

May 4, 2022

On May 3, 2022, the Connecticut General Assembly passed an adjusted state budget for fiscal year 2023.<sup>1</sup> This budget amends the biennial state budget passed by the General Assembly on June 17, 2021.<sup>2</sup> The following budget snapshot provides a nonpartisan look at how the General Assembly's adjusted budget impacts education funding by analyzing how funding in the budget compares to current education spending levels, detailing key policy changes to education funding, and providing estimated town-by-town runs for the Education Cost Sharing (ECS) grant.

### **The General Assembly's adjusted budget is one of the final steps in the budget development process<sup>3</sup>**

- The budget analyzed in this document is the budget passed by both chambers of the General Assembly. Next, the budget will be sent to Governor Ned Lamont who will either sign it into law, veto it, veto specific line items, or let it go into effect without signing.

### **Key Education Policy Changes in Adjusted Budget**

- ECS grants continue to follow the current law phase-in schedule with technical changes to phase-in amounts and Alliance Districts.
  - a. Alliance Districts are held harmless to the greater of their base grant amount, current year grant, or prior year grant.
  - b. The method to calculate the ECS grants for those towns that are currently being phased-in is modified to ensure all grants are being phased in consistently.
  - c. The number of Alliance Districts is increased from 33 to 36 and Alliance Districts are designated for a period of five years. Recently designated Alliance Districts have increases in their ECS grant, over their FY 2022 ECS amount, withheld by the State per the Alliance District program requirements.
  - d. The Alliance District Minimum Aid Ratio of 10% in the ECS formula is extended to Priority School Districts.
- The phase-in schedule for State Charter Schools is accelerated in FY 2023 compared to current law, with no funding in place for the years after FY 2023.
- The Bilingual Education grant is doubled in FY 2023.
- Existing magnet school tuition caps are extended to additional communities and the cap threshold is reduced.

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<sup>2</sup> Conn. Acts 21-2 (June Special Session).

<sup>3</sup> A more detailed explanation of Connecticut's state budget process can be found at <https://ctschoolfinance.org/reports/connecticuts-state-budget-process>.

- a. Cap transfers the responsibility for paying \$4,400 per student in tuition from the school district to the State for each student — above a threshold — attending a magnet school from a specific district.
- b. The magnet school tuition cap for East Hartford Public Schools is reduced to 4% of the town resident student count from 7%, and this provision is extended to Manchester.
- c. New London, New Britain, and towns located in the *Sheff* region receive a magnet school tuition cap of 4% of the sending town's resident student count for the purposes of tuition payments.
- The budget contains policy changes necessary to implement the Comprehensive School Choice Plan as part of the settlement agreement in the *Sheff v. O'Neill* case.
  - a. An additional per-student grant of \$2,000 is provided to suburban districts in the *Sheff* region accepting Hartford students through the Open Choice students.<sup>4</sup>
- The Excess Cost grant formula now contains a measure of town wealth, which is used to determine the reimbursement percentage a town receives when the State appropriation does not meet the amount of grants payable.

### **How do these policy changes impact students and schools?**

- State charter schools receive an increased phase-in amount in FY 2023 over the adopted budget, but there remain no further funding changes after FY 2023.
- Technical adjustments to the ECS formula's phase-in and phase-out schedule will phase in and out towns along the statutory time frame consistently and smoothly.
- Additional hold harmless provisions in the ECS formula insulate Alliance Districts from demographic changes that may decrease grant amounts.
- Towns that send significant a number of students to interdistrict magnet programs, such as East Hartford, Manchester, New Britain, New London, and towns in the *Sheff* region, will not be responsible for the full regular education tuition to support these students in FY 2023.
- Eligible schools operating bilingual programs will see increased state support, but the amount of support is not based on a formula or considerations of student need, and the eligibility criteria for the grant is unchanged.
- Excess Cost grant calculations will include a measure of town wealth if full funding is not appropriated. Should the Excess Cost grant not be fully funded, grants will be distributed via a tiered system based on a town's Equalized Net Grand List per Capita (ENGLPC). Towns with lower ENGLPCs will receive slightly higher Excess Cost reimbursement percentages.

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<sup>4</sup> More information on the *Sheff* agreement can be found at <https://ctschoolfinance.org/resources/sheff-v-oneill-supreme-court-ruling-and-subsequent-stipulation-agreements>.

## Analysis of Selected Appropriations

Table 1 below contains the adjusted budget's recommended appropriations for significant education grants for FY 2023, as well as the appropriations for those same grants in the governor's and the Appropriations Committee's recommended state budget adjustments for FY 2023. Table 1 also contains FY 2022 estimated expenditures for comparative purposes. The appropriations included in Table 1 are education grants to municipalities and school districts in which the total estimated expenditures exceed \$10 million in FY 2022, as well as state funding for school choice programs.<sup>5</sup>

State education appropriations that increase — as compared to FY 2022 estimated expenditures — are highlighted in green, while those appropriations that remain at FY 2022 estimated amounts are highlighted in yellow. The far-right column of Table 1 features the key policy details contained in the adopted budget for each grant.

