, private school or residential school. The payment per meal to each school is equal to the difference in federal reimbursement between a free meal and a reduced-price meal and a free meal and a full-price meal respectively for each meal served in the prior school year. The Governor also recommends prohibiting schools from charging a price for a meal to students.

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15. School Breakfast Reimbursement

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	3,027,400	0.00	3,082,100	0.00	3,027,400	0.00	3,082,100	0.00
TOTAL	3,027,400	0.00	3,082,100	0.00	3,027,400	0.00	3,082,100	0.00

The Governor recommends fully funding reimbursements to school districts, private schools and tribal schools under the school breakfast program at \$0.15 for each breakfast as required by current law. The Governor also recommends expanding the institutions eligible for reimbursement to include: (a) independent charter schools, (b) Wisconsin Educational Services Program for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, (c) Wisconsin Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired, and (d) residential care centers for children and youth. The Governor further recommends eliminating reimbursement payments to institutions no longer in operation.

16. School Day Milk Program

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	211,100	0.00	247,800	0.00	211,100	0.00	247,800	0.00
TOTAL	211,100	0.00	247,800	0.00	211,100	0.00	247,800	0.00

The Governor recommends fully funding reimbursement for the Wisconsin School Day Milk Program.

17. Aid for English Language Acquisition

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	26,750,000	0.00	26,750,000	0.00	26,750,000	0.00	26,750,000	0.00
TOTAL	26,750,000	0.00	26,750,000	0.00	26,750,000	0.00	26,750,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding and a new sum sufficient appropriation to create a new categorical aid program to support English learner students in every school district and independent charter school in the state. The Governor also recommends that base funding of \$10,000 be provided to each school district and independent charter school serving at least one English learner and up to 20 English learners, plus \$500 for each additional English learner above 20. The Governor further recommends altering reporting requirements to ensure newly eligible school districts and independent charter schools report prior year English learners enrolled by language group.

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18. Supporting Future Educators

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	46,925,000	0.00	0	0.00	12,862,500	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	46,925,000	0.00	0	0.00	12,862,500	0.00

The Governor recommends creating new programs to provide state-funded stipends to future educators and to cooperating teachers who supervise those individuals beginning in FY27 as follows: (a) \$2,500 per semester to future educators completing student teaching; (b) \$2,500 per semester to future librarians completing a public library internship or supervised school district placement; and (c) \$1,000 per semester to cooperating teachers involved in supervising during the student teaching or apprenticeship process. The Governor also recommends that the University of Wisconsin System and Technical College System Board educator preparatory programs provide tuition remission during student teaching to enrolled prospective teachers. See University of Wisconsin System, Item #10.

19. Grow Your Own Educator Programs

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	72,500	1.00	5,096,600	1.00	0	0.00	5,000,000	0.00
TOTAL	72,500	1.00	5,096,600	1.00	0	0.00	5,000,000	0.00

The Governor recommends creating a new grant program to help school districts and independent charter schools reimburse the costs of grow your own educator programs that help teachers and staff obtain further licensure or encourage students to enter the teaching profession.

20. Peer Review and Mentoring Grant

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	3,713,400	0.00	3,713,400	0.00	803,300	0.00	803,300	0.00
TOTAL	3,713,400	0.00	3,713,400	0.00	803,300	0.00	803,300	0.00

The Governor recommends increasing funding to support peer review and mentoring of individuals early in their teaching career.

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21. Teacher Apprenticeship

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	10,000,000	0.00	10,000,000	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	10,000,000	0.00	10,000,000	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends requiring the Department of Public Instruction to grant an initial teaching license to an individual who completes a teacher apprenticeship as defined by the Department of Workforce Development. See Department of Workforce Development, Item #4.

22. Educators Rising

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	500,000	0.00	500,000	0.00	250,000	0.00	250,000	0.00
TOTAL	500,000	0.00	500,000	0.00	250,000	0.00	250,000	0.00

The Governor recommends creating a new grant program in FY26 to support the creation of chapters of Educators Rising to encourage students to pursue teaching.

23. Computer Science Education Grants

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	5,092,500	1.00	5,096,600	1.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	5,092,500	1.00	5,096,600	1.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to help school districts increase foundational computer science offerings and the digital literacy of students. The Governor also recommends providing position and expenditure authority for a computer science education coordinator in the department. The Governor further recommends providing \$20,000 for costs related to a computer science education task force, to be chaired by the new computer science education coordinator.

24. Computer Science Offerings

The Governor recommends that each high school in the state be required to offer at least one computer science class.

