



2020 Public Education Summary

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Foreword

This publication represents the combined efforts of staff members at the Utah State Board of Education (USBE). It is intended to be a single-source review of education-related legislation from the 2020 Legislative Session. This publication is written for state school board members, local education agency (LEA) board members, superintendents, charter school administrators, and school business administrators. It may also be useful to other public education-related organizations and to state legislators.

The main body of the publication reviews each education-related bill that was passed and identifies actions that might be taken by USBE, local school boards, and charter school governing boards to implement the requirements of the legislation. The publication also contains summary information on funding and bills not passed.

This publication is a service of USBE, but is not intended to convey any specific direction or assignments for action by local education agencies. The Utah State Board of Education will adopt administrative rules as necessary to implement new legislation. This publication is also not intended as a formal legal opinion or interpretation of legislative action.

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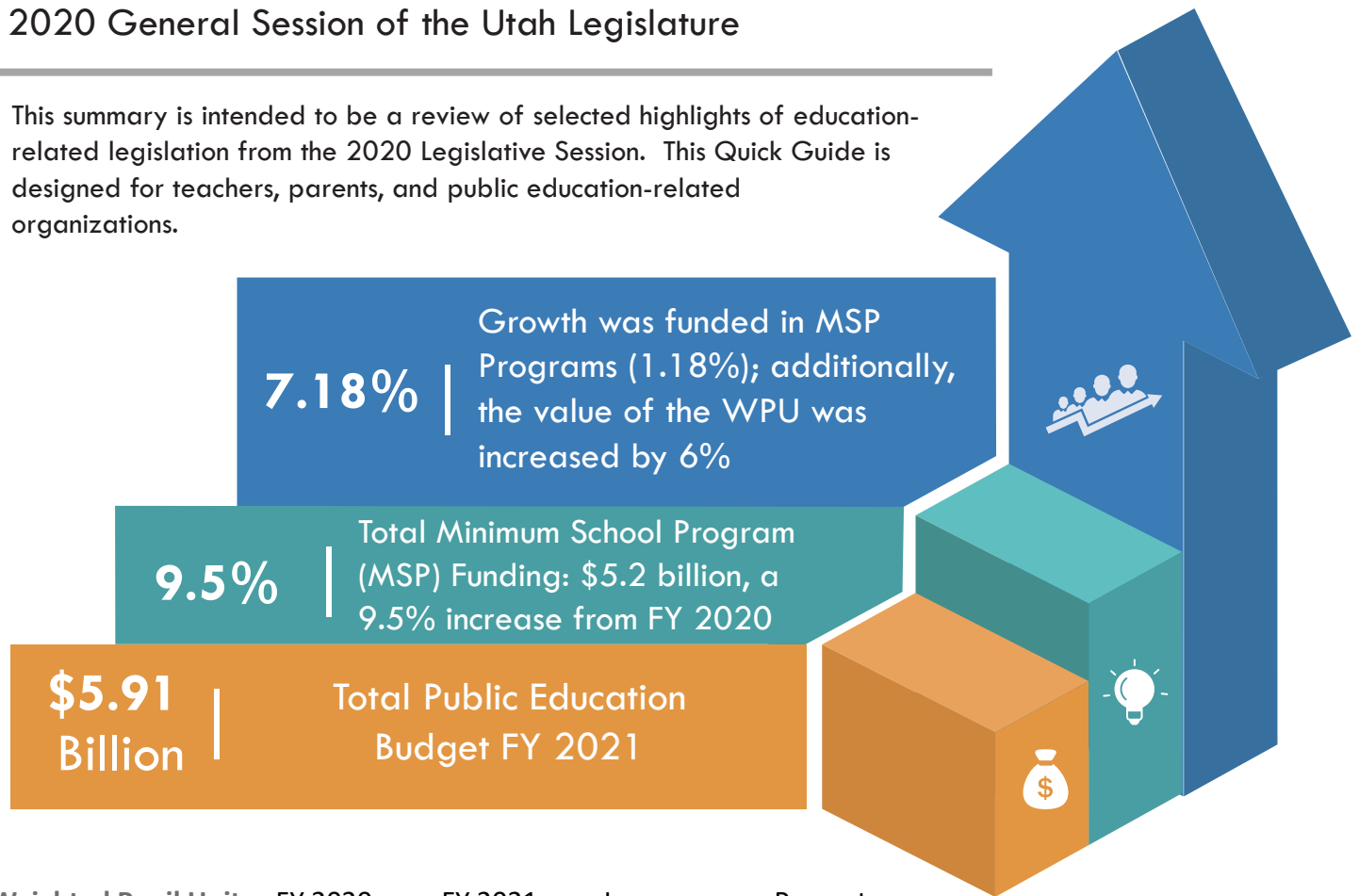
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Public Education Quick Guide

2020 General Session of the Utah Legislature

This summary is intended to be a review of selected highlights of education-related legislation from the 2020 Legislative Session. This Quick Guide is designed for teachers, parents, and public education-related organizations.



Weighted Pupil Unit (WPU) Value	FY 2020	FY 2021	Increase	Percent
	\$3,532	\$3,745	\$213	6.0%



Enrollment Growth & WPU

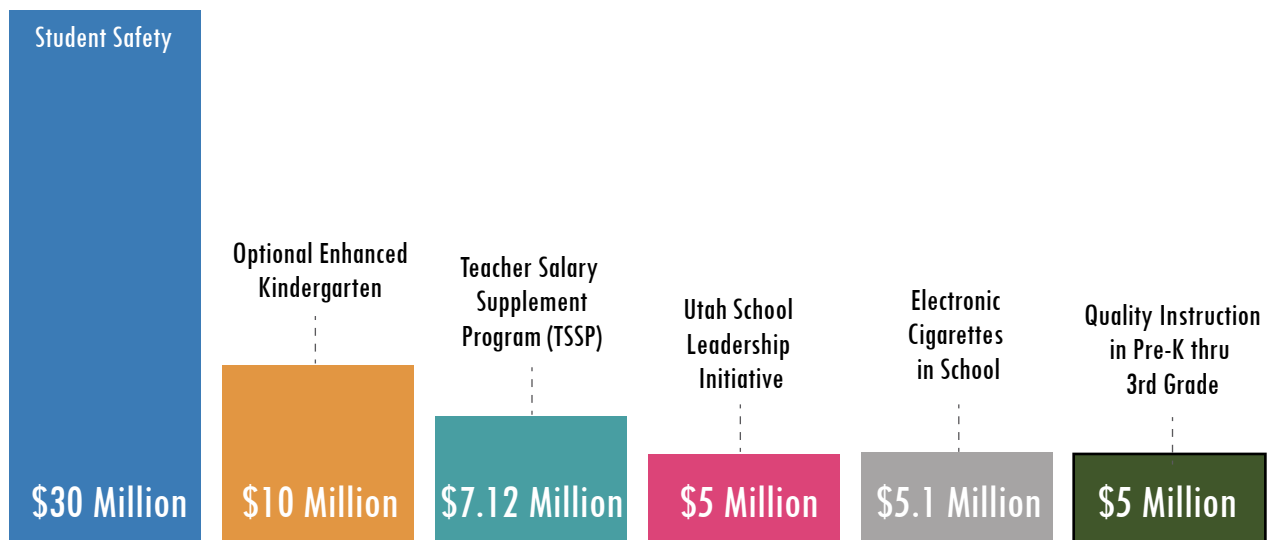
\$252,086,500 ongoing and **\$4,680,900** one-time. This funding includes the WPU value increase. Local Education Agencies (LEAs) will be funded on the prior year Average Daily Membership (ADM) + growth. Enrollment growth was funded for an estimated increase of **7,902** students next year.



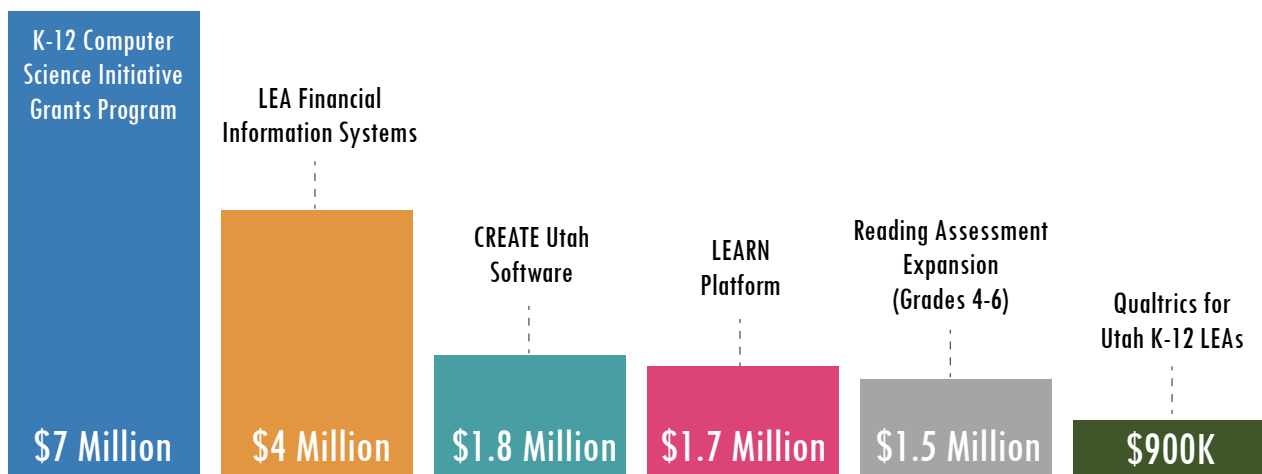
Voted and Board Local Levy Programs Increase

The Equity Pupil Tax Rate could increase the number of guaranteed local levy increments up to 20 for either the Voted or Board Local Levy Programs with appropriated funds of **\$70 million**.

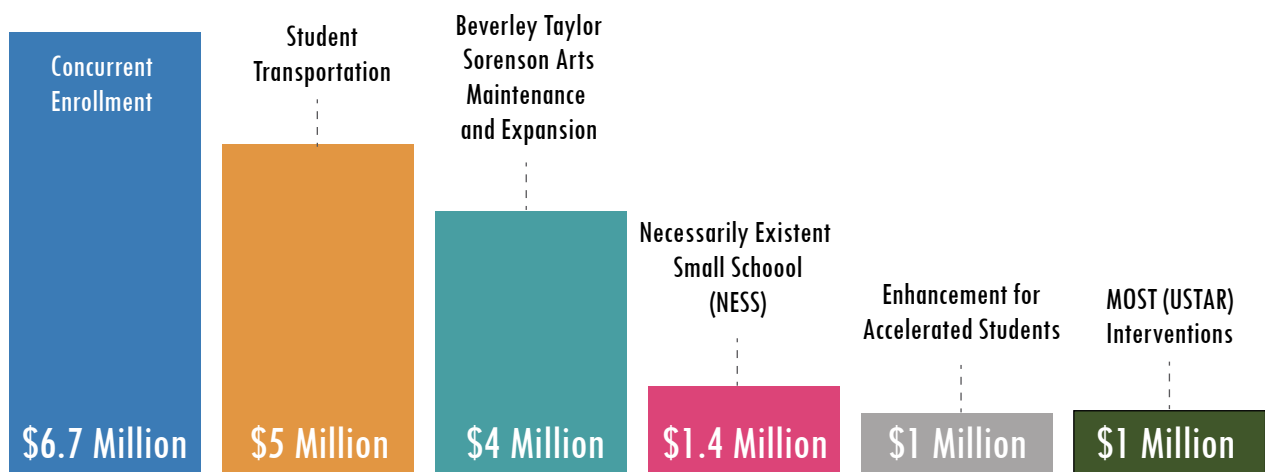
Notable Funding Highlights



Teacher & Student Support



Investments in Technology



Program Increases

General Session Agency Appropriation Items

FY 2021 Ongoing Requests

A. Programs for LEAs - Ongoing	Bill/Item	Ongoing	USBE Priority Request
Optional Enhanced Kindergarten	HB99, 2	\$45,000	\$18,647,200
K-12 Computer Science Initiative Grants Program	SB 2, 8	\$7,000,000	\$4,000,000
Utah School Leadership Initiative	SB 99, 2	\$200,000	\$15,200,000
Quality Instruction- PreK-3rd Grade	HB 114, 2	\$1,065,000	\$10,000,000
UPSTART	SB 2, 8	\$5,000,000	
Electronic Cigarettes in School	HB 58, 1	\$5,084,200	
LEA Financial Information Systems	HB 67, 1	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000
Early Childhood Grants (DWS)	HB 3, 219	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
Educational Technology Management System	HB 360/HB 3, 265	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000
Reading Assessment Expansion	SB 93, 1	\$1,500,000	
MOST (USTAR) Interventions	SB 93, 2	\$100,000	\$4,800,000
School Mental Health	HB 323/HB 3, 266	\$500,000	
Utah Anti-Bullying Coalition	HB 3, 264	\$300,000	
POPS Provisional Program	SB 2, 7	\$250,000	
iSEE Student Outreach Provider Increase	SB 2, 10	\$200,000	
American Indian and Alaskan Native Education	SB 124, 1	\$250,000	
Utah Symphony in Schools	HB 3, 263	\$200,000	
Civics Education	HB 334/HB 3, 267	\$147,300	
USBE Discretionary Market Salary Adjustments	SB 2, 11, 12	\$500,000	
State Board Fiscal Monitors	SB 2, 11	\$650,700	
Charter School Operations	HB 242/HB 3, 270	\$425,000	
UPPAC Investigator	SB 2,6	\$170,700	

