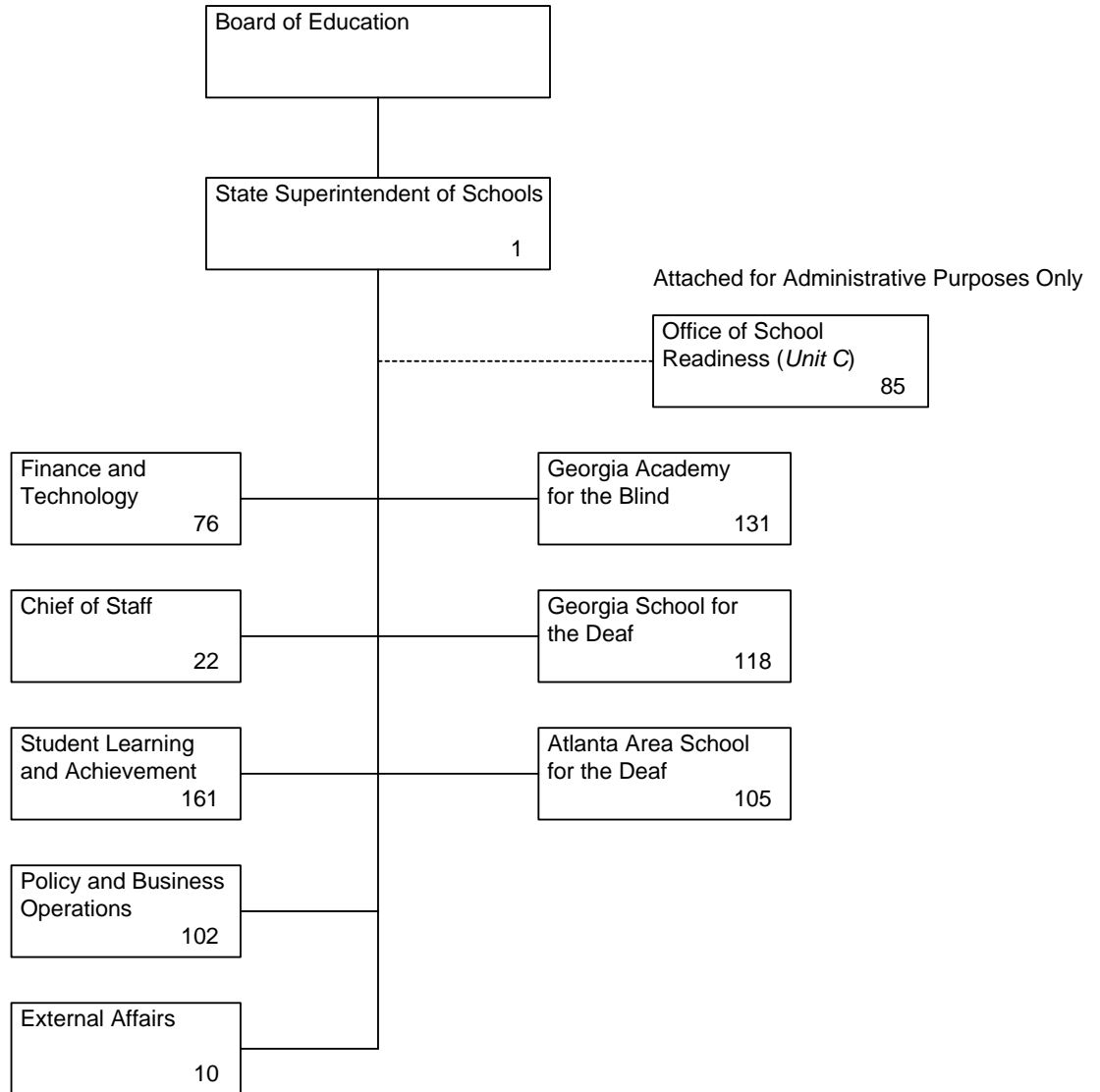


STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Total Budgeted Positions -- 811



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Financial Summary - Unit A - State Board of Education