**Table 1: Selected State Education Funding Under Adjusted Budget for FY 2023 with Comparisons**

Grant	FY 2022 Appropriated <sup>6</sup>	Governor's Proposed Appropriation FY 2023 <sup>7</sup>	Appropriations Committee Budget FY 2023 <sup>8</sup>	Adjusted Budget FY 2023 <sup>9</sup>	Key Policy Details
<b>Education Equalization (ECS)</b>	\$2,139,188,097	\$2,178,637,792	\$2,178,800,382	\$2,178,800,382	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase in funding due to continued phase-in, technical revisions to the phase-in schedule, and changes to the Alliance District program.</li> </ul>
<b>Magnet Schools</b>	\$282,438,044	\$289,026,486	\$289,026,486	\$292,926,486	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase in funding due to tuition cap changes and the stipulations of the Sheff settlement.</li> </ul>
<b>Regional Vocational –</b>	\$143,319,414	\$147,409,256	\$148,974,862	\$147,409,256	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CTECS is planned to become a separate budgeted agency in FY 2023</li> </ul>

<sup>5</sup> Although the Adult Education and Development of Mastery Exams line items exceed \$10 million in statewide allocation, they are not included in the below table due to the relationship to public K-12 education operating expenses.

<sup>6</sup> Conn. Acts 21-2 (June Special Session).

<sup>7</sup> State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management. (2022). *Governor's Recommended Budget Adjustments for FY 2023*. Hartford, CT: Author. Retrieved from [https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/OPM/Budget/2023\\_Midterm/Midterm2023\\_Final.pdf](https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/OPM/Budget/2023_Midterm/Midterm2023_Final.pdf).

<sup>8</sup> Connecticut General Assembly, Office of Fiscal Analysis. (2022). *Appropriations Committee Budget: FY 23 Midterm Adjustments*. Hartford, CT: Author Retrieved from [https://www.cga.ct.gov/ofa/Documents/year/APPJF/2022APPJF-20220407\\_Appropriations%20Committee%20Budget%20FY%2023%20Midterm%20Adjustments.pdf](https://www.cga.ct.gov/ofa/Documents/year/APPJF/2022APPJF-20220407_Appropriations%20Committee%20Budget%20FY%2023%20Midterm%20Adjustments.pdf).

<sup>9</sup> H.B. 5506 as amended by House Amendment A and C: An Act Adjusting the State Budget for the Biennium Ending June 30, 2023, Concerning Provisions Related to Revenue, School Construction and Other Items to Implement the State Budget and Authorizing and Adjusting Bonds of the State. Gen. Assembly. (Ct. 2022).

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<b>Technical School System</b>					
<b>Technical High Schools – Other Expenses</b>	\$22,668,577	\$22,668,577	\$22,668,577	\$22,668,577	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CTECS is planned to become a separate budgeted agency in FY 2023</li> <li>• Funding is maintained at FY 2023 adopted budget levels</li> </ul>
<b>Excess Cost - Student Based</b>	\$140,619,782	\$140,619,782	\$140,619,782	\$156,119,782	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase in funding due to town wealth reimbursement metric.</li> </ul>
<b>Charter Schools</b>	\$126,203,452	\$129,905,156	\$131,477,285	\$134,477,285	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase in funding due increased phase-in percentage in FY 2023</li> </ul>
<b>Priority School Districts</b>	\$30,818,778	\$30,818,778	\$30,818,778	\$30,818,778	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding is maintained at FY 2023 adopted budget levels</li> </ul>
<b>Open Choice</b>	\$27,980,849	\$38,360,327	\$38,360,327	\$38,360,327	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase in funding with additional per-student grant for the purpose of assisting the State meet the requirements of the <i>Sheff</i> settlement</li> </ul>
<b>Commissioner's Network</b>	\$10,009,398	\$10,009,398	\$10,009,398	\$10,009,398	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding is maintained at FY 2023 adopted budget levels</li> </ul>
<b>Vocational Agriculture</b>	\$18,824,200	\$18,824,200	\$18,824,200	\$18,824,200	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding is maintained at FY 2023 adopted budget levels</li> </ul>
<b>Local Charter Schools</b>	\$852,000	\$957,000	\$957,000	\$957,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding is maintained at FY 2023 adopted budget levels</li> </ul>
<b><i>Sheff</i> Transportation</b>	\$51,843,244	\$54,240,688	\$54,240,688	\$54,240,688	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase in funding due to <i>Sheff</i> settlement</li> </ul>

## Analysis of Education Cost Sharing Grant

Connecticut uses the ECS formula that was adopted in 2017, and first used and implemented in FY 2019, to distribute state education aid to towns to support their local public schools. The FY 2022-23 biennial budget passed last year contains a hold harmless provision for towns whose fully funded grants are less than their FY 2017 grants. This provision remains unchanged by the adjusted budget and means these towns will receive their FY 2021 grant amounts in FY 2023 instead of experiencing a reduction in their ECS grants.

Under the adjusted budget, technical revisions are made to the ECS phase-in schedule to prevent districts from receiving more or less than their designated fully-funded grant amounts. This is done by adding a portion of the difference between a town's previous year's ECS grant and their fully funded grant amount, also known as the grant adjustment.<sup>10</sup> Additionally, the adjusted budget ensures Alliance Districts receive the greater of their 2017 ECS grant, their prior year's ECS grant, or their ECS grant based on the phase-in schedule. Table 2 below details the ECS phase-in schedule for all towns by type.