B. Programs for LEAs - One-Time	Bill/Item	One-Time	USBE Priority Request
Statewide Online Education Program	SB 2, 11	\$3,200,000	
Create Utah Software	SB 2, 8	\$1,830,500	
Qualtrics for Utah K-12 LEAs	HB 3, 264	\$900,000	\$1,350,000
InfiniD Learning	SB 2, 8	\$521,000	
Financial Literacy in Public Schools	SB 2,8	\$500,000	
SafeUT Operations (University of Utah)	HB 3, 224	\$250,000	
Strengthening College & Career Readiness Reduction	SB 2, 8	(\$213,000)	
Hope Street Group Teacher Fellows	SB 2, 8	\$50,000	
Civics Education	HB 334/HB 3, 267	\$15,000	
Early Warning System	HB 392	\$125,000	

MSP FY2020/FY2021 Comparison

Program	Total FY20 Approp.	FY21 Base Approp.		FY21 Adjusted Base Budget Approp.		FY21 Approp.	Total FY21 Approp.		Growth
	\$ Value	WPU's	\$ Value	WPU's	\$ Value	\$ Value	WPU's	\$ Value	
Basic School Program									
Kindergarten	96,342,400	27,308	96,451,900		5,816,600		27,308	102,268,500	6.15%
Grades 1-12	2,119,030,500	606,016	2,140,448,500		129,081,400		606,016	2,269,529,900	7.10%
Foreign Exchange	1,158,500	328	1,158,500		69,900		328	1,228,400	6.03%
NESS	34,366,300	9,730	34,366,300	386	3,518,200		10,116	37,884,500	10.24%
ProStaff	197,505,900	56,572	199,812,300		12,049,900		56,572	211,862,200	7.27%
Admin Cost	5,262,700	1,515	5,351,000		322,700		1,515	5,673,700	7.81%
SPED - Add-on	297,463,000	86,450	305,341,400		18,413,900		86,450	323,755,300	8.84%
SPED - Preschool	39,484,200	11,311	39,950,500		2,409,200		11,311	42,359,700	7.28%
SPED - Self Contained	48,695,700	13,229	46,724,800		2,817,800		13,229	49,542,600	1.74%
SPED - ESY	1,596,500	457	1,614,100		97,400		457	1,711,500	7.20%
SPED - Impact Aid	7,191,200	2,060	7,275,900		438,800		2,060	7,714,700	7.28%
SPED - Intensive Services	2,776,200	795	2,807,900		169,400		795	2,977,300	7.24%
SPED - Extended Year for Special Educators	3,210,600	909	3,210,600		193,600		909	3,404,200	6.03%
CTE Add-on	101,583,900	29,100	102,781,200		6,198,300		29,100	108,979,500	7.28%
Class Size Reduction	147,895,400	42,375	149,668,500		9,025,900		42,375	158,694,400	7.30%
Subtotal	3,103,563,000	888,155	3,136,963,400		190,623,000		888,541	3,327,586,400	

MSP FY2020/FY2021 Comparison

Program	Total FY20 Approp. \$ Value	FY21 Base Approp. \$ Value	FY21 Adjusted Base Budget Approp. \$ Value	FY21 Approp. \$ Value	Total FY21 Approp. \$ Value	Growth
A. Related to Basic Programs						
To/From Pupil Transportation	98,461,900	99,627,700	10,977,700		110,605,400	12.33%
Rural School Extracurricular Activities Reimbursement				100,000	100,000	100%
Rural School Transportation Grants	1,000,000	1,000,000			1,000,000	0%
Rural School Transportation Reimbursement	500,000	500,000			500,000	0%
Flex Allocation	7,788,000	7,788,000		30,000,000	37,788,000	385.21%
Charter School Local Replacement	195,042,300	223,757,600	(14,426,100)		209,331,500	7.33%
Charter School Admin Costs	8,112,200	8,014,500	250,000		8,264,500	1.88%

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Program	Total FY20 Approp. \$ Value	FY21 Base Approp. \$ Value	FY21 Adjusted Base Budget Approp. \$ Value	FY21 Approp. \$ Value	Total FY21 Approp. \$ Value	Growth
B. Focus Populations						
Enhancement for At-Risk Students	44,836,000	47,351,300	2,841,100		50,192,400	11.95%
Youth-in-Custody	25,222,500	298,600	26,753,800		27,052,400	7.26%
Adult Education	14,175,400	14,343,200	860,600		15,203,800	7.25%
Enhancement for Accelerated Students	5,483,300	5,548,200	1,332,900		6,881,100	25.49%
Centennial Scholarship Program	269,300	272,500	16,400		288,900	7.28%
Concurrent Enrollment	11,750,900	11,890,000	5,627,000	1,779,400	19,296,400	64.21%
Paraeducators Program	300,000	300,000			300,000	0%
Early Literacy Program (formerly K-3 Reading)	14,550,000	14,550,000			14,550,000	0%
Early Intervention	7,500,000	7,500,000		9,955,000	17,455,000	132.73%
Early Graduation from Competency-Based Education		55,700			55,700	100%

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Program	Total FY20 Approp. \$ Value	FY21 Base Approp. \$ Value	FY21 Adjusted Base Budget Approp. \$ Value	FY21 Approp. \$ Value	Total FY21 Approp. \$ Value	Growth
C. Educator Supports						
Educator Salary Adjustment	177,945,500	182,626,400			182,626,400	2.63%
Teacher Salary Supplement Program	18,928,600	18,928,600	3,300,000		22,228,600	17.43%
National Board Certified Teachers	246,300	246,300			246,300	0%
Teacher Supplies & Materials	5,500,000	5,500,000			5,500,000	0%
Effective Teachers in High Poverty Schools Incentive Program	250,000	250,000		428,200	678,200	171.28%
Grants for Educators in High-need Schools	500,000	500,000			500,000	0%
Elementary School Counselor Program	2,100,000	2,100,000			2,100,000	0%
Grants for Professional Learning				3,935,000	3,935,000	100%
Grants for New & Aspiring Principals				4,800,000	4,800,000	100%

MSP FY2020/FY2021 Comparison

Program	Total FY20 Approp. \$ Value	FY21 Base Approp. \$ Value	FY21 Adjusted Base Budget Approp. \$ Value	FY21 Approp. \$ Value	Total FY21 Approp. \$ Value	Growth
D. Statewide Initiatives						
School LAND Trust Program	82,663,100	82,663,100	6,166,000		88,829,100	7.46%
Teacher and Student Success Program	98,985,000	98,950,000	20,600,000		119,550,000	20.82%
Student Health and Counseling Support Program	16,000,000	26,000,000	(520,000)		25,480,000	59.25%
School Library Books/ Electronic Resources	850,000	850,000			850,000	0%
Matching Fund for School Nurses	1,002,000	1,002,000			1,002,000	0%
Dual Immersion	5,030,000	5,030,000		900,000	5,030,000	0%
USTAR Centers	6,200,000	6,200,000			7,100,000	14.25%
Beverly Taylor Sorenson Arts Learning Program	11,880,000	10,880,000	4,000,000		14,880,000	25.25%
Digital Teaching and Learning Program	19,852,400	19,852,400			19,852,400	0%

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E. Voted & Board Local Levy Programs						
Voted Local Levy Program	520,950,100	538,548,500		19,000,000	557,548,500	7.03%
Board Local Levy Program	251,254,400	304,494,200			304,494,200	21.19%
Board Local Levy Program - Early Literacy Program	15,000,000	15,000,000			15,000,000	0%
A-E Subtotal	1,670,094,200	1,762,418,800	67,779,400	70,897,600	1,901,095,800	
Total Minimum School Program	4,773,657,200	4,899,382,200	258,402,400	70,897,600	5,228,682,200	
Capital Outlay Program						
Capital Outlay Foundation Program	27,610,900	27,610,900			27,610,900	0%
Capital Outlay Enrollment Growth	5,638,800	5,638,800			5,638,800	0%

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	Fiscal Year 2020 Revised	Fiscal Year 2021 Appropriated
Section 1: Minimum School Program - Summary of Total Revenue Sources and Expenditures by Program		
Total Revenue Sources	Amount	Amount
A. General State Revenue		
1. Education Fund	3,388,720,200	3,616,779,800
a. Education Fund, One-time	(18,774,600)	31,050,000
B. Restricted State Revenue		
1. Uniform School Fund	32,500,000	25,500,000
a. Uniform School Fund, One-time	(3,000,000)	0
2. USF Restricted - Trust Distribution Account	82,663,100	88,829,100
3. EF Restricted - Minimum Basic Growth Account ⁽⁶⁾	56,250,000	56,250,000
4. EF Restricted - Charter School Levy Account ⁽⁵⁾	26,931,000	30,428,500
5. EF Restricted - Teacher and Student Success Account ⁽⁶⁾	83,950,000	104,550,000
a. EFR - Teacher and Student Success Account, One-time ⁽⁶⁾	0	0
6. EF Restricted - Local Levy Growth Account ⁽⁶⁾	48,997,900	70,135,200
Subtotal State Revenues:	\$3,698,237,600	\$4,023,522,600
C. Local Property Tax Revenue		
1. Minimum Basic Tax Rate		
a. Basic Levy	348,036,700	365,367,400
b. Basic Levy Increment Rate ⁽⁶⁾	75,000,000	75,000,000
2. Equity Pupil Tax Rate ⁽⁶⁾	48,997,900	70,135,200
3. WPU Value Rate ⁽⁶⁾	37,450,000	58,050,000
4. Voted Local Levy	350,202,100	380,353,200
5. Board Local Levy	208,914,000	241,253,800
a. Early Literacy Program	15,000,000	15,000,000
Subtotal Local Revenues:	\$1,083,600,700	\$1,205,159,600
D. Transfer to Education Fund ⁽²⁾	(12,800,000)	0
D. Beginning Nonlapsing Balances	56,831,800	57,231,800
E. Closing Nonlapsing Balances	(44,031,800)	(57,231,800)
Total Revenues:	\$4,781,838,300	\$5,228,682,200
Total Expenditures by Program		
A. Basic School Program	3,115,563,000	3,327,586,400
B. Related to Basic School Program	891,070,800	1,024,053,100
C. Voted & Board Local Levy Programs	775,204,500	877,042,700
Total Expenditures:	\$4,781,838,300	\$5,228,682,200

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	Fiscal Year 2020 Revised	Fiscal Year 2021 Appropriated
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Section 2: Minimum School Program - Detail of Revenue Sources & Expenditures by Program

Table A: Basic School Program (Weighted Pupil Unit Programs)

	Fiscal Year 2020 Revised		Fiscal Year 2021 Appropriated	
	<i>WPU Value :</i>		<i>\$3,532</i>	
	<i>Basic Tax Rate:</i>		<i>0.001661</i>	
		<i>\$3,745</i>		<i>0.001660</i>
Revenue Sources	Changes	Amount	Changes	Amount
A. State Revenue				
1. Education Fund	0	2,561,578,400	171,955,400	2,733,533,800
a. Education Fund, One-time ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	0	15,000,000	0	0
B. Restricted State Revenue				
1. Uniform School Fund	0	32,500,000	(7,000,000)	25,500,000
a. Uniform School Fund, One-time	0	(3,000,000)	0	0
Subtotal - State Revenues:		\$2,606,078,400		\$2,759,033,800
C. Local Property Tax Revenue				
1. Minimum Basic Tax Rate				
a. Basic Levy	0	348,036,700	17,330,700	365,367,400
b. Basic Levy Increment Rate ⁽⁶⁾	0	75,000,000	0	75,000,000
2. Equity Pupil Tax Rate ⁽⁶⁾	0	48,997,900	21,137,300	70,135,200
3. WPU Value Rate ⁽⁶⁾	0	37,450,000	20,600,000	58,050,000
Subtotal - Local Property Tax Revenues:		\$509,484,600		\$568,552,600
D. Transfer to Education Fund		(3,814,800)		0
D. Beginning Nonlapsing Balances	0	29,570,900	4,986,700	29,570,900
E. Closing Nonlapsing Balances	0	(25,756,100)	(4,986,700)	(29,570,900)
Total Revenues:		\$3,115,563,000		\$3,327,586,400
Expenditures by Categorical Program	WPU	Amount	WPU	Amount
A. Regular Basic School Program				
1. Kindergarten	27,277	96,342,400	27,308	102,268,500
2. Grades 1-12 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	599,952	2,131,030,500	606,016	2,269,529,900
3. Foreign Exchange Students	328	1,158,500	328	1,228,400
4. Necessarily Existent Small Schools	9,730	34,366,300	10,116	37,884,500
5. Professional Staff	55,919	197,505,900	56,572	211,862,200
6. Administrative Costs	1,490	5,262,700	1,515	5,673,700
Subtotal - Regular Basic School Program:	694,696	\$2,465,666,300	701,855	\$2,628,447,200
B. Restricted Basic School Program				
1. Special Education - Regular - Add-on WPU ⁽³⁾	84,217	297,463,000	86,450	323,755,300
2. Special Education - Regular - Self-Contained	13,787	48,695,700	13,229	49,542,600
3. Special Education - Pre-School	11,179	39,484,200	11,311	42,359,700
4. Special Education - Extended Year Program	452	1,596,500	457	1,711,500
5. Special Education - Impact Aid ⁽¹⁾	2,036	7,191,200	2,060	7,714,700
6. Special Education - Intensive Services	786	2,776,200	795	2,977,300
7. Special Education - Extended Year for Special Educators	909	3,210,600	909	3,404,200
8. Career & Technical Education - District Add-on ⁽¹⁾	28,761	101,583,900	29,100	108,979,500
9. Class Size Reduction	41,873	147,895,400	42,375	158,694,400
Subtotal - Restricted Basic School Program:	184,000	\$649,896,700	186,686	\$699,139,200
Total Expenditures:	878,696	\$3,115,563,000	888,541	\$3,327,586,400