Expenditures, Current Budget, and Agency Requests

Budget Classes / Fund Sources	FY 2001 Expenditures	FY 2002 Expenditures	FY 2003 Current Budget	FY 2004 Agency Requests		
				Adjusted Base	Enhancements	Totals
Personal Services	\$37,773,579	\$51,487,428	\$40,889,711	\$40,889,711	\$2,269,271	\$43,158,982
Regular Operating Expenses	5,468,782	5,632,659	5,905,812	6,133,652		6,133,652
Travel	971,300	1,151,355	1,189,660	1,235,458		1,235,458
Motor Vehicle Purchases	175,065	69,568				
Equipment	322,959	67,462	327,649	323,820		323,820
Computer Charges	14,087,945	8,002,943	10,077,946	9,570,348	535,000	10,105,348
Real Estate Rentals	945,697	1,107,824	1,113,853	1,089,309		1,089,309
Telecommunications	873,898	719,672	2,003,588	1,019,663		1,019,663
Per Diem and Fees		3,277,072	3,142,305	8,506,115	69,737	8,575,852
Contracts	64,504,420	22,826,770	47,887,056	42,146,518	1,798,594	43,945,112
Utilities	828,885	712,401	796,351	802,352		802,352
Capital Outlay			30,569,700			
QBE Formula Grants						
Kindergarten/Grades 1-3	1,481,983,440	1,579,406,847	1,627,171,321	1,671,918,532		1,671,918,532
Grades 4-8	1,304,430,446	1,436,852,794	1,479,094,496	1,519,769,595		1,519,769,595
Grades 9-12	705,054,252	718,186,530	713,494,640	733,115,743		733,115,743
Vocational Education Laboratories	179,876,835	184,281,170	180,496,314	185,459,963		185,459,963
Special Education	649,322,178	696,752,914	702,118,965	721,427,237		721,427,237
Gifted	133,584,375	154,147,010	155,980,376	160,269,836		160,269,836
Remedial Education	71,447,929	23,850,432	23,205,028	23,843,166		23,843,166
Alternative Education Programs	62,241,704	64,877,107	65,512,925	67,314,530		67,314,530
Limited English-Speaking Students	46,355,031	56,210,223	57,621,711	59,206,308		59,206,308
Staff and Prof Development	40,157,836	28,707,302	28,976,031	28,879,686		28,879,686
Media	146,045,414	151,364,716	140,655,321	144,087,400		144,087,400
Additional Instruction		45,433,597	46,495,792	46,495,792		46,495,792
Indirect Cost	880,025,528	906,250,232	878,977,026	876,054,427		876,054,427
Midterm Adjustment Reserve	17,754,680	13,550,262				
QBE Reduction						
Non-QBE Formula Grants						
Local Fair Share	(931,728,915)	(1,003,852,755)	(1,102,013,446)	(1,132,318,816)		(1,132,318,816)
Equalization Formula	222,603,367	255,947,743	278,259,401	285,681,971		285,681,971
Pupil Transportation	164,594,438	177,551,705	167,551,763	162,525,210		162,525,210
Sparsity Grants	3,157,997	6,548,893	6,548,910	6,548,910		6,548,910
Spec Education Low-Incidence	620,134	840,889	852,291	826,722		826,722
Education of Children of Low Income Families	249,364,577	293,726,168	309,883,868	309,883,868		309,883,868
Retirement (H.B.272 & H.B. 1321)	5,876,584	5,060,245	5,508,750	5,508,750		5,508,750
Instruct Services for Handicapped	161,541,549	205,025,847	191,495,397	191,495,397		191,495,397
Tuition for Multi-Handicapped	1,428,894	1,790,440	1,900,000	1,843,000		1,843,000
Severely Emotionally Disturbed	64,547,014	67,786,597	67,350,700	66,877,017		66,877,017
School Lunch (Federal)	272,149,962	294,918,023	188,375,722	188,375,722		188,375,722
School Lunch (State)	35,923,276	37,406,666	38,137,852	36,993,716		36,993,716
State and Local Ed Improvement	26,682,461	13,162,385				
RESA	11,392,167	11,601,190	12,074,667	11,977,506		11,977,506
GLRS	4,331,898	5,627,195	4,993,665	4,982,812		4,982,812
High School Program	38,599,882	53,019,066	62,128,864	56,215,395		56,215,395
Special Ed at State Institutions	3,867,098	3,918,448	4,046,930	3,925,522		3,925,522
Governor's Scholarships	4,539,410					
Vocational Research & Curriculum	95,000		114,626	112,907		112,907

