

# School Budgeting in PA: Actual vs. Proposed Budgets

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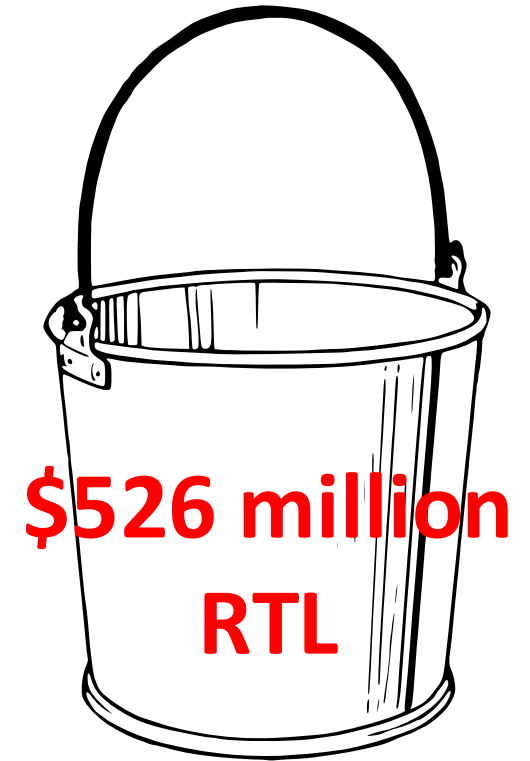
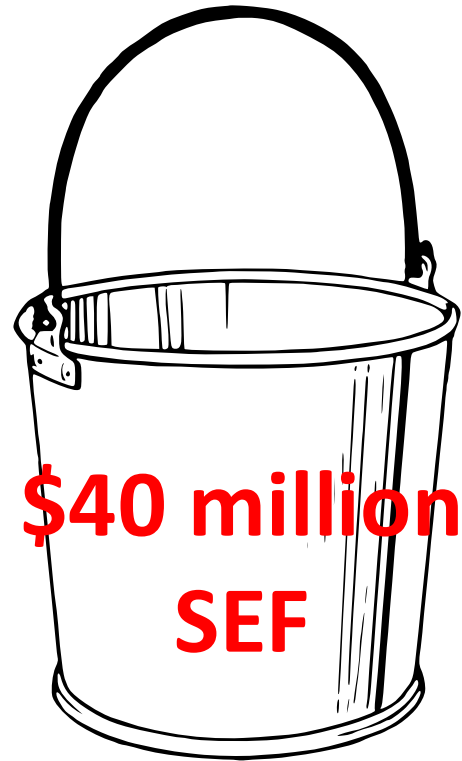
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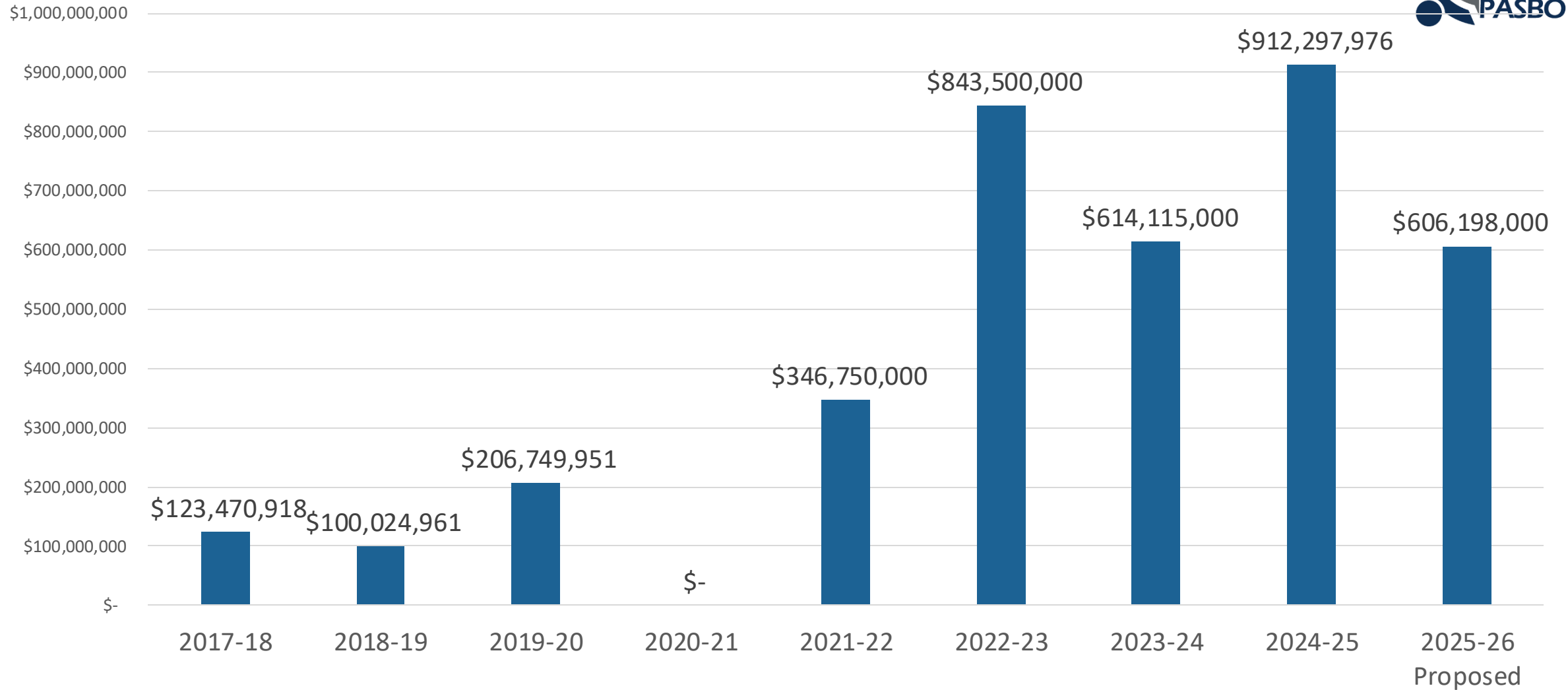
# 2025-26 Proposed State Budget



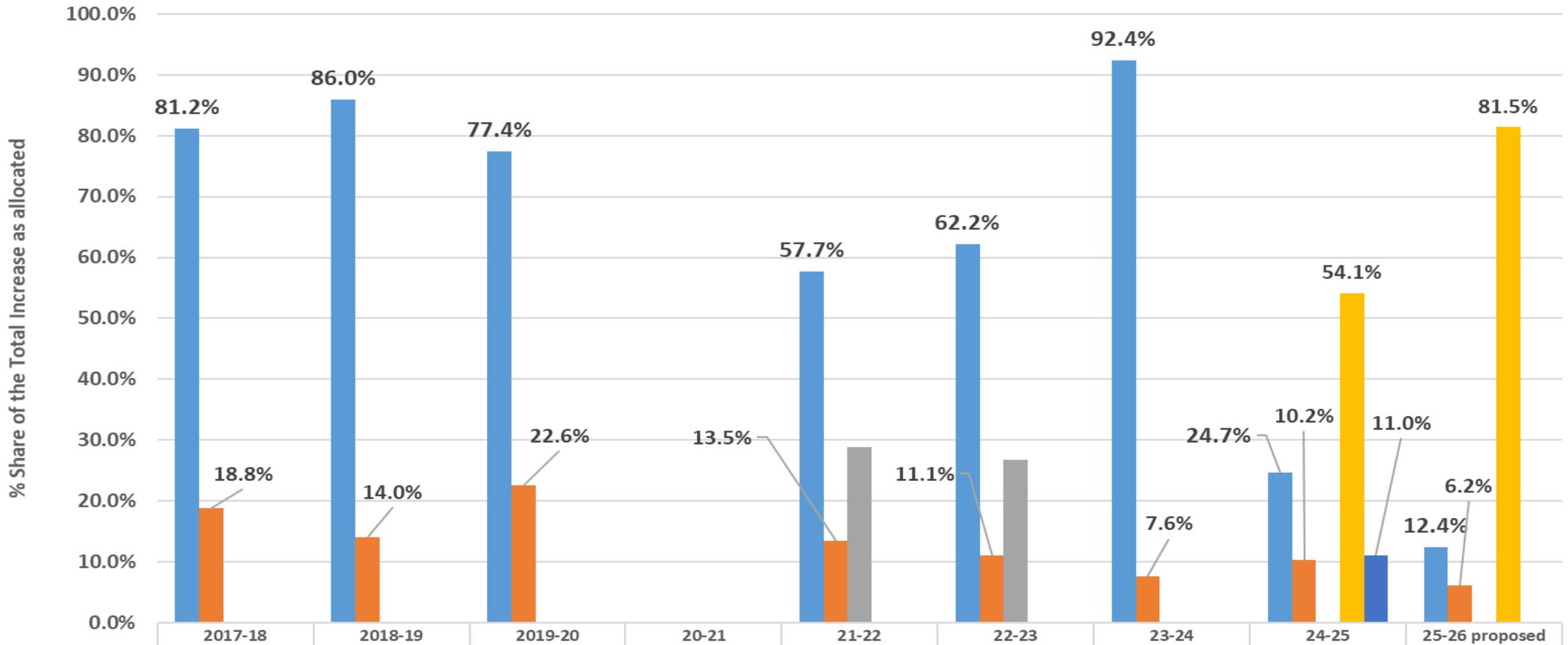
# The Proposed Education Increases

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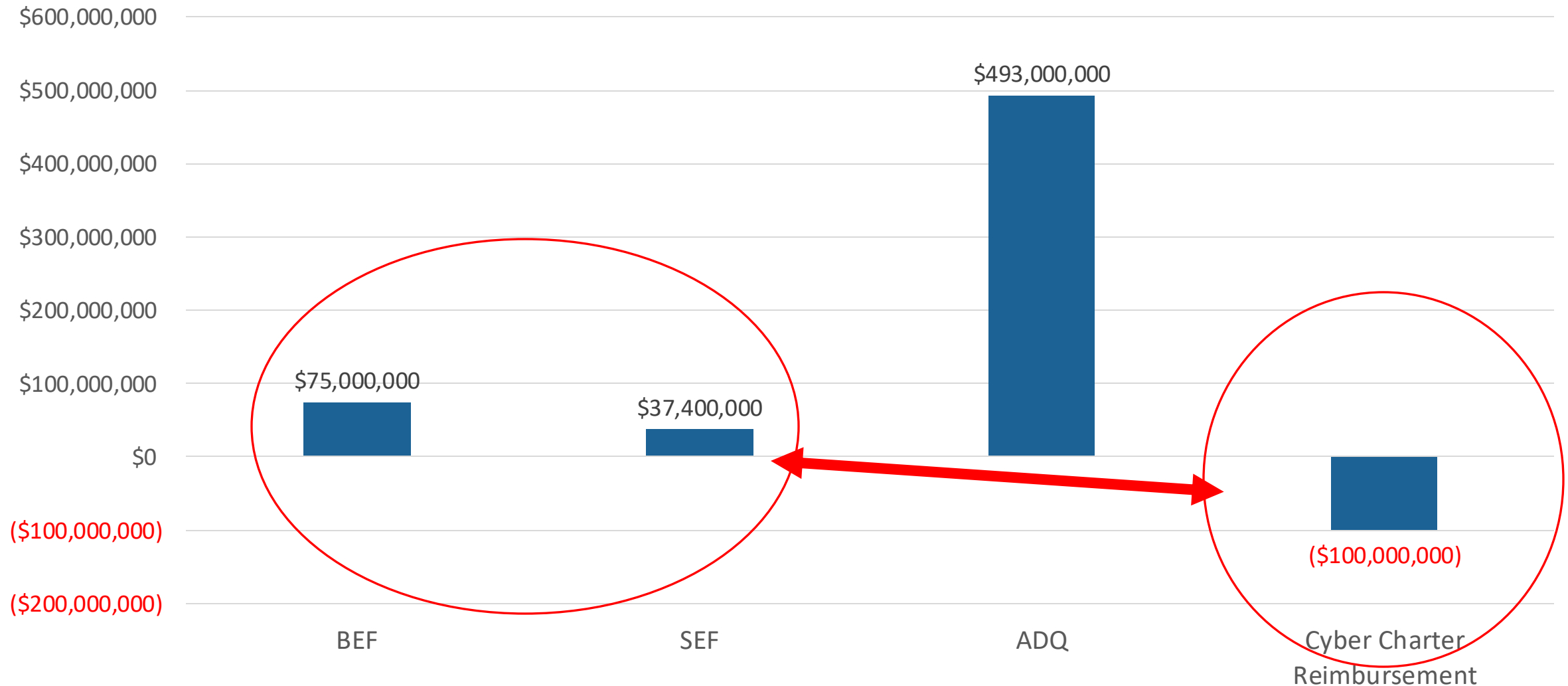
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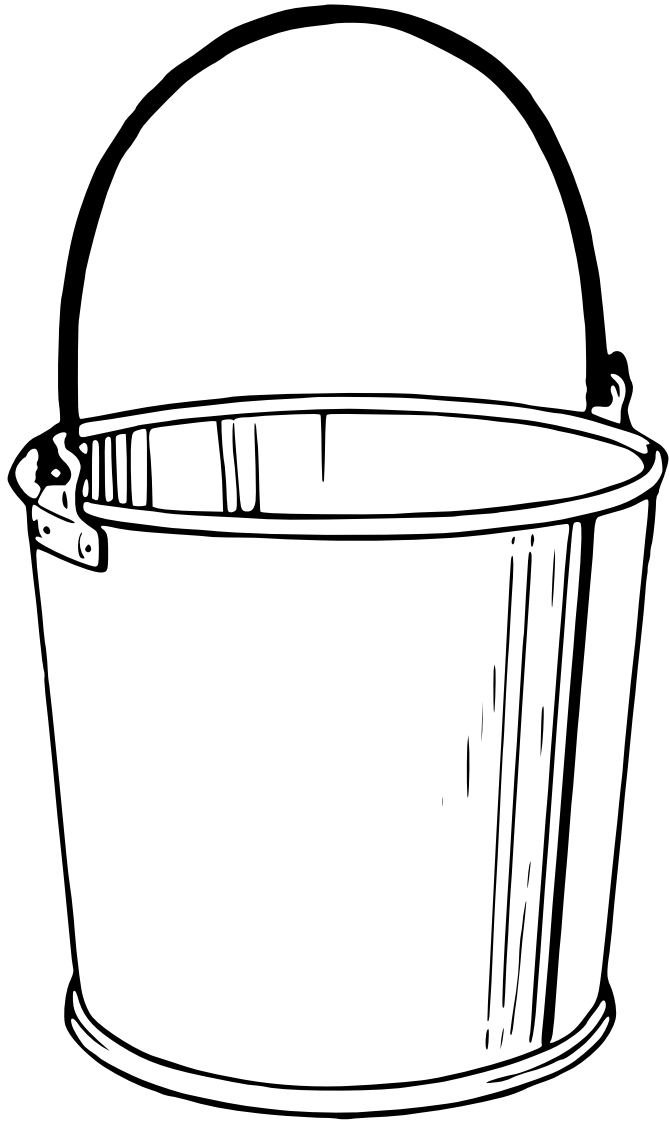


