2014/2015 GOV. STATE AID PROPOSAL

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2014-15 EXECUTIVE PROPOSAL FOR AID TO EDUCATION

On January 21st, Governor Cuomo presented his proposal for the 2014-15 state budget. The Governor is proposing a total of \$21.9 billion in state support for public schools. This represents a year-to-year increase of \$807 million (3.83%), as compared to the approved 2013-14 budget. The total increase represents a \$602 million increase in formula aids, \$100 million in funding towards Universal Full-Day Pre-Kindergarten, and \$50 million performance grants and \$55 million in other grant programs.

District specific data is available on the SED State Aid Unit website at www.stateaid.nysed.gov. SED will be mailing school districts detailed descriptions and "backup" data that explains how the proposed State Aid estimates were calculated for your district. Please remember that the aid estimates are based on the 2013-2014 school year estimates of expenditures and pupil data submitted with your aid claim this past fall. Therefore, it is important to review for accuracy the backup data provided in this mailing. The information will be sent with a cover memo from SED to your district superintendent.

The following is a brief summary of the major elements of the Governor's 2014-15 proposal for State Aid to public schools.

<u>Foundation Aid</u> – The 2014-15 Foundation Aid is held to the 2013-14 Foundation Aid Amount at \$15.182 billion.

<u>Gap Elimination Adjustment</u> – The Executive budget includes a \$1.315 billion Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA) for the 2014-15 school year. The GEA is adjusted to provide for growth in school aid over 2013-14 by \$323.304 million through a GEA restoration formula. (2014-15 GEA \$1.638 billion - \$323.304 million = \$1.315 billion)

See attached for more detailed calculation of the GEA Restoration.

<u>High Tax Aid</u> – \$223.298 million, frozen at the amounts for the 2013-14 school year, no formula change.

<u>Public High Cost Excess Cost Aid</u> – \$547.09 million (increase of \$16.77million); no formula change

Private Excess Cost Aid - \$372.34 million (increase of \$41.41 million); no formula change

<u>Supplemental Public Excess Cost Aid</u> – \$4.31 million frozen at 2010-11 amounts for the 2014-15 school; no formula change

<u>Summer School Special Education</u> – \$362.50 million (increase of \$24 million)

Preschool Special Education – \$1.042 billion (increase of \$59 million)

BOCES Aid and Special Services Aids - \$965.83 million (increase of \$31.28 million); no formula change

<u>Transportation Aid</u> – \$1.724 billion (increase of \$89.3 million); no formula change

<u>Building Aid/ Reorganization Incentive Building Aid</u> – \$2.839 billion (increase of \$116.47 million); no formula change

NOTE: Building aid estimates in the Executive Budget school aid run <u>DO NOT</u> reflect any changes to 2014-15 projected aid due to the ten-year recalibration of interest rates on retro and prospective capital project assumed amortizations. Districts should reduce Building Aid projections by the appropriate amounts for retro and certain prospective projects listed here https://stateaid.nysed.gov/build/html docs/interest_rate_recalibration_nov2013.htm

NOTE: Due to Chapter 97 of the Laws of 2011, projects with Commissioner's approval on or after July 1, 2011 with a SA-139 submitted in time for the November database <u>may have Building Aid projected for 2014-15 despite a Final Cost Report not having been submitted.</u> If you do not anticipate completing and filing a Final Cost Report for such project(s) by June 15, 2015, you must adjust 2014-15 Building Aid projections. Our office can help determine if a district may be in this situation.

<u>Textbook, Software, Library and Computer Hardware Aid</u> – \$284.85 (increase of \$5.43 million); no formula change

- Textbook \$58.25 per pupil
- Software \$14.98 per pupil
- Library \$6.25 per pupil
- Computer Hardware \$24.20 per pupil x current year RWADA aid ratio

<u>Universal Prekindergarten Aid</u> – \$385.03 million, frozen at 2013-14 level.

Full Day K Conversion Aid – \$2.35 million (decrease of \$16.97 million); no formula change

Charter School Transitional Aid – \$29.24 million (decrease 3.89 million); no formula change

Teachers for Tomorrow – Proposal maintains \$25 million allocation.

Aid Caps

- For 2014-15, each district's state aid, exclusive of Building Aid and Full-Day K Conversion Aid, would be capped at the total listed on the 2014-15 Executive Budget Aid Run (BT 141-5 dated 1/21/14).
- For 2013-14, each district's state aid (also exclusive of Building Aid and Full-Day K Conversion Aid) would be capped at the total listed on the same aid run.
- In 2015-16 and beyond, state aid, other than Building Aid and Full-Day K Conversion Aid, would also be capped at the total amount listed on the Executive Budget aid run for that year.