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Current Budget and Governor's Recommendations

Budget Classes / Fund Sources	FY 2003 Current Budget	FY 2004 Governor's Recommendations				Totals
		Budget Reductions	Annualizers and Adjustments	Adjusted Base	Enhancements	
Personal Services	\$40,889,711		\$1,629,612	\$42,519,323		\$42,519,323
Regular Operating Expenses	5,905,812	(\$79,960)	(2,000)	5,823,852		5,823,852
Travel	1,189,660	(6,552)	(4,000)	1,179,108		1,179,108
Motor Vehicle Purchases						
Equipment	327,649	(2,779)		324,870		324,870
Computer Charges	10,077,946	(194,053)		9,883,893		9,883,893
Real Estate Rentals	1,113,853	(24,544)	59,134	1,148,443		1,148,443
Telecommunications	2,003,588	(48,633)	(1,039,171)	915,784		915,784
Per Diem and Fees	3,142,305	(11,320)		3,130,985		3,130,985
Contracts	47,887,056	(8,519,283)		39,367,773		39,367,773
Utilities	796,351	(23,456)		772,895		772,895
Capital Outlay	30,569,700			30,569,700		30,569,700
QBE Formula Grants						
Kindergarten/Grades 1-3	1,627,171,321		66,485,620	1,693,656,941		1,693,656,941
Grades 4-8	1,479,094,496		79,241,395	1,558,335,891		1,558,335,891
Grades 9-12	713,494,640		34,509,370	748,004,010		748,004,010
Vocational Education Laboratories	180,496,314		16,010,402	196,506,716		196,506,716
Special Education	702,118,965		59,402,011	761,520,976		761,520,976
Gifted	155,980,376		20,869,794	176,850,170		176,850,170
Remedial Education	23,205,028		382,916	23,587,944		23,587,944
Alternative Programs	65,512,925		3,776,491	69,289,416		69,289,416
Limited English-Speaking Students	57,621,711		9,118,927	66,740,638		66,740,638
Staff and Prof Development	28,976,031		1,541,941	30,517,972		30,517,972
Media	140,655,321		6,564,912	147,220,233		147,220,233
Additional Instruction	46,495,792		2,243,203	48,738,995		48,738,995
Indirect Cost	878,977,026		27,014,443	905,991,469		905,991,469
Midterm Adjustment Reserve			148,250,000	148,250,000		148,250,000
QBE Reduction		(156,764,424)		(156,764,424)		(156,764,424)
Non-QBE Formula Grants						
Local Fair Share	(1,102,013,446)		(105,523,082)	(1,207,536,528)		(1,207,536,528)
Equalization Formula	278,259,401	(8,347,782)	15,008,868	284,920,487		284,920,487
Pupil Transportation	167,551,763	(5,026,553)	2,247,036	164,772,246		164,772,246
Sparsity Grants	6,548,910	(196,467)		6,352,443		6,352,443
Spec Education Low-Incidence	852,291	(25,569)		826,722		826,722
Education of Children of Low Income Families	309,883,868			309,883,868		309,883,868
Retirement (H.B.272 & H.B. 1321)	5,508,750			5,508,750		5,508,750
Instruct Services for Handicapped	191,495,397			191,495,397		191,495,397
Tuition for Multi-Handicapped	1,900,000	(109,060)		1,790,940		1,790,940
Severely Emotionally Disturbed	67,350,700	(1,855,144)	2,772,742	68,268,298		68,268,298
School Lunch (Federal)	188,375,722			188,375,722		188,375,722
School Lunch (State)	38,137,852	(1,144,136)	940,639	37,934,355		37,934,355
State and Local Ed Improvement						
RESA	12,074,667	(362,240)	190,661	11,903,088		11,903,088
GLRS	4,993,665	(50,589)	43,429	4,986,505		4,986,505
High School Program	62,128,864	(12,509,570)	107,429	49,726,723		49,726,723
Special Ed at State Institutions	4,046,930	(128,482)		3,918,448		3,918,448
Governor's Scholarships						
Vocational Research & Curriculum	114,626	(1,719)		112,907		112,907

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Expenditures, Current Budget, and Agency Requests

