

**ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Fiscal Year 2026 - Board Recommendation**  
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<b>GENERAL FUNDS</b>							
<b><u>Major Grant Programs</u></b>							
Evidence-Based Funding	8,629,239.0	8,979,239.0	8,979,239.0	350,000.0	4.1%	0.0	0.0%
<b>Mandated Categorical Reimbursements:</b>							
Transportation - Special Education	467,366.1	525,126.4	467,366.1	0.0	0.0%	(57,760.3)	(11.0%)
Transportation - Regular/Vocational	342,000.0	388,000.0	342,000.0	0.0	0.0%	(46,000.0)	(11.9%)
Special Education - Private Tuition	202,732.4	221,348.7	202,732.4	0.0	0.0%	(18,616.3)	(8.4%)
Special Education - Orphanage Tuition	118,919.5	131,812.1	131,812.1	12,892.6	10.8%	0.0	0.0%
Illinois Free Lunch and Breakfast	9,000.0	9,000.0	9,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Orphanage Tuition	8,700.0	15,668.3	15,668.3	6,968.3	80.1%	0.0	0.0%
<b>Subtotal, MCATs</b>	<b>1,148,718.0</b>	<b>1,290,955.5</b>	<b>1,168,578.9</b>	<b>19,860.9</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>(122,376.6)</b>	<b>(9.5%)</b>
Early Childhood Education	748,138.1	823,138.1	748,138.1	0.0	0.0%	(75,000.0)	(9.1%)
<b>Subtotal, Major Grant Programs</b>	<b>10,526,095.1</b>	<b>11,093,332.6</b>	<b>10,895,956.0</b>	<b>369,860.9</b>	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>(197,376.6)</b>	<b>(1.8%)</b>
<b><u>All Other Grants</u></b>							
Advanced Placement - Course Implementation	500.0	500.0	500.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Advanced Placement - Low-Income AP Test Fee	2,500.0	2,500.0	2,500.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Adversity Index	250.0	250.0	250.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Affinity Groups	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
After School Matters	6,000.0	6,000.0	6,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
After-School Programs	25,000.0	25,000.0	25,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Agriculture Education	7,850.0	7,850.0	7,850.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Alternative Education - Regional Safe Schools	20,000.0	20,000.0	20,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Assessments	40,000.0	40,000.0	40,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Autism	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Blind and Dyslexic	846.0	846.0	846.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Career and Technical Education Programs	58,000.0	59,300.0	59,300.0	1,300.0	2.2%	0.0	0.0%
Community and Residential Services Authority*	750.0	850.0	850.0	100.0	13.3%	0.0	0.0%
Computer Science Education	3,000.0	3,000.0	3,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
District Consolidation Costs	215.0	416.0	416.0	201.0	93.5%	0.0	0.0%
Dolly Parton Imagination Library	3,512.0	3,347.0	3,347.0	(165.0)	(4.7%)	0.0	0.0%
EBF CWI Development	250.0	0.0	0.0	(250.0)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
Educator Quality Investigations & Hearings	615.1	615.1	615.1	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
GATA/Budgeting for Results	380.0	380.0	380.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Materials Center for the Visually Impaired	1,421.1	1,421.1	1,421.1	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
National Board Certification	4,500.0	4,500.0	4,500.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
P-20 Council	150.0	150.0	150.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Philip J. Rock Center and School	5,000.0	5,000.0	5,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Principal Recruitment	1,800.0	1,800.0	1,800.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
REACH**	2,500.0	0.0	0.0	(2,500.0)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
SEL Hubs**	1,000.0	0.0	0.0	(1,000.0)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
REACH & Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Hubs	0.0	3,500.0	3,500.0	3,500.0	N/A	0.0	0.0%