4201 (State Supported Schools for Blind and Deaf) - \$96.20 million (decrease of \$900,000)

<u>Mandate Relief</u> – The Governor's proposal would create a new waiver process that would allow school districts, BOCES and approved private special education programs to petition the State Education Department for flexibility from certain special education requirements.

STAR

The Governor proposes to allow the Department of Taxation and Finance to pay the STAR tax savings directly to eligible property owners who register for STAR after receiving their 2014-15 school tax bills.

The Governor also proposes eliminating the annual cost of living adjustment (COLA) for the income standard applicable to the Enhanced STAR exemption under the STAR program beginning with the 2015-16 school year, effectively freezing the income threshold at \$81,900.

The 2014-15 Executive Budget proposes several initiatives that will focus on improving the education system:

- Smart Schools (\$2 billion): The Executive Budget recommends a \$2 billion general obligation bond act, to be brought before voters in November 2014. The bond proceeds would fund enhanced education technology in schools. Each school district aid run displays a Smart Schools allocation. Districts will be required to develop a Smart school investment plan to outline the projects to be undertaken with their Smart school allocation. Plans and projects are subject to review by the Smart Schools review board to determine compliance with eligibility criteria. Projects may include:
 - Expansion of instructional space for prekindergarten
 - o Expansion of broadband or wireless connectivity
 - Classroom technology projects to expand high speed broadband or wireless connectivity or to acquire learning technology hardware including but not limited to whiteboards, computer servers, computers and tablets.
- Statewide Universal Full-Day Pre-Kindergarten (\$100 million): The Executive Budget proposes the State will provide funding of \$100 million in the 2014-15 school year, focusing expansion first on the highest-need students. In each subsequent school year, the State's commitment will grow by an additional \$100 million.
- After-school Programs (\$720 million over a 5 year period): The Executive Budget proposes an estimated \$160 million in the 2015-16 school year, growing to \$200 million in the 2017-18 school year, in funds allowing schools to add or expand after-school programs to provide more enrichment opportunities for students.
- Teacher Excellence Fund (\$20 million): The Executive Budget provides support to reward teacher excellence, and recruit and retain the most highly effective educators, particularly in high-needs schools. In order to qualify, teachers must be rated as "highly effective" and will be eligible to receive up to \$20,000 in annual supplemental compensation through the Teacher Excellence Fund.
- P-TECH Expansion (\$5 million): The Executive Budget provides \$5 million to expand the Pathways in Technology and Early College High School (P-TECH) program included in last year's Enacted Budget.

GEA RESTORATION CALCULATION

2014-15 GEA Restoration is the greater of A, B or C, plus D

A.) [\$272.00 x Extraordinary Needs (EN)%] x State Sharing Ratio (SSR) x Regional Cost Index (RCI) x 2013-14 public enrollment

OR

B.) \$363.50 x [1.00- (1.37 x Combined Wealth Ratio (CWR))*] x 2013-14 public enrollment *maximum of 0.9, minimum of 0

OR

C.) (Tax Effort Ratio/State average of .03176) x (1.0 - Alternate Pupil Wealth Ratio)* x \$253.50 x 2013-14 public enrollment *maximum of 0.9, minimum of 0

PLUS

D.) If 2013-14 public enrollment is greater than the 2008-09 enrollment:

(\$1,815 x SSR) x (2013-14 public enrollment - 2008-09 public enrollment)

The **Minimum** GEA Restoration is equal to the greater of:

(1.) (2.5% of 2013-14 GEA)

OR

(2.) (0.22 x 2011-12 GEA) – (2011-12 Executive Budget GEA – 2013-14 GEA)

The Maximum GEA Restoration is equal to 45% of the 2013-14 GEA

Tax Effort Ratio= Residential Tax Levy/Adjusted Gross Income

Alternate Pupil Wealth Ratio (APWR) = <u>District Adjusted Gross Income/TWPU</u>
State Average Adjusted Gross Income/TWPU

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NYSASBO State Update - Executive Budget



State Update

Governor Recommends \$807 Million Increase for School Districts January 21, 2014

The Governor released his Executive Budget recommendations to the Legislature today. He recommends an \$807 million (4 percent) increase in State Aid to school districts for school year 2014-15. High need school districts will receive 70 percent of the school aid increase.