Budget Classes / Fund Sources	FY 2001 Expenditures	FY 2002 Expenditures	FY 2003 Current Budget	FY 2004 Agency Requests		
				Adjusted Base	Enhancements	Totals
Even Start	\$4,516,026	\$6,885,337	\$7,021,675	\$7,021,675		\$7,021,675
PSAT Exams	756,500	756,500	756,500	733,805		733,805
Title VI		11,089,406	9,389,202	9,389,202		9,389,202
Payments Federal Funds to DTAE	16,323,000	16,027,189	16,909,425	16,909,425		16,909,425
Ed of Homeless Children/Youth	941,097	1,080,296	1,546,542	1,546,542		1,546,542
Innovative Programs	500,000					
Next Generation School Grants	844,741	875,000	875,000	860,000		860,000
Drug Free School	11,913,768	11,746,908	10,567,629	10,567,629		10,567,629
At Risk Summer School Program	2,077,344					
Emergency Immigrant Education	3,879,588	4,036,740	639,390	639,390		639,390
Chapter II - Block Grant	10,388,648					
Title II Math/Science	7,971,793	9,564,931				
Byrd Scholarship	1,087,500	1,150,500	1,188,000	1,188,000		1,188,000
Health Insurance Non-Certificated Personnel and Retired Teachers	107,826,070	107,826,070	107,826,070	107,826,070		107,826,070
Pre-School Handicapped	21,082,559	21,286,103	22,472,973	22,282,710		22,282,710
Mentor Teachers	1,248,091	1,243,890	1,250,000	1,212,500		1,212,500
Advanced Placement Exams	2,309,000	2,811,600	1,608,000	1,608,000		1,608,000
Serve America Program	494,346	365,809	150,000	150,000		150,000
Youth Apprenticeship Grants	4,220,000	4,340,000	4,340,000	4,209,800		4,209,800
Remedial Summer School	15,485,284					
Joint Evening Programs	422,000	267,000	267,333	259,313		259,313
Environmental Science Grants	150,750	96,000	100,000	97,000		97,000
Pay for Performance	12,492,000	10,158,000	8,000,000	8,000,000		8,000,000
Middle School Mentoring	500,000					
Charter Schools	1,349,200	4,275,517	8,913,779	7,308,679		7,308,679
Migrant Education	274,370	274,393	274,395	274,395		274,395
Postsecondary Options		4,015,000	4,015,000	4,015,000		4,015,000
Salary Adjustment			152,625,265	182,567,448		182,567,448
Comprehensive School Reform	1,550,783	5,745,748	8,478,748	8,478,748		8,478,748
Partnership Character Education	265,531	242,708	250,000	250,000		250,000
Student Testing		9,865,173	14,265,573	14,265,573		14,265,573
Internet Access		1,182,924	4,135,763	4,011,690		4,011,690
National Teacher Certification	581,042	452,808	2,398,337	2,398,337		2,398,337
Health Insurance Adjustment						
Principal Supplements	5,967,008	6,033,009	5,967,000	5,787,990		5,787,990
Grants for School Nurses	30,000,000	30,000,000	30,000,000	30,000,000		30,000,000
Class Size Reduction	35,621,771	45,900,990				
Reading and Math Programs		32,078,780	79,130,517	79,130,517		79,130,517
School Improvement Teams		7,655,870	21,636,228	21,636,228		21,636,228
Communities in Schools		1,632,839	1,553,697	1,507,086		1,507,086
Knowledge is Power Program			600,000	582,000		582,000
Title I-C Migrant			8,626,018	8,626,018		8,626,018
Title I-D Neglected & Delinquent			2,000,255	2,000,255		2,000,255
Title II-A Improving Teacher Quality			72,520,695	72,520,695		72,520,695
Title II-D Enhancing Ed Thru Tech			17,764,034	17,764,034		17,764,034
Title III-A English Language			6,786,358	6,786,358		6,786,358
Title IV-B 21st Century Community			8,691,764	8,691,764		8,691,764
Title VI-B Rural and Low-Income			6,941,585	6,941,585		6,941,585

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Current Budget and Governor's Recommendations