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25. Career and Technical Education Aid

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	72,500	1.00	44,911,600	1.00	10,000,000	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	72,500	1.00	44,911,600	1.00	10,000,000	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends providing a per pupil payment to support investments in career and technical education that will enhance workforce readiness and expand learning opportunities for high school students in school districts and independent charter schools.

26. Career and Technical Student Organizations

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	4,500,000	0.00	4,500,000	0.00	1,500,000	0.00	1,500,000	0.00
TOTAL	4,500,000	0.00	4,500,000	0.00	1,500,000	0.00	1,500,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding for grants to career and technical student organizations identified by the department to be calculated based on the organization's proportion of statewide membership. Grants may be used to defray student membership costs and enhance opportunities available to students.

27. Grant for Information Technology Education

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	625,000	0.00	625,000	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	625,000	0.00	625,000	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends modifying eligibility language to allow more organizations to apply for funding to provide information technology education services to schools, technical colleges and libraries.

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28. Robotics League Participation Grants

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	250,000	0.00	250,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	250,000	0.00	250,000	0.00

The Governor recommends increasing funding to support robotics league participation grants.

29. Sparsity Aid

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	896,000	0.00	1,116,000	0.00	10,016,800	0.00	10,236,800	0.00
TOTAL	896,000	0.00	1,116,000	0.00	10,016,800	0.00	10,236,800	0.00

The Governor recommends increasing funding in each year to fully fund estimated eligible grants at \$500 per pupil for districts with 745 or fewer students and at \$200 per pupil for all districts with sparse student populations between 746 and 1,000 pupils. The Governor further recommends providing stopgap payments equal to 50 percent of the district's prior year aid payment for one year to districts that no longer meet eligibility requirements.

30. Health Emergencies in Learning Places (HELP) Grants

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	10,000,000	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	10,000,000	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends creating a new biennial appropriation to fund grants to help school districts, independent charter schools and private schools participating in a parental choice program prepare for and respond to health emergencies in school buildings. The Governor also recommends allowing grants to support the purchase of automated external defibrillators, carbon monoxide detectors and opioid antagonists to place in school buildings. The Governor further recommends requiring schools to maintain a cardiac emergency response plan and incorporate the placement of carbon monoxide detectors in indoor environmental quality plans.

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31. Water Filtration Grants

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	2,500,000	0.00	0	0.00	250,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	2,500,000	0.00	0	0.00	250,000	0.00

The Governor recommends creating a new grant program to assist school districts to replace water fountains with water bottle filling stations with filters that reduce harmful toxins, such as lead and nitrates, in student drinking water.

32. Pupil Transportation Aid

The Governor recommends increasing reimbursement rates for pupils transported over 12 miles from \$400 to \$450.

33. High-Cost Transportation Aid

The Governor recommends modifying the eligibility threshold for high-cost transportation aid from 140 percent of the statewide average transportation costs to 135 percent of the statewide average.

34. Personal Financial Literacy Grants

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	2,500,000	0.00	2,500,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	2,500,000	0.00	2,500,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding for grants school districts and independent charter schools to implement or expand personal financial literacy curriculum and programming, with an emphasis on innovation in personal financial literacy instruction.

35. Milwaukee Audit Response Support

The Governor recommends that the Department of Administration provide payments to the Milwaukee Public School District to implement recommendations from instructional and operational audits of the school district initiated by the Governor. The Governor further recommends that the payments may be used only for items addressed in the audits, financial reporting software and data compatibility with state and local finance systems. See Department of Administration, Item #7.

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36. Milwaukee School Resource Officers

The Governor recommends requiring the Milwaukee Public School District to reimburse the city of Milwaukee for the costs of providing school resource officers for 25 percent of school days to assist in meeting the requirements under 2023 Wisconsin Act 228.

37. Access to Period Products in School

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	500,000	0.00	500,000	0.00	500,000	0.00	500,000	0.00
TOTAL	500,000	0.00	500,000	0.00	500,000	0.00	500,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to help school districts and independent charter schools with concentrations of economically-disadvantaged students greater than the statewide average purchase feminine hygiene products. The Governor also recommends basing aid payments on prior year share of economically-disadvantaged students in eligible school districts and independent charter schools. The Governor further recommends requiring all school districts and independent charter schools to provide feminine hygiene products to students at no charge.

38. Rehire of Retired Employees

The Governor recommends allowing state agencies, local units of government and school districts participating in the Wisconsin Retirement System to rehire retired annuitant employees without requiring them to suspend their annuity if: (a) at least 30 days have passed since the employee left employment with a participating employer; (b) at the time of retirement, the employee does not have an agreement to return to work; and (c) upon returning to work, the employee elects to not again become a participating employee in the Wisconsin Retirement System. See Department of Employee Trust Funds, Item #4.