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Table B: Related to Basic School Program (Below-the-Line)

<i>Charter School Local Replacement Rate:</i>		<i>\$2,355</i>		<i>\$2,562</i>
<i>Charter School Administrative Cost Rate:</i>		<i>\$100</i>		<i>\$100</i>
Revenue Sources	Changes	Amount	Changes	Amount
A. State Revenue				
1. Education Fund	\$0	698,401,300	70,794,200	769,195,500
a. Education Fund, One-time	0	(874,600)	31,050,000	31,050,000
B. Restricted State Revenue				
1. USF Restricted - Trust Distribution Account	0	82,663,100	6,166,000	88,829,100
2. EF Restricted - Teacher and Student Success Account ⁽⁶⁾	0	83,950,000	20,600,000	104,550,000
3. EF Restricted - Charter School Levy Account ⁽⁵⁾	0	26,931,000	3,497,500	30,428,500
Subtotal - State Revenues:		\$891,070,800		\$1,024,053,100
C. Transfer to Education Fund	(8,985,200)	(8,985,200)		0
C. Beginning Nonlapsing Balances	0	27,260,900	0	27,660,900
D. Closing Nonlapsing Balances	0	(18,275,700)	0	(27,660,900)
Total Revenues:		\$891,070,800		\$1,024,053,100
Expenditures by Categorical Program	Changes	Funding	Changes	Amount
A. Related to Basic Programs				
1. Pupil Transportation - To & From School ⁽⁴⁾	0	98,461,900	12,143,500	110,605,400
2. Pupil Transportation - Rural Transportation Grants	0	1,000,000	0	1,000,000
3. Pupil Transportation - Rural School Reimbursement	0	500,000	0	500,000
4. Flexible Allocation - WPU Distribution ⁽²⁾⁽⁶⁾	0	7,788,000	30,000,000	37,788,000
5. Rural School Extracurricular Activities Reimbursement	0	0	100,000	100,000
6. Charter School Local Replacement ⁽⁵⁾	0	195,042,300	14,289,200	209,331,500
7. Charter School Administrative Costs ⁽²⁾	0	8,112,200	152,300	8,264,500
Subtotal - Related to Basic Programs:		\$310,904,400		\$367,589,400
B. Focus Populations				
1. Enhancement for At-Risk Students ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	\$0	44,836,000	5,356,400	50,192,400
2. Youth-in-Custody ⁽¹⁾	0	25,222,500	1,829,900	27,052,400
3. Adult Education ⁽¹⁾	0	14,175,400	1,028,400	15,203,800
4. Enhancement for Accelerated Students	0	5,483,300	1,397,800	6,881,100
5. Centennial Scholarship Program	0	269,300	19,600	288,900
6. Concurrent Enrollment	0	11,750,900	7,545,500	19,296,400
7. Title I Schools in Improvement - Paraeducators	0	300,000	0	300,000
8. Early Literacy Program ⁽¹⁾	0	14,550,000	0	14,550,000
9. Early Intervention	0	7,500,000	9,955,000	17,455,000
10. Early Graduation from Competency-Based Education	(55,700)	0	55,700	55,700
Subtotal - Focus Populations:		\$124,087,400		\$151,275,700
C. Educator Supports				
1. Educator Salary Adjustments ⁽²⁾	4,680,900	182,626,400	4,680,900	182,626,400
2. Teacher Salary Supplement ⁽²⁾	3,820,200	22,748,800	3,300,000	22,228,600
3. National Board Certified Teacher Programs	0	246,300	0	246,300
4. Teacher Supplies & Materials	0	5,500,000	0	5,500,000
5. Effective Teachers in High Poverty Schools	0	250,000	428,200	678,200
6. Grants for Educators in High-need Schools	0	500,000	0	500,000
7. Elementary School Counselor Program	0	2,100,000	0	2,100,000
8. Grants for Professional Learning	0	0	3,935,000	3,935,000
9. Grants for New & Aspiring Principals	0	0	4,800,000	4,800,000
Subtotal - Educator Supports:		\$213,971,500		\$222,614,500
D. Statewide Initiatives				
1. School LAND Trust Program	0	82,663,100	6,166,000	88,829,100
2. Teacher and Student Success Program ⁽⁶⁾⁽⁷⁾	0	98,950,000	20,600,000	119,550,000
3. Student Health and Counseling Support Program ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	(320,000)	15,680,000	9,800,000	25,480,000
4. School Library Books & Electronic Resources	0	850,000	0	850,000
5. Matching Fund for School Nurses	0	1,002,000	0	1,002,000
6. Dual Immersion ⁽¹⁾	0	5,030,000	0	5,030,000
7. Year-Round Math & Science (USTAR Centers)	0	6,200,000	900,000	7,100,000
8. Beverley Taylor Sorenson Arts Learning Program ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	0	11,880,000	3,000,000	14,880,000
9. Digital Teaching & Learning Program ⁽¹⁾	0	19,852,400	0	19,852,400
Subtotal - Other Programs:		\$242,107,500		\$282,573,500
Total Expenditures:		\$891,070,800		\$1,024,053,100

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Table C: Voted & Board Local Levy Programs				
<i>Guarantee Rate (per 0.0001 Tax Rate per WPU):</i>		\$44.98	<i>Estimated at:</i>	\$49.70
Revenue Sources	Changes	Amount	Changes	Amount
A. State Revenue				
1. Education Fund	\$0	128,740,500	(14,690,000)	114,050,500
a. Education Fund, One-time ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	(\$12,000,000)	(32,900,000)	0	0
B. Restricted State Revenue				
1. EFR - Minimum Basic Growth Account ⁽⁶⁾	0	56,250,000	0	56,250,000
2. EFR - Local Levy Growth Account ⁽⁶⁾	0	48,997,900	21,137,300	70,135,200
Subtotal - State Revenues:		201,088,400		240,435,700
C. Local Property Tax Revenue				
1. Voted Local Levy	0	350,202,100	30,151,100	380,353,200
2. Board Local Levy	0	208,914,000	32,339,800	241,253,800
a. Reading Improvement Program	0	15,000,000	0	15,000,000
Subtotal - Local Property Tax Revenues:		574,116,100		636,607,000
Total Revenues:		\$775,204,500		\$877,042,700
Expenditures by Categorical Program	Changes	Amount	Changes	Amount
A. Voted and Board Local Levy Programs				
1. Voted Local Levy Program ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁶⁾	(6,000,000)	514,950,100	37,598,400	557,548,500
2. Board Local Levy Program ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁶⁾	(6,000,000)	245,254,400	54,239,800	304,494,200
3. Board Local Levy - Early Literacy Program	0	15,000,000	0	15,000,000
Total Expenditures:		\$775,204,500		\$877,042,700
Total Minimum School Program Expenditures:		\$4,781,838,300		\$5,228,682,200

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Section 3: School Building Programs - Total Revenues & Expenditures (Not Included in MSP Totals Above)

Revenue Sources	Changes	Amount	Changes	Amount
A. State Revenue				
1. Education Fund	0	14,499,700	0	14,499,700
B. Restricted State Revenue				
1. EFR - Minimum Basic Growth Account	0	18,750,000	0	18,750,000
Total Revenues:		\$33,249,700		\$33,249,700
Expenditures by Categorical Program	Changes	Amount	Changes	Amount
A. Capital Outlay Programs				
1. Foundation Program	0	27,610,900	0	27,610,900
2. Enrollment Growth Program	0	5,638,800	0	5,638,800
Total Expenditures:		\$33,249,700		\$33,249,700

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Notes:

- Administrative funding for certain MSP categorical programs can be found in the "MSP Categorical Program Administration" line item in the State Board of Education's budget. Adding program and administration funding will provide the full-cost for the program.
- Includes one-time funding appropriated by the Legislature in FY 2020 or FY 2021, as follows:
 - FY 2020 - Teacher and Student Success Program (\$10,000,000), Voted & Board Local Levy Programs (\$20,900,000), Beverly Taylor Sorenson Arts Learning Program \$1,000,000, Early Graduation from Competency Based Education (\$55,700).
 - FY 2020 Supplemental - Transfer of \$12,000,000 from the Voted & Board Local Levy Program to the Grades 1-12 Program. Transfer of \$12,800,000 from nonlapsing balances in the Basic and Related to Basic School Programs to the Education Fund. Transfer of \$320,000 from the Student Health and Counseling Support Program to the MSP Categorical Program Administration Program. \$3,820,200 to support the Teacher Salary Supplement Program. \$4,680,900 to the Educator Salary Adjustment Program.
 - FY 2021 - \$30,000,000 for Student and School Safety distributed through the Flexible Allocation - WPU Distribution program. \$250,000 to the Charter School Administration Program to provide a minimum of \$45,000 for charters enrolling fewer than 450 students. \$800,000 to support H.B. 336, Concurrent Enrollment Certificate Pilot Program starting in FY 2022.
- Transferred a total of \$12.0 million one-time from the Voted & Board Local Levy Programs to the Basic School Program - Grades 1-12 in FY 2019 to provide the State Board of Education flexibility to maintain categorical program funding levels as authorized under 53F-2-205.
- Includes approximately \$4.3 million in funding for student transportation at the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind.
- Local school districts levy a tax rate for their contribution to the Charter School Local Replacement program. The revenue generated from the tax is deposited into the Education Fund Restricted - Charter School Levy Account and appropriated to the program.
- Education Fund Restricted (EFR) accounts created by the Legislature funded from state fund "savings" generated through increased property tax revenues collected by various tax rates that are part of the Basic Levy. When local school districts pay more of the cost of WPUs from the property tax, less state revenue is required. This state revenue is transferred to the restricted funds to support other education programs.
- The Teacher and Student Success Program includes \$15.0 million appropriated in FY 2020 from the Education Fund. This program is funded from two sources, the Education Fund as mentioned, and the remaining funding from the EFR-Teacher and Student Success Account.

Notable Education Bills

Highlights of notable education related bills

Proposal to Amend Utah Constitution Use of Tax Revenue

S.J.R. 9: Senator Daniel McCay & Representative Mike Schultz

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Public Education Funding Stabilization

H.B. 357: Senator Ann Millner & Representative Robert Spendlove

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Allows the use of income tax revenue to support services for children and individuals with disabilities.

Protects public education (K-12) funding.

Adjusts education funding automatically for enrollment growth and inflation.

Reserves above-trend revenues to meet educational funding commitments during economic downturns.

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Educators are increasingly focused on the role that physical and mental health play in academic success.

Mechanism to constitutionally protect funding for K-12 public education despite allowing the income tax to be used for children and individuals with disabilities.

Income tax is historically unstable. Mechanism to stabilize education funding through economic downturns.

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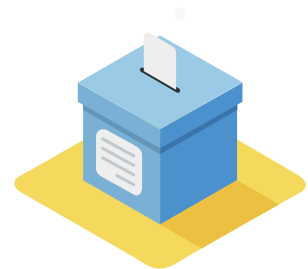
Expands the Constitutional earmark.

Moves current funding to a constitutionally protected account for K-12 education - approximately \$3.4 billion beginning in FY 2021.

Includes enrollment growth and the annual inflation for the Minimum School Program in the base budget.

Creates an ongoing public education budget stabilization account to meet future education needs.

Lets Utah Voters Decide



The proposal takes effect if Utahns approve it during the 2020 general election.

Principles adopted by the Board

The Board emphasizes the importance of policy that aligns with the following principles:

- Maintaining stability in funding for education
- Increasing strategic investment in education
- Accounting for variation in school districts' ability to raise local revenue
- Maintaining a constitutional guarantee for education funding

Enhanced Kindergarten Amendments

H.B. 99: Senator Lyle Hillyard
Representative V. Lowry Snow

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Received **\$10 Million** ongoing to increase access to Optional Enhanced Kindergarten (OEK) for students.

