

## ANALYSIS OF EDUCATION FUNDING PROPOSALS

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The purpose of this document is to estimate the impact of school finance proposals, which have emerged during this year's regular and special legislative sessions, on state education funding to individual municipalities and school choice programs. This document contains comparison tables that illustrate the estimated impact, as compared to fiscal year 2017 levels, of funding formulas and other major state education aid programs for four school finance systems that have been proposed thus far:

1. Governor Dannel Malloy's Revised Proposed Budget<sup>1.A</sup>
2. Senate Republican Revised Proposed Budget<sup>2</sup>
3. House Republican Revised Proposed Budget<sup>3</sup>
4. House Democrat Revised Proposed Budget<sup>4</sup>

Table 1 below contains the proposed appropriations for the Connecticut Technical High School System, State Magnet, and Charter School grants. Proposed decreases in state education funding in FY 2018 under a funding proposal are highlighted in red, while state education funding that is proposed to remain the same is highlighted in yellow.

**Table 1: Choice Program FY 2018 Proposed Appropriations**

Grant	FY2017 Appropriation <sup>5</sup>	Governor's Revised Proposed FY2018 Funding (September 8, 2017) <sup>6</sup>	Senate Republican Revised Proposed FY2018 Funding <sup>7</sup>	House Republican Revised Proposed FY2018 Funding <sup>8</sup>	House Democrat Revised Proposed FY2018 Funding <sup>9</sup>
<b>Charter Schools<sup>a</sup></b>	\$111,223,823	\$110,259,500	\$107,321,500	\$107,321,500	\$109,501,250
<b>Magnet Schools</b>	\$313,058,158	\$313,058,158	\$311,508,158	\$311,508,158	\$313,058,158
<b>Connecticut Technical High School System<sup>c</sup></b>	\$163,367,535	\$157,736,887	\$158,466,509	\$163,367,535	\$157,736,887

<sup>A</sup> It is important to note that the Governor's Revised Proposed Budget of September 8, 2017 is not the same as the Governor's Revised Executive Order Resource Allocation Plan, under which the State is currently operating due to the lack of a state budget. Additionally, the Revised Executive Order Resource Allocation has not been included in this analysis as it is meant to be a temporary funding plan, rather than a permanent solution, and it does not statutorily change Connecticut's school finance system.

<sup>B</sup> This row combines State and local Charter School appropriations and proposed funding into a single line item. The Governor's Revised Proposed Budget renames the Local Charter Schools line item (12549) to New or Replicated Schools, and separates charter schools into two budget lines and funds them in the following manner: New or Replicated Schools: \$438,000; Charter Schools: \$109,821,500. The House Democrat Revised FY 2018 budget proposal separates charter schools into two budget lines and funds them in the following manner: Local Charter Schools: \$480,000; Charter Schools: \$109,021,250. For comparative purposes, these lines have been combined in the above table into a single Charter Schools line.

<sup>C</sup> The Governor's Revised Proposed Budget separates funding for the Connecticut Technical High School System into two budget lines and funds them in the following manner: Regional Vocational-Technical School System: \$133,875,227; and Technical High Schools – Other Expenses: \$23,861,660. For comparative purposes, these lines have been combined in the above table into a single Connecticut Technical High School System line. The House Democrat Revised Proposed Budget separates funding for the Connecticut Technical High School System into two budget lines and funds them in the following manner: Technical High Schools – Personal Services: \$133,875,227; and Technical High Schools – Other Expenses: \$23,861,660. For comparative purposes, these lines have been combined in the above table into a single Connecticut Technical High School System line.

The table below is a comparison of town education grant estimates based on the proposals, mentioned above, that would alter Connecticut's school finance system. The table details the FY 2018 net increase/decrease in state education funding for each Connecticut town. Included in these estimates are only education grants to municipalities in which the total grant allocation exceeded \$10 million in FY 2017.

Although the *Sheff* Settlement and Adult Education grants both exceed \$10 million in statewide allocation, they were not included due to irregularity in appropriation (*Sheff* Settlement), and relationship to public K-12 education (Adult Education). The list of education grants included in the estimates is below:<sup>10</sup>

1. Education Cost Sharing (FY 2017 with rescissions)
2. Special Education Excess Cost
3. State Magnet School
4. Commissioner's Network
5. Vocational Agriculture
6. Open Choice
7. Priority School Districts

The inclusion of education grants less than \$10 million may impact the calculation of total proposed state aid to municipalities and the determination of whether or not a town is proposed to receive more state education funding in total than it currently receives.