**Table 2: ECS Phase-In Schedule**

Fiscal Year	Phase-In Schedule	Phase-Out Schedule
2023	Previous year's ECS grant amount <b>plus 16.67%</b> of its grant adjustment	Hold harmless to the previous year's ECS grant amount
2024	Previous year's ECS grant amount <b>plus 20%</b> of its grant adjustment	Previous year's ECS grant amount <b>minus 14.29%</b> of its grant adjustment
2025	Previous year's ECS grant amount <b>plus 25%</b> of its grant adjustment	Previous year's ECS grant amount <b>minus 16.67%</b> of its grant adjustment
2026	Previous year's ECS grant amount <b>plus 33.33%</b> of its grant adjustment	Previous year's ECS grant amount <b>minus 20%</b> of its grant adjustment
2027	Previous year's ECS grant amount <b>plus 50%</b> of its grant adjustment	Previous year's ECS grant amount <b>minus 25%</b> of its grant adjustment
2028	Phase-in schedule completed, fully-funded grants	Previous year's ECS grant amount <b>minus 33.33%</b> of its grant adjustment
2029	Fully funded	Previous year's ECS grant amount <b>minus 50%</b> of its grant adjustment

<sup>10</sup> Previously, the grant adjustment was calculated as the difference between a town's 2017 ECS grant and their fully funded grant amount.

Fiscal Year	Phase-In Schedule	Phase-Out Schedule
2030	Fully funded	Phase-out schedule completed, fully-funded grants

The adjusted budget also makes changes to the Alliance District program, which requires additional Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) oversight over the expenditure of funds by Connecticut's lowest-performing districts. The adjusted budget defines an Alliance District as the districts with the lowest 33 accountability index scores, or any previously designated Alliance District between FY 2013 and FY 2022. This change results in 36 districts being designated as Alliance Districts for five years — the same 33 districts designated in FY 2022 plus three new additions (Enfield, Plainfield, and Stratford).<sup>11</sup> Prior to the adjusted budget changes, Alliance Districts were districts with the 30 lowest accountability index scores or any district previously designated as an Alliance District between FY 2013 and FY 2017.

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<sup>11</sup> For more detail on the Alliance District program, please see: School and School Finance Project. (2021). *Alliance District and Priority School District Grants*. Hamden, CT: Author. Retrieved from <https://ctschoolfinance.org/resource-assets/Alliance-District-and-Priority-School-District-Grants.pdf>.

Table 3 below compares, town by town, the **estimated ECS grants** for FY 2023 under the adjusted budget with a comparison to estimated FY 2022 grant amounts, and FY 2023 grants under the governor's and the Appropriations Committee's recommended budget adjustments. Towns projected to receive an increase in ECS funding in FY 2023 — over their FY 2022 ECS grant amount — are highlighted in green. Towns projected to receive the same amount of ECS funding are highlighted in yellow.

**Table 3: Estimated Town ECS Grants for FY 2023 under the Adjusted Budget and Other Budget Proposals**

*Note: Budgeted appropriations may differ from final grant amounts made by the CSDE to towns and school districts because final grant calculations take additional statutory provisions into account. Therefore, towns and school districts should wait for final grant amounts to be released by the CSDE before finalizing these amounts in their budgets.*

Town	FY 2022 Est. Expenditures <sup>12</sup>	Governor Lamont's Proposed Budget FY 2023 <sup>13</sup>	Appropriations Proposed Budget FY 2023 <sup>14</sup>	Adjusted Budget FY 2023 <sup>15</sup>
Andover	\$2,004,782	\$2,004,782	\$2,004,782	\$2,004,782
Ansonia	\$18,448,067	\$18,949,686	\$18,949,686	\$18,949,686
Ashford	\$3,459,062	\$3,459,062	\$3,459,062	\$3,459,062
Avon	\$584,016	\$584,016	\$584,016	\$584,016
Barkhamsted	\$1,494,242	\$1,494,242	\$1,494,242	\$1,494,242
Beacon Falls	\$3,959,463	\$4,012,796	\$4,012,796	\$4,012,796
Berlin	\$5,870,600	\$5,870,600	\$5,870,600	\$5,870,600
Bethany	\$1,764,574	\$1,764,574	\$1,764,574	\$1,764,574
Bethel	\$7,880,729	\$7,888,281	\$7,888,281	\$7,888,281
Bethlehem	\$1,146,826	\$1,180,408	\$1,180,408	\$1,180,408
Bloomfield	\$6,864,465	\$7,012,747	\$7,012,747	\$7,012,747
Bolton	\$2,683,216	\$2,683,216	\$2,683,216	\$2,683,216
Bozrah	\$1,190,095	\$1,190,095	\$1,190,095	\$1,190,095
Branford	\$2,757,413	\$3,052,594	\$3,052,594	\$3,052,594
Bridgeport	\$188,944,441	\$188,956,317	\$188,956,317	\$188,956,317

<sup>12</sup> Conn. Acts 21-2 (June Special Session).

<sup>13</sup> State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management. (2022). *Governor's Recommended Budget Adjustments for FY 2023*. Hartford, CT: Author. Retrieved from [https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/OPM/Budget/2023\\_Midterm/Midterm2023\\_Final.pdf](https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/OPM/Budget/2023_Midterm/Midterm2023_Final.pdf).

