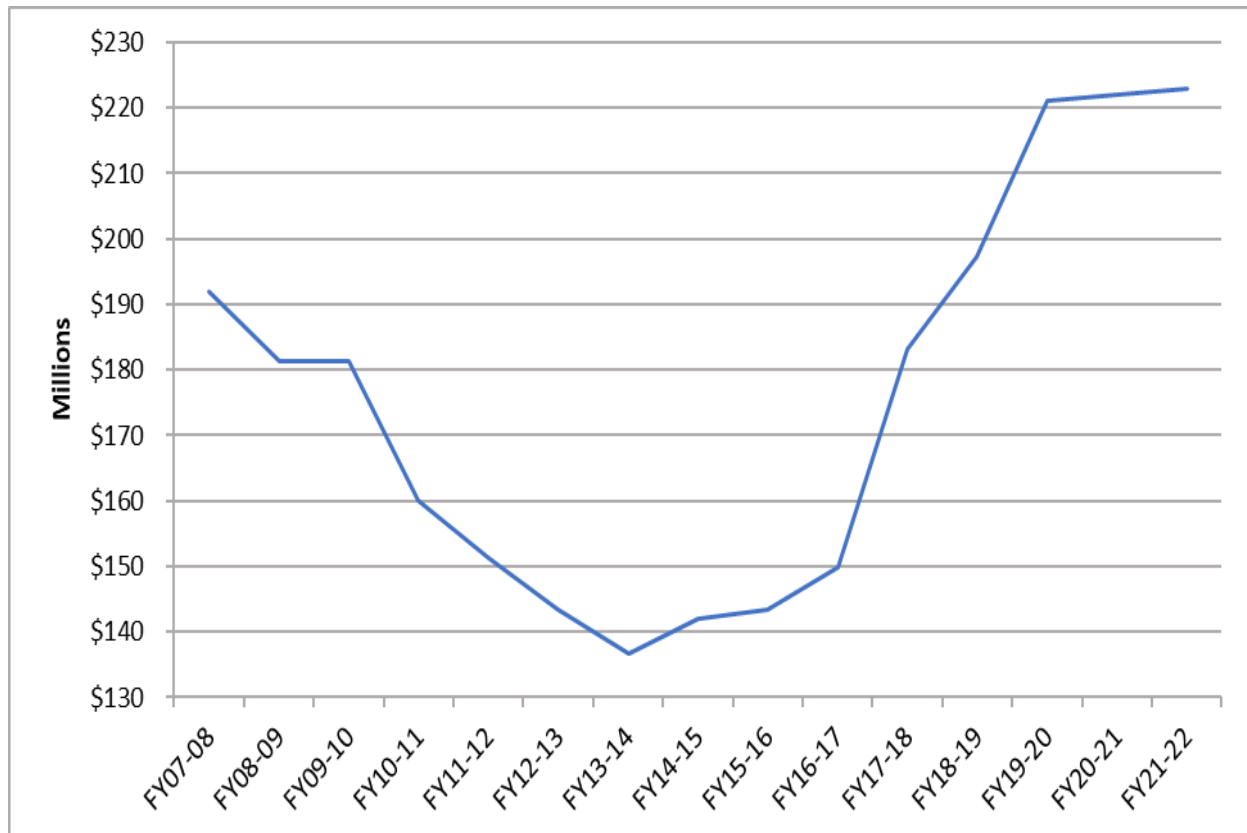


FUNDING FOR EXPANDED LEARNING

August 2021



State Funding

Empire State After-School:

- \$55 million maintained in FY21-22 state budget
- Eligible school districts and community based organizations include Empire State Poverty Reduction Initiative areas, school districts and counties with a child poverty rate over 30% or poverty count between 5,000 and 20,000, and communities experiencing high student homelessness or are at risk as determined by OCFS, DCJS, NY State Police, County Executives, or local law enforcement.
- Administered by the New York State Education Department and the Office of Children and Family Services

Advantage After School:

- Afterschool programs with priority target of “disconnected/high-need” youth
- \$33 million in FY21-22 maintained; including \$10.7 million to continue to account for increase in minimum wage. Grants are for five years
- Administered by the Office of Children and Family Services

Extended School Day/ School Violence Prevention (ESD/SVP):

- Provide support to students through extended school-day and/or school violence prevention programs
- \$24.3 million maintained in FY21-22; peak funding of \$30.2 million in FY07-08
- Provides grants at a rate of \$1,600 per student.
- Grants are for three years with the possibility of two one-year extensions
- Administered by the New York State Education Department

Youth Development Program (YDP):

- Support for providers offering positive youth development programs
- \$15.6 million maintained in FY21-22; peak funding of \$37.1 million in FY08-09

- Distributed by county-based formula
- Administered by the Office of Children and Family Services
- Funds are distributed through county Youth Bureaus; in New York City they are part of the Department of Youth and Community Development's COMPASS/SONYC program

QUALITYstarsNY:

- \$44 million in funding -- \$5 million in state funding, same as FY20-21 and \$39 million allocated through federal stimulus funding.
- QUALITYstarsNY is New York's quality rating and improvement system for early childhood care.

