

North Carolina General Assembly

North Carolina Education Budget Highlights 2017-2019

	<u>2017-2018</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
Education Net Appropriation	\$13,100,000,000	\$13,500,000,000
Net Increase from FY 2016-2017	\$418,345,587	\$818,345,587

Public Schools

- This year, **EVERY teacher will see an increase in pay**
 - Over the biennium, **teachers currently teaching in NC** will receive salary increases **averaging almost 10%**, Assistant Principals salaries will go up an **average of 13%** and Principal salaries will go up an **average of approximately 9%**
 - Teachers with **25+ years of experience** will receive a **bonus of \$385** in both 2017-18 and 2018-19
 - North Carolina has the **fastest rising teacher pay in the nation**. While NC is **raising State-funded average teacher pay by 7.2%** over the next biennium, the **rest of the nation has averaged only 2%**
- **Non-certified & central office** staff will receive a **pay raise of \$1,000 as well as 3 additional days PTO**
- Three **teacher bonus programs were made permanent**: Third Grade Read-to-Achieve Teacher Bonuses, AP/IB/Cambridge AICE Teacher Bonuses, and the Career and Technical Education Teacher Bonuses in addition to more funding for **math & reading performance bonuses**
- **Expands teacher recruitment and retention policies** through:
 - The **Teacher Assistant Tuition Reimbursement Program**, provides tuition reimbursement of up to **\$4,500 annually**
 - **Initial teacher licensing fee reimbursement** for graduates of NC educator preparation programs
- Provides DPI with an additional **\$1M to conduct an audit** in order to streamline and increase efficiencies within the department
- Adds **\$11.2M of additional funds** for textbooks and digital resources, as well as an additional **\$2.4M** for the state's **Digital Learning Plan**
- Provides funding to modernize business systems used by **DPI for transparency and analytics**
- **Establishes three competitive grant programs**:
 - **Future-Ready Students Act** provides **\$4.9M** to establish a **competitive grant program** to expand **CTE Programs** to 6th and 7th grade students in selected LEAs
 - The second uses **\$6M** of the At Risk Allotment in each year of the biennium to **support extended learning and integrated student support services for at-risk students**
 - The third **transfers \$2.5M from DOT** to cover certain **transportation costs for Charter Schools serving low-income students**
- Funds an **Advanced Teaching Roles Pilot** for innovative compensation and organizational structure within select schools
- Provides **over \$6M** to raise the funding cap for students with disabilities from **12.50% to 12.75%**
- Creates an **Education Savings Account** program for students with disabilities, which enables students to receive up to **\$9,000 in scholarships** to use towards educational expenses
- Appropriates an **additional \$30M over the biennium to Opportunity Scholarships** to expand our school choice options
- Provides supplemental funding for **ALL Cooperative and Innovative High Schools**, whereas previously only some received this funding
- Funds an **additional 3,525 Pre-K slots** over the biennium
- Establishes a **B-3 Interagency Council** between DPI and the Department of Health and Human Services that will work to ensure a **coordinated pre-k system** in combination with a **seamless transition to elementary school**

North Carolina Community Colleges

- Adds **\$3M over the biennium to expand the NC Works Career Coaches Program**, which places career coaches from the local community colleges in partner high schools
- Provides **\$2M for Short-Term Workforce Training** to prepare students for industry credentials
- Provides **\$2.5M** to assist colleges with **start-up costs** for high-cost workforce training programs
- Transfers **ApprenticeshipNC** from Dept. of Commerce to NC Community College System

University of North Carolina System

- **Expands teacher recruitment and retention policies** through:
 - Funding **New Teacher Support Program**, which provides **one-on-one training and coaching to new teachers**
 - Establishing **Future Teachers of NC**, which provides **professional development for high school teachers** who encourage students to consider the teaching profession
 - Re-establishing & re-vamping the **NC Teaching Fellows Program**
- Increases the net appropriation for **NC Promise by \$11M** to support additional enrollment at the participating universities and colleges
- Provides an **additional \$1M** to the UNC System for **faculty retention and recruitment**
- Appropriates **\$5M over the biennium to support NC A&T's Doctoral Program**
- Provides **\$1.5M to NCSSM** to fund 1-year **scholarships for graduates**
- Increases the funding to **UNC School of Medicine by \$1M** to increase the **number of medical student spots available**
- Over the biennium, **over \$4.8M will be provided to ECSU** to support **faculty recruitment efforts** and to fund **degree expansion programs**
- Expands funding for the **Western School of Medicine – Asheville**
- Provides UNC System with **\$10M over the biennium** to support a variety of **data collection, modernization, and integration** projects to support student success, accessibility, retention, affordability and improved graduation rates

K-12 Education Spending 2008-2017