39. Early College Credit Program State Aid

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	802,000	0.00	926,000	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	802,000	0.00	926,000	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends fully funding anticipated early college credit program state aid in the existing Department of Workforce Development appropriation and not in the Department of Public Instruction. See Department of Workforce Development, Item #27.

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40. MENTOR Greater Milwaukee

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	150,000	0.00	150,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	150,000	0.00	150,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to MENTOR Greater Milwaukee to support relationships between kids and trained, caring adults to assist the kids in fulfilling their potential.

41. Four-Year-Old Kindergarten Community Approach

The Governor recommends requiring the department, in consultation with the Department of Children and Families, to develop a standard per pupil payment amount to child care providers in school districts participating in mixed delivery models through the community approach to four-year-old kindergarten. The Governor also recommends requiring the department, in consultation with the Department of Children and Families, to develop a model contract for school district agreements with child care providers. The Governor further recommends increasing the state general equalization aid and revenue limit four-year-old (4K) membership calculations for school districts, independent charter schools and private schools participating in the state's parental choice programs that provide a full-day 4K program to 1.0 FTE beginning in FY27. See Department of Children and Families, Item #4.

42. Graduation Alliance

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	3,000,000	0.00	3,000,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	3,000,000	0.00	3,000,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to Graduation Alliance, which works to reengage high school students who have, or are in danger of, dropping out of school.

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43. Independent Charter Schools

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	1,222,500	0.00	14,065,800	0.00	6,138,100	0.00	16,873,800	0.00
TOTAL	1,222,500	0.00	14,065,800	0.00	6,138,100	0.00	16,873,800	0.00

The Governor recommends adjusting funding by \$10,245,700 in FY26 and \$18,477,300 in FY27 to reflect estimates of enrollment and state aid payments for independent charter schools authorized by the city of Milwaukee, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Waukesha County Executive and University of Wisconsin-Parkside. The Governor also recommends adjusting funding by -\$4,107,600 in FY26 and -\$1,608,500 in FY27 to reflect estimates of enrollment and state aid payments for independent charter schools authorized by the Office of Educational Opportunity at the University of Wisconsin System.

44. Milwaukee Parental Choice Program

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	1,068,700	0.00	20,224,700	0.00	20,723,100	0.00	34,248,300	0.00
TOTAL	1,068,700	0.00	20,224,700	0.00	20,723,100	0.00	34,248,300	0.00

The Governor recommends adjusting funding for the Milwaukee parental choice programs to reflect estimated enrollment and state aid payments.

45. Special Needs Scholarship Program

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	2,755,100	0.00	10,320,600	0.00	7,446,700	0.00	8,493,300	0.00
TOTAL	2,755,100	0.00	10,320,600	0.00	7,446,700	0.00	8,493,300	0.00

The Governor recommends adjusting funding for the Special Needs Scholarship Program to reflect estimated enrollment and state aid payments. In addition, the Governor recommends reforming the program as follows: (a) repeal the actual cost basis payment calculation and reinstate a per pupil aid payment; (b) require new schools that begin participating in FY27 and thereafter to concurrently participate in another parental choice program through which they are accredited; and (c) require that schools participating in the program must allow students to opt out of religious activities upon written request of the parent.

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46. Racine and Wisconsin Parental Choice Programs

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	16,813,500	0.00	57,969,500	0.00	33,915,500	0.00	47,105,400	0.00
TOTAL	16,813,500	0.00	57,969,500	0.00	33,915,500	0.00	47,105,400	0.00

The Governor recommends adjusting funding for the Racine and statewide parental choice programs to reflect estimated enrollment and state aid payments.

47. Parental Choice and Special Needs Scholarship Programs

The Governor recommends implementing the following reforms: (a) requiring all teachers providing instruction in schools participating in a parental choice program or the Special Needs Scholarship Program, with some exceptions, to hold a license or permit issued by the Department of Public Instruction beginning July 1, 2028; (b) including information containing the gross reduction in state general aid as a result of private choice and special needs scholarship programs on property tax bills to increase public awareness of parental choice program costs; (c) indexing payments for choice and special needs pupils to increases in public school revenue limit adjustments and per pupil aid; (d) capping the number of available seats in each parental choice program and the Special Needs Scholarship Program beginning in FY27 using the respective program's FY26 headcount; and (e) continuing the 10 percent maximum participation of school district membership in the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program.