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Town	FY 2022 Est. Expenditures <sup>12</sup>	Governor Lamont's Proposed Budget FY 2023 <sup>13</sup>	Appropriations Proposed Budget FY 2023 <sup>14</sup>	Adjusted Budget FY 2023 <sup>15</sup>
Bridgewater	\$38,048	\$61,294	\$61,294	\$61,294
Bristol	\$48,142,142	\$49,410,404	\$49,410,404	\$49,410,404
Brookfield	\$962,317	\$962,317	\$962,317	\$962,317
Brooklyn	\$6,926,095	\$6,926,095	\$6,926,095	\$6,926,095
Burlington	\$3,995,268	\$4,190,818	\$4,190,818	\$4,190,818
Canaan	\$125,752	\$125,752	\$125,752	\$125,752
Canterbury	\$4,004,835	\$4,004,835	\$4,004,835	\$4,004,835
Canton	\$3,499,445	\$3,634,027	\$3,634,027	\$3,634,027
Chaplin	\$1,652,147	\$1,652,147	\$1,652,147	\$1,652,147
Cheshire	\$9,420,222	\$9,420,222	\$9,420,222	\$9,420,222
Chester	\$830,164	\$910,789	\$910,789	\$910,789
Clinton	\$5,192,084	\$5,192,084	\$5,192,084	\$5,192,084
Colchester	\$12,040,218	\$12,040,218	\$12,040,218	\$12,040,218
Colebrook	\$403,912	\$403,912	\$403,912	\$403,912
Columbia	\$2,316,189	\$2,316,189	\$2,316,189	\$2,316,189
Cornwall	\$11,229	\$14,039	\$14,039	\$14,039
Coventry	\$7,952,911	\$7,952,911	\$7,952,911	\$7,952,911
Cromwell	\$5,104,925	\$5,191,253	\$5,191,253	\$5,191,253
Danbury	\$40,276,119	\$42,726,791	\$42,726,791	\$42,726,791
Darien	\$457,357	\$472,359	\$472,359	\$472,359
Deep River	\$1,671,457	\$1,671,457	\$1,671,457	\$1,671,457
Derby	\$9,140,280	\$9,371,044	\$9,371,044	\$9,371,044
Durham	\$3,165,733	\$3,174,726	\$3,174,726	\$3,174,726
East Granby	\$1,445,791	\$1,445,791	\$1,445,791	\$1,445,791
East Haddam	\$3,555,957	\$3,555,957	\$3,555,957	\$3,555,957
East Hampton	\$6,902,775	\$6,902,775	\$6,902,775	\$6,902,775
East Hartford	\$56,561,508	\$58,611,300	\$58,611,300	\$58,611,300
East Haven*	\$19,869,202	\$19,869,202	\$19,869,202	\$19,869,202
East Lyme	\$6,076,507	\$6,076,507	\$6,076,507	\$6,076,507
East Windsor*	\$5,669,122	\$5,669,122	\$5,669,122	\$5,669,122
Eastford	\$947,176	\$947,176	\$947,176	\$947,176
Easton	\$186,645	\$210,419	\$210,419	\$210,419
Ellington	\$10,030,891	\$10,105,344	\$10,105,344	\$10,105,344
Enfield*	\$29,823,645	\$29,823,645	\$29,823,645	\$29,823,645
Essex	\$123,708	\$150,685	\$150,685	\$150,685
Fairfield	\$1,117,730	\$1,120,340	\$1,120,340	\$1,120,340
Farmington	\$843,467	\$907,584	\$907,584	\$907,584

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Franklin	\$736,256	\$736,256	\$736,256	\$736,256
Glastonbury	\$5,379,255	\$5,379,255	\$5,379,255	\$5,379,255
Goshen	\$123,034	\$182,146	\$182,146	\$182,146
Granby	\$5,278,314	\$5,278,314	\$5,278,314	\$5,278,314
Greenwich	\$477,624	\$568,844	\$568,844	\$568,844
Griswold	\$10,925,151	\$10,925,151	\$10,925,151	\$10,925,151
Groton*	\$25,040,045	\$25,040,045	\$25,040,045	\$25,040,045
Guilford	\$1,766,084	\$1,766,084	\$1,766,084	\$1,766,084
Haddam	\$2,181,180	\$2,368,188	\$2,368,188	\$2,368,188
Hamden	\$31,174,709	\$32,936,617	\$32,936,617	\$32,936,617
Hampton	\$1,058,408	\$1,058,408	\$1,058,408	\$1,058,408
Hartford	\$212,544,934	\$213,893,998	\$213,893,998	\$213,893,998
Hartland	\$1,071,722	\$1,071,722	\$1,071,722	\$1,071,722
Harwinton	\$2,430,050	\$2,451,411	\$2,451,411	\$2,451,411
Hebron	\$5,997,693	\$5,997,693	\$5,997,693	\$5,997,693
Kent	\$29,872	\$32,522	\$32,522	\$32,522
Killingly*	\$15,574,402	\$15,574,402	\$15,574,402	\$15,574,402
Killingworth	\$1,679,589	\$1,743,835	\$1,743,835	\$1,743,835
Lebanon	\$4,578,589	\$4,578,589	\$4,578,589	\$4,578,589
Ledyard	\$11,492,516	\$11,492,516	\$11,492,516	\$11,492,516
Lisbon	\$2,899,516	\$2,899,516	\$2,899,516	\$2,899,516
Litchfield	\$1,293,502	\$1,309,615	\$1,309,615	\$1,309,615
Lyme	\$89,603	\$129,597	\$129,597	\$129,597
Madison	\$395,466	\$395,466	\$395,466	\$395,466
Manchester	\$39,752,676	\$41,130,988	\$41,130,988	\$41,130,988
Mansfield	\$9,459,722	\$9,459,722	\$9,459,722	\$9,459,722
Marlborough	\$2,902,339	\$2,904,187	\$2,904,187	\$2,904,187
Meriden	\$66,940,902	\$69,151,265	\$69,151,265	\$69,151,265
Middlebury	\$1,026,996	\$1,253,381	\$1,253,381	\$1,253,381
Middlefield	\$1,846,203	\$1,888,165	\$1,888,165	\$1,888,165
Middletown	\$22,274,221	\$22,843,758	\$22,843,758	\$22,843,758
Milford	\$9,673,235	\$9,673,235	\$9,673,235	\$9,673,235
Monroe	\$5,272,935	\$5,272,935	\$5,272,935	\$5,272,935
Montville	\$12,802,864	\$12,802,864	\$12,802,864	\$12,802,864
Morris	\$132,148	\$163,730	\$163,730	\$163,730
Naugatuck	\$32,702,839	\$33,213,837	\$33,213,837	\$33,213,837
New Britain	\$99,688,263	\$103,554,423	\$103,554,423	\$103,554,423