Combined with the **\$7.5 million** ongoing currently appropriated for the enhanced kindergarten early intervention program, this funding will enable early intervention for about **25%** of students starting school unprepared for kindergarten.



About **40%** of Utah students are coming to kindergarten at risk for academic failure; only half are being served through extended learning experiences.

Only **24%** of Utah children have access to state-funded OEK compared to **80%** nationally.



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The **\$2.88 million** in TANF funds supporting the Kindergarten Supplemental Enrichment Program are *expiring* at the end of the 2019-2020 school year. This termination of funds affects programs in **46** schools across **17** LEAs.

Current nationwide and statewide data show better outcomes for students who are enrolled in full-day kindergarten.

Research demonstrates that students who attend quality early-childhood programs like kindergarten are more likely to go on to college, earn more, and save for retirement as adults.

OEK Students

Data shows a higher percentage of Utah OEK students moved **up** one or more performance levels



40% of OEK students moved up in literacy compared to **16%** of students who did not have OEK

29% of OEK students moved up in numeracy from entry to exit compared to **11%** of students without OEK

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Grants allow funding to flow through to LEAs down to schools where the student needs are highest. The funding is most often used for the salaries and benefits of kindergarten teachers.

The funding gives LEAs the ability to extend kindergarten instruction from a half-day of instruction up to a full day of instruction.

Source: KEEP Assessment

Early Learning Training and Assessments

H.B. 114: Senator Ann Millner
Representative Steve Waldrip

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To provide targeted professional learning and ongoing, job-embedded coaching to support preschool through grade three teachers in their instructional practice and to improve student outcomes in literacy and mathematics.

To establish a science of reading assessment for teacher candidates to ensure basic foundational knowledge of teaching reading.

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Teachers matter more to student achievement than any other aspect of schooling. Many factors contribute to a student's academic performance, including individual characteristics, family, and neighborhood experiences. But research suggests that, among school-related factors, teachers matter most.

A teacher is estimated to have **two to three times** the impact of any other school factor.

Why not add these funds to the WPU?

Utah is prioritizing and aligning efforts in the early learning space. LEAs will have access to common resources and evidence-based strategies with support from USBE and a statewide network.

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Through professional learning, followed up by job-embedded coaching or other supports, preschool through grade three teachers will advance their knowledge and skills in the science of reading and mathematics. LEAs will identify schools and grades that demonstrate a need for improved learning outcomes and provide targeted professional learning and follow-up to support teachers in advancing their students' learning.



About half of Utah students are not proficient in English Language Arts (ELA) and mathematics by third grade.



In 2010, \$77 million in professional learning funds were repealed at the state legislature, and had not been replaced.

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Kindergarten students in schools that fully implemented the professional learning and job-embedded coaching model experienced **2x** the number of students achieving typical or better growth than their school district peers and over **4x** the growth of their state peers.

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School Leadership Development Amendments

S.B. 99: Senator Ann Millner
Representative Val Peterson

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Builds upon State Board approved recommendations from a statewide working group and is aligned with the agency's strategic goal for Effective Educators and Leaders.

Creates a Transformational Principal development grant program.

Adds a School Leadership Specialist role to develop and execute a performance assessment and the Transformational Principal development grant program.

In most Utah LEAs, current school leaders lack access to robust professional learning and a network of colleagues to discuss problems of practice due to lack of resources.

Effective school leaders are important.

School leadership is second to teaching in school-related factors that positively impact student learning.

Principals strongly shape the conditions for high-quality teaching.

Principals are the prime factor in determining if teachers stay in high-needs schools.

The success of all school reform approaches depends on motivations and capacities of local leadership.

Effective school leaders can impact teachers and students.

Research across the decades has confirmed that **effective school leadership is associated with better outcomes for students and schools**. A high-quality school leader affects dozens of teachers and hundreds or thousands of students. Principals provide a pivotal role in our schools.

School leadership can be developed.

Recent research suggests that implementation of leadership standards, principal pre-service preparation, and principal on-the-job induction, mentoring, coaching, evaluation, and supports benefit students and schools, can be implemented in different ways, and are affordable.

In a 2018 survey of Utah school administrators

33% Were not offered an induction program

43% Were not provided mentoring

71% Were not provided coaching



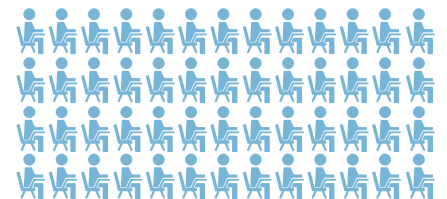
Representing Utah K-12
(June 2019)



1,724
Principals



30,094
Educators



666,858
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School Leadership Development

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Utah is a diverse state. Our districts and charter schools have different needs and priorities around the development of school leadership. The school leadership grant program has been designed to support all districts and charter schools in their role as the key lever for influencing the quality of school leadership. Features of the grant program include:

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School leadership development grants (\$4,800,000):

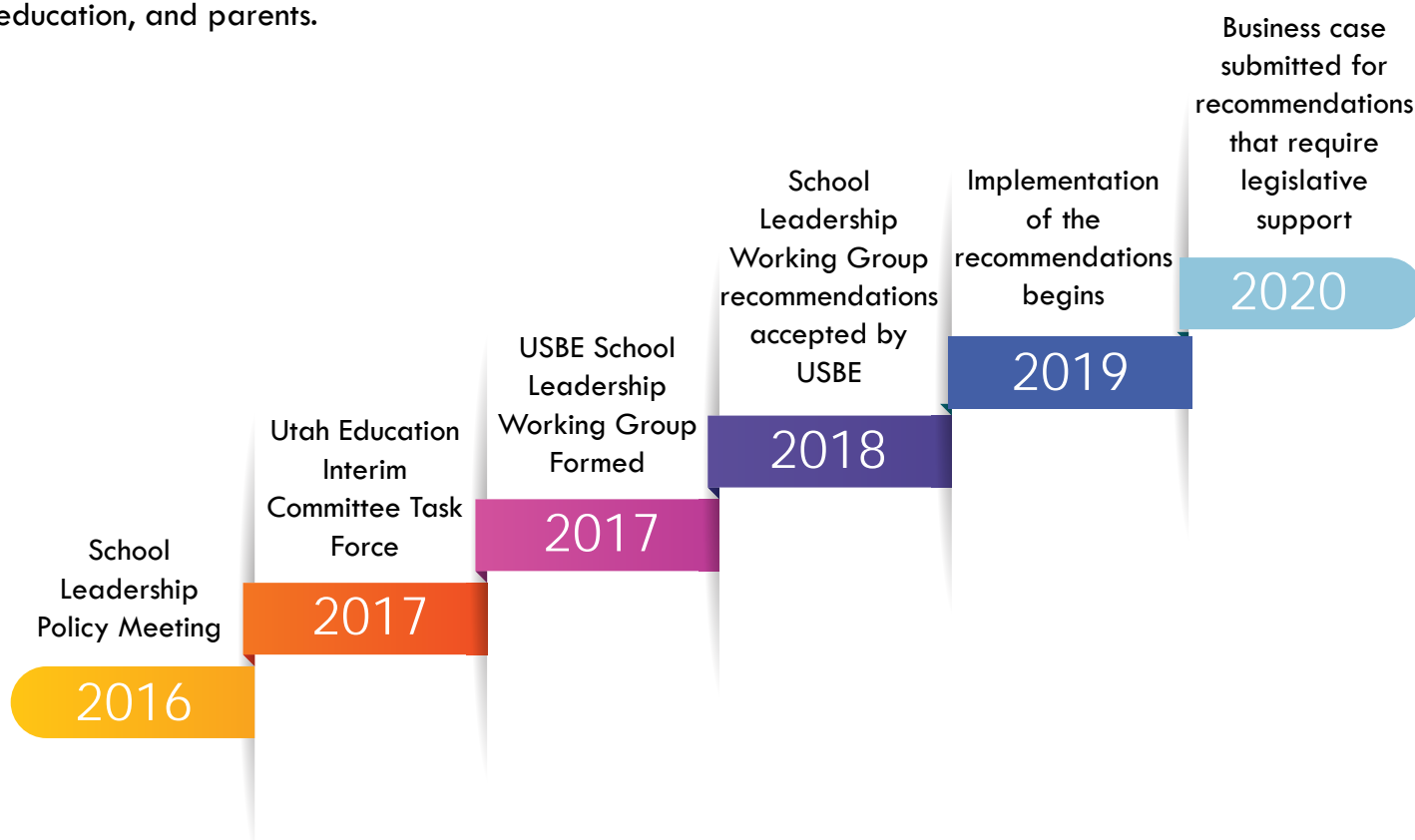
- Improve the principal pipeline for all schools
- Provide meaningful job-embedded experiences to school leader candidates
- Provide three years of high quality mentorship for every new school leader
- Support principal supervisors; ensure cycle of improvement for all school leaders

School leadership specialist (\$200,000):

- Will develop/execute a school leadership performance assessment, and the Transformational Principal development grant.

School Leadership Timeline

Multiple stakeholders have been involved in the development of this recommendation including, policy makers, school leaders, teachers, representatives from higher education, and parents.



2020 Notable Education Bills

The following are notable bills which passed during the 2020 General Session.

**H.B.
242**

Charter School Operations and School Accounting Amendments

Amends certain provisions related to school accounting methods, and the approval, oversight, and closure of charter schools by an authorizer.

**S.B.
119**

School Accountability Amendments

Removes requirement for the USBE to assign each school an overall letter grade for the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school years.

**H.B.
58**

Electronic Cigarettes in Schools Amendments

Requires policies for electronic cigarettes and school plans to address the causes of student substance use. Requires schools to develop positive behavior plans, and expands prevention programs to students in grade 4 or 5.

**H.B.
384**

Juvenile Justice Amendments

Allows schools to refer a minor for a class C misdemeanor committed on school property, or for being truant if the minor refuses to participate in an evidence-based intervention and prevention, and intervention provided by DJJS.

**H.B.
323**

School Mental Health Funding Amendments

Establishes a grant program for LEAs to conduct mental health screenings for students and allows LEAs to use TSSA money to match money for school-based student support.

**H.B.
67**

LEA Financial Information Systems

Provides funding to support LEAs in meeting the required capabilities established by USBE for an LEA financial information system.

**H.B.
222**

**Start Smart Utah
Breakfast Program**

Requires schools that participate in lunch to enroll in school breakfast unless granted a waiver. Schools with certain percentages of students qualifying for free or reduced lunch must use an alternative breakfast model.

**H.B.
14**

**School Absenteeism
and Truancy Amendments**

Clarifies definitions around absence and truancy, limits the conditions under which an LEA can penalize a child for truancy, and adjusts requirements for LEA annual reporting on absences.

**H.B.
391**

**School Textbook Fee
Amendments**

Amends the definition of textbook to exclude instructional materials/supplies, defines what an instructional material and supply includes, and allows LEAs to continue to charge fees for those materials and supplies.

**S.B.
79**

**Regional Education
Service Agencies**

Renames regional service centers an regional education service agencies (RESA), provides additional duties and authority, including allowing a RESA to apply directly to USBE on behalf of member LEAs.

**S.B.
166**

**Student Data Privacy
Amendments**

Extends deadline to July 2023, for LEAs to submit data for school disciplinary and law enforcement action report. Eliminates requirements to include suspension and expulsion information on a student's transcript.

**H.B.
332**

**Special Needs
Scholarship Amendments**

Creates the Special Needs Scholarship Program, for students to enroll in private schools or pay for other qualifying expenses. Allows private donors to donate to a scholarship granting organization for a tax credit.