This includes:

- A \$682 million increase in general support to public schools including \$323 million for restoration of the Gap Elimination Adjustment;
- \$100 million to make full-day pre-kindergarten universal in New York State;
- \$25 million in management efficiency and student performance program grants.

He also recommended:

- A \$2 billion bond program on the ballot in November to launch the "Smart Schools" Bond
 Referendum to bring classrooms up to speed with technology, providing access to advanced
 courses, increased parent-teacher communication, and teacher professional development with
 school district technology plans approved by the state; the funds can also be used for
 retrofitting or building space for pre-k and after school programs.
- \$20 million to reward the most effective teachers by rewarding performance with a Teacher

Excellence Fund to incentivize teachers who are rated highly effective with a \$20,000 bonus;

- A property tax freeze for homeowners and businesses implemented over five years. State funds will be provided for municipalities that perform as follows:
- o Year 1: Stay within the property tax levy limit
- o Year 2: Stay within property tax levy limit and have an approved plan to save at least one percent a year for three years through shared services or consolidation
- o Year 3: Save one percent in tax levy
- o Year 4: Save two percent in tax levy
- o Year 5: Save three percent in tax levy
- Tax relief provided by an expanded circuit breaker program will be implemented as the tax freeze is phased out.

A budget briefing book and State Aid will be available at http://www.budget.ny.gov.

We will share more as we continue to learn about the impact of the Executive budget on New York State school districts. For the first time ever, the Governor's Office has invited NYSASBO together with the Education Conference Board to a briefing on the budget proposal this evening.

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Subject: Highlights of the Governor's Budget

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GOVERNOR ANDREW M. CUOMO

Dear Fellow New Yorker,

Today, Governor Andrew Cuomo unveiled the proposed 2014-15 Executive Budget. The budget continues the fiscally disciplined approach that has defined the Governor's first three budgets and builds upon the State's record of success during his term.

Over the last three years, Governor Cuomo has turned a \$10 billion deficit to a \$2.2 billion surplus by employing fiscally responsible policies and curbing the out-of-control spending that had defined Albany for decades. The surplus will allow the State to fund more than \$2 billion in critical tax cuts for families and job-creating businesses, as well as allow the State to fund important investments in education, job creation, housing, preserving the environment, and building a stronger and more resilient state.

This year's budget is far more than a budget: it is an innovative action plan with more policies and program development than ever before. The budget again limits State funding growth to 2 percent or less and builds on the progress of the last three years by restoring the public's trust and making New York a state that is smarter, cleaner, healthier and reimagined for the future.

Some highlights of the budget include:

- Holds State spending growth to 2 percent for the fourth consecutive year;
- Cuts taxes by more than \$2 billion by 2016-17, using surpluses to be generated by the Governor's commitment to responsible fiscal management;
- Increases education aid by almost 4%;
- Funds a statewide universal pre-K program by providing \$1.5 billion over a five-year period;
- Expands after school programs by authorizing \$720 million over a five-year period;
- Ensures that all of our children have access to the latest technology needed to compete on the global stage by proposing a \$2 billion Smart Schools Bond Act;
- Grows our state's economy and creates jobs by providing an additional round of funding for the Regional Economic Development Councils and linking them with the START-UP NY program to attract businesses from around the world, delivers on the promise of the "Buffalo Billion," and makes strategic capital investments in Upstate projects;
- Helps hospitals, nursing homes and long-term care facilities restructure to provide quality community-based care by advancing \$1.2 billion in capital funding;
- Protects our state's greatest resource our environment by increasing the Environmental Protection Fund (EPF), expanding outdoor recreational opportunities and access to NY-grown agricultural products, and providing a new round of NY Works capital funding for environmental facilities;
- Strengthens our public higher education system to excel both academically and as an
 economic engine by providing \$110 million for a new and expanded round of SUNY2020 and
 CUNY2020 programs and \$8 million in funding for a new Science, Technology, Engineering
 and Math (STEM) scholarship program;

- Connects the successful NY Youth Works to our community colleges and expands the tax credit program from \$6 million to \$10 million annually to help encourage more employers to hire inner city youth; and
- Provides new economic opportunities and improves services for veterans.

Click here to read full details of the Governor's 2014-15 Executive Budget.

The new New York works for the people.

Sincerely,

Office of the Governor



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