48. Tribal Language Revitalization Grant

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
PR-S	277,200	0.00	277,200	0.00	277,200	0.00	277,200	0.00
TOTAL	277,200	0.00	277,200	0.00	277,200	0.00	277,200	0.00

The Governor recommends increasing funding for tribal language revitalization grants to support effective, innovative instruction in American Indian languages. The Governor also recommends allowing independent charter schools to be eligible grant applicants.

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49. General Education Development Test Subsidy

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	194,500	0.00	408,500	0.00	194,500	0.00	408,500	0.00
TOTAL	194,500	0.00	408,500	0.00	194,500	0.00	408,500	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to create a new test subsidy of \$30 per General Education Development test for eligible Wisconsin residents beginning January 1, 2026.

50. Farm to School Program

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	250,000	0.00	250,000	0.00	250,000	0.00	250,000	0.00
TOTAL	250,000	0.00	250,000	0.00	250,000	0.00	250,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding for a Farm to School grant program to ensure a sufficient state match component to improve student health and nutrition.

51. Grants to Replace Race-Based Nicknames, Logos, Mascots and Team Names

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
PR-S	0	0.00	0	0.00	200,000	0.00	200,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	200,000	0.00	200,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing tribal gaming revenue to create a program to assist certain school districts in adopting and implementing a nickname, logo, mascot or team name that is not race-based.

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52. Arts for All

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	100,000	0.00	100,000	0.00	100,000	0.00	100,000	0.00
TOTAL	100,000	0.00	100,000	0.00	100,000	0.00	100,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to support Arts for All. The Governor also recommends changing the appropriation name from Very Special Arts to Arts for All to reflect the organization's official name change.

53. Special Olympics Wisconsin

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	100,000	0.00	100,000	0.00	300,000	0.00	300,000	0.00
TOTAL	100,000	0.00	100,000	0.00	300,000	0.00	300,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to support Special Olympics Wisconsin.

54. Participation in High School Graduation Ceremonies

The Governor recommends prohibiting a school district, independent charter school or private choice school from preventing a student from participating in a graduation ceremony due to unpaid fees.

55. Academic and Career Planning

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	83,000	0.00	307,000	0.00	18,300	0.00	213,300	0.00
TOTAL	83,000	0.00	307,000	0.00	18,300	0.00	213,300	0.00

The Governor recommends increasing expenditure authority to fully fund estimated costs of Academic and Career Planning and related trainings by cooperative educational service agencies.

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56. School Library Aids Reestimate

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	18,000,000	0.00	18,000,000	0.00	18,000,000	0.00	18,000,000	0.00
TOTAL	18,000,000	0.00	18,000,000	0.00	18,000,000	0.00	18,000,000	0.00

The Governor recommends adjusting expenditure authority for school library aids based on reestimates of interest earnings from the common school fund.

57. Public Library System Aid

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	2,000,000	0.00	4,000,000	0.00	2,000,000	0.00	4,000,000	0.00
TOTAL	2,000,000	0.00	4,000,000	0.00	2,000,000	0.00	4,000,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to support the operations and maintenance of public library services in Wisconsin.

58. Library Service Contracts

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	619,200	0.00	666,600	0.00	619,200	0.00	666,600	0.00
TOTAL	619,200	0.00	666,600	0.00	619,200	0.00	666,600	0.00

The Governor recommends fully funding the estimated costs of the library service contracts maintained by the department.

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59. BadgerLink and Newslite for the Blind

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	96,600	0.00	0	0.00	96,600	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	96,600	0.00	0	0.00	96,600	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to maintain BadgerLink and Newslite for the Blind levels of service.

60. Information Technology Systems Modernization

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	5,000,000	0.00	1,000,000	0.00	1,000,000	0.00	500,000	0.00
TOTAL	5,000,000	0.00	1,000,000	0.00	1,000,000	0.00	500,000	0.00

The Governor recommends creating a new continuing appropriation to support department information technology system upgrades to the school finance dashboards, background check refractor hub and competitive grant application system.

61. Staffing Support for State Programs

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	381,800	5.00	564,200	5.00	170,600	2.00	222,200	2.00
PR-O	85,300	1.00	111,100	1.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	467,100	6.00	675,300	6.00	170,600	2.00	222,200	2.00

The Governor recommends providing position and expenditure authority to support reductions in seclusion and restraint and career and technical education.

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62. Transfer of Head Start Aid Supplement

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	-6,264,100	0.00	-6,264,100	0.00	-6,264,100	0.00	-6,264,100	0.00
TOTAL	-6,264,100	0.00	-6,264,100	0.00	-6,264,100	0.00	-6,264,100	0.00

The Governor recommends transferring the administration and associated funding of the Head Start program from the department to the Department of Children and Families. See Department of Children and Families, Item #5.