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Southwest Organizing Project	14,000.0	14,000.0	14,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
State and District Technology Support	2,443.8	2,443.8	2,443.8	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Implementation of State Literacy and Numeracy Plans^^	3,000.0	3,000.0	3,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Student Care Department	2,000.0	2,000.0	2,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Summer EBT	670.0	350.0	350.0	(320.0)	(47.8%)	0.0	0.0%
Tax Equivalent Grants	275.0	275.0	275.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Teach for America	2,000.0	2,000.0	2,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Teacher Licensure Processing	500.0	500.0	500.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Teacher Vacancy Grant Pilot Program	45,000.0	45,000.0	45,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Truants' Alternative and Optional Education	11,500.0	11,500.0	11,500.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
<b>Subtotal, Other Grants</b>	<b>268,528.0</b>	<b>269,394.0</b>	<b>269,394.0</b>	<b>866.0</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b><u>Member Initiatives</u></b>							
After School Programs	25,000.0	0.0	0.0	(25,000.0)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
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Breakfast After the Bell	300.0	0.0	0.0	(300.0)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
Crisis Mapping	2,000.0	0.0	0.0	(2,000.0)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
Digital Education Programming	3,000.0	0.0	0.0	(3,000.0)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
Inclusion of Children Ages 3-5 with Developmental Delays and Disabilities	500.0	0.0	0.0	(500.0)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
Valley View Itinerant Services for Children with Developmental Delays and Disabilities	7,500.0	0.0	0.0	(7,500.0)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
Parent Education Pilot Program	350.0	0.0	0.0	(350.0)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
Regional Office of Education #48	1,750.0	0.0	0.0	(1,750.0)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
YouthBuild Illinois	5,500.0	0.0	0.0	(5,500.0)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
<b>Subtotal, Member Initiatives</b>	<b>70,900.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>(70,900.0)</b>	<b>(100.0%)</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>TOTAL - GRANTS</b>	<b>10,865,523.1</b>	<b>11,362,726.6</b>	<b>11,165,350.0</b>	<b>299,826.9</b>	<b>2.8%</b>	<b>(197,376.6)</b>	<b>(1.7%)</b>
Agency Capacity	27,590.0	27,590.0	27,590.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
<b>GENERAL FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>10,893,113.1</b>	<b>11,390,316.6</b>	<b>11,192,940.0</b>	<b>299,826.9</b>	<b>2.8%</b>	<b>(197,376.6)</b>	<b>(1.7%)</b>
<b>Everything below this row is not General Funds</b>							
<b>OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>							
<b>AGENCY CAPACITY--OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>							
Ordinary & Contingent Expenses - Indirect Cost Recovery	8,150.0	10,000.0	10,000.0	1,850.0	22.7%	0.0	0.0%
Ordinary & Contingent Expenses - Charter Schools	1,050.0	1,050.0	1,050.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Ordinary & Contingent Expenses - Teacher Certificate Fees	6,000.0	6,000.0	6,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Ordinary & Contingent Expenses - ISBE Teacher Cert. Institute	2,208.9	2,208.9	2,208.9	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Ordinary & Contingent Expenses - School Infrastructure Fund	600.0	600.0	600.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
<b>Subtotal, Agency Capacity</b>	<b>18,008.9</b>	<b>19,858.9</b>	<b>19,858.9</b>	<b>1,850.0</b>	<b>10.3%</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

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<b>TOTAL - AGENCY CAPACITY</b>	<b>18,008.9</b>	<b>19,858.9</b>	<b>19,858.9</b>	<b>1,850.0</b>	<b>10.3%</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
GATA/Budgeting for Results - Indirect Cost Recovery	1,850.0	1,850.0	1,850.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
<b>GRANTS--OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>							
Drivers Education Fund	10,000.0	14,000.0	14,000.0	4,000.0	40.0%	0.0	0.0%
Personal Property Replacement Tax Fund - ROE Salaries	13,000.0	13,500.0	13,500.0	500.0	3.8%	0.0	0.0%
Personal Property Replacement Tax Fund - ROE Services	18,970.0	18,970.0	18,970.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Personal Property Replacement Tax Fund - Bus Driver Training	150.0	150.0	150.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
State Board of Education Special Purpose Trust Fund	10,000.0	10,000.0	10,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
School Technology Revolving Loan Fund	7,500.0	7,500.0	7,500.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Charter Schools Revolving Loan Fund	200.0	200.0	200.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
School District Emergency Financial Assistance Fund	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Temporary Relocation Expenses Revolving Grant Fund	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
School STEAM Grant Program Fund	2,500.0	0.0	2,500.0	0.0	0.0%	2,500.0	0.0%
Freedom Schools Fund	17,000.0	0.0	0.0	(17,000.0)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
Imagination Library of Illinois Fund	4,310.0	3,347.0	3,347.0	(963.0)	(22.3%)	0.0	0.0%
After-School Rescue Fund	200.0	0.0	200.0	0.0	0.0%	200.0	0.0%
<b>Subtotal, Grants</b>	<b>85,830.0</b>	<b>69,667.0</b>	<b>72,367.0</b>	<b>(13,463.0)</b>	<b>(15.7%)</b>	<b>2,700.0</b>	<b>3.9%</b>
<b>TOTAL - GRANTS</b>	<b>85,830.0</b>	<b>69,667.0</b>	<b>72,367.0</b>	<b>(13,463.0)</b>	<b>(15.7%)</b>	<b>2,700.0</b>	<b>3.9%</b>
<b>OTHER STATE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>105,688.9</b>	<b>91,375.9</b>	<b>94,075.9</b>	<b>(11,613.0)</b>	<b>(11.0%)</b>	<b>2,700.0</b>	<b>3.0%</b>
<b>FEDERAL FUNDS</b>							
<b>AGENCY CAPACITY</b>							
Ordinary & Contingent Expenses - SBE Fed Dept of Agriculture	19,904.7	19,904.7	19,904.7	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Ordinary & Contingent Expenses - SBE Fed Agency Services	2,900.0	2,900.0	2,900.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Ordinary & Contingent Expenses - SBE Fed Dept of Education	50,869.8	50,869.8	50,869.8	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL - AGENCY CAPACITY</b>	<b>73,674.5</b>	<b>73,674.5</b>	<b>73,674.5</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>GRANTS--FEDERAL FUNDS</b>							
<b><u>Career and Technical Education</u></b>							
Career and Technical Education - Basic	70,000.0	70,000.0	70,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
<b>Subtotal, Career and Technical Education</b>	<b>70,000.0</b>	<b>70,000.0</b>	<b>70,000.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b><u>Child Nutrition</u></b>							
Child Nutrition Programs	1,250,000.0	1,250,000.0	1,250,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
<b>Subtotal, Child Nutrition</b>	<b>1,250,000.0</b>	<b>1,250,000.0</b>	<b>1,250,000.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b><u>Individuals with Disabilities Act</u></b>							
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act	949,576.4	980,000.0	980,000.0	30,423.6	3.2%	0.0	0.0%