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New Canaan	\$393,251	\$407,264	\$407,264	\$407,264
New Fairfield	\$3,481,120	\$3,481,120	\$3,481,120	\$3,481,120
New Hartford	\$2,913,010	\$2,913,010	\$2,913,010	\$2,913,010
New Haven	\$162,840,114	\$163,463,956	\$163,463,956	\$163,463,956
New London	\$29,721,688	\$30,485,534	\$30,485,534	\$30,485,534
New Milford	\$11,124,188	\$11,124,188	\$11,124,188	\$11,124,188
Newington	\$14,131,800	\$14,436,217	\$14,436,217	\$14,436,217
Newtown	\$4,495,691	\$4,495,691	\$4,495,691	\$4,495,691
Norfolk	\$29,866	\$34,609	\$34,609	\$34,609
North Branford	\$7,331,325	\$7,331,325	\$7,331,325	\$7,331,325
North Canaan	\$1,781,954	\$1,781,954	\$1,781,954	\$1,781,954
North Haven	\$3,860,551	\$3,993,277	\$3,993,277	\$3,993,277
North Stonington	\$2,584,204	\$2,584,204	\$2,584,204	\$2,584,204
Norwalk	\$13,178,830	\$13,178,830	\$13,715,817	\$13,715,817
Norwich	\$40,544,337	\$41,459,121	\$41,459,121	\$41,459,121
Old Lyme	\$370,531	\$560,155	\$560,155	\$560,155
Old Saybrook	\$130,783	\$130,788	\$130,788	\$130,788
Orange	\$1,015,498	\$1,015,498	\$1,015,498	\$1,015,498
Oxford	\$3,677,011	\$3,677,011	\$3,677,011	\$3,677,011
Plainfield*	\$14,990,047	\$14,990,047	\$14,990,047	\$14,990,047
Plainville	\$11,004,705	\$11,134,521	\$11,134,521	\$11,134,521
Plymouth	\$9,802,121	\$9,802,121	\$9,802,121	\$9,802,121
Pomfret	\$2,670,987	\$2,670,987	\$2,670,987	\$2,670,987
Portland	\$4,544,357	\$4,544,357	\$4,544,357	\$4,544,357
Preston	\$2,952,496	\$2,952,496	\$2,952,496	\$2,952,496
Prospect	\$4,951,153	\$5,142,865	\$5,142,865	\$5,142,865
Putnam*	\$8,340,282	\$8,340,282	\$8,340,282	\$8,340,282
Redding	\$192,921	\$212,488	\$212,488	\$212,488
Ridgefield	\$568,700	\$568,700	\$568,700	\$568,700
Rocky Hill	\$5,413,831	\$5,778,936	\$5,778,936	\$5,778,936
Roxbury	\$61,595	\$91,189	\$91,189	\$91,189
Salem	\$2,525,078	\$2,525,078	\$2,525,078	\$2,525,078
Salisbury	\$25,502	\$32,924	\$32,924	\$32,924
Scotland	\$1,274,671	\$1,274,671	\$1,274,671	\$1,274,671
Seymour	\$10,636,930	\$10,768,911	\$10,768,911	\$10,768,911
Sharon	\$16,220	\$18,702	\$18,702	\$18,702
Shelton	\$6,851,370	\$6,983,295	\$6,983,295	\$6,983,295