# Annual State Increases: Allocation %s



# Overarching Impact of Proposed Budget





# BEF

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**\$75 million increase**

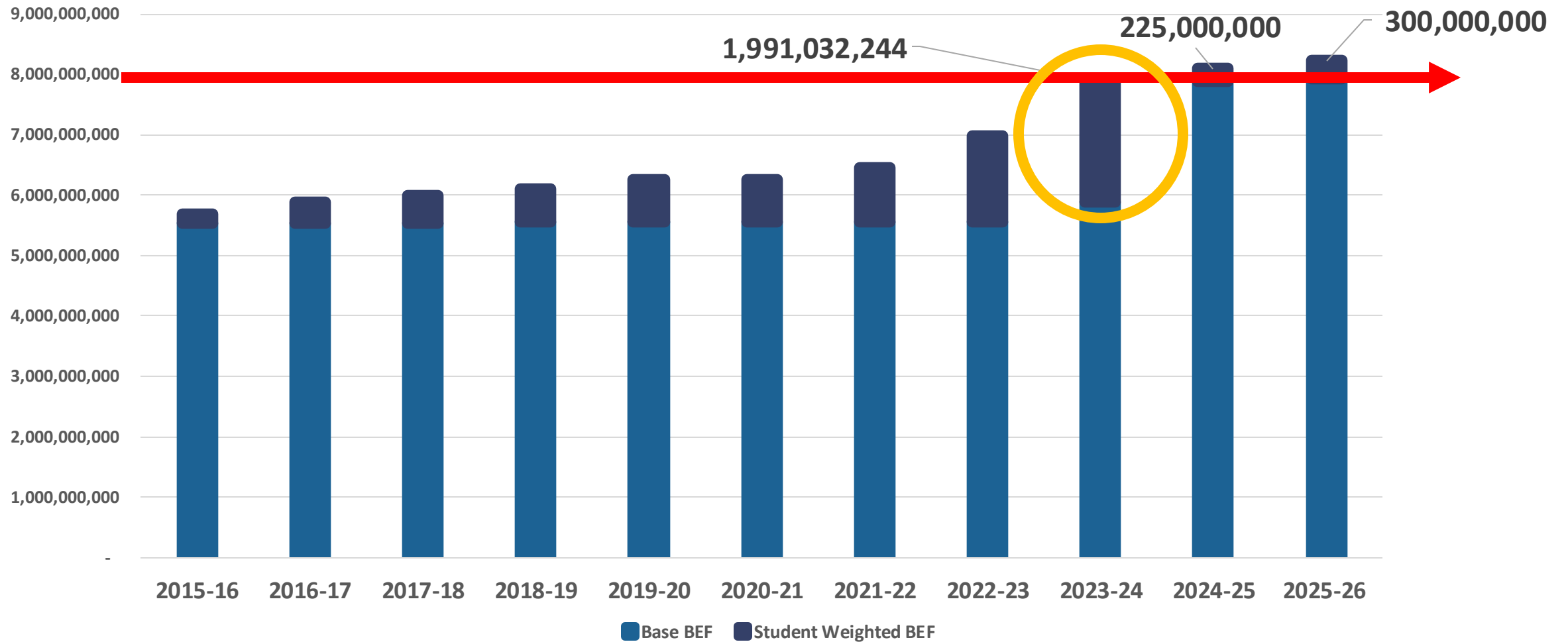


# 2025-26 Proposed BEF

BEF Base	\$7.93 Billion
BEF Formula	<div>\$300 Million<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$225 Million 24-25</li><li>• \$75 Million <b>NEW</b> 25-26 (0.92% increase)</li></ul></div>
<i>BEF Total</i>	<i>\$8.23 Billion</i>

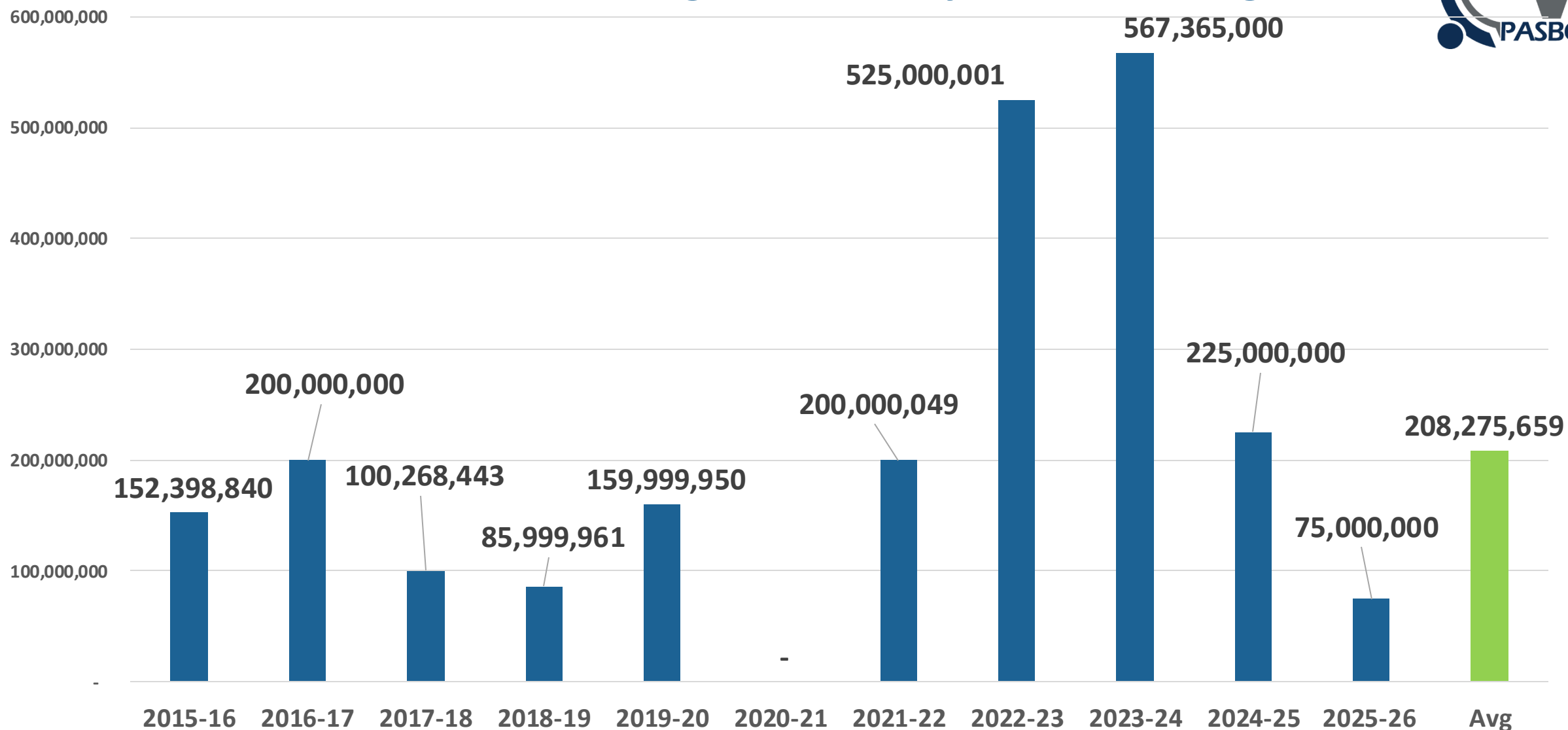


# BEF Components Over Time



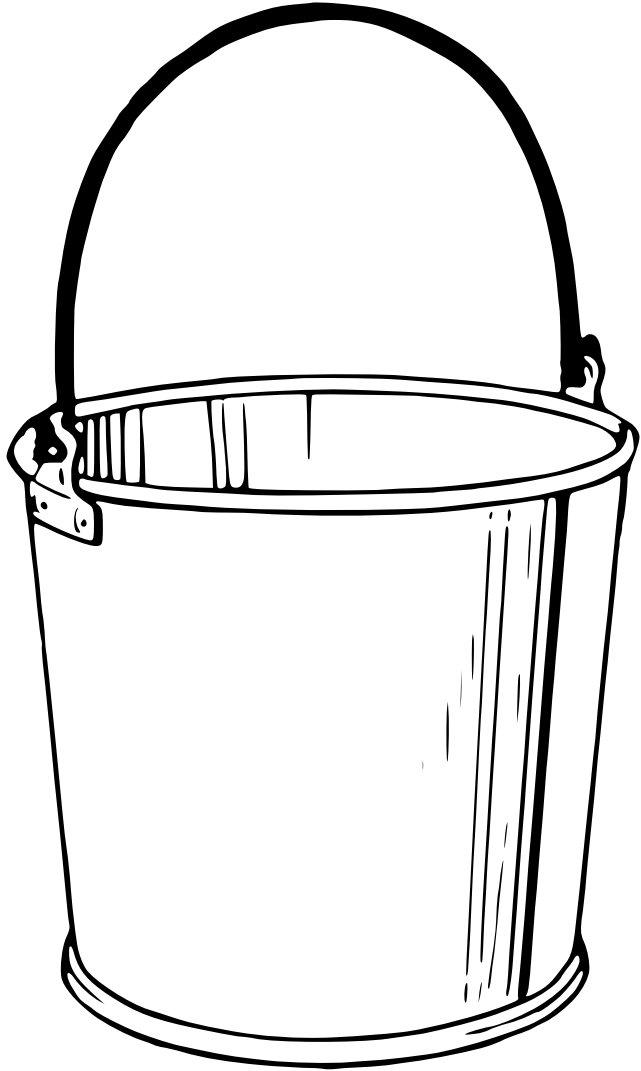


# Annual Student Weighted Subsidy Portion Change



## Remember...

- BEF increases from year to year are added to the dynamic formula pot—risk increases each year
- Your BEF increase can be negative...
- The proposed \$75 million increase for BEF does NOT give all districts MORE in 25-26 than what they are receiving now