The FY 2018 net change estimates in Table 2 were created by applying the proposed percentage change in the total appropriation of a grant (with the exception of the formula calculation of the ECS grant) in each funding proposal from the sum of grant payments in FY 2017 to each actual town grant in FY 2017. If a funding proposal separated the portion of ECS attributed to special education from the ECS grant, this separated grant was included.

Please note that while each funding proposal contains details for FY 2019, FY 2019 has not been analyzed here and could impact the amount received by each town in 2019.

Towns projected to receive an increase in state education funding in FY 2018 under a proposed budget are highlighted in green, while towns projected to receive a decrease in state education funding are highlighted in red.

Table 2: Estimated Town-by-Town Net Change in State Education Funding for FY 2018

Town	FY2017 Current Funding <sup>11,12</sup>	Governor's Revised Proposed FY2018 Funding (Sept. 8, 2017) <sup>13</sup>	Senate Republican Revised Proposed FY2018 Funding <sup>14,15</sup>	House Republican Revised Proposed FY2018 Funding <sup>16,17,18</sup>	House Democrat Revised Proposed FY2018 Funding Revised <sup>19</sup>
Andover	\$2,408,281	-\$355,964	-\$304,184	-\$44,681	-\$283,395
Ansonia	\$17,858,541	\$153,833	\$1,174,591	\$256,970	\$259,956
Ashford	\$4,024,685	-\$528,788	-\$238,368	-\$64,465	-\$476,989
Avon	\$3,116,504	-\$632,173	-\$137,898	\$478,827	\$199,747
Barkhamsted	\$1,814,743	-\$416,941	-\$148,277	-\$64,631	\$12,304
Beacon Falls	\$4,312,894	-\$356,808	-\$1,085,883	-\$212,178	\$30,013
Berlin	\$7,406,082	-\$2,807,059	\$457,754	\$269,671	\$155,864
Bethany	\$2,286,127	-\$368,376	-\$323,014	-\$167,503	\$32,664
Bethel	\$8,906,696	-\$2,935,691	\$366,711	\$169,020	\$124,823
Bethlehem	\$1,631,008	-\$289,707	-\$376,197	-\$82,366	-\$73,893
Bloomfield	\$11,855,330	-\$10,534	\$38,216	\$38,255	\$110,138
Bolton	\$3,681,252	-\$342,795	-\$93,886	\$113,561	\$59,912
Bozrah	\$1,223,830	-\$193,540	\$270,079	\$15,015	\$7,453
Branford	\$2,966,358	-\$553,380	\$976,232	\$291,053	\$191,075
Bridgeport	\$204,414,619	\$272,091	-\$7,016,250	-\$1,662,355	\$1,528,052
