

Illinois School Funding Reform Commission

Overview of Funding for Bilingual Education

November 17, 2016



Bilingual Education

- AUTHORITY: 105 ILCS 5/14C et seq. and 23 Illinois Administrative Code, Part 228
 - To provide for the establishment of transitional bilingual education programs in the public schools, and to provide supplemental financial assistance to help local school districts meet the extra costs of such programs.
 - To provide funding for programs that fulfill the linguistic and academic needs of English learners and meet IL Learning Standards. Each district's grant is determined by the size of the student population, amount and intensity of bilingual services received by students, and the grade levels of eligible students.
 - Eligible applicants include all public school districts as well as state charter schools that are serving English learners (ELs).



Bilingual Education Funding and Number of ELs

	FY 12	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	FY 16	FY 17
Total Bilingual Education Appropriation	\$62,381,200	\$63,381,200	\$63,381,200	\$62,248,400	\$63,681,200	\$63,681,200
Number of English Learners (ELs)	69,355	69,704	70 , 855	73,874	72,419	62,242*
Number of English Learners (ELs)	134,815	138,061	136,970	148,794	152,914	142,367*
Total Funding Allocation Approved	\$86,052,752	\$87,057,708	\$92,322,000	\$92,031,375	\$100,343,764	\$100,966,144**

^{*}Number of ELs reported as of October 2016– final count is expected to be higher

^{**} estimate



Transitional Bilingual Education

Transitional Bilingual Education and Transitional Program of Instruction Formula Funding Elementary (Pre-K – 8th grade)

Level of Service		Per Pupil Allocation	
	TBE	TPI	
Grades 1-8 with 5 or more, but fewer than 10 class periods per week	\$304	\$304	
Grade 1-8 with 10 or more class periods per week	\$607	\$607	
PreK-K with 5 or more class periods per week	\$607	\$607	

High School (grades 9-12)

Level of Service		Per Pupil Allocation	
		TBE	TPI
5 or more, but fewer than 10 class periods per week		\$380	\$354
10 or more class periods per week		\$759	\$707



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Chicago Public Schools Funding Allocation	\$31,630,038	\$31,823,399	\$35,146,214	\$34,454,911	\$37,601,581	\$35,600,449
Downstate Funding Allocation (Outside City of Chicago)	\$54,422,714	\$55,234,309	\$57,175,786	\$57,576,464	\$62,742,183	\$65,365,695***
Total Funding Allocation Approved	\$86,052,752	\$87,057,708	\$92,322,000	\$92,031,375	\$100,343,764	\$100,966,144***
Total Expended	\$84,768,110	\$85,603,070	\$90,720,192	\$90,493,402	\$97,841,304	TBD
Pro-rated Reimbursement Level**	73%	81%	67%	67%	63%	62%***
Actual Reimbursement to Districts	\$62,416,088	\$61,516,510	\$61,493,509	\$60,447,633	\$61,681,150	TBD

^{*}Total appropriation includes funds used for professional development service and district reimbursement

^{**} In the event that funds appropriated by the General Assembly are insufficient to cover the district's excess costs, the fund will be distributed on a pro rata basis

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