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Individuals with Disabilities Education Act - Preschool	41,000.0	41,000.0	41,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act - State Improvement	5,000.0	5,000.0	5,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act - Deaf and Blind	800.0	800.0	800.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
<b>Subtotal, Individuals with Disabilities Act</b>	<b>996,376.4</b>	<b>1,026,800.0</b>	<b>1,026,800.0</b>	<b>30,423.6</b>	<b>3.1%</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b><u>Title Programs (excluding Assessments)</u></b>							
Title I	1,200,000.0	1,350,000.0	1,350,000.0	150,000.0	12.5%	0.0	0.0%
Title II	160,000.0	160,000.0	160,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Title III	56,000.0	56,000.0	56,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Title IV	250,000.0	300,000.0	300,000.0	50,000.0	20.0%	0.0	0.0%
Title V - Rural and Low-Income School Program	2,200.0	3,000.0	3,000.0	800.0	36.4%	0.0	0.0%
Title X	9,000.0	10,000.0	10,000.0	1,000.0	11.1%	0.0	0.0%
<b>Subtotal, Title Programs (excluding Assessments)</b>	<b>1,677,200.0</b>	<b>1,879,000.0</b>	<b>1,879,000.0</b>	<b>201,800.0</b>	<b>12.0%</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b><u>Assessments</u></b>							
Assessments	35,000.0	35,000.0	35,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
<b>Subtotal, Assessments</b>	<b>35,000.0</b>	<b>35,000.0</b>	<b>35,000.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b><u>Other Grants</u></b>							
Preschool Development Birth Through Five	35,000.0	35,000.0	35,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Elementary and Secondary Emergency Relief Fund per the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act	81,470.4	0.0	0.0	(81,470.4)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund per the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act	6,657.5	0.0	0.0	(6,657.5)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools per the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act	5,783.5	0.0	0.0	(5,783.5)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
Elementary and Secondary Emergency Relief Fund per the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021^	2,146,263.0	164,860.5	164,860.5	(1,981,402.5)	(92.3%)	0.0	0.0%
Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools per the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021	45,996.6	0.0	0.0	(45,996.6)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
Homeless Children and Youth per the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021^	16,312.8	4,417.0	4,417.0	(11,895.8)	(72.9%)	0.0	0.0%
After-School Programs - CURE Fund	5,128.9	0.0	0.0	(5,128.9)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
Parent Mentoring Programs - CURE Fund	7,558.1	0.0	0.0	(7,558.1)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
Black and Gold Initiative - CURE Fund	51.8	0.0	0.0	(51.8)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
Virtual Learning Systems - CURE Fund	1,500.0	0.0	0.0	(1,500.0)	(100.0%)	0.0	0.0%
Institute of Education Sciences Grant	1,000.0	3,500.0	3,500.0	2,500.0	250.0%	0.0	0.0%
Clean School Bus Program Grant	0.0	20,000.0	20,000.0	20,000.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
STOP School Violence and Mental Health Training	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services	5,300.0	6,500.0	6,500.0	1,200.0	22.6%	0.0	0.0%
Mental Health Service Professional Demonstration Grant	3,600.0	3,600.0	3,600.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
School-Based Mental Health Services	7,500.0	7,500.0	7,500.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%

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Adolescent Health	500.0	500.0	500.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
<i>Subtotal, Other Grants</i>	<i>2,370,622.6</i>	<i>246,877.5</i>	<i>246,877.5</i>	<i>(2,123,745.1)</i>	<i>(89.6%)</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>0.0%</i>
<b>TOTAL - GRANTS</b>	<b>6,399,199.0</b>	<b>4,507,677.5</b>	<b>4,507,677.5</b>	<b>(1,891,521.5)</b>	<b>(29.6%)</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>TOTAL - FEDERAL FUNDS</b>	<b>6,472,873.5</b>	<b>4,581,352.0</b>	<b>4,581,352.0</b>	<b>(1,891,521.5)</b>	<b>(29.2%)</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 17,471,675.5</b>	<b>\$ 16,063,044.5</b>	<b>\$ 15,868,367.9</b>	<b>(1,603,307.6)</b>	<b>(9.2%)</b>	<b>(194,676.6)</b>	<b>(1.2%)</b>

\* CRSA is a separate agency; ISBE is the fiscal agent for CRSA.

\*\* These programs were partially funded with ESSER funds in FY 2025.

^ The Board's FY 2025 recommendation reflects the cash balance of the federal award as of Nov. 30, 2024.

^^ The FY 2025 appropriation was for the State Literacy Plan implementation.