



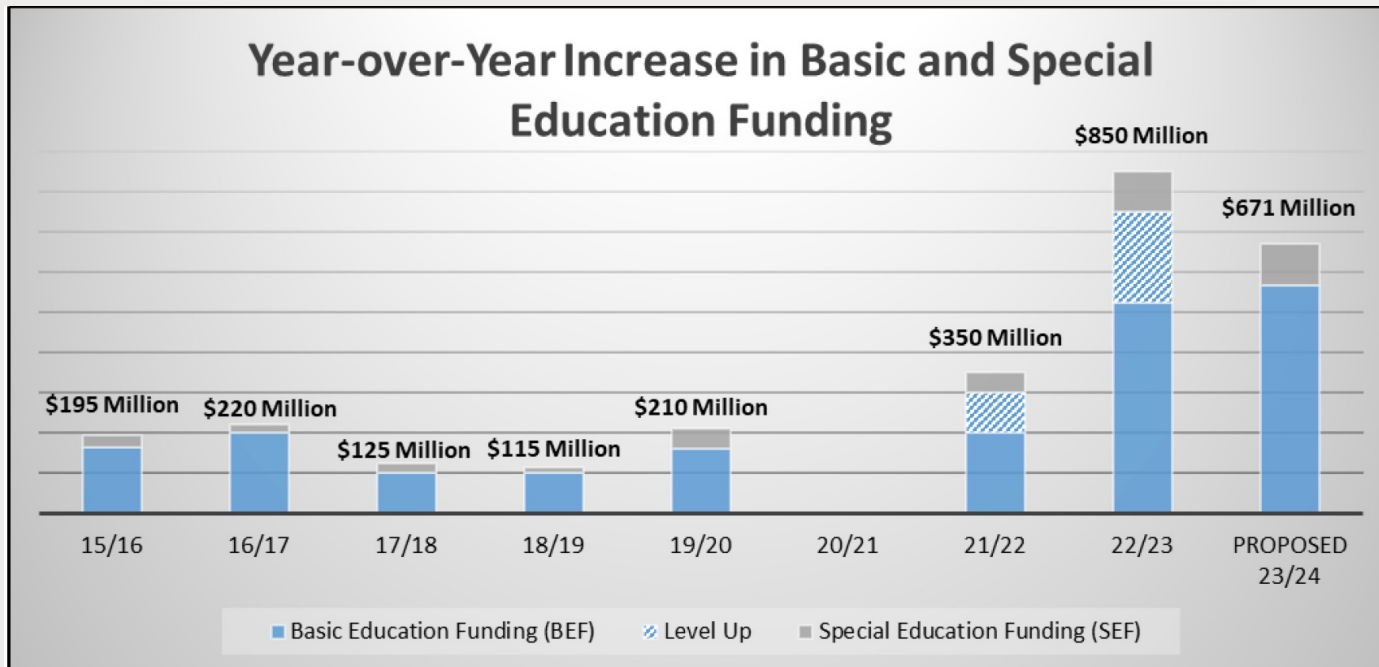
CHESTER COUNTY LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

March 21, 2023

Governor's Proposed Budget

Presented March 7, 2023

- Basic Education Funding (BEF) - \$567M increase (7.8%)
- Special Education Funding (SEF) - \$104M increase (7.8%)
- No “Level Up” Funding