Bridgewater	\$23,149	-\$23,012	\$8,624	\$17,585	-\$23,002
Bristol	\$49,189,087	\$61,159	-\$493,340	\$525,083	\$659,119
Brookfield	\$2,071,212	-\$1,408,678	\$253,648	\$147,799	\$84,783
Brooklyn	\$7,397,332	-\$974,749	\$150,366	\$63,120	\$65,091
Burlington	\$4,702,178	-\$709,690	-\$1,213,249	-\$282,624	\$41,588
Canaan	\$286,426	-\$63,679	-\$22,067	-\$25,627	-\$301
Canterbury	\$4,665,608	-\$726,082	\$112,810	\$26,128	-\$1,019,245
Canton	\$4,782,638	-\$1,373,096	-\$122,783	\$235,758	\$143,370
Chaplin	\$1,857,013	-\$257,430	-\$180,740	\$11,797	-\$277,674
Cheshire	\$10,188,710	-\$4,186,808	\$1,129,833	\$230,869	\$125,698
Chester	\$710,278	\$27,112	\$48,893	-\$22,303	\$23,439
Clinton	\$6,628,785	-\$1,353,454	-\$80,067	\$107,679	\$36,539
Colchester	\$14,273,964	-\$1,846,605	-\$63,243	\$155,429	-\$1,056,478
Colebrook	\$566,729	-\$102,446	-\$69,650	-\$20,774	\$3,793
Columbia	\$2,809,178	-\$368,946	\$313,098	\$74,736	\$29,216
Cornwall	\$76,749	-\$9,957	\$16,613	-\$5,869	-\$8,177
Coventry	\$9,488,109	-\$1,214,984	-\$409,931	\$204,261	-\$686,375
Cromwell	\$6,053,258	\$58,801	\$167,639	\$79,591	\$193,546
Danbury	\$36,067,854	\$1,945,997	\$4,134,819	\$97,549	\$775,359
Darien	\$3,268,129	-\$366,317	-\$1,778,041	\$301,639	-\$152,508
Deep River	\$1,842,198	-\$422,298	-\$121,817	-\$26,611	\$33,012
Derby	\$9,273,817	\$302,253	\$615,913	\$99,629	\$131,306
Durham	\$4,125,089	-\$957,687	-\$1,048,658	-\$181,663	-\$844,604
East Granby	\$2,105,397	-\$275,028	\$604,391	\$153,515	\$82,571
East Haddam	\$3,956,591	-\$441,886	\$197,344	\$82,567	\$38,247
East Hampton	\$8,012,127	-\$1,082,374	\$91,340	\$89,485	\$49,172
East Hartford	\$54,989,120	\$286,192	-\$4,992,669	-\$672,383	\$618,489
East Haven	\$20,342,329	\$13,272	\$563,357	\$227,454	\$166,086
East Lyme	\$7,668,337	-\$1,264,506	\$86,548	\$167,663	\$98,606
East Windsor	\$6,271,124	\$36,338	\$653,635	\$136,318	\$52,647
Eastford	\$1,096,204	-\$164,480	-\$30,588	\$7,792	-\$124,330
Easton	\$1,121,819	-\$159,747	-\$549,807	-\$409,260	-\$95,112
Ellington	\$10,455,926	-\$1,786,290	\$83,633	\$161,203	\$120,813
Enfield	\$30,630,419	-\$2,621,982	\$605,574	\$574,647	\$324,519
Essex	\$301,518	-\$102,280	\$34,643	-\$26,707	\$20,350