Town	FY 2022 Est. Expenditures <sup>12</sup>	Governor Lamont's Proposed Budget FY 2023 <sup>13</sup>	Appropriations Proposed Budget FY 2023 <sup>14</sup>	Adjusted Budget FY 2023 <sup>15</sup>
Sherman	\$46,995	\$46,995	\$46,995	\$46,995
Simsbury	\$6,530,198	\$6,996,426	\$6,996,426	\$6,996,426
Somers	\$5,692,630	\$5,692,630	\$5,692,630	\$5,692,630
South Windsor	\$11,408,078	\$11,408,078	\$11,408,078	\$11,408,078
Southbury	\$4,290,927	\$4,961,238	\$4,961,238	\$4,961,238
Southington	\$20,466,417	\$20,466,417	\$20,466,417	\$20,466,417
Sprague	\$2,675,264	\$2,693,093	\$2,693,093	\$2,693,093
Stafford	\$9,551,487	\$9,551,487	\$9,551,487	\$9,551,487
Stamford	\$14,780,084	\$15,979,193	\$15,979,193	\$15,979,193
Sterling	\$3,174,585	\$3,174,585	\$3,174,585	\$3,174,585
Stonington	\$1,073,011	\$1,073,011	\$1,073,011	\$1,073,011
Stratford	\$25,147,955	\$26,275,342	\$26,275,342	\$26,275,342
Suffield	\$6,148,151	\$6,148,151	\$6,148,151	\$6,148,151
Thomaston	\$5,481,226	\$5,481,226	\$5,481,226	\$5,481,226
Thompson*	\$7,534,704	\$7,534,704	\$7,534,704	\$7,534,704
Tolland	\$9,105,528	\$9,105,528	\$9,105,528	\$9,105,528
Torrington	\$27,853,655	\$28,938,033	\$28,938,033	\$28,938,033
Trumbull	\$2,323,541	\$2,323,541	\$2,323,541	\$2,323,541
Union	\$211,728	\$211,728	\$211,728	\$211,728
Vernon	\$20,592,781	\$20,924,837	\$20,924,837	\$20,924,837
Voluntown	\$2,117,243	\$2,117,243	\$2,117,243	\$2,117,243
Wallingford	\$20,855,570	\$20,855,570	\$20,855,570	\$20,855,570
Warren	\$46,910	\$71,755	\$71,755	\$71,755
Washington	\$86,666	\$137,390	\$137,390	\$137,390
Waterbury	\$157,222,797	\$164,131,453	\$164,131,453	\$164,131,453
Waterford	\$326,444	\$326,444	\$326,444	\$326,444
Watertown	\$11,879,281	\$12,006,071	\$12,006,071	\$12,006,071
West Hartford	\$22,245,747	\$22,253,668	\$22,253,668	\$22,253,668
West Haven	\$50,339,504	\$51,296,377	\$51,296,377	\$51,296,377
Westbrook	\$76,675	\$77,977	\$77,977	\$77,977
Weston	\$263,792	\$263,792	\$263,792	\$263,792
Westport	\$523,496	\$538,009	\$538,009	\$538,009
Wethersfield	\$11,540,764	\$12,273,369	\$12,273,369	\$12,273,369
Willington	\$3,456,594	\$3,456,594	\$3,456,594	\$3,456,594
Wilton	\$461,796	\$461,796	\$461,796	\$461,796
Winchester*	\$8,024,957	\$8,024,957	\$8,024,957	\$8,024,957
Windham	\$29,939,918	\$30,736,252	\$30,736,252	\$30,736,252

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Windsor*	\$12,130,392	\$12,130,392	\$12,130,392	\$12,130,392
Windsor Locks*	\$5,225,299	\$5,225,299	\$5,225,299	\$5,225,299
Wolcott	\$12,387,171	\$12,387,171	\$12,387,171	\$12,387,171
Woodbridge	\$471,575	\$494,503	\$494,503	\$494,503
Woodbury	\$1,829,558	\$2,186,586	\$2,186,586	\$2,186,586
Woodstock	\$4,990,532	\$4,990,532	\$4,990,532	\$4,990,532

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Table 4 below shows, town by town, the **estimated proposed change** in ECS grants for FY 2023 under the adjusted budget, and the governor's and Appropriations Committee's previously proposed budget adjustments, compared to estimated FY 2022 grants. Towns projected to receive an increase in ECS funding in FY 2023 — over their FY 2022 ECS grant amount — are highlighted in green. Towns projected to receive the same amount of ECS funding are highlighted in yellow.

**Table 4: Differences Between Estimated Town ECS Grants from FY 2022 and Grant for FY 2023 under the Adjusted Budget and Other Budget Proposals**

*Note: Budgeted appropriations may differ from final grant amounts made by the CSDE to towns and school districts because final grant calculations take additional statutory provisions into account. Therefore, towns and school districts should wait for final grant amounts to be released by the CSDE before finalizing these amounts in their budgets.*

Town	FY 2022 Est. Expenditures <sup>16</sup>	Governor Lamont's Proposed Budget FY 2023 <sup>17</sup>	Appropriations Proposed Budget <sup>18</sup> FY 2023	Adopted Budget FY 2023 <sup>19</sup>
Andover	\$2,004,782	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ansonia	\$18,448,067	\$501,619	\$501,619	\$501,619
Ashford	\$3,459,062	\$0	\$0	\$0
Avon	\$584,016	\$0	\$0	\$0
Barkhamsted	\$1,494,242	\$0	\$0	\$0
Beacon Falls	\$3,959,463	\$53,333	\$53,333	\$53,333
Berlin	\$5,870,600	\$0	\$0	\$0
Bethany	\$1,764,574	\$0	\$0	\$0
Bethel	\$7,880,729	\$7,552	\$7,552	\$7,552
Bethlehem	\$1,146,826	\$33,582	\$33,582	\$33,582
Bloomfield	\$6,864,465	\$148,282	\$148,282	\$148,282
Bolton	\$2,683,216	\$0	\$0	\$0
Bozrah	\$1,190,095	\$0	\$0	\$0
Branford	\$2,757,413	\$295,181	\$295,181	\$295,181
Bridgeport	\$188,944,441	\$11,876	\$11,876	\$11,876

<sup>16</sup> Conn. Acts 21-2 (June Special Session).

<sup>17</sup> State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management. (2022). *Governor's Recommended Budget Adjustments for FY 2023*. Hartford, CT: Author. Retrieved from [https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/OPM/Budget/2023\\_Midterm/Midterm2023\\_Final.pdf](https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/OPM/Budget/2023_Midterm/Midterm2023_Final.pdf).

<sup>18</sup> Connecticut General Assembly, Office of Fiscal Analysis. (2022). *Appropriations Committee Budget: FY 23 Midterm Adjustments*. Hartford, CT: Author Retrieved from [https://www.cga.ct.gov/ofa/Documents/year/APPJF/2022APPJF-20220407\\_Appropriations%20Committee%20Budget%20FY%2023%20Midterm%20Adjustments.pdf](https://www.cga.ct.gov/ofa/Documents/year/APPJF/2022APPJF-20220407_Appropriations%20Committee%20Budget%20FY%2023%20Midterm%20Adjustments.pdf).