# SEF

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\$40 million increase

# SEF Components: Base and Formula



Special Education Funding	\$1,415,035,838
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Contingency Fund	\$14,262,473
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Contingency Fund APS Set-aside	\$1,000,047
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Cordero Community Services	\$563,000
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Intermediate Unit Core Services	\$83,943,860
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Intermediate Unit Institutionalized Children (Net)	\$2,343,000
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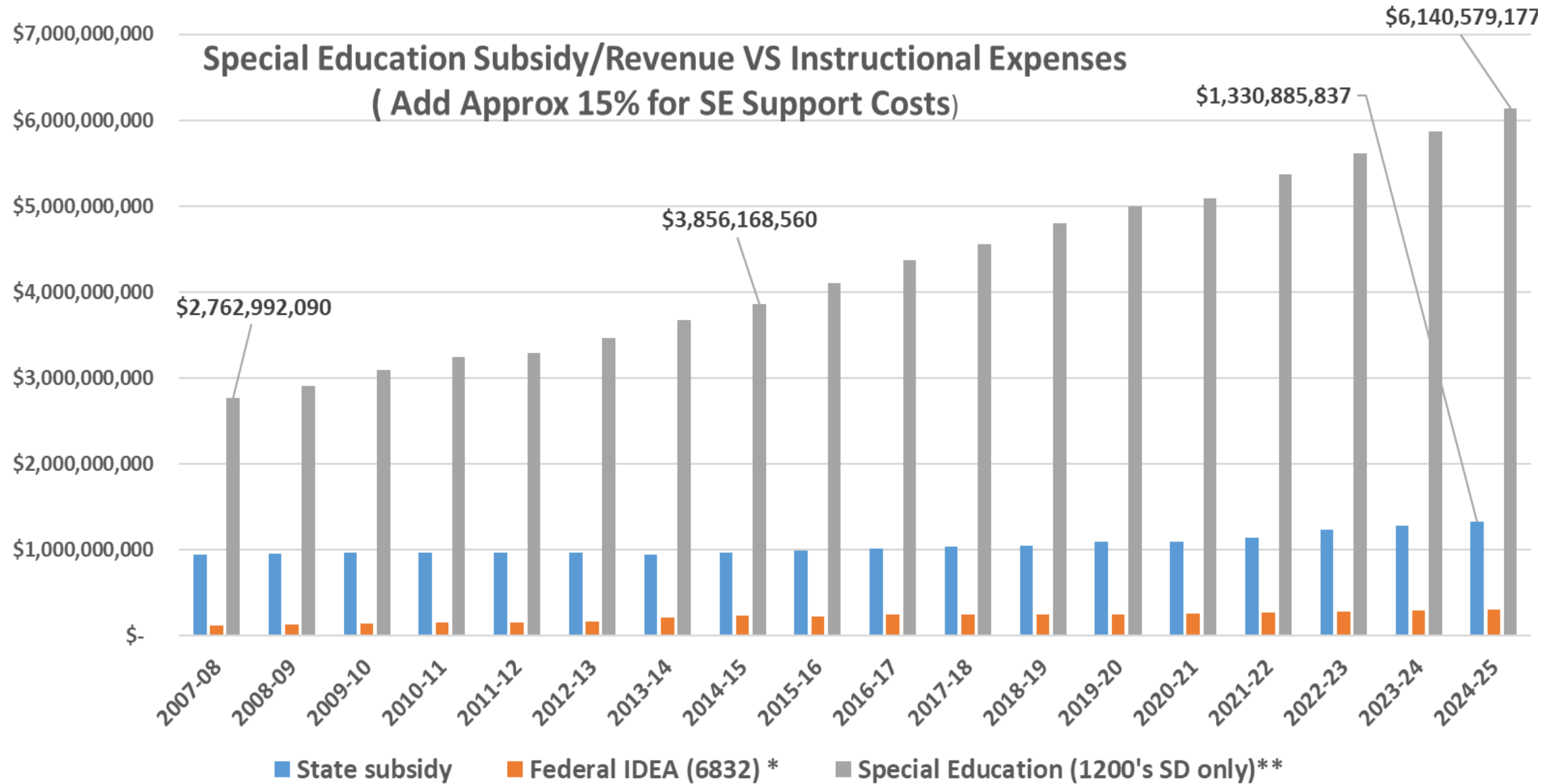
Private Residential Rehabilitative Institutions	\$1,500,000
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Special Education Out of State	\$3,000,000
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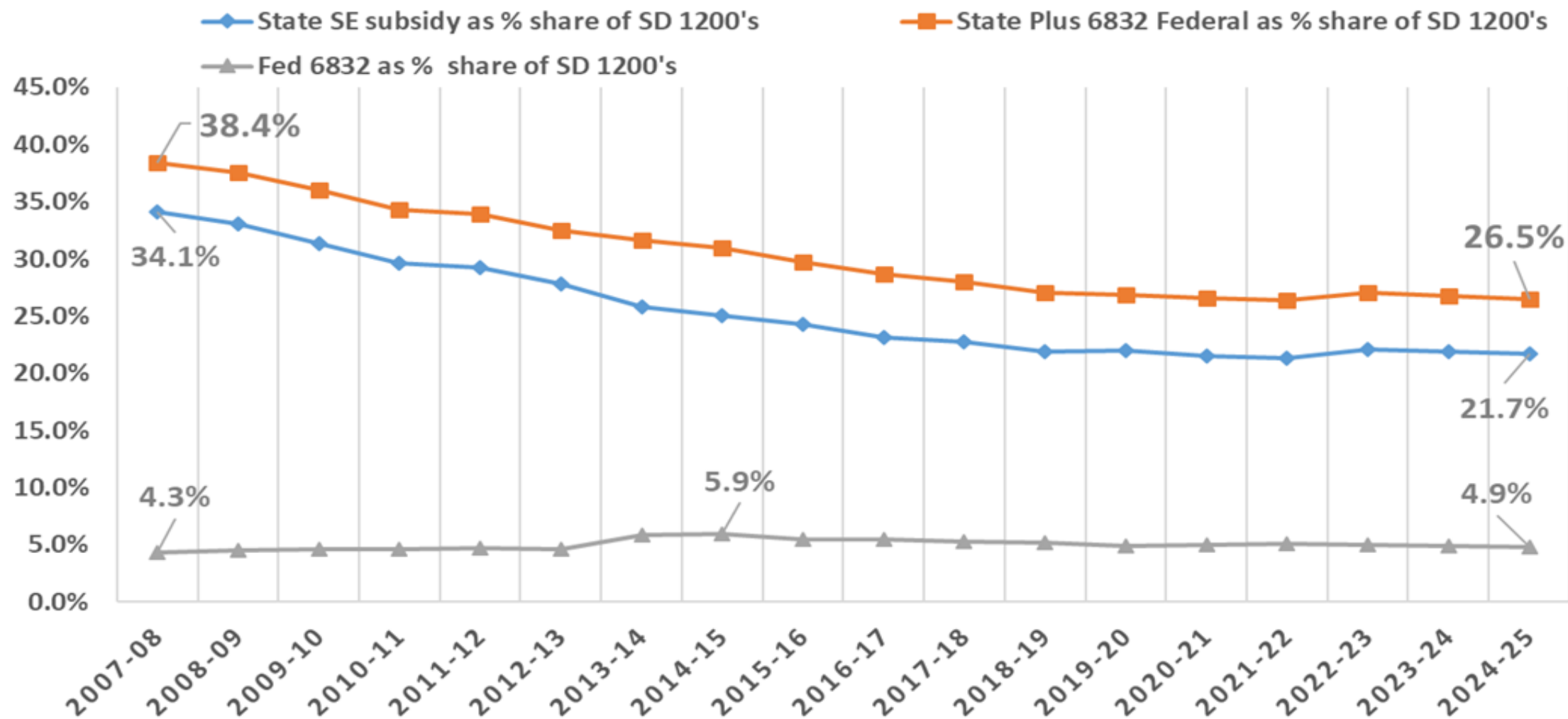
Special Education Wards of State	<u>\$5,166,782</u>
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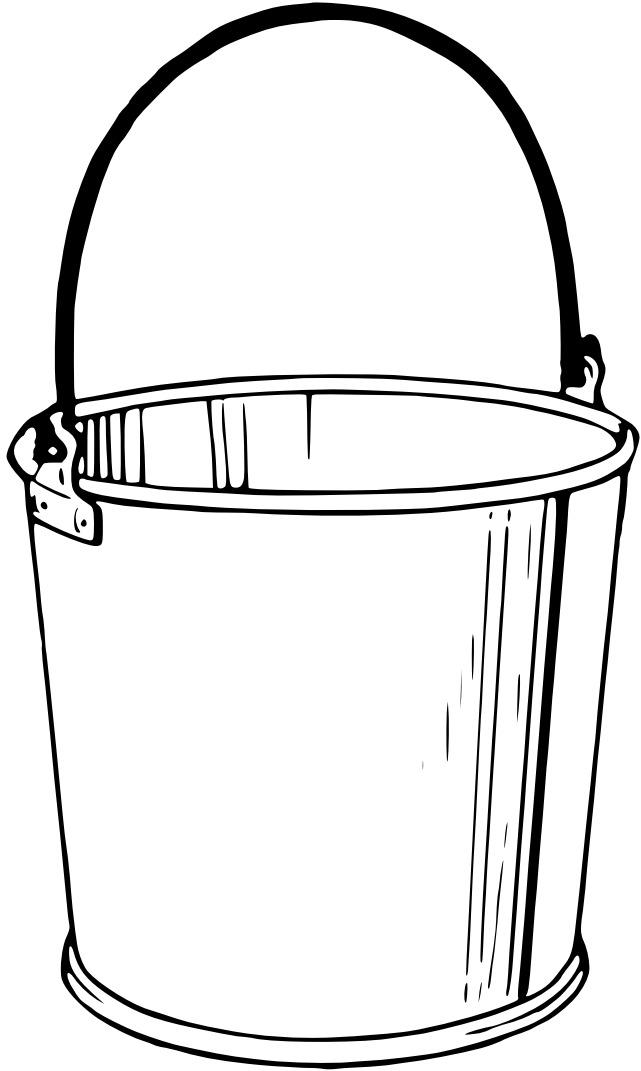
**\$37.4 million  
increase for SEF  
subsidy for 500  
school districts**

Total 2025-26 Proposed State Appropriation	\$1,526,815,000
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# SEF Revenue as a Percentage of SEF Expenditures





# Ready to Learn

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**\$526 million increase**





# Ready to Learn (RTL)

	23-24	24-25	25-26 Proposed
RTL Foundation	\$295 million	\$295 million	\$820 million
RTL Adequacy	N/A	\$493 million	\$493 million
RTL Tax Equity	N/A	\$32 million	\$32 million
<b>TOTAL RTL</b>	<b>\$295 million</b>	<b>\$820 million</b>	<b>\$1.35 billion</b>



# RTL: Adequacy Supplement

**Methodology is the same as 24-25...no changes...no updated data...**

1. The adequacy target remains \$14,120 per weighted student
2. The data is stuck in time at 21-22 CE and 22-23 weighted student count
3. Nothing is updated/will be updated
4. If you didn't get Adequacy funds for 24-25, you won't get them for 25-26

# RTL Adequacy Formula

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- **348 SDs receive Adequacy funding**
  - 232 SDs get a portion of their total calculated Adequacy Gap
  - 116 SDs get a portion of a reduced Adequacy Gap
- **152 SDs receive no Adequacy funding**
  - 136 SDs have no Adequacy Gap (they're above \$14,120)
  - 16 SDs have their Adequacy Gap eliminated

# Adequacy Formula

- The Adequacy and Tax Equity component math **does not include the 22-23, 23-24, and 24-25 historic distributions** for Level Up, SEF, BEF, and RTL Adequacy/Equity.
- Everything still depends on 21-22 CE data...and ESSER impacted that data...a lot!



# RTL: Tax Equity Supplement

**Methodology is the same as 24-25...no changes...no updated data...**

1. Nothing is updated/will be updated
2. If you didn't get Equity funds for 24-25, you won't get them for 25-26
3. Only applies to districts that are **ABOVE** the **90<sup>th</sup> percentile** in local effort rate
4. Reduced proportionately if a district's local capacity index (BEF) is above the state median

# RTL Tax Equity Supplement

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- **50 SDs receive a Tax Equity Supplement**
  - 19 SDs receive only a Tax Equity Supplement—they have no Adequacy Gap

# IMPORTANT #1!

SDs receiving Adequacy Supplements and/or Tax Equity Supplements are statutorily prohibited from requesting Act 1 exceptions.



