

KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE 12 EDUCATION

Agency 350

**Public Schools (cont.)
Educational Service Districts
Recommendation Summary**

Dollars in Thousands	Annual FTEs	General Fund State	Other Funds	Total Funds
2017-19 Original Appropriations	0.0	17,092	0	17,092
Maintenance Other Changes:				
1. Staff Mix	0.0	2	0	2
Maintenance -- Other Total	0.0	2	0	2
Total Maintenance Changes	0.0	2	0	2
2017-19 Maintenance Level	0.0	17,094	0	17,094
Policy Other Changes:				
2. Strategic Science Investment	0.0	500	0	500
3. Retiree Remittance Adjustment	0.0	7	0	7
Policy -- Other Total	0.0	507	0	507
Policy Comp Changes:				
4. PERS & TRS Plan 1 Benefit Increase	0.0	11	0	11
Policy -- Comp Total	0.0	11	0	11
Policy Transfer Changes:				
5. ELA Coordinators	0.0	1,105	0	1,105
Policy -- Transfer Total	0.0	1,105	0	1,105
Total Policy Changes	0.0	1,623	0	1,623
2017-19 Policy Level	0.0	18,717	0	18,717

POLICY CHANGES

1. Staff Mix

Staff mix is adjusted for the 2017-18 school year to reflect changes in certificated instructional staff compensation due to changes in average teacher experience levels. (General Fund-State)

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2. Strategic Science Investment

Funding is provided to strategically address statewide climate and environmental sustainability literacy in all grades. Activities will include (1) development of statewide professional learning in climate and environmental sustainability aligned with the educational learning and academic requirements, (2) building of frameworks for earth- and climate-focused science lessons and activities that can translate between classroom-based and outdoor learning environments, (3) creation of short formative classroom-based assessment tasks for each of the elementary grade levels and (4) expansion of the science fellows network. (General Fund-State)

3. Retiree Remittance Adjustment

Remittance rates for retiree benefits will increase from \$64.39 to \$69.57 per month for the 2018-19 school year. (General Fund-State)

4. PERS & TRS Plan 1 Benefit Increase

For eligible Public Employees' and Teachers' Retirement System Plan 1 members, this item provides a one-time ongoing increase of 3%, up to a maximum of \$62.50 per month. (General Fund-State)

5. ELA Coordinators

Legislation enacted in 2013 to strengthen student outcomes provided a block of funding for one elementary English Language Arts (ELA) coordinator at each of the nine educational service districts. Funding is converted from a block grant in the Education Reform program to full-time equivalent staffing units in the Educational Services Districts program. This maintains the integrity of the funding stream by providing cost-of-living and other employee benefits adjustments. (General Fund-State)