Budget Classes / Fund Sources	FY 2003 Current Budget	FY 2004 Governor's Recommendations				Totals
		Budget Reductions	Annualizers and Adjustments	Adjusted Base	Enhancements	
Even Start	\$7,021,675			\$7,021,675		\$7,021,675
PSAT Exams	756,500	(\$22,695)		733,805		733,805
Title VI	9,389,202			9,389,202		9,389,202
Payments Federal Funds to DTAE	16,909,425			16,909,425		16,909,425
Ed of Homeless Children/Youth	1,546,542			1,546,542		1,546,542
Innovative Programs						
Next Generation School Grants	875,000	(490,000)		385,000		385,000
Drug Free School	10,567,629			10,567,629		10,567,629
At Risk Summer School Program						
Emergency Immigrant Education	639,390			639,390		639,390
Chapter II - Block Grant						
Title II Math/Science						
Byrd Scholarship	1,188,000			1,188,000		1,188,000
Health Insurance Non-Certificated Personnel and Retired Teachers	107,826,070			107,826,070		107,826,070
Pre-School Handicapped	22,472,973	(674,189)	\$892,373	22,691,157		22,691,157
Mentor Teachers	1,250,000	(37,500)		1,212,500		1,212,500
Advanced Placement Exams	1,608,000			1,608,000	\$365,000	1,973,000
Serve America Program	150,000			150,000		150,000
Youth Apprenticeship Grants	4,340,000	(130,200)		4,209,800		4,209,800
Remedial Summer School						
Joint Evening Programs	267,333	(66,833)		200,500		200,500
Environmental Science Grants	100,000	(3,000)		97,000		97,000
Pay for Performance	8,000,000			8,000,000		8,000,000
Middle School Mentoring						
Charter Schools	8,913,779	(5,100)	(1,600,000)	7,308,679		7,308,679
Migrant Education	274,395			274,395		274,395
Postsecondary Options	4,015,000			4,015,000		4,015,000
Salary Adjustment	152,625,265		(152,625,265)			
Comprehensive School Reform	8,478,748			8,478,748		8,478,748
Partnership Character Education	250,000			250,000		250,000
Student Testing	14,265,573	(1,099,647)	(1,800,000)	11,365,926	648,062	12,013,988
Internet Access	4,135,763	(124,073)	(59,134)	3,952,556		3,952,556
National Teacher Certification	2,398,337			2,398,337	2,376,442	4,774,779
Health Insurance Adjustment						
Principal Supplements	5,967,000	(179,010)		5,787,990		5,787,990
Grants for School Nurses	30,000,000			30,000,000		30,000,000
Class Size Reduction						
Reading and Math Programs	79,130,517	(1,723,009)		77,407,508		77,407,508
School Improvement Teams	21,636,228			21,636,228		21,636,228
Communities in Schools	1,553,697	(388,424)		1,165,273		1,165,273
Knowledge is Power Program	600,000	(588,000)		12,000		12,000
Title I-C Migrant	8,626,018			8,626,018		8,626,018
Title I-D Neglected & Delinquent	2,000,255			2,000,255		2,000,255
Title II-A Improv Teacher Quality	72,520,695			72,520,695		72,520,695
Title II-D Enhancing Ed Thru Tech	17,764,034			17,764,034		17,764,034
Title III-A English Language	6,786,358			6,786,358		6,786,358
Title IV-B 21st Century Community	8,691,764			8,691,764		8,691,764
Title VI-B Rural and Low-Income	6,941,585			6,941,585		6,941,585

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Expenditures, Current Budget, and Agency Requests

Budget Classes / Fund Sources	FY 2001 Expenditures	FY 2002 Expenditures	FY 2003 Current Budget	FY 2004 Agency Requests		
				Adjusted Base	Enhancements	Totals
Austerity Adjustments to non-QBE						
Total Funds	\$6,449,085,202	\$6,894,480,643	\$7,092,506,576	\$7,190,170,520	\$2,403,331	\$7,192,573,851
Less Federal & Other Funds:						
Federal Funds	\$726,534,830	\$873,481,376	\$1,030,212,135	\$1,030,212,135		\$1,030,212,135
Other Funds	76,956,901	30,383,691	18,557,323	18,557,323		18,557,323
Governor's Emergency Funds						
Total Federal & Other Funds	\$803,491,731	\$903,865,067	\$1,048,769,458	\$1,048,769,458		\$1,048,769,458
State General Funds	\$5,608,810,474	\$5,933,448,571	\$6,054,626,829	\$6,054,626,829	\$4,672,602	\$6,059,299,431
Tobacco Settlement Funds	30,000,000	30,000,000	30,000,000	30,000,000		30,000,000
TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$5,638,810,474	\$5,963,448,571	\$6,084,626,829	\$6,084,626,829	\$2,403,331	\$6,089,299,431
Positions	712	728	726	726		726
Motor Vehicles	54	54	54	54		54