## Act 1 Index Forecast

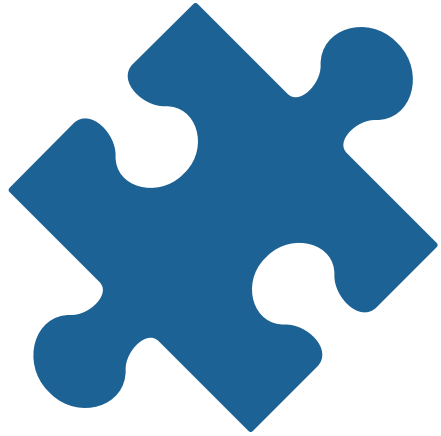
	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30
<b>Base Index</b>	3.4%	4.1%	5.3%	4.0%	3.7%	3.4%	3.2%	3.2%
SAWW	4.7%	5.3%	5.6%	3.7%	3.7%	3.5%	3.3%	3.3%
ECI	2.1%	2.9%	4.9%	4.3%	3.8%	3.6%	3.4%	3.2%
<b>November 2023 (Base Index)</b>				4.0%	3.6%	3.2%	3.1%	--
Revision				0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%	--
Notes: SAWW is statewide average weekly wage. ECI is employment cost index.								
Source: Reported by the Department of Education through 25-26, forecast by IFO thereafter.								





# IMPORTANT #2!

The 24-25 TEQ is for your 25-26 budget...the 25-26 proposed is for your 26-27 budget...use caution with PDE RTL excel sheets!!



Putting it all  
together...

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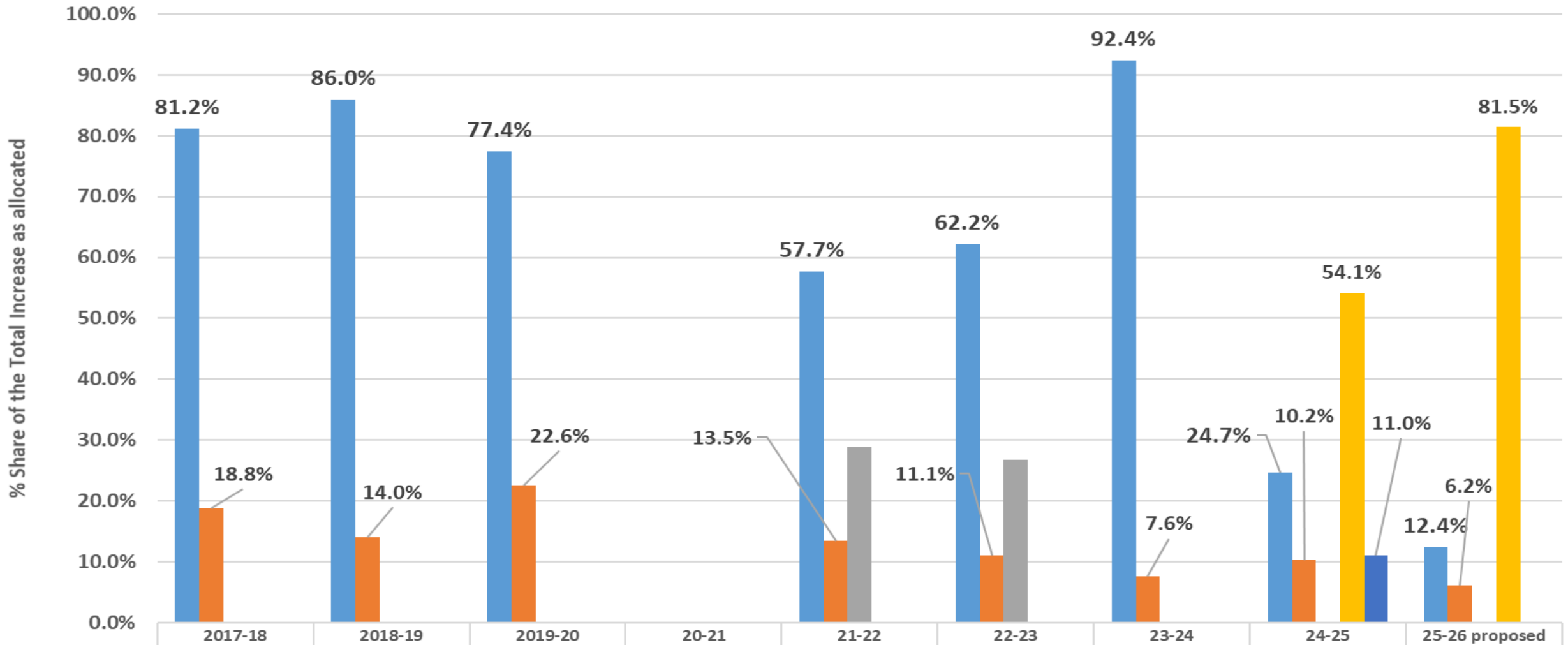
Annual State Increases: Major State Subsidy Bucket Allocations



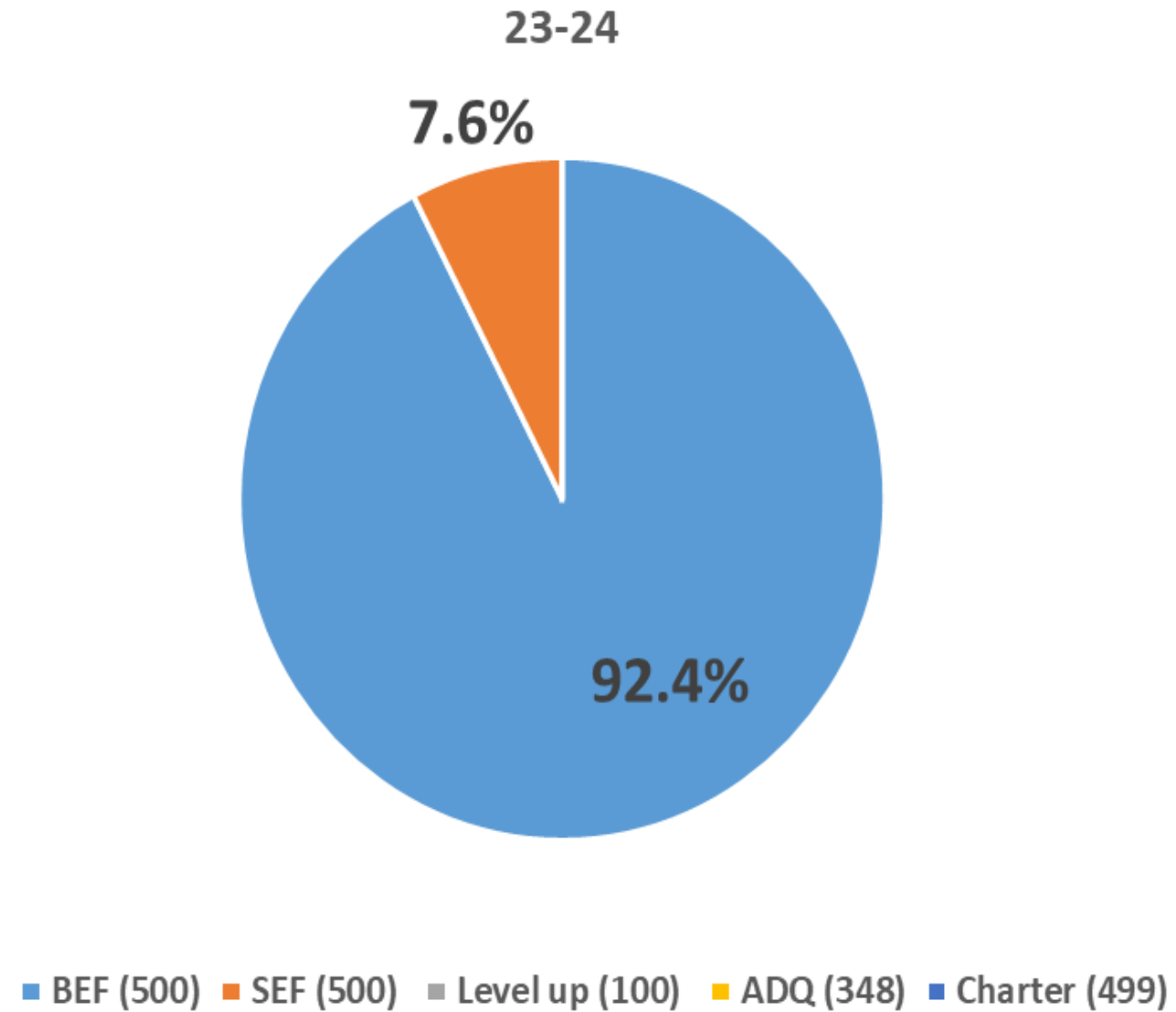
State Subsidy Increases	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	20-21	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26 proposed
BEF (500)	\$ 100,268,443	\$ 85,999,961	\$ 159,999,951	\$ -	\$ 200,000,000	\$ 525,000,000	\$ 567,365,000	\$ 225,000,000	\$ 75,000,000
SEF (500)	\$ 23,202,475	\$ 14,025,000	\$ 46,750,000	\$ -	\$ 46,750,000	\$ 93,500,000	\$ 46,750,000	\$ 93,499,976	\$ 37,400,000
Level up (100)				\$ -	\$ 100,000,000	\$ 225,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
ADQ (348)				\$ -				\$ 493,798,000	\$ 493,798,000
Charter (499)				\$ -				\$ 100,000,000	
Total	\$ 123,470,918	\$ 100,024,961	\$ 206,749,951	\$ -	\$ 346,750,000	\$ 843,500,000	\$ 614,115,000	\$ 912,297,976	\$ 606,198,000
* 83% =	\$ 644,906,539 Cumulative Prior to 21-22 ADQ formula lock \$ 776,995,830						TEQ (50)	\$ 32,200,000	\$ 32,200,000
*Note: Approximately 83% of all BEF and SEF funds are flowing to the 348 identified Adequacy school Districts...both pre and post 21-22. Nearly 100% of the Level up funds went to top 100 ADQ SD's.						Cumulative Post *83% = \$ 2,523,624,110 21-22 ADQ Formula lock \$ <u>3,040,510,976</u>			

State Subsidy Increases	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	20-21	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26 proposed
BEF (500)	81.2%	86.0%	77.4%	0%	57.7%	62.2%	92.4%	24.7%	12.4%
SEF (500)	18.8%	14.0%	22.6%	0%	13.5%	11.1%	7.6%	10.2%	6.2%
Level up (100)				0%	28.8%	26.7%	0%	0%	0%
ADQ (348)				0%				54.1%	81.5%
Charter (499)				0%				11.0%	
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