Fairfield	\$4,798,250	-\$1,021,984	-\$192,002	\$852,282	-\$765,210
Farmington	\$2,519,222	-\$1,025,274	\$737,100	\$385,860	\$186,689
Franklin	\$924,410	-\$193,446	-\$24,221	\$12,950	-\$66,310
Glastonbury	\$8,134,527	-\$6,650,916	\$249,395	\$365,400	\$166,319
Goshen	\$370,982	-\$101,110	-\$16,523	\$15,672	-\$99,674
Granby	\$6,457,560	-\$1,631,647	-\$356,156	\$203,502	\$101,717
Greenwich	\$1,021,858	-\$124,374	\$1,007,811	\$1,385,994	-\$58,247
Griswold	\$11,309,715	-\$1,249,155	\$331,804	\$82,137	\$92,245
Groton	\$26,144,507	\$13,675	\$495,134	\$423,058	\$121,225
Guilford	\$4,238,876	-\$2,719,540	-\$359,369	\$96,524	\$149,384
Haddam	\$2,319,904	-\$561,836	-\$660,626	-\$295,370	\$66,435
Hamden	\$28,624,296	\$731,556	\$6,653,314	\$503,077	\$435,404
Hampton	\$1,312,397	-\$198,910	-\$165,155	\$9,875	-\$271,879
Hartford	\$277,236,022	\$450,293	\$5,639,977	\$151,696	\$2,538,103
Hartland	\$1,327,652	-\$272,584	\$27,275	\$13,105	-\$271,117
Harwinton	\$2,891,588	-\$430,605	-\$738,302	-\$147,160	\$23,117
Hebron	\$7,164,117	-\$1,008,738	-\$1,001,152	-\$192,823	-\$435,656
Kent	\$128,777	-\$30,040	\$94,727	-\$7,470	-\$27,410
Killingly	\$16,989,596	-\$18,049	\$2,229,274	\$230,833	\$82,093
Killingworth	\$2,423,009	-\$660,754	-\$694,824	-\$207,387	-\$285,638
Lebanon	\$6,156,641	-\$929,040	\$79,225	\$77,919	-\$841,670
Ledyard	\$13,636,471	-\$1,264,404	\$642,374	\$82,168	\$42,699
Lisbon	\$3,823,496	-\$677,452	-\$268,602	\$84,061	-\$944,956
Litchfield	\$1,675,386	-\$409,044	\$24,694	\$99,299	\$38,147
Lyme	\$97,000	-\$62,617	-\$26,300	-\$7,051	-\$60,265
Madison	\$1,189,673	-\$436,012	\$324,329	\$229,504	-\$380,481
Manchester	\$35,250,848	\$278,074	\$2,443,107	\$254,429	\$393,378
Manchester	\$10,452,589	-\$807,328	-\$416,865	-\$124,219	\$51,845
Marlborough	\$3,321,621	-\$560,440	-\$504,765	-\$129,328	\$16,634
Meriden	\$63,331,250	\$34,238	\$270,046	\$502,009	\$463,112
Middlebury	\$1,437,567	-\$847,002	-\$662,326	-\$515,806	\$78,161
Middlefield	\$2,221,766	-\$313,236	-\$551,197	-\$95,262	\$13,478
Middletown	\$22,202,355	\$657,403	\$3,256,061	\$447,629	\$428,888
Milford	\$12,435,310	-\$2,846,185	\$969,553	\$567,897	\$243,640
Monroe	\$7,369,909	-\$1,905,878	-\$511,395	\$241,772	\$96,112
Montville	\$12,986,284	-\$1,590,198	\$632,421	\$65,699	\$84,812
Morris	\$348,829	-\$118,469	-\$10,458	\$8,760	-\$6,627
Naugatuck	\$30,882,449	\$6,212	-\$462,444	\$167,787	\$143,581
New Britain	\$91,932,917	\$1,316,638	\$2,395,817	\$312,757	\$1,081,168
New Canaan	\$1,337,590	-\$325,525	-\$243,188	\$274,810	-\$251,051
New Fairfield	\$4,566,292	-\$1,235,314	\$274,208	\$114,701	\$36,736
New Hartford	\$3,457,000	-\$1,055,139	-\$312,891	-\$116,810	\$21,973
New Haven	\$205,142,834	\$421,598	-\$5,432,484	-\$1,395,245	\$1,577,231
New London	\$35,864,639	\$326,763	\$2,303,509	\$79,651	\$371,766
New Milford	\$12,631,069	-\$1,717,973	\$107,055	\$230,890	\$141,690
Newington	\$13,874,421	-\$1,106,203	\$922,775	\$47,078	\$203,561
Newtown	\$6,455,377	-\$4,506,386	\$365,646	\$320,960	\$213,242
Norfolk	\$88,293	-\$27,646	\$7,804	-\$15,969	\$1,971
North Branford	\$8,308,561	-\$1,200,685	\$12,291	\$159,647	\$20,423
North Canaan	\$2,244,462	-\$297,555	-\$87,261	-\$44,271	-\$1,956
North Haven	\$5,409,220	-\$1,459,121	\$714,827	\$6,574	\$236,791
North Stonington	\$2,834,470	-\$444,684	-\$92,073	\$33,770	\$6,272
Norwalk	\$21,991,719	\$590,425	-\$79,502	-\$4,569,038	\$745,442
Norwich	\$39,596,605	\$88,626	\$2,480,906	-\$417,261	\$450,314
Old Lyme	\$375,021	-\$245,762	-\$112,632	-\$41,227	-\$236,921
Old Saybrook	\$608,443	-\$116,058	\$47,465	\$145,835	-\$79,778
Orange	\$2,411,223	-\$1,492,659	-\$550,450	-\$352,470	\$54,437