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Current Budget and Governor's Recommendations

Budget Classes / Fund Sources	FY 2003 Current Budget	FY 2004 Governor's Recommendations				Totals
		Budget Reductions	Annualizers and Adjustments	Adjusted Base	Enhancements	
Austerity Adjustments to non-QBE		(18,970,893)		(18,970,893)		(18,970,893)
Total Funds	\$7,133,396,287	(\$219,934,888)	\$236,650,696	\$7,150,112,095	\$3,389,504	\$7,153,501,599
Less Federal & Other Funds:						
Federal Funds	\$1,030,212,135			\$1,030,212,135		\$1,030,212,135
Other Funds	18,557,323			18,557,323		18,557,323
Governor's Emergency Funds						
Total Federal & Other Funds	\$1,048,769,458			\$1,048,769,458		\$1,048,769,458
State General Funds	\$6,054,626,829	(\$219,934,888)	\$236,650,696	\$6,071,342,637	\$3,389,504	\$6,074,732,141
Tobacco Settlement Funds	30,000,000			30,000,000		30,000,000
TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$6,084,626,829	(\$219,934,888)	\$236,650,696	\$6,101,342,637	\$3,389,504	\$6,104,732,141
Positions	726		(22)	704		704
Motor Vehicles	54			54		54

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Quality Basic Education Funding Comparison

Program Area	FY 2002 Expenditures	FY 2003 Appropriations	FY 2004 Recommendations
DIRECT INSTRUCTION			
Kindergarten, Primary and Elementary Grades (1-3)	\$1,579,406,847	\$1,627,171,321	\$1,693,656,941
Middle Grades (4-8)	1,436,852,794	1,479,094,496	1,558,335,891
High School Grades (9-12)	718,186,530	713,494,640	748,004,010
High School Vocational Labs (9-12)	184,281,170	180,496,314	196,506,716
Special Education	693,594,501	698,971,159	758,394,636
Gifted	154,147,010	155,980,376	176,850,170
Limited English-Speaking	56,210,223	57,621,711	66,740,638
Alternative Programs	64,877,107	65,512,925	69,289,416
Remedial Education	23,850,432	23,205,028	23,587,944
TOTAL DIRECT INSTRUCTIONAL	\$4,911,406,614	\$5,001,547,970	\$5,291,366,362
MID-TERM ADJUSTMENT RESERVE	\$13,550,262		
TEACHER SALARY SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT		\$152,625,265	
STAFF DEVELOPMENT	28,707,302	28,976,031	\$30,517,972
ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTION	45,433,597	46,495,792	48,738,995
MEDIA CENTER	151,364,716	140,655,321	147,220,233
ITINERANT/SUPPLEMENTAL SPEECH	3,158,413	3,147,806	3,126,340
INDIRECT COST	906,250,232	878,977,026	905,991,469
AUSTERITY REDUCTION			(156,764,424)
TOTAL QBE FORMULA EARNINGS	\$6,059,871,136	\$6,252,425,211	\$6,270,196,947
OTHER CATEGORICAL GRANTS			
Pupil Transportation	\$177,551,705	\$167,551,763	\$164,772,246
Sparsity/Alternative Programs	6,548,893	6,548,910	6,352,443
Equalization	255,947,743	278,259,401	284,920,487
Low-Incidence Special Education	840,889	852,291	826,722
Principal Supplements	6,033,009	5,967,000	5,787,990
Austerity Reduction			(9,183,587)
TOTAL QBE FUNDS	\$6,506,793,375	\$6,711,604,576	\$6,723,673,248
LOCAL FIVE MILL SHARE	(\$1,003,852,755)	(\$1,102,013,446)	(\$1,207,536,528)
STATE SHARE	\$5,502,940,620	\$5,609,591,130	\$5,516,136,720

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FY 2004 QBE Formula Recommendation