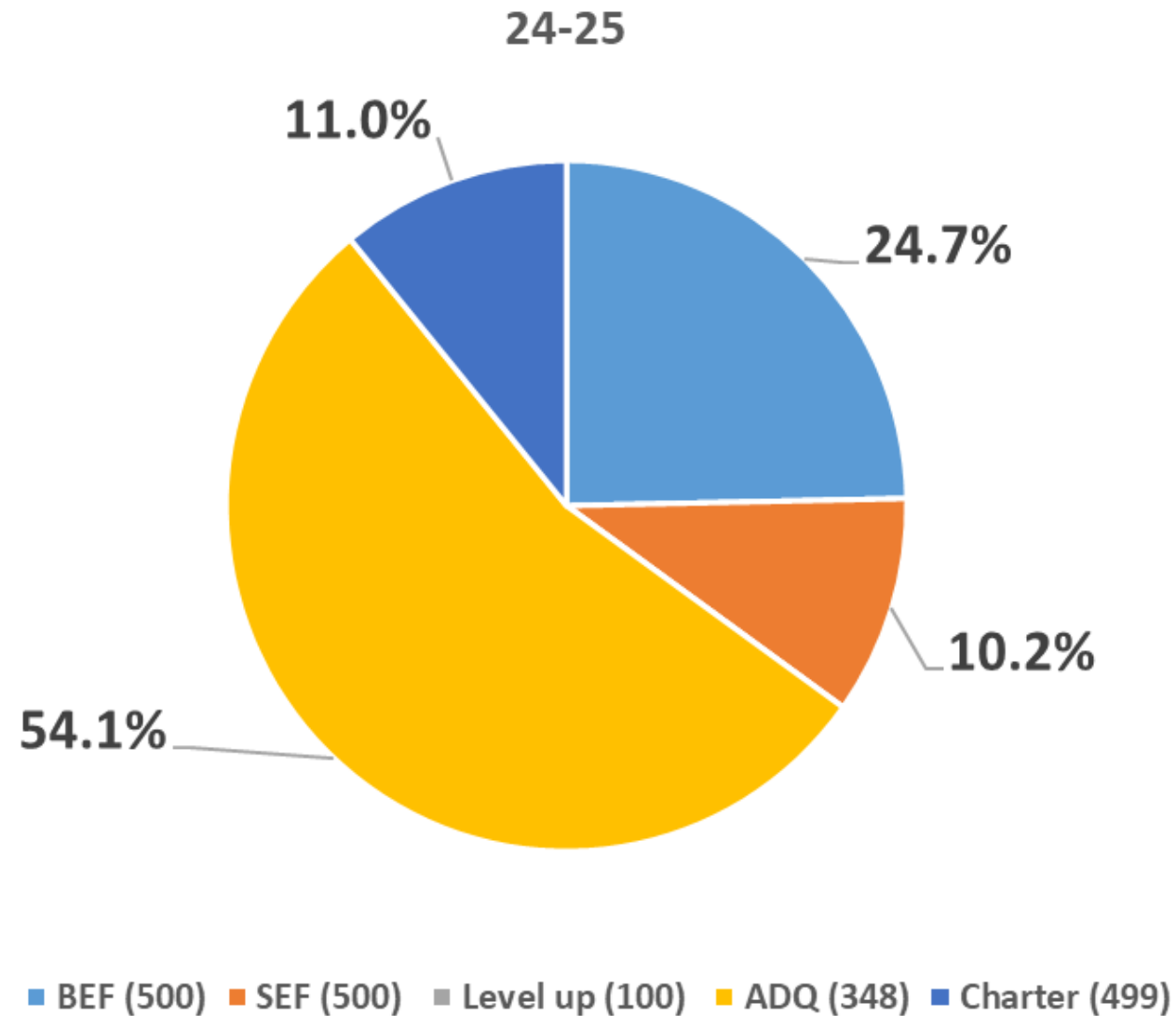
# Annual State Increase Allocation %s



# Three Year Shift



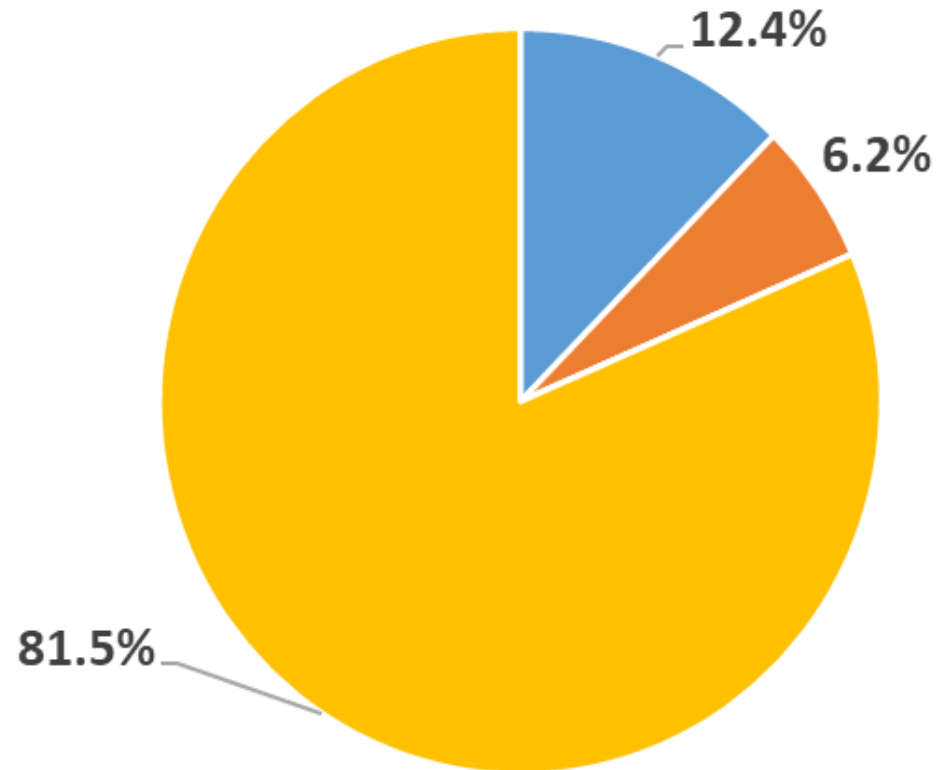
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25-26 proposed

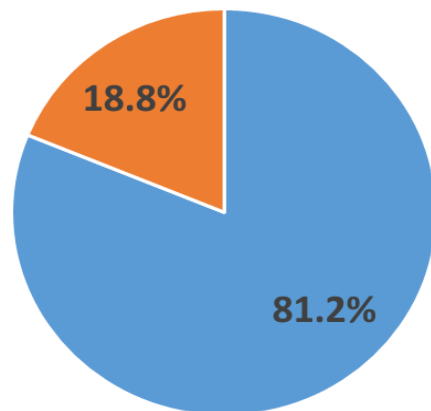


The 81.5% also gets over 80% of the remaining 18.6%

■ BEF (500) ■ SEF (500) ■ Level up (100) ■ ADQ (348) ■ Charter (499)

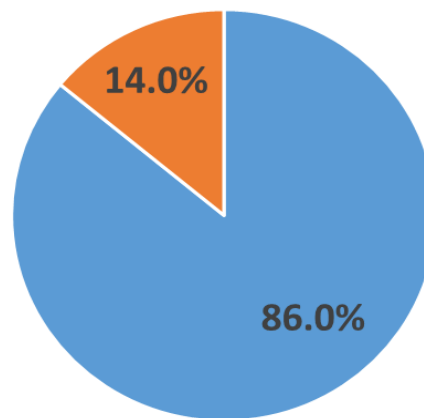


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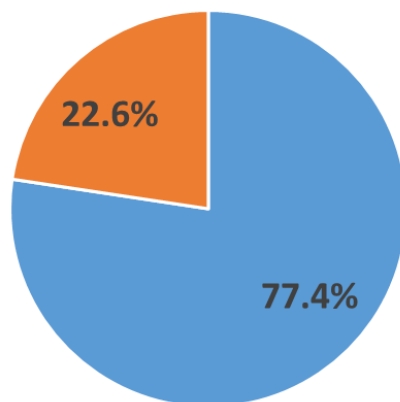
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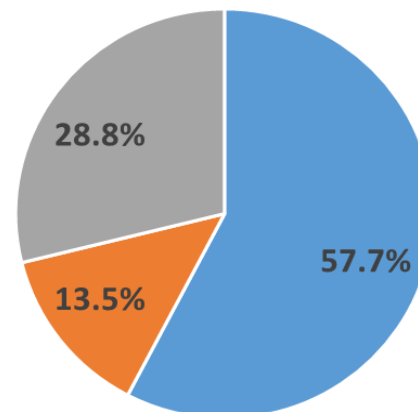
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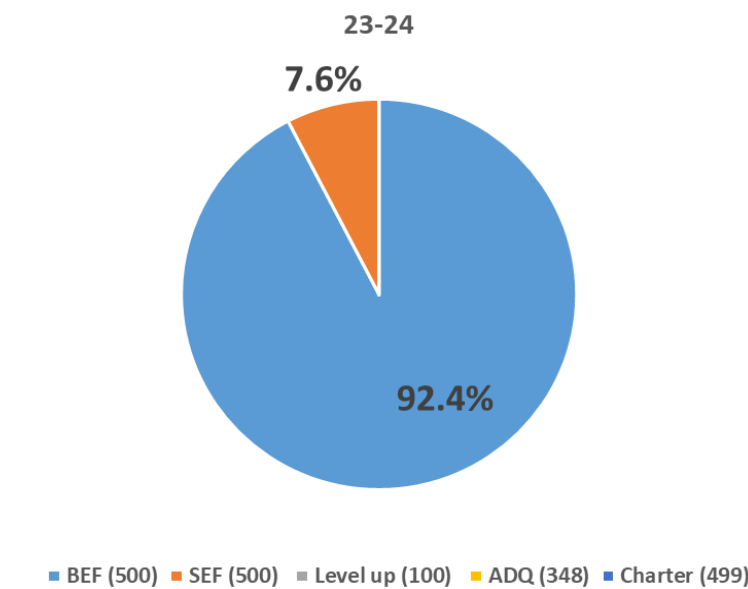
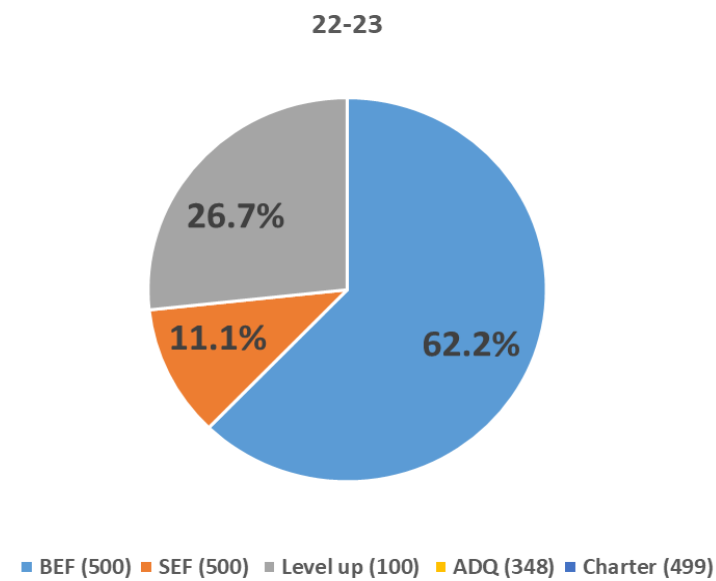
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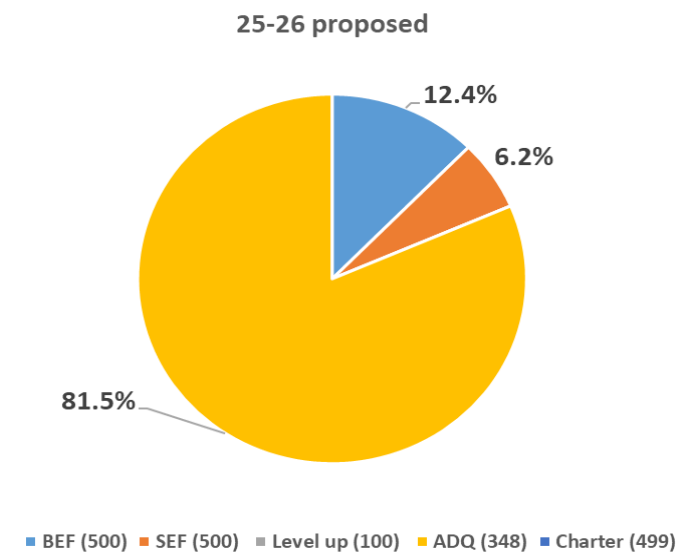
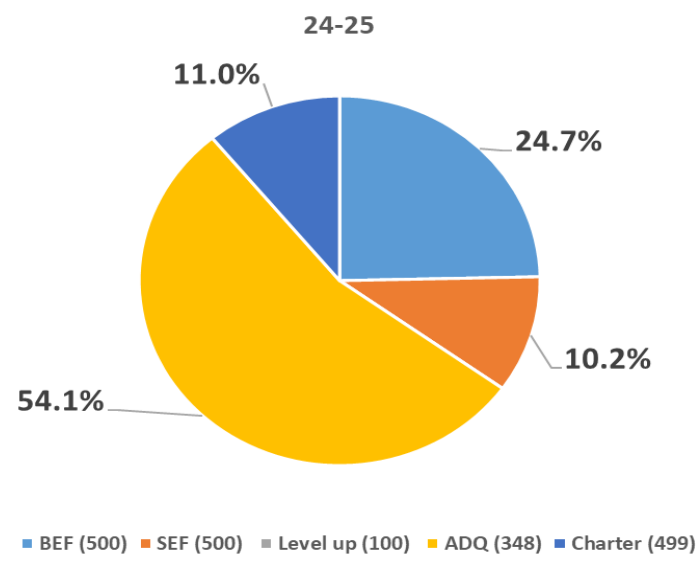
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Prior Years with New  
BEF and SEF dynamic  
funding formulas:  
Level up added for 21-  
22 ands 22-23





BEF= 62.2%  
92.4%  
24.7%  
12.4%



	Count	Count %
ADQ SD	348	69.9%
Non-ADQ SD	152	30.4%



## School District counts ( 25-26 Proposed)

BEF Positive	498	500
BEF Negative	2	
SEF Positive	483	500
SEF negative	17	
Count Adequacy Funded	348	500
Count Adequacy (ADQ) Zero	152	
Count Tax Equity (TEQ) Funded	50	50
ADQ SD's plus TEQ	31	
Received TEQ But With No ADQ	19	