63. Out-of-School Time Grant Program

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	20,000,000	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	20,000,000	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding in the Department of Children and Families to establish an out-of-school time grant program to deliver services to school-age youth with the goal of improving social, emotional, academic or career readiness competencies and providing a safe out-of-school time environment. See Department of Children and Families, Item #6.

64. Licensing Operations

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
PR-O	0	3.00	0	3.00	0	2.00	0	2.00
TOTAL	0	3.00	0	3.00	0	2.00	0	2.00

The Governor recommends allowing the department to retain all revenues received from educator licensing. The Governor also recommends providing additional position authority to support license processing.

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65. State Operations Adjustment

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	1,477,000	0.00	1,477,000	0.00	1,477,000	0.00	1,477,000	0.00
PR-S	9,800	0.00	9,800	0.00	9,800	0.00	9,800	0.00
PR-O	673,600	0.00	673,600	0.00	673,600	0.00	673,600	0.00
SEG-O	105,500	0.00	105,500	0.00	105,500	0.00	105,500	0.00
TOTAL	2,265,900	0.00	2,265,900	0.00	2,265,900	0.00	2,265,900	0.00

The Governor recommends adjusting expenditure authority in certain state operations appropriations to reflect increased supplies and services costs related to the provision of current programmatic requirements.

66. Program Revenue Reestimates

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
PR-S	506,200	0.00	506,200	0.00	506,200	0.00	506,200	0.00
PR-O	-59,000	0.00	-59,000	0.00	-59,000	0.00	-59,000	0.00
TOTAL	447,200	0.00	447,200	0.00	447,200	0.00	447,200	0.00

The Governor recommends adjusting expenditure authority for program revenue appropriations to reflect projected revenues and expenditures.

67. Fuel and Utilities Reestimate

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	58,800	0.00	87,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	58,800	0.00	87,000	0.00

The Governor recommends adjusting the department's fuel and utilities budget for expected changes in prices and to reflect statistically normal weather conditions.

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68. Debt Service Reestimate

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	-177,400	0.00	-452,300	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	-177,400	0.00	-452,300	0.00

The Governor recommends adjusting the department's base budget to reflect a reestimate of debt service on authorized bonds.

69. Standard Budget Adjustments

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	138,700	0.00	140,300	0.00	138,700	0.00	140,300	0.00
PR-F	2,598,500	-9.00	1,966,300	-16.00	2,598,500	-9.00	1,966,300	-16.00
PR-S	343,400	0.00	343,400	0.00	343,400	0.00	343,400	0.00
PR-O	259,600	0.00	259,600	0.00	259,600	0.00	259,600	0.00
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	3,340,200	-9.00	2,709,600	-16.00	3,340,200	-9.00	2,709,600	-16.00

The Governor recommends adjusting the department's base budget for: (a) turnover reduction (-\$1,147,300 in each year); (b) removal of noncontinuing elements from the base (-\$657,300 and -9.0 FTE positions in FY26 and -\$1,289,500 and -16.0 FTE positions in FY27); (c) full funding of continuing position salaries and fringe benefits (\$5,687,500 in each year); (d) overtime (\$330,400 in each year); (e) night and weekend differential pay (\$56,100 in each year); (f) full funding of lease and directed moves costs (-\$929,200 in FY26 and -\$927,600 in FY27); and (g) minor transfers within the same alpha appropriation.

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ITEMS NOT APPROVED

The following requests are not included in the Governor's budget recommendations for the Department of Public Instruction.

Decision Item	Source of Funds	FY26		FY27	
		Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
70. Foundations of Reading Test Repeal	GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00
71. District Reorganization - Feasibility Study Grant	GPR	0	0.00	300,000	0.00
72. Innovative Education Practices	GPR	572,500	1.00	2,096,600	1.00
73. Transition Incentive Grant Program	GPR	300,000	0.00	400,000	0.00
74. Grants for IT Infrastructure and Cybersecurity	GPR	13,500,000	0.00	13,500,000	0.00
75. AODA Prevention Grants	GPR	0	0.00	4,520,000	0.00
	PR-S	233,900	0.00	233,900	0.00
76. Bilingual-Bicultural Education Program	GPR	18,125,500	0.00	24,389,700	0.00
77. Local Food to Schools Program	GPR	5,000,000	0.00	5,000,000	0.00
78. Grant for Milk Coolers & Dispensers	GPR	0	0.00	150,000	0.00
TOTAL OF ITEMS NOT APPROVED	GPR	37,498,000	1.00	50,356,300	1.00
	PR-S	233,900	0.00	233,900	0.00