Oxford	\$5,111,725	-\$1,268,299	-\$173,716	\$94,051	\$58,689
Plainfield	\$16,081,864	-\$1,205,088	-\$91,497	\$190,926	\$75,963
Plainville	\$12,635,778	\$114,760	\$597,584	\$545,703	\$286,002
Plymouth	\$10,713,264	-\$623,437	\$174,484	\$171,981	\$92,152
Pomfret	\$3,571,325	-\$442,026	\$18,440	\$107,772	-\$277,644
Portland	\$4,957,370	-\$400,717	\$103,203	\$131,321	\$89,223
Preston	\$3,339,565	-\$692,669	\$343,604	\$75,115	\$39,664
Prospect	\$5,671,419	-\$758,852	-\$1,474,586	-\$317,217	\$35,990
Putnam	\$9,532,318	\$12,161	\$292,527	\$146,327	\$61,818
Redding	\$1,087,443	-\$167,092	-\$466,941	-\$511,954	-\$100,850
Ridgefield	\$2,192,082	-\$548,789	-\$615,110	\$332,997	-\$427,709
Rocky Hill	\$4,805,206	\$197,822	\$753,897	\$270,416	\$177,870
Roxbury	\$33,812	-\$33,609	\$16,469	\$30,651	-\$33,594
Salem	\$3,239,117	-\$565,844	\$249,305	\$130,828	-\$599,926
Salisbury	\$156,485	-\$17,092	\$37,047	\$2,574	-\$13,378
Scotland	\$1,481,369	-\$190,440	-\$100,885	\$14,203	-\$225,232
Seymour	\$10,799,444	-\$1,341,332	\$398,984	\$260,117	\$119,756
Sharon	\$146,473	-\$15,792	\$13,523	-\$11,667	-\$12,311
Shelton	\$7,455,805	-\$2,026,487	\$514,965	\$354,202	\$298,534
Sherman	\$86,044	-\$46,055	\$114,192	\$52,483	-\$43,108
Simsbury	\$8,168,721	-\$2,683,090	\$327,576	\$359,064	\$257,680
Somers	\$6,199,789	-\$1,480,119	\$430,355	\$91,811	\$39,984
South Windsor	\$15,108,254	-\$2,005,419	-\$201,842	\$379,467	\$236,195
Southbury	\$4,716,517	\$18,417	-\$1,693,096	-\$1,101,744	\$215,838
Southington	\$22,850,236	-\$2,915,335	\$2,569,495	\$522,180	\$335,088
Sprague	\$2,698,287	-\$223,882	\$209,381	-\$19,067	\$17,796
Stafford	\$10,117,082	-\$694,896	\$135,538	\$87,717	\$54,395
Stamford	\$24,941,911	\$1,584,320	\$1,569,106	\$431,068	\$587,724
Sterling	\$3,365,208	-\$516,875	\$352,795	\$21,513	\$25,432
Stonington	\$2,389,734	-\$1,639,692	\$487,455	\$294,163	\$89,421
Stratford	\$23,693,429	\$438,736	\$3,332,146	\$276,653	\$510,214
Suffield	\$7,762,633	-\$1,237,946	\$643,220	\$199,590	\$126,681
Thomaston	\$6,026,173	-\$476,278	\$167,051	\$60,013	\$34,926
Thompson	\$7,954,500	\$5,828	-\$76,511	\$65,988	-\$543,838
Tolland	\$11,967,528	-\$1,871,155	-\$971,027	\$235,198	-\$1,215,953
Torrington	\$26,273,736	\$163,016	\$2,758,553	\$191,178	\$348,425
Trumbull	\$5,200,749	-\$3,436,238	\$1,570,679	\$396,525	\$129,487
Union	\$237,166	-\$89,242	\$63,961	\$5,492	\$1,976
Vernon	\$20,342,335	-\$1,010	\$1,247,600	\$165,252	\$186,763
Voluntown	\$2,515,621	-\$367,049	\$64,718	\$13,921	-\$364,242
Wallingford	\$24,075,839	-\$2,382,695	\$1,203,154	\$429,464	\$213,288
Warren	\$160,123	-\$41,588	-\$3,112	\$11,402	-\$40,957
Washington	\$50,923	-\$50,642	\$25,848	\$47,502	-\$50,621
Waterbury	\$147,770,138	\$3,024,804	\$2,366,388	-\$998,843	\$1,669,944
Waterford	\$973,625	-\$313,043	\$802,820	\$219,758	\$74,589
Watertown	\$12,613,772	-\$2,657,558	\$315,980	\$230,841	\$125,186
West Hartford	\$25,768,095	-\$4,409,348	-\$936,443	\$886,989	\$733,499
West Haven	\$47,358,809	\$39,352	\$2,899,297	\$662,812	\$488,978
Westbrook	\$136,043	-\$69,467	\$375,417	\$69,919	-\$64,561
Weston	\$1,078,741	-\$248,061	-\$275,867	\$184,322	-\$191,848
Westport	\$1,257,260	-\$443,768	\$348,971	\$444,398	-\$397,243
Wethersfield	\$11,682,710	\$580,662	\$1,331,831	\$273,350	\$383,246
Willington	\$3,876,880	-\$359,583	-\$74,267	-\$58,128	\$15,801
Wilton	\$1,590,215	-\$447,081	-\$113,312	\$208,262	-\$363,141
Winchester	\$10,351,100	\$170,669	-\$588,024	-\$1,544,322	\$240,152
Windham	\$31,137,515	\$228,169	\$366,890	-\$145,494	\$334,343
Windsor	\$13,645,488	\$21,211	\$921,769	\$418,103	\$206,149