For a full list of bills and details turn to page: 33

2020 Bills Passed

House Education Bills

HOUSE BILLS PASSED

<u>HB 1</u> Public Education Base Budget Amendments	
Sponsors	Rep. S. Eliason and Sen. L. Hillyard
Bill Summary	Provides appropriations for the use and support of school districts, charter schools, and state education agencies; sets the value of the weighted pupil unit (WPU) initially at \$3,532 for fiscal year 2021; provides appropriations for other purposes as described; and provides intent language.
USBE Action	Update of budgets and MSP legislative estimates
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	Establishes the base budget for the Minimum School Program and the USBE office, initiative programs, State Charter School Board, Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind, and Regional Service Centers
Effective Date	Appropriations for the current fiscal year (FY20) take effect immediately. Appropriations for the upcoming fiscal year (FY21) take effect on July 1, 2020.
USBE Contact	Scott Jones, 801-538-7615, scott.jones@schools.utah.gov

<u>HB 3</u> Appropriations Adjustments	
Sponsors	Rep. B. Last and Sen. J. Stevenson
Bill Summary	Supplements or reduces appropriations otherwise provided for the support and operation of state government for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020 and for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021.
USBE Action	Update of budgets and MSP Legislative Estimates
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	Supplements budgets for the Minimum School Program and the USBE office, initiative programs, State Charter School Board, Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind, and Regional Service Centers.
Effective Date	Appropriations for the current fiscal year (FY20) take effect immediately. Appropriations for the upcoming fiscal year (FY21) take effect on July 1, 2020.
USBE Contact	Scott Jones, 801-538-7615, scott.jones@schools.utah.gov

<u>HB 8</u> State Agency Fees and Internal Service Fund Rate Authorization and Appropriations	
Sponsors	Rep. J. Moss and Sen. D. Ipson
Bill Summary	Provides budget increases and decreases for the use and support of certain state agencies and institutions of higher education; authorizes certain state agency fees; authorizes internal service fund rates; adjusts funding for the impact of Internal Service Fund rate changes; and, provides budget increases and decreases for other purposes as described.
USBE Action	Update budgets to reflect any rate or fee changes
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	Education, General, and federal funds and dedicated credits revenue
Effective Date	July 1, 2020
USBE Contact	Scott Jones, 801-538-7615, scott.jones@schools.utah.gov

HB 10		Boards and Commissions Amendments
Sponsors	Rep. M. Roberts and Sen. D. Thatcher	
Bill Summary	Repeals and replaces sunset provisions on certain boards and commissions including the Instructional Materials Commission, Utah Professional Practice Advisory Council, and the Charter School Revolving Account Committee. All sunsets will be reviewed by legislative staff and removed if the board or commission is still needed.	
USBE Action	Provide information as needed to legislative staff	
LEA Action	None	
Funding	\$0	
Effective Date	May 12, 2020	
USBE Contact	Angie Stallings, 801-538-7550, angie.stallings@schools.utah.gov	

HB 12		Abusive Conduct Reporting Amendments
Sponsors	Rep. K. Stratton and Sen. D. Thatcher	
Bill Summary	Enacts the Utah Public Employees Healthy Workplace Act and amends provisions related to reporting and investigating abusive conduct between state employees. Permits any state employee to report abusive conduct to the employee's HR department. Requires an investigation of complaint, some baseline training, and requires state employers who are not part of the executive branch (e.g. USBE) to report implementation and statistical data.	
USBE Action	Awareness	
LEA Action	None	
Funding	\$0	
Effective Date	July 1, 2020	
USBE Contact	Michelle Watts, 801-538-7560, michelle.watts@schools.utah.gov	

HB 14		School Absenteeism and Truancy Amendments
Sponsors	Rep. L. Snow and Sen. L. Fillmore	
Bill Summary	Defines the terms absence, or absent, the school day, school age child, truant, valid excuse, changes ages to appropriate grade level. Limits the conditions under which an LEA can impose penalties for a child who is truant, and limits truancy to one per day. Requires LEAs to annually report on absences with a valid excused and absences without a valid excuse separately.	
USBE Action	Update UTREX and reporting systems; Update R277-607	
LEA Action	May need to amend policies and provide professional learning to staff members	
Funding	\$0	
Effective Date	May 12, 2020	
USBE Contact	Aaron Brough, 801-538-7792, aaron.brough@schools.utah.gov	

HB 16		School Meals Program Amendments
Sponsors	Rep. D. Johnson and Sen. L. Hillyard	
Bill Summary	Amends language restricting appropriated funds be used for school lunch programs and allows those funds to be used more broadly for school meals	

	programs. This bill also requires all governing authorities of an LEA to annually review schools that do not participate in the School Breakfast Program and assess the reasons for nonparticipation.
USBE Action	Update all rules and policy to reflect school “meals” instead of school “lunch”
LEA Action	LEA governing boards will review each school’s nonparticipation in the School Breakfast Program annually instead of at least once every three years
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Kathleen Britton, 801-538-7755, kathleen.britton@schools.utah.gov

HB 22 Utah Retirement Systems Amendments

Sponsors	Rep. C. Hall and Sen. W. Harper
Bill Summary	Modifies the Utah State Retirement and Insurance Benefit Act by amending retirement and insurance provisions. Provides that certain employee exclusions, exemptions, participation, or elections are subject to requirements under federal law and rules made by the Utah State Retirement Board. Amends the type of plans that an employer may contribute to for an employer related contribution for certain reemployed retirees. Amends the application process for payments to certain survivors based on an affidavit if there are no designated beneficiaries for the deceased member. Clarifies that a retiree may be eligible to earn additional service credit in a reemployed position, regardless of whether the retirement allowance was cancelled by the Utah State Retirement Office or at the retiree's election among other modifications to retirement and insurance provisions.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	July 1, 2020
USBE Contact	Michelle Watts, 801-538-7560, michelle.watts@schools.utah.gov

HB 58 Electronic Cigarettes in Schools Amendments

Sponsors	Rep. S. Pulsipher and Sen. L. Fillmore
Bill Summary	Amends provisions relating to the offense of underage purchase and possession of electronic cigarette products. Requires local school boards to adopt discipline policies to address possession and use of electronic cigarette products on school grounds. Renames the Underage Drinking Prevention Program the Underage Drinking and Substance Abuse Prevention Program and adds a requirement to teach a school-based prevention program for students in grade 4 or 5 and include education about the risks of electronic cigarette products. Requires schools to create a positive behavior plan to address the causes of student use of tobacco, alcohol, electronic cigarette products, and controlled substances and provides a stipend for a specialist to administer the positive behavior plan. Requires the state board to establish a library of best practices and resources for alcohol, tobacco, and electronic cigarette product cessation interventions.
USBE Action	Establish a library of documented best practices and resources for use by local school district; Update R277-615 & 624; Contract with a provider to administer a program in grades 4 or 5

LEA Action	Adopt discipline policies regarding electronic cigarettes on school grounds, have principals create a positive behaviors plan, designate a positive behaviors specialist for each school to administer the positive behaviors plan, and provide a school-based prevention program for students in grade 4 or 5
Funding	\$5,084,200
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Clarissa Stebbing, 801-538-7821, clarissa.stebbing@schools.utah.gov

HB 67 Local Education Agency Financial Information Systems

Sponsors	Rep. M. Ballard and Sen. J. Anderegg
Bill Summary	Requires the state board to make rules related to requirements for an LEA's financial information system including amendments to the requirements for an LEA's data systems. Allows the state board to assist an LEA in meeting requirements for a financial management system by providing funding to the LEA or procuring a financial management system on behalf of the LEA. Allows the state board to take action against an LEA that does not comply with requirements related to information management systems after a certain date.
USBE Action	Create rules establishing funding distribution, the required capabilities for an LEA financial information system, and help LEAs in meeting those requirements
LEA Action	Ensure the LEA's financial information system meets the requirements established by USBE
Funding	\$4,000,000
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Scott Jones, 801-538-7615, scott.jones@schools.utah.gov

HB 68 Apprenticeship and Work-based Learning Amendments

Sponsors	Rep. F. Gibson and Sen. A. Millner
Bill Summary	Provides that the Talent Ready Utah Center may award funding for apprenticeship programs and work-based learning programs. Describes the entities, which includes the state board, that may partner to submit a proposal for funding for an apprentice program or work-based learning program and the requirements for receiving that funding. Describes the Talent Ready Utah Center's duties and reporting requirements related to administering funding for apprenticeship programs and work-based learning programs.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$2,000,000 to the Governor's Office of Economic Development
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Thalea Longhurst, 801-538-7889, thalea.longhurst@schools.utah.gov

HB 77 Education Funding Amendments

Sponsors	Rep. N. Thurston and Sen. D. Henderson
Bill Summary	Establishes a 4 percent limit on the amount of an increase to the value of the weighted pupil unit funded through the weighted pupil unit value tax rate. Increases above the limit will be funded strictly from state dollars. May result in

	less revenue transferred into the Teacher and Student Success Account when the Legislature increases the weighted pupil unit value more than 4 percent.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Scott Jones, 801-538-7615, scott.jones@schools.utah.gov

HB 80 **School Fees Data Collection**

Sponsors	Rep. A. Robertson and Sen. D. Henderson
Bill Summary	Requires a local education agency to measure and collect data related to certain fees the LEA charges or waives and report the data to the State Board of Education. Requires the State Board of Education to report the data to the Education Interim Committee.
USBE Action	Update R277-407; Report the school fee data received from LEAs to the Education Interim Committee
LEA Action	Report the identified school fee data to USBE
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Tamra Dayley, 801-538-7718, tamra.dayley@schools.utah.gov

HB 84 **Traffic Code Amendments**

Sponsors	Rep. C. Hall and Sen. T. Weiler
Bill Summary	Increases the minimum fines and penalties associated with passing a school bus displaying flashing lights.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	May increase fine revenue to the Criminal Surcharge Account by \$1,100 ongoing
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Ron Litchfield, 801-538-7577, ron.litchfield@schools.utah.gov

HB 99 **Enhanced Kindergarten Amendments**

Sponsors	Rep. V. L. Snow and Sen. L. Hillyard
Bill Summary	Amends provisions regarding funding for enhanced kindergarten early intervention programs to require LEAs to report to the state board the results of the kindergarten entry and exit assessments for an LEA to receive continued funding distributions. Moves a requirement for kindergarten entry and exit assessments between programs and repeals an expiring kindergarten program.
USBE Action	Collect data from the kindergarten entry and exit assessments and amend rules, including R277-489, regarding the administration of and reporting of the assessments
LEA Action	Consider applying for additional grant funding, administer the kindergarten entry and exit assessments as required, and report the data to USBE
Funding	\$10,000,000
Effective Date	May 12, 2020

USBE Contact | Erika Thomas, 801-538-7661, Erika.thomas@schools.utah.gov

HB 103 **Utah Promise Scholarship Program Amendments**

Sponsors	Rep. D. Owens and Sen. E. Vickers
Bill Summary	Amends the amount an institution of higher education is required to award for a Utah Promise Scholarship and the funding sources for the scholarship to include fee waivers and tuition waivers.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Kim Herrera, 801-538-7647, kim.herrera@schools.utah.gov

HB 107 **Effective Teachers in High Poverty Schools Incentive Program Amendments**

Sponsors	Rep. M. Winder and Sen. L. Hillyard
Bill Summary	Amends the definition of eligible teacher to allow teachers of grade 1 through grade 3 to become eligible for the Effective Teachers in High Poverty Schools Incentive Program. Increases the amount of the annual salary bonus from \$5,000 to \$7,000 and guarantees the portion of the annual salary bonus paid to an eligible teacher by the state board.
USBE Action	Amend R277-925 and policies governing these funds
LEA Action	Consider increased opportunities for number of teachers who qualify and budgetary impacts
Funding	\$428,200
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Erica Horsley, 801-538-7741, erica.horsley@schools.utah.gov

HB 108 **Medical Specialists in Public Schools**

Sponsors	Rep. C. Moss and Sen. K. Riebe
Bill Summary	Permits an LEA to place medical specialists on their own salary schedule separate from the steps and lanes used for teacher salaries.
USBE Action	None
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Leah Voorhies, 801-538-7898, leah.voorhies@schools.utah.gov

HB 114 **Early Learning Training and Assessment Amendments**

Sponsors	Rep. S. Waldrip and Sen. A. Millner
Bill Summary	Requires USBE to make rules regarding, and requires LEAs, to establish an early learning plan that includes early literacy and early mathematics components. Requires an LEA to select a mathematics benchmark assessment that the LEA will

	administer in certain grades. Requires USBE to administer a grant for professional learning and job-embedded coaching support for elementary educators and a grant for license applicants taking a certain examination. Amends provisions regarding an examination required to obtain a license to teach and requires certain annual reporting.
USBE Action	Amend R277-301, 404, & 406 and create a new rule regarding early learning plans, teacher license requirements, early numeracy assessments, to manage the grant program, and establish reporting requirements; update platforms and technology needs
LEA Action	Establish an early learning plan, select and administer a mathematics benchmark assessment, and apply for the grant program, if interested
Funding	\$5,000,000
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Early Learning Plan Sara Wiebke, 801-538-7893, sara.wiebke@schools.utah.gov New Math Assessment Shannon Olson, 801-538-7617, shannon.olson@schools.utah.gov Teacher Preparation Assessment Jennifer Throndsen, 801-538-7739, jennifer.throndsen@schools.utah.gov

HB 141 Educator Salary Incentive Program Amendments

Sponsors	Rep. V. Potter and Sen. L. Hillyard
Bill Summary	Provides for the inclusion of social workers licensed solely by the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing in certain education funding formulas and programs. Makes discretionary a requirement that the State Board of Education distribute funds under the Teacher Salary Supplement Program on a pro rata basis under certain circumstances.
USBE Action	Amend R277-318
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Jennifer Throndsen, 801-538-7739, jennifer.throndsen@schools.utah.gov

HB 143 School Bus Safety Inspection Amendments

Sponsors	Rep. L. Perry and Sen. D. Ipson
Bill Summary	Amends provisions related to the safety inspection of school buses by removing some requirements of annual inspections by the Highway Patrol and shifting inspection responsibilities to the relevant education entity. Requires the Highway Patrol to perform random safety inspections and verify corrective measures have been taken. Requires the publication of safety inspection information.
USBE Action	None
LEA Action	Must perform annual safety inspections of its school buses
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	January 1, 2021
USBE Contact	Ron Litchfield, 801-538-7577, ron.litchfield@schools.utah.gov