Base Amount (Grades 9-12) = \$2,343.90

Program	FTE	Weight	Weighted FTE	Total FTE Earnings	Direct Cost Proportion	Direct Instructional Cost Plus T&E Training and Experience
Kindergarten - EIP	15,367	2.0153	30,969	\$72,588,677	0.8973	\$86,725,426
Kindergarten	95,503	1.6361	156,252	366,237,594	0.8725	417,203,220
Grades 1-3 - EIP	42,423	1.7766	75,368	176,655,055	0.8879	217,278,341
Grades 1-3	282,224	1.2747	359,749	843,213,089	0.8440	972,449,954
Grades 4-5 - EIP	25,592	1.7700	45,296	106,169,430	0.8875	130,466,112
Grades 4-5	188,242	1.0281	193,524	453,599,417	0.8062	495,507,208
Grades 6-8 - Middle Grades	16,793	1.0125	17,002	39,850,492	0.8098	44,082,814
Grades 6-8 - Middle School	301,810	1.1145	336,358	788,389,128	0.8268	888,279,757
Grades 9-12	294,273	1.0000	294,273	689,745,015	0.8056	748,004,010
Vocational Lab	63,111	1.1936	75,328	176,560,326	0.8347	196,506,716
Special Education I	10,250	2.3605	24,196	56,712,514	0.8871	68,956,244
Special Education II	16,266	2.7615	44,919	105,286,109	0.9041	133,854,672
Special Education III	41,650	3.5145	146,378	343,094,804	0.9235	444,038,513
Special Education IV	5,448	5.6932	31,018	72,703,228	0.9508	97,295,115
Special Education V	2,034	2.4345	4,952	11,607,392	0.8902	14,250,091
Gifted	39,582	1.6456	65,135	152,670,475	0.8404	176,850,170
Limited English-Speaking	8,911	2.4802	22,100	51,801,066	0.9253	66,740,638
Alternative Education	16,899	1.5806	26,710	62,606,388	0.8000	69,289,416
Remedial	6,621	1.2993	8,603	20,164,771	0.8518	23,587,944
Total Direct Instruction	1,473,000		1,958,131	\$4,589,654,970		\$5,291,366,362
Staff Development						\$30,517,972
Additional Instruction						48,738,995
Media (Including T&E)						147,220,233
Itinerant/Supplemental Speech						3,126,340
Indirect Cost (Including T&E)						905,991,469
Austerity Reduction						(156,764,424)
TOTAL QBE FORMULA EARNINGS						\$6,270,196,947
Plus: Pupil Transportation						\$164,772,246
Sparsity/Alternative Programs						6,352,443
Equalization						284,920,487
Low-Incidence Special Education						826,722
Principal Supplements						5,787,990
Austerity Reduction						(9,183,587)
TOTAL QBE EARNINGS						\$6,723,673,248
Less: Local Five Mill Share (2001 40% Equalized Tax Digest less exemption allowances x .005)						(\$1,207,536,528)
STATE FUNDS -- FY 2004 (Includes \$1,710,101,202 for Training and Experience)						\$5,516,136,720