Community Schools Aid

- \$250 million in Community Schools Aid provided in FY21-22, same as FY20-21
- Funding allocated by formula to school districts with schools identified as "struggling" and "persistently struggling", as well as school districts identified as "high-need".
- Maintains the minimum amount of funding a school district receives at \$100,000
- Aid to support the transformation of school buildings into community hubs to deliver co-located or school-linked services to students and families. This includes providing an on-site coordinator to establish resources.
- Administered by the New York State Education Department

Community Schools Regional Technical Assistance Centers

- \$1.2 million for the continuation of three Regional Technical Assistance Centers for community schools
- Funding to support 3 regional technical assistance centers to school districts operating a community school

Community Schools Mental Health

- \$250,000 for grants to school districts to allow community schools to expand mental health services

Extended Learning Time

- \$21,590,000 to continue extended learning time grants to school districts or school districts in collaboration with community-based organizations.
- Maintains funding from FY20-21

Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP):

- Program employs youth ages 14 to 24 during the summer months, supporting their transition to the workforce
- Many participants serve as aides to summer programs for younger children, allowing programs to serve more children
- \$45 million provided in FY21-22, this maintains FY20-21 funding level

Runaway and Homeless Youth:

- FY21-22 budget includes \$4,984,000, same as FY20-21
- Administered by the Office of Children and Family Services

Sexually Exploited Children and Youth:

- FY21-22 included an additional \$500,000 over FY20-21, bringing total funding to \$2 million.
- Administered by the Office of Children and Family Services

Local Funding

- Cities and counties often choose to fund expanded learning opportunities through discretionary spending, generally through local Youth Bureaus
- New York City invests approximately \$411 million in the COMPASS, including SONYC, and Beacon initiatives.

Federal Funding:

21st Century Community Learning Centers:

- Programs offer academic enrichment and youth development, particularly for youth at low-performing or high poverty schools, through school-community partnerships
- \$88.5 million in FFY21 Budget and reflects a decrease of \$5.7 million in FFY20; peak funding of \$100.5 million in FFY09-10. The New York State Education Department sets aside up to 7% for administration and technical assistance to grantees.
- Grants are for five years
- Administered by the New York State Education Department

Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP): The At-Risk Afterschool Snack and Supper Program:

- Nutrition assistance for afterschool programs to provide free snacks and suppers to youth
- Funding maintained from FY20-21 at \$250,000
- This funding is allocated for the competitive grant to nonprofits to increase participation in the Child and Adult Care Food Program among afterschool and early care providers.
- As of July 1, 2020, the program reimbursed 96 cents per snack and \$3.51 per supper.
- Any program located in a school district where 50% or more of enrolled students qualify for free or reduced-price school meals are eligible to receive funding

Summer Food Services Program (SFSP):

- Provides free, nutritious meals to children eighteen and under in low-income neighborhoods during the months when school is not in session
- Eligible locations must either be in areas where more than 50% of students qualify for free or reduced-price lunch or, if in a different area, the site must only provide free meals to students who qualify for free or reduced-price lunch

Child Care Subsidies:

- Federal, state, and local support for low-income families that may be used to pay for care for children from birth up to age twelve
- Approximately 46 percent of subsidies goes to school-age children (including all modalities of child care)
- Increased investments due to the American Rescue Plan

American Rescue Plan Stimulus:

- A total of \$9 billion dollars allocated to New York in a third round of Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP-ESSER) funds
- Provided a set-aside of about \$2.2 billion in funds to address learning loss. That is, about \$629 million provided directly to the state (5% set-aside to address learning loss, 1% set-aside specifically for summer enrichment; and 1 % set-aside for afterschool programs), and \$1.6 billion directly provided to local educational agencies (20% set-aside of direct funds). New York State directed the entire \$2.2 billion to local school districts.

School District Grants:

- Certain federal funding for school districts, such as Title I and School Improvement Grants (SIG), can be used for expanded learning opportunities at the discretion of the school district