Proposed BEF & SEF School District Increases

School District	Basic Education Funding (BEF)				Special Education Funding (SEF)			
	2022/23 Total BEF + Level Up	2023/24 Proposed BEF March Estimate	Year-over-Year BEF Change		2022/23 Total SEF	2023/24 Proposed SEF March Estimate	Year-over-Year SEF Change	
Avon Grove SD	\$16,421,957	\$17,396,412	\$974,455	5.9%	\$3,120,305	\$3,444,724	\$324,419	10.4%
Coatesville Area SD	\$31,129,097	\$34,359,785	\$3,230,688	10.4%	\$6,844,512	\$7,777,210	\$932,698	13.6%
Downingtown Area SD	\$17,183,361	\$18,766,428	\$1,583,067	9.2%	\$6,400,383	\$6,947,774	\$547,391	8.6%
Great Valley SD	\$3,561,782	\$4,048,185	\$486,403	13.7%	\$1,586,371	\$1,638,011	\$51,640	3.3%
Kennett Consolidated SD	\$7,357,785	\$8,000,530	\$642,745	8.7%	\$1,979,268	\$2,147,505	\$168,237	8.5%
Octorara Area SD	\$7,126,450	\$7,590,355	\$463,905	6.5%	\$1,645,581	\$1,810,457	\$164,876	10.0%
Owen J Roberts SD	\$7,550,354	\$8,417,363	\$867,009	11.5%	\$2,418,065	\$2,690,080	\$272,015	11.2%
Oxford Area SD	\$15,322,675	\$16,402,412	\$1,079,737	7.0%	\$2,582,836	\$2,995,315	\$412,479	16.0%
Phoenixville Area SD	\$6,028,762	\$6,755,996	\$727,234	12.1%	\$1,766,372	\$1,874,258	\$107,886	6.1%
Tredyffrin-Easttown SD	\$4,625,467	\$5,340,246	\$714,779	15.5%	\$2,450,303	\$2,550,214	\$99,911	4.1%
Unionville-Chadds Ford SD	\$3,879,827	\$4,394,425	\$514,598	13.3%	\$1,789,668	\$1,863,688	\$74,020	4.1%
West Chester Area SD	\$10,935,005	\$12,643,178	\$1,708,173	15.6%	\$5,417,241	\$5,566,766	\$149,525	2.8%

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■ Additional highlights:

- \$100M state appropriation for school environmental repairs and improvements
- School Food Services Initiative: \$38.5M increase to both annualize Gov. Wolf's 2022/23 universal free breakfast initiative and expand free lunch to students previously only eligible for reduced price lunches
- Continued School Safety investments
 - Maintains the \$100M Transfer to the School Safety and Security Fund for physical safety grants
 - Creates a \$100M school-based mental health supports block grant (distribution unknown)

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■ Additional highlights:

- CTE: \$17.3M increase (16%)
 - \$3.3M, or 60%, more for equipment grants
 - \$3M to cover enrollment growth and \$4M to increase the subsidy rate
 - \$5M to develop additional CTE programs statewide
 - \$2M for an initiative to bring more trade and industry professionals into the classroom
- \$1M increase within Adult and Family Literacy to make the high school equivalency exam free of charge
- \$10.4M increase (3%) for Early Intervention
- \$30M increase (10%) for PreK Counts
- \$2.7M increase (3%) for HeadStart Supplemental Assistance

PA House of Representatives

Special Elections: Democrats are now in the majority at 102

Speaker of the House: Joanna McClinton

PA House of Representatives: Education Committee

■ Majority Chair: Peter Schweyer
(Lehigh County)

■ Majority Members:

- *Joe Ciresi*
- *Gina Curry*
- ***Paul Friel (Chester County)***
- *Carol Hill-Evans*
- *MaryLouise Isaacson*
- *Carol Kazeem*
- *Maureen Madden*
- *Napoleon Nelson*
- *Tarah Probst*
- *Mark Rozzi*
- *Ismail Smith-Wade-El*

■ Minority Chair: Jesse Topper
(Bedford/Fulton)

■ Minority Members:

- *Joseph D’Orsie*
- *Barbara Gleim*
- *Milou Mackenzie*
- *Robert Mercuri*
- *Jason Ortitay*
- *John Schlegel*
- *Stephenie Scialabba*
- *Craig Staats*

Education
Bills
This Session

39 Bills Currently Sit
with Senate
Education Committee

59 Bills + 2 Senate
Bills Currently Sit with
House Education
Committee

2023 Session Days: PA House and Senate

April 24, 25, 26 – Both Chambers

May 1, 2, 3 - Both Chambers

May 8, 9, 10 (Senate Only)

May 22, 23, 24 (House Only)

June 5, 6, 7 - Both Chambers

June 12, 13, 14 (House Only)

June 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 – Both Chambers (Senate only on 23)

June 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 – Both Chambers