<b>Windsor Locks</b>	\$6,081,857	\$65,603	\$539,487	\$208,418	\$115,822
<b>Wolcott</b>	\$14,161,209	-\$1,725,760	-\$1,137,322	\$149,900	-\$510,135
<b>Woodbridge</b>	\$1,163,856	-\$645,977	-\$260,820	-\$214,569	-\$533,603
<b>Woodbury</b>	\$2,381,601	-\$151,496	-\$493,431	-\$266,467	\$21,712
<b>Woodstock</b>	\$5,649,136	-\$515,729	-\$179,794	\$67,687	\$42,528

## Endnotes

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*It is important to note that the Governor's Revised Proposed Budget is not the same as the Governor's Revised Executive Order Resource Allocation Plan, which the State is currently operating under due to the lack of a state budget. Additionally, the Revised Executive Order Resource Allocation has not been included in this analysis as it is meant to be a temporary funding plan, rather than a permanent solution, and it does not statutorily changes Connecticut's school finance system.*

<b>Comparison Table of School Funding Proposals</b>				
	<b>Governor Malloy's Revised Proposed Budget, 9/8/17<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Senate Republican Proposed Budget<sup>2,3</sup></b>	<b>House Republican Proposed Budget<sup>4,5,6</sup></b>	<b>House Democrats Revised Proposed Budget<sup>7,8</sup></b>
<b>Foundation Amount</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$11,000 FY18</li> <li>• \$12,570 FY19</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$9,638</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$12,356</li> </ul>
<b>Need Student Weights</b>	<p>Low-income students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weight: 25%</li> <li>• Identification Method: Federal poverty limit, determined by the U.S. Census American Community Survey</li> </ul> <p>English Learners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weight: 25%</li> </ul>	<p>Low-income students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weight: 30%</li> <li>• Concentration weight: 5%</li> <li>• Concentration threshold: 75%</li> <li>• Identification method: Eligibility for FRPL</li> </ul> <p>English Learners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weight: 15%</li> </ul>		<p>Low-Income Students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weight: 100%</li> <li>• Identification method: Percent of town's population under the federal poverty threshold</li> </ul> <p>English Learners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weight: 30%</li> </ul>
<b>State / Local Share Mechanism</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 70% Property Wealth Factor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determined by Equalized Net Grand List per Capita</li> </ul> </li> <li>• 30% Income Wealth Factor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determined by Median Household Income</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Statewide Guaranteed Wealth Level: 1.25</li> <li>• Non-Alliance District Minimum Aid Ratio: 0%</li> <li>• Alliance District Minimum Aid Ratio: 10%</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 70% Property Wealth Factor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determined by Equalized Net Grand List per Capita</li> </ul> </li> <li>• 30% Income Wealth Factor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determined by Median Household Income</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Statewide Guaranteed Wealth Level: 1.5</li> <li>• Non-Alliance District Minimum Aid Ratio: 1%</li> <li>• Alliance District Minimum Aid Ratio: 10%</li> <li>• Provides an additional 3%-6% for communities that have a Public Investment Communities (PIC) index<sup>10</sup> score over 300 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Top 5 towns: Additional 6%</li> <li>• Next 5 towns: Additional 5%</li> <li>• Next 5 towns: Additional 4%</li> <li>• Remaining 4 towns: Additional 3%</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>The House Republican budget proposal allocates education funding as block grants equal to FY 2017 Education Cost Sharing entitlements prior to the governor's mid-year rescissions.<sup>9</sup></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 60% Property Wealth Factor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determined by Equalized Net Grand List per Capita</li> </ul> </li> <li>• 40% Income Wealth Factor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determined by Median Household Income</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Statewide Guaranteed Wealth Level: 1.5</li> <li>• Minimum Aid Ratio (Alliance Districts): 10%</li> <li>• Minimum Aid Ratio (Non-Alliance Districts): 0%</li> </ul>