# Proposed Adds RTL, SEF, and BEF



Adequacy Districts ( ADQ)	Proposed	Dollars Flowing to 348 ADQ SD's \$'s	% of Proposed Going to ADQ SDs	Dollars Flowing to 152 NON-ADQ SD's \$'s	% of Non-ADQ
ADQ	\$ 493,798,000	\$ 493,798,000	100.0%	\$ -	0.0%
BEF	\$ 75,000,000	\$ 62,575,737	83.4%	\$ 12,424,263	16.6%
SEF	\$ 37,400,000	\$ 30,064,981	80.4%	\$ 7,335,023	19.6%
Total	\$ 606,198,000	\$ 586,438,718	96.7%	\$ 19,759,286	3.3%

The student weighted formulas are relative to all other school districts...so “SW losses” are also relative



Table: BEF Student weighted ADM and ADM changes	Count	Count %	Change in Total Student Weighted ADM (BEF) from 15-16 to 25-26	% Change in Total Student Weighted ADM (BEF) from 15-16 to 25-26	Change in ADMs (BEF) from 15-16 to 25-26	% Change in ADMs (BEF) from 15-16 to 25-26	SD's with a negative count in SWADMS since 15-16	% of ADQ or Non ADQ with Negative SWADMS since BEF
Adequacy Identified (21-22 data)	348	69.6%	(384,098.270)	82.5%	(58,913.490)	65.7%	199	57.2%
Non-Adequacy School Districts	152	30.4%	(81,557.690)	17.5%	(30,809.660)	34.3%	108	71.1%
Totals:	500	100.0%	(465,655.960)	100.0%	(89,723.150)	100.0%	307	

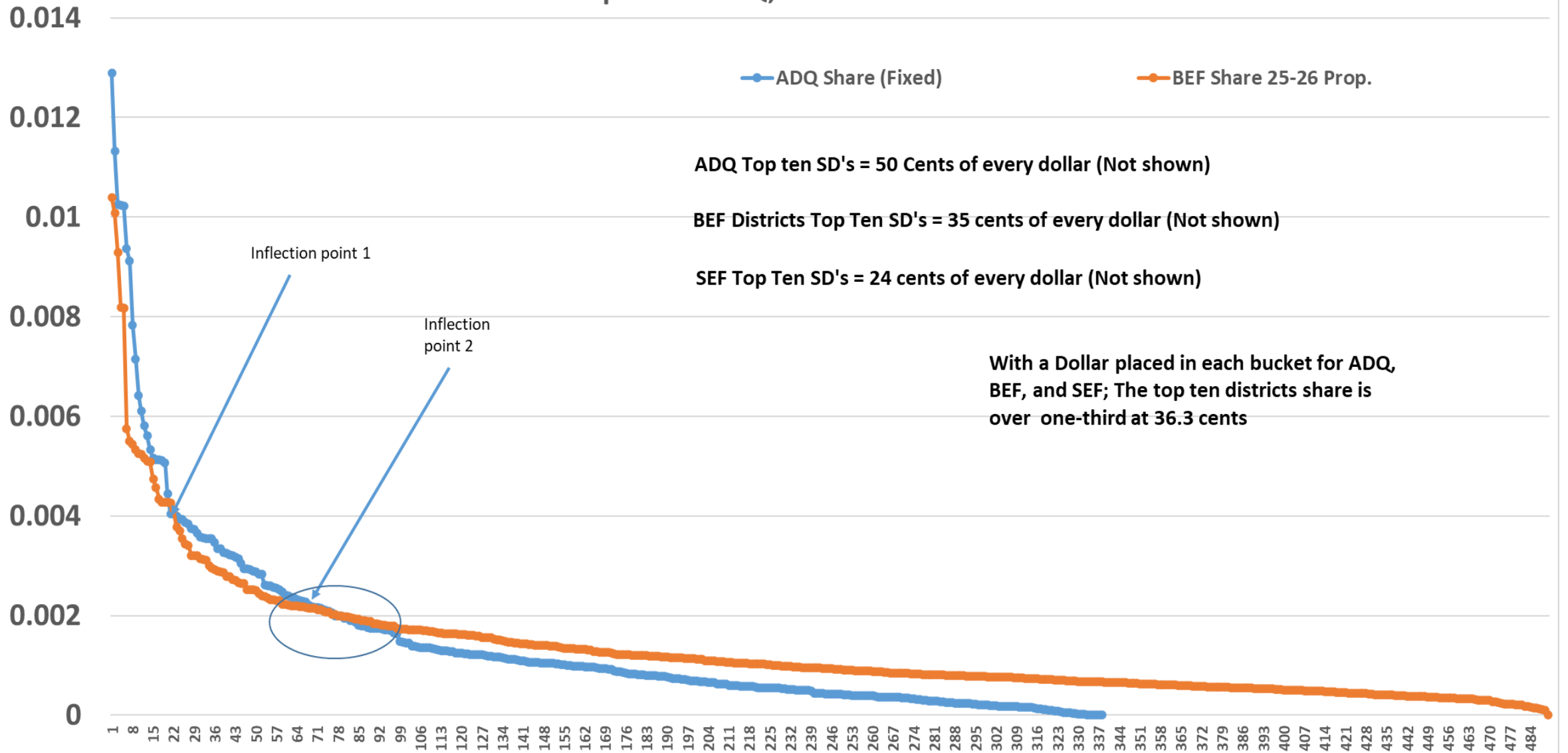


<b>Schools with Positive SW ADM growth</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>% of 348, or 152, or 500</b>
<b>ADQ SD's with Positive Student weights ADM growth</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>42.8%</b>
<b>Non ADQ SD's with positive Student Weights ADM Growth</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>28.9%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>38.6%</b>



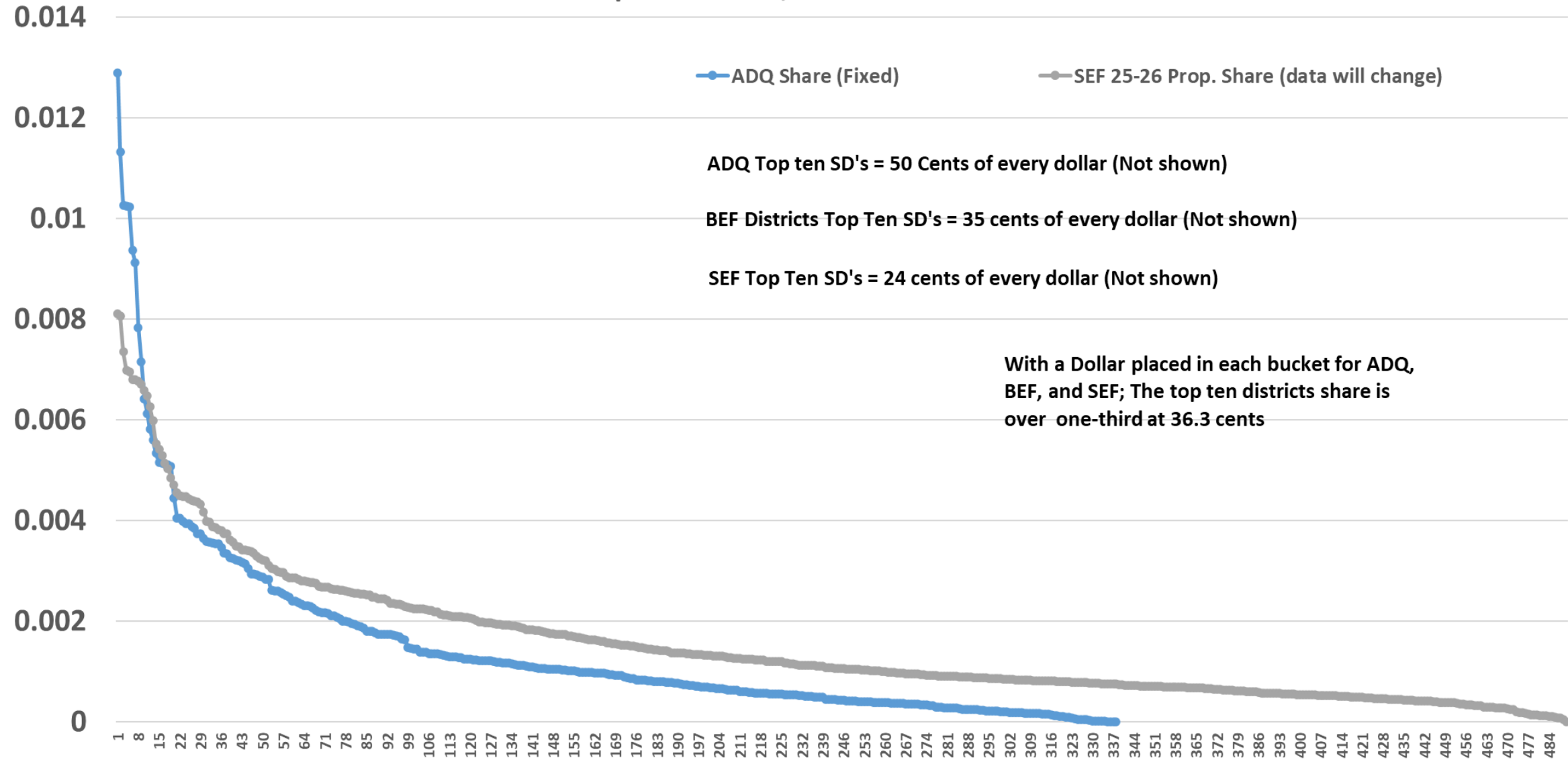
Year	Cost to Carry at 4 % Selected	Cost to Carry Just the top 30 ADQ Districts
9	\$ 1,585,836,360	\$ 476,008,160
7	\$ 1,546,332,520	\$ 450,650,783
5	\$ 1,506,828,680	\$ 425,293,407
3	\$ 1,467,324,840	\$ 399,936,031
2	\$ 1,447,572,920	\$ 387,257,343
<b>Note: Cost to carry ONLY for Adequacy dollars...not including adding PT or BEF or SEF</b>		
The top 30 to 50 districts are basically wards of the state and post run up will not be able to fund a 3.5 to 4% cost to carry increased budget base on their own...they will need their own bucket to sustain		