<sup>19</sup> H.B. 5506 as amended by House Amendment A and C: An Act Adjusting the State Budget for the Biennium Ending June 30, 2023, Concerning Provisions Related to Revenue, School Construction and Other Items to Implement the State Budget and Authorizing and Adjusting Bonds of the State. Gen. Assembly. (Ct. 2022).

Town	FY 2022 Est. Expenditures <sup>16</sup>	Governor Lamont's Proposed Budget FY 2023 <sup>17</sup>	Appropriations Proposed Budget <sup>18</sup> FY 2023	Adopted Budget FY 2023 <sup>19</sup>
Bridgewater	\$38,048	\$23,246	\$23,246	\$23,246
Bristol	\$48,142,142	\$1,268,262	\$1,268,262	\$1,268,262
Brookfield	\$962,317	\$0	\$0	\$0
Brooklyn	\$6,926,095	\$0	\$0	\$0
Burlington	\$3,995,268	\$195,550	\$195,550	\$195,550
Canaan	\$125,752	\$0	\$0	\$0
Canterbury	\$4,004,835	\$0	\$0	\$0
Canton	\$3,499,445	\$134,582	\$134,582	\$134,582
Chaplin	\$1,652,147	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cheshire	\$9,420,222	\$0	\$0	\$0
Chester	\$830,164	\$80,625	\$80,625	\$80,625
Clinton	\$5,192,084	\$0	\$0	\$0
Colchester	\$12,040,218	\$0	\$0	\$0
Colebrook	\$403,912	\$0	\$0	\$0
Columbia	\$2,316,189	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cornwall	\$11,229	\$2,810	\$2,810	\$2,810
Coventry	\$7,952,911	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cromwell	\$5,104,925	\$86,328	\$86,328	\$86,328
Danbury	\$40,276,119	\$2,450,672	\$2,450,672	\$2,450,672
Darien	\$457,357	\$15,002	\$15,002	\$15,002
Deep River	\$1,671,457	\$0	\$0	\$0
Derby	\$9,140,280	\$230,764	\$230,764	\$230,764
Durham	\$3,165,733	\$8,993	\$8,993	\$8,993
East Granby	\$1,445,791	\$0	\$0	\$0
East Haddam	\$3,555,957	\$0	\$0	\$0
East Hampton	\$6,902,775	\$0	\$0	\$0
East Hartford	\$56,561,508	\$2,049,792	\$2,049,792	\$2,049,792
East Haven*	\$19,869,202	\$0	\$0	\$0
East Lyme	\$6,076,507	\$0	\$0	\$0
East Windsor*	\$5,669,122	\$0	\$0	\$0
Eastford	\$947,176	\$0	\$0	\$0
Easton	\$186,645	\$23,774	\$23,774	\$23,774
Ellington	\$10,030,891	\$74,453	\$74,453	\$74,453
Enfield*	\$29,823,645	\$0	\$0	\$0
Essex	\$123,708	\$26,977	\$26,977	\$26,977
Fairfield	\$1,117,730	\$2,610	\$2,610	\$2,610
Farmington	\$843,467	\$64,117	\$64,117	\$64,117

Town	FY 2022 Est. Expenditures <sup>16</sup>	Governor Lamont's Proposed Budget FY 2023 <sup>17</sup>	Appropriations Proposed Budget <sup>18</sup> FY 2023	Adopted Budget FY 2023 <sup>19</sup>
Franklin	\$736,256	\$0	\$0	\$0
Glastonbury	\$5,379,255	\$0	\$0	\$0
Goshen	\$123,034	\$59,112	\$59,112	\$59,112
Granby	\$5,278,314	\$0	\$0	\$0
Greenwich	\$477,624	\$91,220	\$91,220	\$91,220
Griswold	\$10,925,151	\$0	\$0	\$0
Groton*	\$25,040,045	\$0	\$0	\$0
Guilford	\$1,766,084	\$0	\$0	\$0
Haddam	\$2,181,180	\$187,008	\$187,008	\$187,008
Hamden	\$31,174,709	\$1,761,908	\$1,761,908	\$1,761,908
Hampton	\$1,058,408	\$0	\$0	\$0
Hartford	\$212,544,934	\$1,349,064	\$1,349,064	\$1,349,064
Hartland	\$1,071,722	\$0	\$0	\$0
Harwinton	\$2,430,050	\$21,361	\$21,361	\$21,361
Hebron	\$5,997,693	\$0	\$0	\$0
Kent	\$29,872	\$2,650	\$2,650	\$2,650
Killingly*	\$15,574,402	\$0	\$0	\$0
Killingworth	\$1,679,589	\$64,246	\$64,246	\$64,246
Lebanon	\$4,578,589	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ledyard	\$11,492,516	\$0	\$0	\$0
Lisbon	\$2,899,516	\$0	\$0	\$0
Litchfield	\$1,293,502	\$16,113	\$16,113	\$16,113
Lyme	\$89,603	\$39,994	\$39,994	\$39,994
Madison	\$395,466	\$0	\$0	\$0
Manchester	\$39,752,676	\$1,378,312	\$1,378,312	\$1,378,312
Mansfield	\$9,459,722	\$0	\$0	\$0
Marlborough	\$2,902,339	\$1,848	\$1,848	\$1,848
Meriden	\$66,940,902	\$2,210,363	\$2,210,363	\$2,210,363
Middlebury	\$1,026,996	\$226,385	\$226,385	\$226,385
Middlefield	\$1,846,203	\$41,962	\$41,962	\$41,962
Middletown	\$22,274,221	\$569,537	\$569,537	\$569,537
Milford	\$9,673,235	\$0	\$0	\$0
Monroe	\$5,272,935	\$0	\$0	\$0
Montville	\$12,802,864	\$0	\$0	\$0
Morris	\$132,148	\$31,582	\$31,582	\$31,582
Naugatuck	\$32,702,839	\$510,998	\$510,998	\$510,998
New Britain	\$99,688,263	\$3,866,160	\$3,866,160	\$3,866,160