<p><b>Choice Schools</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local and regional boards of education – In formula</li> <li>Charter Schools – Remain as separate line item</li> <li>Magnet Schools – Remain as separate line item</li> <li>RESCs – Remain as separate line item</li> <li>Vo-ag – Remain as separate line item</li> <li>CTHSS – Remain as separate line item</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local and regional boards of education – In formula</li> <li>Charter Schools – Remain as separate line item</li> <li>Magnet Schools – Remain as separate line item</li> <li>RESCs – Remain as separate line item</li> <li>Vo-ag – Remain as separate line item</li> <li>CTHSS – Remain as separate line item</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local and regional boards of education – In formula</li> <li>Charter Schools – Remain as separate line item</li> <li>Magnet Schools – Remain as separate line item</li> <li>RESCs – Remain as separate line item</li> <li>Vo-ag – Remain as separate line item</li> <li>CTHSS – Remain as separate line item</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local and regional boards of education – In formula</li> <li>Charter Schools – Remain as separate line item</li> <li>Magnet Schools – Remain as separate line item</li> <li>RESCs – Remain as separate line item</li> <li>Vo-ag – Remain as separate line item</li> <li>CTHSS – Remain as separate line item</li> </ul>
<p><b>Special Education</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Special education funding appears to be included in the foundation amount of the ECS grant.</li> <li>The Excess Cost Grant is increased by \$7 million in FY18 and \$6.6 million in FY19</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Special education is separated from main formula aid by reallocating approximately 22% of the current total ECS grant amount to a new Special Education Grant.</li> <li>Excess Cost grant funds are transferred to the new Special Education Grant line item.</li> <li>Special education funds are distributed to districts through a partial reimbursement system on a scale of 2.5% to 52%, based on the equalized net grand list per capita of each town.</li> <li>\$9,999,448 is added to the Special Education Grant line item to meet federal maintenance of support requirements.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Special education funding is included in the ECS grant.</li> <li>\$9,999,448 is added to the Excess Cost Grant – Student Based line item to meet federal maintenance of support requirements.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Special education funding appears to be included in the foundation amount of the ECS grant.</li> <li>\$17,489,871 is added to the Excess Cost grant in FY 18 and \$17,066,793 in FY19.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Total Formula Cost Increase or Decrease</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ECS decrease of \$114 million in FY18</li> <li>ECS decrease of \$64 million in FY19</li> <li>Total increase, after phase-in: \$23 million (\$16.5 million in ECS funding and \$6.6 million in special education funding)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$688.7 million (\$678.7 million in ECS funding and \$10 million in special education funding).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$30 million (\$20 million in restored ECS funding and \$10 million in special education funding).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$825 million (\$808 million in ECS funding and \$17 million in special education funding).</li> </ul>

<p><b>Phase-in Plan</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increases in aid would be phased-in at a rate of 20% per year, over five years.</li> <li>Decreases in aid for districts for whom the formula calculates a reduction of over \$1,100 per pupil would be phased-out over three years.</li> <li>Decreases in aid for districts for whom the formula calculates a reduction under \$1,100 per pupil would be immediately implemented in FY18.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increases in aid would be phased-in at a rate of 5% in FY18, 15% in FY19, and 10% in subsequent years.</li> <li>Decreases in aid would be phased-out at a rate of 0% (hold harmless) in FY18 and 10% per year in subsequent years. This formula would take 10 years to fully fund under this plan.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None required.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This formula would take approximately 58 years to fully fund under this plan if 1.72% was added yearly.</li> <li>If the proposed FY18 grant is less than the FY17 grant, the town will receive the proposed FY18 grant.</li> <li>If the proposed FY18 grant is greater than the FY17 grant, the town will receive the FY17 grant plus 1.72% of the difference between proposed FY18 grant and the FY17 grant.</li> </ul>
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<sup>10</sup> The Public Investment Communities (PIC) index is calculated annually by the Office of Policy and Management; it measures the relative wealth and need of Connecticut's towns by ranking them in descending order by their cumulative point allocations based on: per capita income; adjusted equalized net grand list per capita; equalized mill rate; per capita aid to children receiving Temporary Family Assistance benefits; and unemployment rate. More information on the PIC index, including the cumulative points allocation for each town, can be found at <http://www.ct.gov/opm/cwp/view.asp?a=2985&q=383122>.