## Share plot for ADQ, and BEF

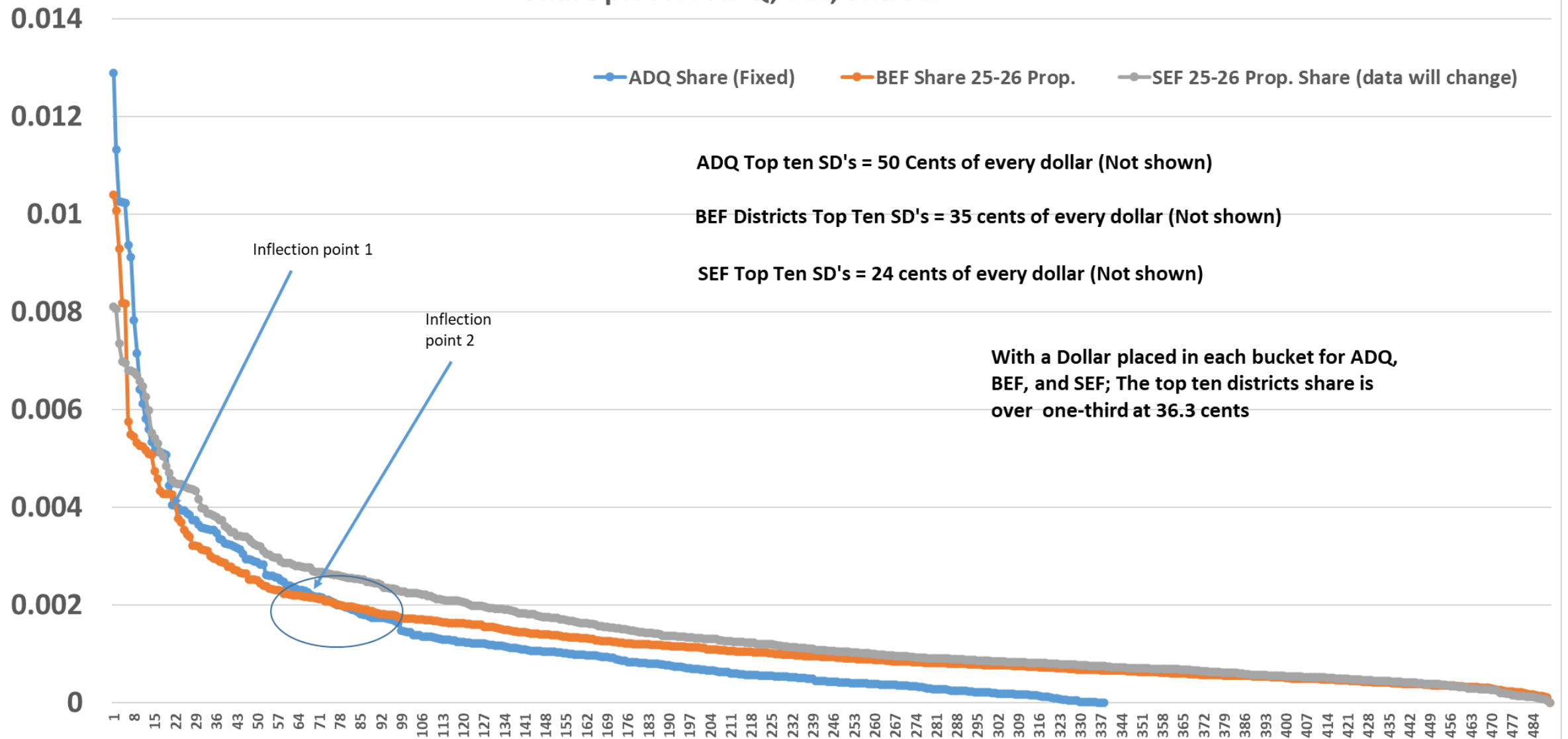


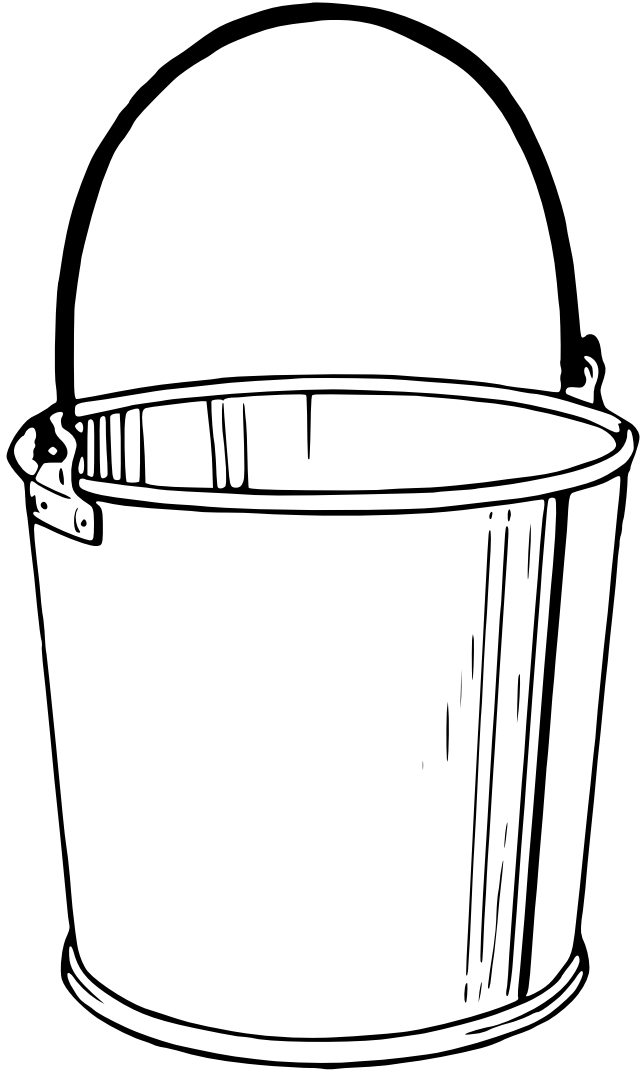


Share plot for ADQ, and SEF



## Share plot for ADQ, BEF, and SEF





# Another Bucket...


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# Growth in Cyber Charter Costs

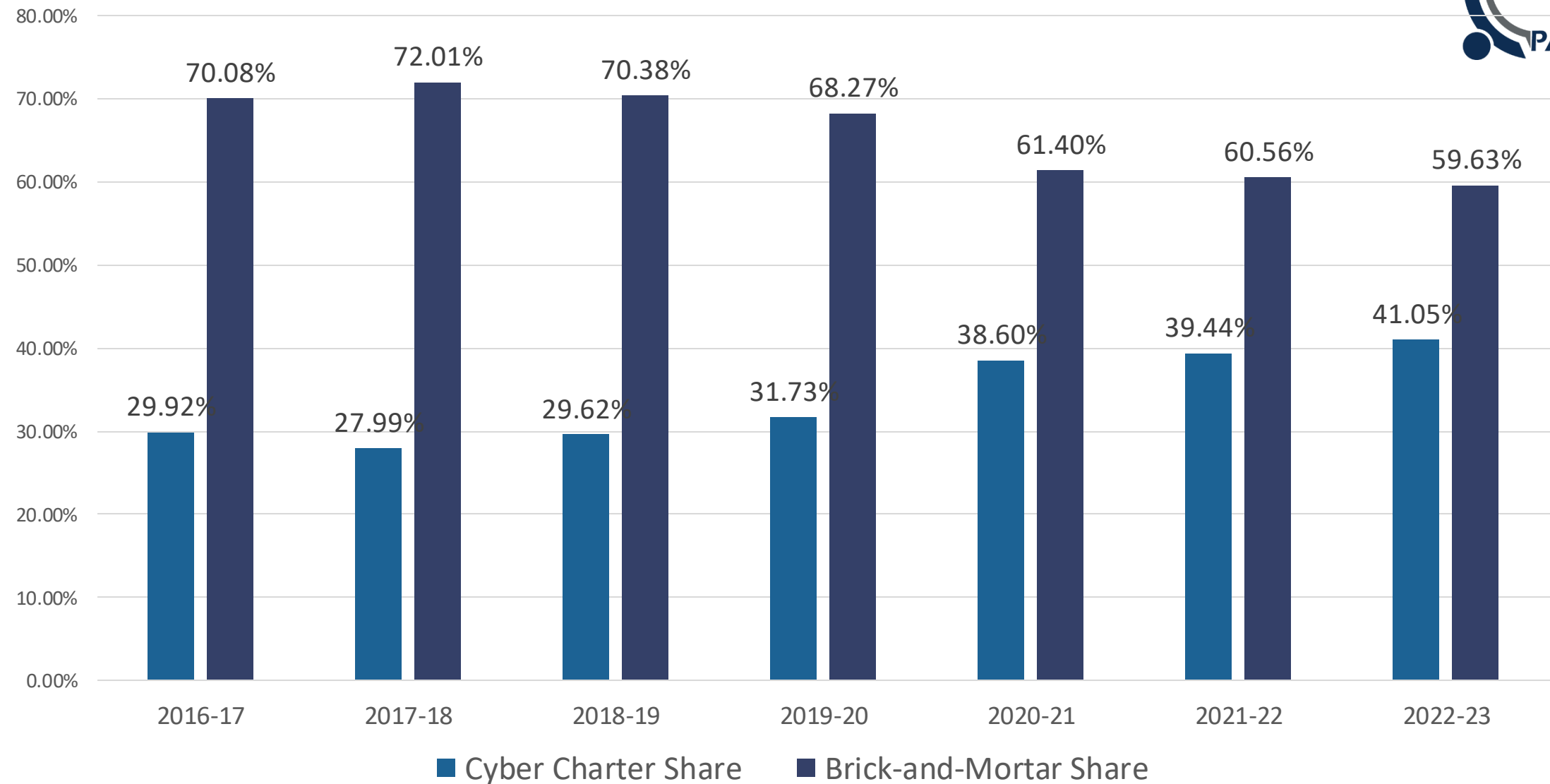
Total Charter tuition		Tuition to Brick & Mortar Charter Schools: Nonspecial	Tuition to Cyber Charter Schools: Nonspecial	Tuition to Brick & Mortar Charter Schools: Special	Tuition to Cyber Charter Schools: Special	Charter Special	Charter Regular	Charter Cyber	Charter B & M
2022-23	\$2,643,960,556	\$1,050,275,594	\$613,469,894	\$526,190,450	\$454,024,619	\$980,215,068	\$1,663,745,488	\$1,085,281,615	\$1,576,466,043
2021-22	\$2,679,220,629	\$1,137,376,558	\$673,706,233	\$485,286,503	\$382,851,335	\$868,137,838	\$1,811,082,791	\$1,056,557,568	\$1,622,663,061
2020-21	\$2,664,144,530	\$1,179,615,332	\$666,839,290	\$456,258,936	\$361,430,972	\$817,689,908	\$1,846,454,622	\$1,028,270,262	\$1,635,874,268
2019-20	\$2,196,897,501	\$1,074,575,548	\$438,311,098	\$425,229,961	\$258,780,893	\$684,010,855	\$1,512,886,646	\$697,091,991	\$1,499,805,509
2018-19	\$2,045,818,142	\$1,008,003,356	\$392,600,819	\$431,873,784	\$213,340,182	\$645,213,967	\$1,400,604,175	\$605,941,002	\$1,439,877,140
2017-18	\$1,823,405,695	\$933,815,002	\$345,318,713	\$370,063,989	\$174,207,992	\$544,271,981	\$1,279,133,714	\$519,526,704	\$1,303,878,991
2016-17	\$1,654,992,813	\$786,335,980	\$320,911,619	\$405,436,183	\$142,309,030	\$547,745,213	\$1,107,247,600	\$463,220,649	\$1,191,772,164
2015-16	\$1,549,444,165	\$726,325,483	\$324,015,317	\$359,534,286	\$139,569,079	\$499,103,365	\$1,050,340,800	\$463,584,396	\$1,085,859,769
2014-15	\$1,486,434,771					\$466,846,795	\$1,019,587,976		

# Shares of Charter Expenditures



	Share	Tuition to Brick & Mortar Charter Schools: Nonspecial	Tuition to Cyber Charter Schools: Nonspecial	Tuition to Brick & Mortar Charter Schools: Special	Tuition to Cyber Charter Schools: Special		Charter Special	Charter Nonspecial	Charter Cyber share	Charter B & M share	FY
2022-23	100.00%	39.72%	23.20%	19.90%	17.17%		37.07%	62.93%	41.05%	59.63%	2022-23
2021-22	100.00%	42.45%	25.15%	18.11%	14.29%		32.40%	67.60%	39.44%	60.56%	2021-22
2020-21	100.00%	44.28%	25.03%	17.13%	13.57%		30.69%	69.31%	38.60%	61.40%	2020-21
2019-20	100.00%	48.91%	19.95%	19.36%	11.78%		31.14%	68.86%	31.73%	68.27%	2019-20
2018-19	100.00%	49.27%	19.19%	21.11%	10.43%		31.54%	68.46%	29.62%	70.38%	2018-19
2017-18	100.00%	47.51%	19.39%	24.50%	8.60%		33.10%	66.90%	27.99%	72.01%	2017-18
2016-17	100.00%	46.88%	20.91%	23.20%	9.01%		32.21%	67.79%	29.92%	70.08%	2016-17
2015-16	100.00%						31.41%	68.59%			

# Share of Brick and Mortar vs Cyber Charter Total Charter Expenditures



# 363 Cyber Special Education Rate Change



Notes: Cost avoidance reset.

The table looks at cyber special education rate only

Any added ADMs or shift from regular education to special education not included

No allowance for Governors' proposed elimination of Cyber tuition subsidy




No Allowance for Governor's proposed 363 changes to cyber tuition (\$8,000 fixed etc.)

