

## Budget Analysis for FY 2020-21 Executive Budget Proposal

### **Major Funding Streams**

**Empire State After-School:** The Executive Proposal provides a \$10 million increase for the Empire State After-School Program, bringing the total investment in the program to \$65 million. These funds are proposed to allow an additional 6,250 students to engage in afterschool programs at a rate of \$1,600 per student. Proposed funding is eligible for school districts or school districts in collaboration with not-for-profit community-based organizations, a slight change from last year's language that allowed for school districts or not-for-profit community based organizations. \$2 million of this funding is reserved for applicants located in at-risk areas in Nassau or Suffolk County. The remaining \$8 million will give priority to applicants that propose to serve high-need schools and students and to meet specific needs, including homelessness and communities vulnerable to gang activity.

**Advantage After School:** Proposed funding decreased by \$5 million in this year's Executive Budget proposal (\$28,041,000) from the \$33 million in last year's Enacted Budget. This proposal includes the \$10.7 million increase for minimum wage included in last year's budget as well as \$17.2 million in baseline funding, \$5 million less than the baseline funding in previous budgets. If the funding is not restored, 2,500 participants will lose their current Advantage After School programs.

**Extended Learning Time:** The Executive Proposal includes an appropriation of \$21,590,000 million for the continuation of extended learning time grants to school districts or school districts in collaboration with nonprofit community-based organizations. Proposed funding remains the same as last year's Enacted Budget for ELT.

**Extended School Day / School Violence Prevention:** Proposed funding is at the same level as last year's Enacted Budget (\$24,344,000).

**Youth Development Program:** Proposed funding is at the same level as last year's Executive Budget (\$14,121,700), but lower than the Enacted Budget: The Legislature added \$1.5 million last year.

**Summer Youth Employment:** Proposed funding is at \$45,000,000, an increase of \$1 million over last year's Executive and Enacted Budgets. The increase is to address the rise in minimum wage, while maintaining current number of summer jobs.

**New York City SONYC funding (through education aid):** The Executive Budget appears to continue the \$190 million included in last year's Enacted Budget. We will provide an update when available.

### **Community Schools**

**Community Schools Aid:** The Executive Proposal includes \$300 million in community schools aid to support the transformation of school buildings into community hubs to deliver co-located or school-linked academic, health, mental health services and personnel, afterschool programming, dual language programs, nutrition, trauma informed support, counseling, legal and/or other services, including providing a community school site coordinator and programs for English language learners. This is a \$50 million increase over the Governor's FY19-20 Budget Proposal and Enacted Budget. The number of eligible schools is raised to 440 and includes Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) schools. The minimum district set-aside amount of \$100,000 is maintained.

**Community Schools Regional Technical Assistance Centers:** The Executive Proposal includes \$1.2 million for the continuation of three Regional Technical Assistance Centers for community schools across New York.

**Community Schools Mental Health:** The Executive Budget includes \$250,000 for grants to school districts to allow community schools to expand mental health services.

### **Child Care Subsidies**

The Executive Budget appears to maintain the level of funding for childcare subsidies that was included in last year's Enacted Budget. However, the Executive Budget decreases overall level of funding for childcare by \$1.6 million, compared to last year's Enacted Budget.

### **Additional Funding**

**QUALITYstarsNY:** Proposed funding is at the same level as last year's Executive Proposal at \$5 million.

**CACFP Participation:** Proposed funding is at the same level as last year's Enacted Budget at \$250,000.