HB 148 Utah Recognizing Inspiring School Employees Award Program	
Sponsors	Rep. L. Perry and Sen. L. Hillyard
Bill Summary	Creates the Utah Recognizing Inspiring School Employees Award Program. Requires the governor to consider the nomination of the governing board of the association that represents most classified school employees employed in the state in making a nomination to the Secretary of Education for the federal Recognizing Inspiring School Employees Award Program. Awards the Utah Recognizing Inspiring School Employees Award to the governor's nominee for the federal Recognizing Inspiring School Employees Award Program.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Jennifer Throndsen, 801-538-7739, jennifer.throndsen@schools.utah.gov

HB 171 School Threat Amendments	
Sponsors	Rep. A. Stoddard and Sen. K. Cullimore
Bill Summary	Creates the crime of threats against preschools, elementary, or secondary schools and defines a threat to be real or a hoax. Reduces the criminal level if the perpetrator of a threat is a minor. Provides penalties and requires restitution.
USBE Action	None
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Rhett Larsen, 801-538-7997, rhett.larsen@schools.utah.gov

HB 222 Start Smart Utah Breakfast Program	
Sponsors	Rep. D. Johnson and Sen. L. Hillyard
Bill Summary	Requires all schools that participate in the National School Lunch Program to also participate in the School Breakfast Program. Requires, over a three-year phase in, schools with 30 percent or more of their population on free and reduced lunch to provide breakfast after the instructional day has begun. Contains a waiver and federal program sunset.
USBE Action	Administer the program, track implementation of alternative breakfast service models, provide guidance and assistance to schools
LEA Action	Provide school breakfast as required unless granted a waiver
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Kathleen Britton, 801-538-7755, kathleen.britton@schools.utah.gov

HB 242 Charter School Operations and School Accounting Amendments	
Sponsors	Rep. J. Moss and Sen. D. McCay
Bill Summary	Creates an initial review period before a charter school receives ongoing approval from an authorizer. Requires a charter school to use the same

	accounting methods as district schools and requires district schools to use certain accounting methods. Permits authorizers to request financial documents from a charter school; petition a district court to appoint a receiver for a charter school on certain grounds; transfer operation and control of a charter school to a high performing charter school under certain circumstances; and transfer students from a closing charter school to another charter school.
USBE Action	Amend R277-113, 552 & 553; Increase oversight and compliance monitoring by the State Charter School Board
LEA Action	Utilize the identified accounting methods
Funding	\$425,000
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Scott Jones, 801-538-7615, scott.jones@schools.utah.gov

HB 256 **Student Aid Amendments**

Sponsors	Rep. K. Kwan and Sen. A. Millner
Bill Summary	Requires the completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to be eligible for certain state financial aid for higher education.
USBE Action	None
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Kim Herrera, 801-538-7647, kim.herrera@schools.utah.gov

HB 258 **Intergenerational Poverty Interventions Grant Program Amendments**

Sponsors	Rep. M. Winder and Sen. D. McCay
Bill Summary	Allows for the use of certain funds for administration and evaluation of the Intergenerational Poverty Interventions Grant Program.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Robert Palmer, 801-538-7629, robert.palmer@schools.utah.gov

HB 304 **Citizen Feedback Program**

Sponsors	Rep. D. Owens and Sen. C. Bramble
Bill Summary	Allows each executive branch agency to gather feedback from members of the public to assess the quality of service the agency provides and identify areas for improvement; addresses the permissible methods for gathering the public feedback; and provides for annual reporting of any public feedback.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	None
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020

HB 323 School Mental Health Funding Amendments

Sponsors	Rep. S. Eliason and Sen. A. Millner
Bill Summary	Establishes an optional mental health screening program for LEAs. Participating LEAs may implement a mental health screening for participating students using an evidence-based screening program. Prohibits mental health screening without parental consent and provides that data collected from a mental health screening may not be included in a student's Student Achievement Backpack. Requires the state board to submit a report on the screening programs annually to the State Suicide Prevention Coalition and the Education Interim Committee. Permits LEAs to use Teacher and Student Support Program money to match money distributed to an LEA for school-based student support. Removes the matching requirement for an LEA that has a school-based student support plan that is approved by the state board after April 1, 2020.
USBE Action	Create Board rule regarding a student mental health screening program, approve an evidence-based program in consultation with DSAMH, and submit the required reporting annually
LEA Action	Participate in the screening program if interested
Funding	\$500,000
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Christy Walker, 801-538-7502, christy.walker@schools.utah.gov

HB 332 Special Needs Scholarship Amendments (see HB 4003 on p. 49)

Sponsors	Rep. M. Schultz and Sen. L. Fillmore
Bill Summary	Creates the Special Needs Opportunity Scholarship Program. Establishes requirements for a scholarship recipient and a private school that accepts scholarship money. Requires the State Board of Education to oversee the program, including selection of a scholarship granting organization. Establishes the duties of an organization, including accepting donations, awarding scholarships, and issuing tax credit certificates. Creates a nonrefundable corporate income tax credit and a nonrefundable individual income tax credit for certain program donations and prohibits donations from a taxpayer claiming multiple state income tax benefits. VETOED BY GOVERNOR
USBE Action	Prepare and disseminate information to a scholarship granting organization on the program and on how a parent may enroll their child in public school, create Board rule regarding the program, administer the program, and provide an annual report on it to the Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee
LEA Action	Create rules
Funding	May reduce revenue to the Education Fund
Effective Date	January 1, 2021
USBE Contact	Tami Gear, 801-538-7724, tami.gear@schools.utah.gov

HB 334 Civics Education Amendments	
Sponsors	Rep. D. Johnson and Sen. L. Hillyard
Bill Summary	Creates a civics engagement pilot grant program for LEAs. Requires the state board to make rules to create a civics engagement project that complies with core standards for Utah public education for social studies and prepares students for lifelong civic motivation and participation through applied learning of civics content. Requires participating LEAs to submit a report to the state board at the end of the pilot program.
USBE Action	Create Board rule to manage the grant program and establish reporting requirements and select participating LEAs
LEA Action	Apply for the grant program if interested
Funding	\$147,300 ongoing and \$15,000 one-time
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Robert Austin, 801-538-7575, robert.austin@schools.utah.gov

HB 336 Concurrent Enrollment Certificate Pilot Program	
Sponsors	Rep. V. Peterson and Sen. A. Millner
Bill Summary	Creates a concurrent enrollment pilot program with three levels of certificates that can be earned by a student in a secondary setting. The certificates are used to satisfy general education requirements at the eight public institution of higher education in the state. Provides funding for up to eight LEAs to pilot the program.
USBE Action	Create Board rule to administer the program, select participating LEAs, award certificates to qualifying students, and report on the program to the Education Interim Committee
LEA Action	Apply for the grant program if interested
Funding	\$800,000 beginning in FY 2022
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Christy Schreck, 801-538-7935, christy.schreck@schools.utah.gov

HB 344 Sex Offender Restrictions Amendments	
Sponsors	Rep. V. Potter and Sen. L. Hillyard
Bill Summary	Provides that a sex offender may not serve as an athletic coach, manager, or trainer for any sports team of which a minor is a member.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Benjamin Rasmussen, 801-538-7835, benjamin.rasmussen@schools.utah.gov

HB 357 Public Education Funding Stabilization	
Sponsors	Rep. R. Spendlove and Sen. A. Millner
Bill Summary	Amends the allowable purposes for the capital local levy in certain circumstances. Provides for the Minimum School Program to be funded from the Uniform School Fund. Automatically adjusts education funding for enrollment

	growth and inflation for the Minimum School Program in the base budget. Provides for funding to and appropriations from a restricted account to stabilize education funding in circumstances in which revenues are insufficient to fund the public education system. Provides for certain tax revenue to be distributed to the Uniform School Fund.
USBE Action	Notify LEAs when there is potential for a low revenue year
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	1/1/21 if SJR 9 passes November vote
USBE Contact	Patrick Lee, 801-538-7667, patrick.lee@schools.utah.gov

HB 360 **Interactive Reading Software Amendments**

Sponsors	Rep. S. Waldrip and Sen. L. Hillyard
Bill Summary	Moves an authorization for an analytical software program out of the specific appropriation allocation for early interactive reading software. Allows for the use of the specific appropriation allocation for administrative costs of the current reading software program.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$1,700,000
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Todd Call, 801-538-7785, todd.call@schools.utah.gov

HB 372 **Digital Wellness, Citizenship, and Safe Technology Commission**

Sponsors	Rep. K. Stratton and Sen. D. Hemmert
Bill Summary	Creates the Digital Wellness, Citizenship, and Safe Technology Commission. The state superintendent appoints two members to the commission. Those appointments may include a current or former classroom teacher and a parent of a student. Requires the commission to identify best practices and compile resources for training students in healthy behavior related to technology use and report to the Education Interim Committee and the State Board of Education on efforts related to delivering training in healthy behavior related to technology use.
USBE Action	Select certain members for the commission
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Jonathan Frey, 801-538-7852, jonathan.frey@schools.utah.gov

HB 376 **Dropout Prevention Amendments**

Sponsors	Rep. D. Johnson and Sen. L. Hillyard
Bill Summary	Provides additional exceptions to the requirement for certain schools to enter into a third-party contract for dropout prevention services. The additional exceptions include "special schools" as defined by federal code, schools with a small

	population, and schools with a three-year average graduation rate that meets or exceeds the state average graduation rate for the past three years.
USBE Action	Amend R277-606
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Corby Eason, 801-538-7863, corby.eason@schools.utah.gov

HB 384 **Juvenile Justice Amendments**

Sponsors	Rep. V. L. Snow and Sen. T. Weiler
Bill Summary	For class C misdemeanors, infractions, and status offenses on school property, or truancy, a school district, school, officer, or law enforcement agency may refer a minor to an evidence-based alternative; a school district or school shall refer a minor to JJS Youth Services. Until July 1, 2022 a school district or school may refer a minor to a court or a law enforcement officer or agency if the minor refuses to participate in an evidence-based alternative and fails to participate in prevention and early intervention youth services provided by JJS.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Brian Olmstead, 801-538-7824, brian.olmstead@schools.utah.gov

HB 391 **School Textbook Fee Amendments**

Sponsors	Rep. K. Lisonbee and Sen. D. Henderson
Bill Summary	Amends the definition of textbook, defines related terms, and expands the costs and materials provided by a school for which a fee may not be charged to students.
USBE Action	Amend R277-407
LEA Action	Modify the LEA's fee setting policies and practices if needed
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Tamra Dayley, 801-538-7718, tamra.dayley@schools.utah.gov

HB 392 **Early Warning Program Amendments**

Sponsors	Rep. V. Peterson and Sen. A. Millner
Bill Summary	Reauthorizes the student intervention early warning pilot program. The statutory language for the program sunset July 1, 2019. Provides for an early warning system digital program with certain standards and functionality. Directs the board to provide the early warning system digital program to a local education agency. Requires an LEA to pay half the cost of a digital program and report to the board on the effectiveness of a digital program and recommendations for enhancement of the online data reporting tool. Provides a repeal date of July 1, 2022 for the program.
USBE Action	Awareness

LEA Action	Consider applying for additional grant funds
Funding	\$125,000 one-time
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Aaron Brough, 801-538-7792, aaron.brough@schools.utah.gov

HB 409 **Concurrent Enrollment Amendments**

Sponsors	Rep. E. Hutchings and Sen. A. Millner
Bill Summary	Requires the State Board of Regents, after consulting with the state board, to annually approve a prioritized list of upper division courses for which an institution of higher education may use concurrent enrollment money. Amends the formula for increasing funding for concurrent enrollment based on increases in concurrent enrollment participation instead of growth in students in kindergarten through grade 12 over the previous school year.
USBE Action	Amend R277-713
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$979,400
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Nathan Auck, 801-538-7664, nathan.auck@schools.utah.gov

HB 416 **Penalties for Misconduct with Students**

Sponsors	Rep. C. Pierucci and Sen. D. Henderson
Bill Summary	In addition to existing penalties, creates penalties for an educator or license applicant who engages in sexually explicit conduct with a student who is not a minor, is not enrolled in an adult education program, and is enrolled at a school where a license applicant or educator is employed or is a participant in an extracurricular activity in which the educator is involved.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Benjamin Rasmussen, 801-538-7835, benjamin.rasmussen@schools.utah.gov

HB 420 **Turnaround Program Amendments**

Sponsors	Rep. B. Last and Sen. A. Millner
Bill Summary	Amends the criteria for a low performing school identified in the 2018-19 school year or later to exit the school turnaround program. Removes language regarding statistically significant improvement and generally accepted statistical practices.
USBE Action	Amend R277-920
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Max Lang, 801-538-7725, max.lang@schools.utah.gov