January 1 2025 Cyber Charter 363 Special Education Rate Calculation Change ( i.e. actual cyber share, special only)			
At X % Annual avg. cost increase: Count of districts = Break Even from the new calculation reset --- in years			
2025-26 Forward	5.0%	6.0%	7.0%
*Year 1	124	140	151
Year 2	201	251	283
Year 3	305	346	382
Year 4	373	415	457
Year 5	429	465	490
* Year 1 does not factor in loss of cyber charter reimbursement			

# Economies of Scale...is it relevant in PA?

## Depends...who gets it?



July 1...budget is passed / set		Property taxes	Property taxes % Share	
School District Budget	\$ 42,000,000	\$ 16,800,000	40.0%	
Students 2500	2,500	1% PT tax increase =	\$ 168,000	
Cost per student	\$ 16,800	Board Authority at 1% PT tax increase=	0.4%	
Classrooms	125			
Class Size Avg	20.0	Economies ---- only above the Red line		
New Move Ins August 20th	20.0			
Budget impact assuming all district students?	Incremental? Plus?	Zero to ?		
Budget impact assuming all charter students?	Split between?	Range of impact (New CS Students times Rate)	Percent of total SD Budget	Property Tax increase equivalent
Charter Regular	\$ 14,207	\$ 284,140	0.7%	1.7%
Charter Special B & M	\$ 30,450	\$ 609,000	1.5%	3.6%
Charter Special Cyber	\$ 23,280	\$ 465,600	1.1%	2.8%
Per District student impact Regular		\$ 113.66		
Per District student impact Special B & M		\$ 243.60		
Per District student impact Cyber special		\$ 186.24		



<b>Table: As proposed for 25-26 Year over year actual reduction in funding</b>		<b>% of 348, 152, or 500</b>
<b>ADQ SD's that are year over year Negative in total proposed dollars with the charter elimination</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2.6%</b>
<b>Non ADQ SD's that are negative year over year in total proposed dollars with the charter elimination</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>49.3%</b>
<b>At 25-26 proposed: Total number of district with total dollar year over year in the negative with charter elimination</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>16.8%</b>

# How many new charter students does it take to zero out 25-26 proposed increases (BEF, SEF, ADQ)?



AUN	School District	County	Dollar Difference BEF	2025-26 Proposed Adequacy Supplement	2025-26 Proposed Tax Equity Supplement	Dollar Difference SEF	Total ( Excludes TE)	2024-25 Estimated Cyber Charter Transition	Total Proposed 25-26 LESS Charter ( Exclude TEQ)	Number of Charter Students to use all proposed funding net - Reg Ed	Number of Charter Students to use all proposed funding net - Special Ed B & M	Number of Charter Students to use all proposed funding net - Speci Ed Cyber
112672203	Eastern York SD	York	\$ 76,010	\$ 147,682	\$ -	\$ 44,662	\$ 268,354	\$ 232,972	\$ 35,382	2.57	1.03	1.18
109122703	Cameron County SD	Cameron	\$ 60,493	\$ 145,766	\$ -	\$ 10,571	\$ 216,830	\$ 59,819	\$ 157,011	7.88	4.07	4.10
105259103	Union City Area SD	Erie	\$ 58,848	\$ 141,431	\$ -	\$ 21,690	\$ 221,969	\$ 41,463	\$ 180,506	12.12	5.69	7.51
106161703	Clarion-Limestone Area SD	Clarion	\$ 40,143	\$ 137,661	\$ -	\$ 35,203	\$ 213,007	\$ 65,897	\$ 147,110	9.51	4.24	4.44
127045303	Midland Borough SD	Beaver	\$ 24,099	\$ 137,493	\$ -	\$ 1,390	\$ 162,982	\$ 46,777	\$ 116,205	9.75	3.79	4.60
108111203	Cambria Heights SD	Cambria	\$ 52,481	\$ 137,312	\$ -	\$ 23,587	\$ 213,380	\$ 44,966	\$ 168,414	11.75	6.04	6.36
109246003	Ridgway Area SD	Elk	\$ 44,751	\$ 134,768	\$ -	\$ 17,454	\$ 196,973	\$ 35,063	\$ 161,910	11.64	4.80	5.56
105258503	Northwestern SD	Erie	\$ 38,302	\$ 134,657	\$ -	\$ 28,298	\$ 201,257	\$ 84,377	\$ 116,880	8.99	3.25	4.15
128323303	Homer-Center SD	Indiana	\$ 13,734	\$ 128,643	\$ -	\$ 35,714	\$ 178,091	\$ 34,157	\$ 143,934	8.61	3.77	4.32
121139004	Weatherly Area SD	Carbon	\$ 54,149	\$ 122,393	\$ -	\$ 21,039	\$ 197,581	\$ 70,280	\$ 127,301	7.42	2.84	3.29
119581003	Blue Ridge SD	Susquehanna	\$ 62,035	\$ 121,977	\$ -	\$ 14,873	\$ 198,885	\$ 43,232	\$ 155,653	10.70	4.60	5.05
106167504	North Clarion County SD	Clarion	\$ 19,948	\$ 119,701	\$ -	\$ 20,231	\$ 159,880	\$ 14,741	\$ 145,139	11.91	5.35	5.42
103022253	Deer Lakes SD	Allegheny	\$ 52,851	\$ 119,200	\$ -	\$ 16,709	\$ 188,760	\$ 77,733	\$ 111,027	8.17	3.48	3.87
108116503	Richland SD	Cambria	\$ 46,354	\$ 118,461	\$ -	\$ 31,373	\$ 196,188	\$ 38,539	\$ 157,649	12.49	7.31	7.31
119582503	Elk Lake SD	Susquehanna	\$ 25,661	\$ 117,597	\$ -	\$ 10,614	\$ 153,872	\$ 86,290	\$ 67,582	4.51	1.97	2.57
104103603	Karns City Area SD	Butler	\$ 56,350	\$ 115,867	\$ -	\$ 13,572	\$ 185,789	\$ 50,929	\$ 134,860	9.66	6.74	6.80
115218303	South Middleton SD	Cumberland	\$ 73,135	\$ 115,175	\$ -	\$ 52,574	\$ 240,884	\$ 147,403	\$ 93,481	6.92	2.84	3.08
103028703	South Fayette Township SD	Allegheny	\$ 73,636	\$ 106,999	\$ 476,871	\$ 39,521	\$ 220,156	\$ 54,359	\$ 165,797	11.69	5.68	5.68
103021903	Clairton City SD	Allegheny	\$ 162,450	\$ 106,162	\$ -	\$ 45,215	\$ 313,827	\$ 31,487	\$ 282,340	19.80	8.47	10.56
109537504	Oswayo Valley SD	Potter	\$ 20,651	\$ 105,392	\$ -	\$ 13,027	\$ 139,070	\$ 42,191	\$ 96,879	4.39	2.01	2.34
101306503	Southeastern Greene SD	Greene	\$ 27,894	\$ 103,976	\$ -	\$ 16,293	\$ 148,163	\$ 44,018	\$ 104,145	8.88	4.86	4.86
116604003	Lewisburg Area SD	Union	\$ 51,382	\$ 103,737	\$ -	\$ 22,774	\$ 177,893	\$ 51,657	\$ 126,236	7.75	3.92	4.28
104105003	Mars Area SD	Butler	\$ 65,216	\$ 102,068	\$ -	\$ 23,142	\$ 190,426	\$ 116,261	\$ 74,165	6.68	3.04	3.04
117415303	Muncy SD	Lycoming	\$ 23,075	\$ 97,310	\$ -	\$ 24,376	\$ 144,761	\$ 77,355	\$ 67,406	4.76	2.31	2.31

	Number of Districts where all proposed 25-26 net increase (Reg Ed) is zeroed	Number of Districts where all proposed 25-26 net increase (B&M Special Ed)	Number of Districts where all proposed 25-26 net increase (Cyber Special Ed)
Less than 10 Students	206	282	265
Less than 15 Students	242	324	306

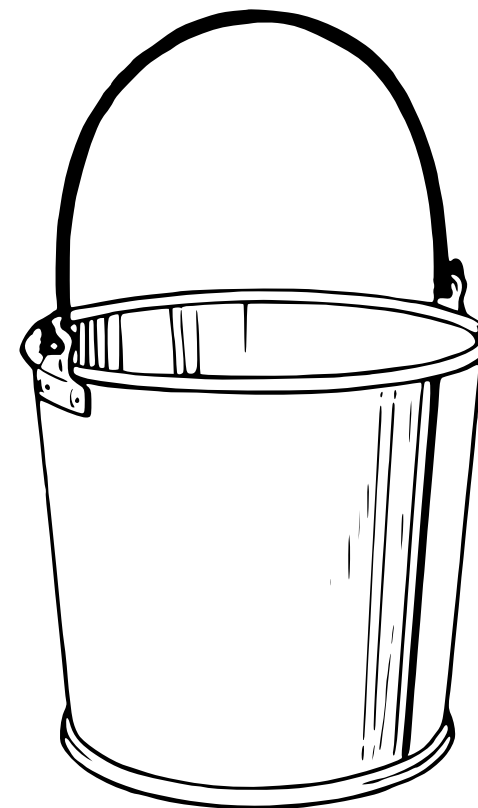
Note: The break even only looks at an added student count to charter...it does not allow for CURRENT Regular ED charter moving to Special ED tuition rate (nor does it allow for tuition rate increase itself for 25-26)



<b>ADQ SDs Charter Reimbursement Loss</b>	<b>\$77 million (77% of total)</b>
Non ADQ SDs Charter Reimbursement Loss	\$22.9 million (23% of total)
Non ADQ SDs total BEF increase	\$12.4 million
Non ADQ SDs total SEF increase	\$7.3 million
Non ADQ SDs total BEF and SEF increases	\$19.7 million
Net Non ADQ SDs increase (less Charter Reimbursement)	<b>-\$3.1 million</b>

# Which bucket of funding is best for your district?

1. BEF
2. Adequacy
3. SEF
4. Charter reimbursement





School District	County	BEF Shares	Adequacy Share	SEF Share	Charter Share
Bedford Area SD	Bedford	0.00084948	0.00034975	0.00060241	0.00046898
Chestnut Ridge SD	Bedford	0.00054919	0.00042696	0.00041133	0.00069423
Everett Area SD	Bedford	0.00095747	0.00105085	0.00056162	0.00064952
Northern Bedford County SD	Bedford	0.00039385	0.00036229	0.00029209	0.00025632
Tussey Mountain SD	Bedford	0.00061116	0.00057487	0.00057488	0.0004378
Altoona Area SD	Blair	0.00427077	0.00611468	0.00432975	0.00325441
Bellwood-Antis SD	Blair	0.00053618	0.00039646	0.00061263	0.00047992
Claysburg-Kimmel SD	Blair	0.00049902	0.000544	0.00045722	0.00016625
Hollidaysburg Area SD	Blair	0.0010022	0.00037829	0.00101341	0.00098006
Spring Cove SD	Blair	0.00062172	0.00093405	0.00076750	0.00078751
Tyrone Area SD	Blair	0.00059109	0.00018981	0.00052080	0.00059509
Williamsburg Community SD	Blair	0.00032745	0.00054969	0.00028540	0.00015804
Blacklick Valley SD	Cambria	0.00059761	0.00092177	0.00051736	0.00048002



**At the POSITIVE count for all School Districts: This Table reflects ( for 25-26 proposed budget) how many districts are better funded by a dollar placed in BEF, or SEF, or the Cyber Charter subsidy versus Adequacy**

<b>Table: Share Differential</b>	<b>BEF Share Difference From ADQ</b>	<b>SEF Share Difference from ADQ</b>	<b>*Charter Share Difference from ADQ</b>
<b>Count Negative</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>154</b>
<b>Count Positive</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>345</b>
<b>Total SD's Impacted</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>499</b>
<b>Positive Percentage</b>	<b>68.0%</b>	<b>72.5%</b>	<b>69.1%</b>



**At the POSITIVE count for JUST the 348 Adequacy School Districts: This Table reflects (for 25-26 proposed budget) how many ADQ districts are better funded by a dollar placed in BEF, or SEF, or the Cyber Charter subsidy versus Adequacy**

<b>Table: Adequacy Districts Share Differential</b>	<b>BEF Share Difference From ADQ</b>	<b>SEF Share Difference from ADQ</b>	<b>*Charter Share Difference from ADQ</b>
<b>Count Negative</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>154</b>
<b>Count Positive</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>194</b>
<b>Total SD's Impacted</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>348</b>
<b>Positive Percentage</b>	<b>54.0%</b>	<b>60.6%</b>	<b>55.7%</b>

**The count Positive shows that 188 Adequacy school districts will be better funded by a dollar placed in BEF, 211 similarly for SEF, and 194 for the charter subsidy. Another way to say this is, within the 348 ADQ SD's, 188 are giving up BEF (or SEF or Charter) dollars to fund the top tiers of the ADQ bucket. That 188 when added to the 152 who get zero ADQ dollars equals the 340 Positive district as noted in the share differential table.**

**\* The \$100 million cyber charter Subsidy in the 25-26 budget is eliminated as proposed; the table(s) use the 24-25 cyber charter shares as a basis for the year over year comparison**





So...what does this all mean for your budget?

# Things to think about...

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- How do we better balance the subsidy allocations to ensure that we do not actually widen gaps and that we ensure predictability and sustainability
- The long view must be held...many districts will not be able to sustain cost to carry as baseline costs layer in (some cannot now)
- Improved evaluation at each district individually and better target subsidy revenue based on greatest share of education funding
- Better targeting to use taxpayer dollars most efficiently to benefit all 500 school districts
- Additional allocations to BEF and SEF: targeted and dynamic.
- Major changes in cyber charter tuition costs and/or cyber charter reimbursement...very real allowance for double digit tuition cost increases



# Questions & Answers

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THANK YOU!