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New Canaan	\$393,251	\$14,013	\$14,013	\$14,013
New Fairfield	\$3,481,120	\$0	\$0	\$0
New Hartford	\$2,913,010	\$0	\$0	\$0
New Haven	\$162,840,114	\$623,842	\$623,842	\$623,842
New London	\$29,721,688	\$763,846	\$763,846	\$763,846
New Milford	\$11,124,188	\$0	\$0	\$0
Newington	\$14,131,800	\$304,417	\$304,417	\$304,417
Newtown	\$4,495,691	\$0	\$0	\$0
Norfolk	\$29,866	\$4,743	\$4,743	\$4,743
North Branford	\$7,331,325	\$0	\$0	\$0
North Canaan	\$1,781,954	\$0	\$0	\$0
North Haven	\$3,860,551	\$132,726	\$132,726	\$132,726
North Stonington	\$2,584,204	\$0	\$0	\$0
Norwalk	\$13,178,830	\$0	\$536,987	\$536,987
Norwich	\$40,544,337	\$914,784	\$914,784	\$914,784
Old Lyme	\$370,531	\$189,624	\$189,624	\$189,624
Old Saybrook	\$130,783	\$5	\$5	\$5
Orange	\$1,015,498	\$0	\$0	\$0
Oxford	\$3,677,011	\$0	\$0	\$0
Plainfield*	\$14,990,047	\$0	\$0	\$0
Plainville	\$11,004,705	\$129,816	\$129,816	\$129,816
Plymouth	\$9,802,121	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pomfret	\$2,670,987	\$0	\$0	\$0
Portland	\$4,544,357	\$0	\$0	\$0
Preston	\$2,952,496	\$0	\$0	\$0
Prospect	\$4,951,153	\$191,712	\$191,712	\$191,712
Putnam*	\$8,340,282	\$0	\$0	\$0
Redding	\$192,921	\$19,567	\$19,567	\$19,567
Ridgefield	\$568,700	\$0	\$0	\$0
Rocky Hill	\$5,413,831	\$365,105	\$365,105	\$365,105
Roxbury	\$61,595	\$29,594	\$29,594	\$29,594
Salem	\$2,525,078	\$0	\$0	\$0
Salisbury	\$25,502	\$7,422	\$7,422	\$7,422
Scotland	\$1,274,671	\$0	\$0	\$0
Seymour	\$10,636,930	\$131,981	\$131,981	\$131,981
Sharon	\$16,220	\$2,482	\$2,482	\$2,482
Shelton	\$6,851,370	\$131,925	\$131,925	\$131,925

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Sherman	\$46,995	\$0	\$0	\$0
Simsbury	\$6,530,198	\$466,228	\$466,228	\$466,228
Somers	\$5,692,630	\$0	\$0	\$0
South Windsor	\$11,408,078	\$0	\$0	\$0
Southbury	\$4,290,927	\$670,311	\$670,311	\$670,311
Southington	\$20,466,417	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sprague	\$2,675,264	\$17,829	\$17,829	\$17,829
Stafford	\$9,551,487	\$0	\$0	\$0
Stamford	\$14,780,084	\$1,199,109	\$1,199,109	\$1,199,109
Sterling	\$3,174,585	\$0	\$0	\$0
Stonington	\$1,073,011	\$0	\$0	\$0
Stratford	\$25,147,955	\$1,127,387	\$1,127,387	\$1,127,387
Suffield	\$6,148,151	\$0	\$0	\$0
Thomaston	\$5,481,226	\$0	\$0	\$0
Thompson*	\$7,534,704	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Vernon	\$20,592,781	\$332,056	\$332,056	\$332,056
Voluntown	\$2,117,243	\$0	\$0	\$0
Wallingford	\$20,855,570	\$0	\$0	\$0
Warren	\$46,910	\$24,845	\$24,845	\$24,845
Washington	\$86,666	\$50,724	\$50,724	\$50,724
Waterbury	\$157,222,797	\$6,908,656	\$6,908,656	\$6,908,656
Waterford	\$326,444	\$0	\$0	\$0
Watertown	\$11,879,281	\$126,790	\$126,790	\$126,790
West Hartford	\$22,245,747	\$7,921	\$7,921	\$7,921
West Haven	\$50,339,504	\$956,873	\$956,873	\$956,873
Westbrook	\$76,675	\$1,302	\$1,302	\$1,302
Weston	\$263,792	\$0	\$0	\$0
Westport	\$523,496	\$14,513	\$14,513	\$14,513
Wethersfield	\$11,540,764	\$732,605	\$732,605	\$732,605
Willington	\$3,456,594	\$0	\$0	\$0
Wilton	\$461,796	\$0	\$0	\$0
Winchester*	\$8,024,957	\$0	\$0	\$0
Windham	\$29,939,918	\$796,334	\$796,334	\$796,334

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Wolcott	\$12,387,171	\$0	\$0	\$0
Woodbridge	\$471,575	\$22,928	\$22,928	\$22,928
Woodbury	\$1,829,558	\$357,028	\$357,028	\$357,028
Woodstock	\$4,990,532	\$0	\$0	\$0

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