HB 434	Funding for Necessarily Existent Small Schools and Rural Schools Amendments
Sponsors	Rep. D. Owens and Sen. L. Hillyard
Bill Summary	Amends provisions related to formulas for funding for necessarily existent small schools. Creates a process to reimburse rural schools for expenses related to extracurricular activities approved by the State Board of Education.
USBE Action	Create Board rule for the reimbursement program and approve requests for reimbursement
LEA Action	Submit a request for reimbursement if applicable
Funding	\$100,000
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Necessarily Existent Small Schools Scott Jones, 801-538-7615, scott.jones@schools.utah.gov Extracurricular Activity Reimbursement Cathy Jensen, 801-538-7793, cathy.jensen@schools.utah.gov

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS PASSED

HCR 3	Concurrent Resolution Encouraging Consideration of a Later Start Time for High School
Sponsors	Rep. S. Harrison and Sen. A. Millner
Bill Summary	Encourages school districts and charter schools to consider the possible benefits and consequences of a later start to the school day for high schools.
USBE Action	None
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Angie Stallings, 801-538-7550, angie.stallings@schools.utah.gov

HCR 5	Concurrent Resolution Designating Utah Education Support Professionals Day
Sponsors	Rep. L. Perry and Sen. L. Hillyard
Bill Summary	Recognizes the education support professionals who make a difference in the lives of students both in and out of the classroom. Designates the Wednesday during the week prior to the Thanksgiving holiday as "Utah Education Support Professionals Day."
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Angie Stallings, 801-538-7550, angie.stallings@schools.utah.gov

2020 Bills Passed

Senate Education Bills

SENATE BILLS PASSED

SB 2 Public Education Budget Amendments	
Sponsors	Sen. L. Hillyard and Rep. S. Eliason
Bill Summary	Provides appropriations for the use and support of school districts, charter schools, and state education agencies; sets the value of the weighted pupil unit at \$3,710 for fiscal year 2021; adjusts the number of weighted pupil units to reflect anticipated student enrollment in fall 2020; amends provisions related to certain appropriations for public education, including appropriations for: youth in custody, use of Minimum School Program balances, charter school administration, and the nonlapsing authority of the State Board of Education; provides intent language.
USBE Action	Update of budgets and MSP legislative estimates
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$256,047,800 ongoing and \$10,903,700 one-time
Effective Date	July 1, 2020
USBE Contact	Scott Jones, 801-538-7615, scott.jones@schools.utah.gov

SB 8 State Agency and Higher Education Compensation Appropriations	
Sponsors	Sen. D. Ipson and Rep. J Moss
Bill Summary	Provides funding for a 3.0% labor market increase for state employees and 2.5% labor market increase for higher education employees; provides funding for step and lane increases for employees of the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind; provides funding for an average 4.53% increase in health insurance benefits rates for state and higher education employees; provides funding for retirement rate changes for certain state employees; provides funding for an up-to \$26 per pay period match for qualifying state employees enrolled in a defined contribution plan.
USBE Action	Update budgets
LEA Action	None
Funding	\$3,426,800
Effective Date	July 1, 2020
USBE Contact	Scott Jones, 801-538-7615, scott.jones@schools.utah.gov

SB 21 Education Amendments	
Sponsors	Sen. K. Riebe and Rep. A. Stoddard
Bill Summary	Removes language requiring a teacher to submit an annual application for a salary supplement. Removes a requirement in the Educational Improvement Opportunities Outside of the Regular School Day Grant Program that matching funds be private. Amends a definition regarding a waiver of immunity related to sexual battery and sexual assault against a student under certain conditions. Amends the definition of instructional materials to be consistent with modern technology used in classrooms.
USBE Action	Amend R277-318, 322, 469, & 718
LEA Action	Update policies

Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Angie Stallings, 801-538-7550, angie.stallings@schools.utah.gov

SB 37 **Electronic Cigarette and Other Nicotine Product Amendments**

Sponsors	Sen. A. Christensen and Rep. P. Ray
Bill Summary	Amends provisions relating to electronic cigarette products and nicotine products. Increases the minimum age for obtaining, possessing, using, providing, or furnishing of tobacco products, paraphernalia, and under certain circumstances, electronic cigarettes and nicotine products to 21 years old. Establishes a Youth Electronic Cigarette, Marijuana, and Other Drug Prevention Program within the Department of Health. Creates the Electronic Cigarette, Marijuana, and Other Drug Prevention Grant Program administered by local health departments. Local education agencies are eligible grant recipients along with other identified entities.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	July 1, 2020
USBE Contact	Clarissa Stebbing, 801-538-7821, clarissa.stebbing@schools.utah.gov

SB 58 **Uniform Athlete Agents Act Amendments**

Sponsors	Sen. L. Hillyard and Rep. C. Hall
Bill Summary	Modifies provisions related to prohibited conduct for an athlete agent. Prohibited conduct includes giving a student athlete or, if the athlete is a minor, a parent or guardian of the athlete materially false or misleading information or make a materially false promise or representation with the intent to influence the athlete, parent, or guardian to enter into an agency contract. It also includes furnishing anything of value to a student athlete or another individual, if to do so may result in loss of the athlete's eligibility to participate in the athlete's sport except under certain circumstances.
USBE Action	None
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Jodi Parker, 801-538-7734, jodi.parker@schools.utah.gov

SB 62 **Reauthorization of Administrative Rules**

Sponsors	Sen. J. Anderegg and Rep. M. Roberts
Bill Summary	Reauthorizes all state agency administrative rules.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 1, 2020
USBE Contact	Angie Stallings, 801-538-7550, angie.stallings@schools.utah.gov

SB 73 **Reading Assessment Expansion Amendments**

Sponsors	Sen. J. Stevenson and Rep. V. L. Snow
Bill Summary	Expands the grades in which a school administers a benchmark assessment for reading to include grades 4 through 6.
USBE Action	Amend R277-406 and program application
LEA Action	Consider expanding reading assessment to grades 4 through 6
Funding	\$1,500,000
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Cydnee Carter, 801-538-7654, cydnee.carter@schools.utah.gov

SB 79 **Regional Education Service Agencies**

Sponsors	Sen. L. Hillyard and Rep. B. Last
Bill Summary	Provides specific authority for regional education service agencies formerly known as Regional Service Centers. Allows a regional education service agency to participate in the Utah Retirement System and directs the State Board of Education to make rules regarding regional education service agencies.
USBE Action	Amend R277-706
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Angie Stallings, 801-538-7550, angie.stallings@schools.utah.gov

SB 90 **Procurement Code Amendments**

Sponsors	Sen. D. Buxton and Rep. V. Peterson
Bill Summary	Modifies the Utah Procurement Code. Modifies provisions relating to correcting immaterial errors or clarifying information in a solicitation response. Reorganizes and modifies provisions relating to procurement rules. Enacts provisions relating to cancelling a solicitation and rejecting solicitation responses. Modifies provisions relating to the request for statement of qualifications process among other changes.
USBE Action	Amend R277-122
LEA Action	Update procurement-related policies and procedures
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Zachary Christensen, 801-538-7538, zac.christensen@schools.utah.gov

SB 93 **Math and Science Opportunities for Students and Teachers**

Sponsors	Sen. L. Hillyard and Rep. S. Eliason
Bill Summary	Amends the existing USTAR program to create the Math and Science Opportunities for Students and Teachers (MOST) Program. Allows for more flexibility for uses of program funding including teacher retention. Amends the duties and authority of the State Board of Education related to the MOST

	Program. Repeals requirements on the State Charter School Board related to the MOST Program.
USBE Action	Amend R277-492, policies, and program documents
LEA Action	Update policies and documents related to MOST program (formerly USTAR)
Funding	\$1,000,000
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Nathan Auck, 801-538-7664, nathan.auck@schools.utah.gov

SB 94 **Reporting Requirements Amendments**

Sponsors	Sen. L. Fillmore and Rep. K. Lisonbee
Bill Summary	Provides that the Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) may share reports related to child abuse and neglect with a local education agency for certain purposes. Prior statutory language specifically stated school district whereas now it states local education agency, so charter schools are explicitly included.
USBE Action	None
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Malia Hite, 801-538-7895, malia.hite@schools.utah.gov

SB 99 **School Leadership Development Amendments**

Sponsors	Sen. A. Millner and Rep. V. Peterson
Bill Summary	Provides for the State Board of Education to award grants to qualifying local education agencies and regional education service agencies to use for mentorship and training activities for principals, including new principals hired by a local education agency within three years and aspiring principals.
USBE Action	Create new rule, administer the grant program, and report on the program to the Education Interim Committee
LEA Action	Apply for a grant if interested
Funding	\$5,000,000
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Lisa Young, 801-538-7837, lisa.young@schools.utah.gov

SB 104 **Local Education Levy State Guarantee Amendments**

Sponsors	Sen. L. Fillmore and Rep. B. Last
Bill Summary	Increases the number of increments the state guarantees for certain local education levies and provides for an increase in the guaranteed amount per guaranteed local levy increment in certain circumstances.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$19,000,000
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Patrick Lee, 801-538-7667, patrick.lee@schools.utah.gov

SB 113 Arts Program Funding Amendments	
Sponsors	Sen. E. Vickers and Rep. W. Brooks
Bill Summary	Requires the state board to annually review the funding the Legislature appropriates for the Beverley Taylor Sorenson Elementary Arts Learning Program; and recommend any adjustments as part of the board's annual budget request.
USBE Action	Amend R277-490; Annually review program funding and provide recommendations to the Public Education Appropriation Subcommittee
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Cathy Jensen, 801-538-7793, cathy.jensen@schools.utah.gov

SB 117 Higher Education Financial Aid Amendments	
Sponsors	Sen. D. Hemmert and Rep. D. Owens
Bill Summary	Allows for Regents' scholarships to be used at private, nonprofit colleges or universities within the state; limits the amount of scholarship funding available in the case of a private, nonprofit college or university.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$5,000,000 to the State Board of Regents
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Kim Herrera, 801-538-7647, kim.herrera@schools.utah.gov

SB 119 School Accountability Amendments	
Sponsors	Sen. D. Henderson and Rep. L. Perry
Bill Summary	Provides that for the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school years, the State Board of Education is not required to assign to each school an overall rating using an A through F letter grading scale.
USBE Action	Adjust school report card reporting accordingly
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Darin Nielsen, 801-538-7811, darin.nielsen@schools.utah.gov

SB 124 American Indian and Alaskan Native Education Amendments	
Sponsors	Sen. D. Hinkins and Rep. C. Watkins
Bill Summary	Replaces two pilot programs with an ongoing program administered by the State Board of Education consisting of a grant program to school districts and charter schools to be used to fund stipends, recruitment, retention, and professional development of teachers who teach in American Indian and Alaskan Native concentrated schools.
USBE Action	Amend R277-923 and documents related to the program
LEA Action	Awareness

Funding	\$250,000
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Harold (Chuck) Foster, 801-538-7838, harold.foster@schools.utah.gov

SB 126 School Board Vacancy Amendments

Sponsors	Sen. T. Weiler and Rep. J. Briscoe
Bill Summary	Extends the length of time a local school board has to fill a midterm vacancy on the local school board to within 45 days if the midterm vacancy is due to the death of a local school board member.
USBE Action	None
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Angie Stallings, 801-538-7550, angie.stallings@schools.utah.gov

SB 137 Partnerships for Student Success Program Amendments

Sponsors	Sen. A. Millner and Rep. B. Last
Bill Summary	Requires the State Board of Education to annually evaluate a partnership that receives a grant under the Partnerships for Student Success Program and prepare a written report of an evaluation and submit the report to the Education Interim Committee.
USBE Action	Amend, R277-924; Conduct and report on program evaluation
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Robert Palmer, 801-538-7629, robert.palmer@schools.utah.gov

SB 147 School Internship Safety Agreements

Sponsors	Sen. D. Henderson and Rep. S. Pulsipher
Bill Summary	Provides for public or private schools to enter into internship safety agreements with cooperating employers and specifies employers that are subject to and exempt from a background check requirement.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Enter into safety agreements with participating employers
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Thalea Longhurst, 801-538-7889, thalea.longhurst@schools.utah.gov

SB 151 Accelerated Student Program Amendments

Sponsors	Sen. K. Mayne and Rep. E. Hutchings
Bill Summary	Removes early college programs from the Enhancement for Accelerated Students Program and makes them separate programs. Creates a funding formula for early college programs. Provides for funding distribution formulas for the

	Enhancement for Accelerated Students Program and early college programs to prioritize increasing access to the programs for groups of students who are underrepresented in the programs.
USBE Action	Amend R277-707 and 713; Update program documents
LEA Action	Update policies related to the programs
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Nathan Auck, 801-538-7664, nathan.auck@schools.utah.gov

SB 162 Educational Financial Aid for Students with a Criminal Record

Sponsors	Sen. T. Weiler and Rep. M. Ballard
Bill Summary	Removes the restriction on eligibility for the Regents' Scholarship Program and New Century scholarships for students with a criminal record.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Nic Shellabarger, 801-538-7506, nicholas.shellabarger@schools.utah.gov

SB 166 Student Data Privacy Amendments

Sponsors	Sen. J. Anderegg and Rep. C. Maloy
Bill Summary	Requires law enforcement to provide and validate information necessary for the state board to complete a required report on incidents that occur on school grounds. Extends the deadline for the School Disciplinary and Law Enforcement Action Report. Clarifies requirements regarding the content of privacy notices. Exempts schools from certain contractual provisions related to sharing directory information if the directory information is shared in accordance with federal law. Binds other government agencies that contract on behalf of education entities to the same requirements as education entities. Clarifies that education entities may obtain written authorization to waive a provision of a contract with a third-party contractor related to a student's student data. Requires information related to suspension or expulsion to appear in a student's cumulative folder.
USBE Action	Amend R277-487 & 912
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	General Student Data Privacy Whitney Phillips, 801-538-7523, whitney.phillips@schools.utah.gov Law Enforcement Activity Report Rhett Larsen, 801-538-7997, rhett.larsen@schools.utah.gov

SB 195 Background Checks for Minor Employees

Sponsors	Sen. L. Fillmore and Rep. C. Spackman Moss
Bill Summary	Reduces the requirement for background checks for an individual who is younger than 18 years old who is a non-licensed or contract employee, charter school

	governing board member or volunteer who is given unsupervised access to a student in connection with the volunteer assignment.
USBE Action	None
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Benjamin Rasmussen, 801-538-7835, benjamin.rasmussen@schools.utah.gov

SB 202 Public Education Financial Reporting Amendments

Sponsors	Sen. C. Bramble and Rep. S. Eliason
Bill Summary	Provides for a local education agency to make revisions in annual financial and accounting reports to the State Board of Education pursuant to standards established by the State Board of Education.
USBE Action	Amend R277-113
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Scott Jones, 801-538-7615, scott.jones@schools.utah.gov

SB 229 Administrative Rules Amendments

Sponsors	Sen. J. Anderegg and Rep. M. Roberts
Bill Summary	Requires the Office of Administrative Rules to make administrative rules regarding the administrative rulemaking process. Modifies the duties of the executive director of the Department of Administrative Rules. Clarifies that rulemaking grants in education related sections are subject to the Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	None
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Angie Stallings, 801-538-7550, angie.stallings@schools.utah.gov

SENATE RESOLUTIONS PASSED

SCR 5 Concurrent Resolution Recognizing Utah's National Blue Ribbon Schools

Sponsors	Sen. L. Fillmore and Rep. J. Stenquist
Bill Summary	Commends four Utah schools that received the National Blue Ribbon Schools award in 2019.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	May 12, 2020
USBE Contact	Angie Stallings, 801-538-7550, angie.stallings@schools.utah.gov

<u>SJR 9</u> Proposal to Amend Utah Constitution - Use of Tax Revenue	
Sponsors	Sen. D. McCay and Rep. M. Shultz
Bill Summary	Proposes to amend the Utah Constitution to expand the uses for revenue from taxes on intangible property or from a tax on income to include supporting children and individuals with a disability. Directs the lieutenant governor to submit this proposal to voters.
USBE Action	Awareness
LEA Action	Awareness
Funding	\$0
Effective Date	1/1/2021 if approved by the voters in November 2020.
USBE Contact	Angie Stallings, 801-538-7550, angie.stallings@schools.utah.gov

2020 FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION

<u>HB 4003</u> Special Needs Opportunity Scholarship Program (see HB 332 on p. 34)	
Sponsors	Rep. M. Schultz and Sen. L. Fillmore
Bill Summary	Creates the Special Needs Opportunity Scholarship Program. Establishes requirements for a scholarship recipient and a private school that accepts scholarship money. Requires the State Board of Education to oversee the program, including selection of a scholarship granting organization. Establishes the duties of an organization, including accepting donations, awarding scholarships, and issuing tax credit certificates. Scholarship amounts vary based on level of family income. Creates a nonrefundable corporate income tax credit and a nonrefundable individual income tax credit for certain program donations and prohibits donations from a taxpayer claiming multiple state income tax benefits. Requires the Legislature to study the feasibility of combining this program with the Carson Smith Scholarship Program.
USBE Action	Prepare and disseminate information to a scholarship granting organization on the program and on how a parent may enroll their child in public school, create Board rule regarding the program, administer the program, and provide an annual report on it to the Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee
LEA Action	Create rules
Funding	May reduce revenue to the Education Fund
Effective Date	January 1, 2021
USBE Contact	Tami Gear, 801-538-7724, tami.gear@schools.utah.gov

2020 Bills Not Passed

Bills which did not Pass

HOUSE BILLS NOT PASSED

Bill Number	Bill Title	Representative
HB0052	Intergenerational Poverty Solution	Rep. N. Thurston
HB0062	Enterprise Zone Tax Credit Amendments	Rep. D. Sagers
HB0069	Sick Leave Amendments	Rep. P. Arent
HB0088	School and Child Care Center Water Testing Requirements	Rep. S. Handy
HB0104	Responsibilities in an Emergency	Rep. B. King
HB0111	Notification to School of Criminal Proceedings	Rep. C. Hall
HB0121	Income Tax Revenue Amendments	Rep. N. Thurston
HB00124	Rural Job Creation Tax Credit	Rep. L. Perry
HB00135	Tobacco Settlement Funds Amendment	Rep. B. Last
HB00140	Employment Selection Procedures Act Amendments	Rep. M. Wheatley
HB0145	School Busing Amendments	Rep. J. Stenquist
HB00152	Civic Education Testing Requirements	Rep. E. Weight
HB00153	Parental Leave Amendments	Rep. E. Weight
HB00158	Data Privacy Amendments	Rep. M. Roberts
HB00160	Refugee Continuing Education Program	Rep. C. Moss
HB00175	Education Accountability Amendments	Rep. M. Poulsen
HB00181	Social Security Tax Amendments	Rep. W. Brooks
HB0182	Noise Pollution Amendments	Rep. M. Wheatley
HB0186	Lobbyist Amendments	Rep. D. Sagers
HB0187	Employer Tax Credit for Child Care	Rep. S. Harrison
HB0201	Adoption Tax Credit	Rep. R. Shipp
HB0205	Students with Disabilities Amendments	Rep. M. Judkins
HB0236	Safe School Route Evaluations	Rep. M. Ballard
HB0241	Kindergarten Attendance Amendments	Rep. L. Shurtliff
HB0250	State Flag Review Commission	Rep. S. Handy
HB0251	School Construction Projects Amendments	Rep. M. Ballard
HB0253	Campaign Finance Amendments	Rep. S. Harrison
HB0254	Health Care Amendments	Rep. R. Ward
HB0260	Dependent Tax Exemption Amendments	Rep. T. Quinn
HB0261	Eminent Domain Revisions	Rep. P. Lyman
HB0265	Government Records Transparency Act	Rep. T. M. Seegmiller
HB0279	Disability Benefit Amendments	Rep. B. King
HB0281	Tax Credit for Alternative Fuel Vehicles	Rep. S. Harrison
HB0286	Public Information Website Revisions	Rep. C. Pierucci
HB0289	Public Education Retirement Amendments	Rep. C. Hall
HB0299	Opportunity Zone Enhancements	Rep. M. Winder
HB0315	Local School Board Vacancies Amendments	Rep. J. Briscoe
HB0338	Professional Educator Licensure for Military Instructors	Rep. K. Coleman

Bill Number	Bill Title	Representative
HB0351	Tax Credit for Medical Instructors	Rep. J. Dailey Provost
HB0353	Internal Investigation Amendments	Rep. C. Hall
HB0355	Standards and Graduation Requirements Amendment	Rep. K. Lisonbee
HB0363	Public Employees' Health Plan Amendments	Rep. S. Harrison
HB0375	Electronic Cigarette Amendments	Rep. P. Ray
HB0383	Electronic Information and Data Privacy Amendments	Rep. C. Hall
HB0385	Digital Opportunity Access Amendments	Rep. J. Dailey Provost
HB0386	Online Education Program Amendments	Rep. K. Coleman
HB0395	Cost Cutting Reporting Requirements	Rep. T. M. Seegmiller
HB0408	Pornography Exposure Prevention Amendments	Rep. T. M. Seegmiller
HB0421	State Risk Management Amendments	Rep. B. Brammer
HB0426	Tax Credit for School Safety Expenses	Rep. T. M. Seegmiller
HB0430	Property Tax Relief Amendments	Rep. T. M. Seegmiller
HB0444	School Personnel Communications with Parents Amendments	Rep. A. Robertson
HB0450	Attorney Fees Revisions	Rep. B. Brammer
HB0466	Law Enforcement Use of Biometric Information	Rep. A. Robertson
HB0469	Education Audit and Monitoring Amendments	Rep. L. Snow
HB0470	State Board of Education Amendments	Rep. M. Ballard
HB0479	Mental Health Wellbeing in Schools Pilot Program	Rep. C. Watkins
HCR012	Concurrent Resolution on Holocaust Education	Rep. P. Arent
HCR028	Concurrent Resolution Encouraging the Creation of a Statewide High School Winter Sports Tournament	Rep. S.E. Barlow
HJR002	Joint Resolution Recognizing School Bus Drivers	Rep. E. Weight
HJR005	Proposal to Amend Utah Constitution - Education Amendments	Rep. R. Ward
HJR009	Joint Resolution Calling for an Application Ratings Board for Internet Ready Devices	Rep. S. Pulsipher
HJR0010	Joint Resolution Addressing Use of Names, Images, and Symbols of Native Americans and Other Indigenous People	Rep. R. Shipp
HJR0013	Proposal to Amend Utah Constitution - State Board of Education	Rep. M. Ballard
HJR0017	Joint Resolution Encouraging Medical Training Programs to Include Appropriate Care for LGBTQIA+ Patients	Rep. J. Dailey Provost
HRJ0020	Joint Resolution Encouraging Local Health Departments to Set Licensing Rules	Rep. J. Dailey Provost

SENATE BILLS NOT PASSED

Bill Number	Bill Title	Representative
SB0040	Youth Electronic Cigarette, Marijuana and Other Drug Prevention Program	Sen. A. Christensen
SB0053	Global Intangible Low Taxed Income Amendments	Sen. L. Fillmore
SB0069	Tax Credit for Educator Expenses	Sen. J. Anderegg
SB0076	Governmental Immunity Revisions	Sen. T. Weiler
SB0107	Income Tax Rate Reduction Amendments	Sen. L. Fillmore
SB0116	Social Security Income Tax Amendments	Sen. K. Mayne
SB0123	Small Business Job Creation Tax Credit Act	Sen. C. Bramble
SB0134	Property Tax Exemption for Wildfire Prevention	Sen. D. Hemmert
SB0136	Healthy Lifestyles Revisions	Sen. K. Riebe
SB0163	Community Reinvestment Agency Amendments	Sen. W. Harper
SB0186	Family Medical Unpaid Leave Provisions	Sen. D. Hemmert
SB0187	COBRA Amendments	Sen. T. Weiler
SB0191	Income Tax Revisions	Sen. C. Bramble
SB0198	Substitute Teacher Training Requirements	Sen. K. Mayne
SB0199	Electronic Cigarette Substance Amendments	Sen. W. Harper
SB0204	Charter School Application Amendments	Sen. K. A. Cullimore
SB0218	Facial Recognition Provisions	Sen. C. Bramble
SB0221	Administrative Rulemaking Authority Amendments	Sen. J. Anderegg
SB0226	Tax Credit for Telecommuting	Sen. J. Anderegg
SB0251	Seizure-related Student Accommodations Amendments	Sen. T. Weiler
SJR0010	Proposal to Amend Utah Constitution -- Property Tax Exemption for Wildfire Prevention	Sen. D. Hemmert
SJR0014	Proposal to Amend Utah Constitution - Education Funding	Sen. K. Riebe

Thank You!

At the close of this year's general session we wanted to recognize the teamwork that made it so powerful for the students and educators in the state. It takes the work of many individuals to effectively follow, manage, and participate in a legislative session. We would first like to thank our incredible partners and fellow stakeholders for their tireless work on behalf of the education community at large. We truly relish the opportunity to work side by side with all of our partners throughout the session to ensure the legislation passed meets the needs of our students, teachers, and school leaders, and look forward to our continued partnership on behalf of public education in the state.

Next, we would like to thank our dedicated legislators and legislative staff. We appreciate the joint effort that our elected officials continually put forward in engaging all education stakeholders. We are truly grateful for the incredible team effort our legislative officials and their staff undertook in crafting new and better ways for education to be provided to each child in a meaningful and impactful way.

Lastly, we would like to thank the State Board members and staff. We could not have been successful in the legislative session without the leadership of our State Board members and the support the USBE staff provides. We appreciate the Board's continued leadership in seeking to provide safe school environments, more options for enhanced early learning, effective personalized education, and the systems to support effective, high-quality educators. We thank USBE staff for their continued support of this vision and the countless hours spent on behalf of the board and education community in making sure every bill and budgetary request was carefully considered and improved upon.

Thank you again to everyone who participated and helped make this session a great success. We look forward to the continued effort in improving educational access and quality for every student and educator statewide.

Sincerely,

The Superintendency