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Budget Summary - Unit A

Governor's
Recommendations

ADJUSTMENTS TO CURRENT BUDGET- STATE GENERAL FUNDS

FY 2003 STATE APPROPRIATIONS	\$6,054,626,829
BUDGET REDUCTIONS	
1. Reduce the central office budget by applying a 3% reduction to regular operating expenses, travel, equipment purchases, per diem and fees, computer charges, real estate rentals, telecommunications, and utilities.	(\$391,297)
2. Eliminate funding for various contracts impacting only a limited number of schools:	(8,694,360)
A. I Can Learn (\$2,850,000)	
B. Elementary Foreign Language (\$2,197,510)	
C. Middle School After School (\$1,000,000)	
D. Knowledge Is Power Program (\$600,000)	
E. Next Generation Schools (\$500,000)	
F. Basic Right Over Wrong (\$427,500)	
G. Three O'clock Project (\$300,000)	
H. Charter School Resource Center (\$200,000)	
I. Learning for Life (\$142,500)	
J. Citizen Education Program (\$116,850)	
K. High School Magnet Science and Math (\$100,000)	
L. Can You Soar Program (\$95,000)	
M. Prevention and Motivation Programs (\$95,000)	
N. Achievers International (\$70,000)	
3. Reduce remaining contracts by a minimum of 3%.	(1,358,180)
4. Reduce Quality Basic Education (QBE) formula grants by 2.51%.	(156,764,424)
5. Allow for an austerity adjustment to non-QBE formula programs.	(18,378,955)
6. Decrease funding for certain non-QBE formula grants by 3% (\$4,811,631) and Pupil Transportation by 3% (\$5,026,553). Reduce the statewide Reading Program by 3% (\$1,723,009) and allow school systems to use the remaining funds for both reading and math programs approved by the State Board. Also reduce state funding for Student Testing by utilizing federal ESEA Title VI funding (\$1,099,647).	(12,660,840)
7. Reduce funding for the Vocational High School Program by eliminating funding for Extended Day (\$12,097,223) and applying a 3% reduction to the remaining programs (\$412,347).	(12,509,570)
8. Reduce funding for Equalization grants by 3%.	(8,347,782)
9. Allow for an additional 1% austerity adjustment, but exclude grants to local school systems from this adjustment.	(591,938)
10. Reduce funding for Tuition Multihandicapped (\$109,060) and Special Education at State Institutions (\$128,482) to reflect FY 2002 expenditures.	(237,542)
Subtotal	(\$219,934,888)
ANNUALIZERS AND OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	
11. Provide for a mid-year adjustment to QBE.	\$148,250,000
12. Annualize the cost of the FY 2002 salary adjustment for teachers in K-12 public schools(\$29,341,271), Georgia Psycho-education Centers (\$181,801), and Pre-school Handicapped program (\$66,045).	29,589,117
13. Increase funding for QBE formula grants based on a 1.8% FTE growth (\$101,329,461) and reduce funding for Itinerant and Supplemental Speech (\$21,466) based on the most recent enrollment count.	101,307,995
14. Increase funding for growth in training and experience.	60,312,969
15. Add funding for Equalization grants with a system gaining funds from the prior year limited to 70% of the gain and a system losing funding limited to 70% of the loss.	15,008,868
16. Provide QBE formula grants to the state charter school in Bulloch County.	759,006

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION - Budget Summary

	<u>Governor's Recommendations</u>
17. Add funds for 36 additional principals at new schools.	\$1,564,708
18. Increase funding for the Georgia Psycho-educational Network.	1,466,623
19. Increase funding for the Pre-school Handicapped program to serve additional students.	417,881
20. Increase Local Five Mill Share to reflect the most recent equalized tax digest.	(105,523,082)
21. Annualize the reduction to the QBE formula based on an FY 2003 FTE error.	(12,995,413)
22. Release a sample of questions from the Criterion Referenced Competency Test (CRCT) and end of course tests rather than releasing all test questions appearing on these tests each year.	(1,800,000)
23. Eliminate one-time funding for the Drew Charter School.	(1,600,000)
24. Provide for a DOAS liability adjustment.	(59,976)
25. Transfer The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) to the Department of Human Resources, including 1 state position, 1 federal position, operating expenses, and \$48,000 in federal funds.	(48,000)
26. Reduce the authorized position count for the department by 20, from 726 to 706.	Yes
27. Transfer \$59,134 from internet access to real estate rentals for a standard GBA rental rate of \$10.37 per rentable square footage.	Yes
28. Transfer \$1,039,171 from telecommunications to personal services to address a projected personal services shortfall.	Yes
Subtotal	\$236,650,696
ADJUSTED BASE	\$6,071,342,637
ENHANCEMENT FUNDS - STATE GENERAL FUNDS	
ENHANCEMENTS	
1. Increase funding to provide a 10% salary supplement to 380 teachers who were awarded National Board Certification in November 2002.	\$2,376,442
2. Provide funds to develop additional test questions for the state writing test and to publish and disseminate additional testing materials for Georgia's growing student population.	648,062
3. Increase funding for Advanced Placement Exams to provide 1 exam for all students and 2 exams for students qualifying for free and reduced lunch.	365,000
4. Provide funds for a dues increase for the Education Commission of the States (ECS).	Yes
Subtotal	\$3,389,504
CAPITAL OUTLAY	
5. Bond funded Capital Outlay projects are included in the General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund Section.	Yes
TOTAL ENHANCEMENT FUNDS	\$3,389,504
TOTAL FY 2004 STATE GENERAL FUNDS	\$6,074,732,141
TOTAL FY 2004 TOBACCO SETTLEMENT FUNDS	\$30,000,000
TOTAL FY 2004 STATE FUNDS	\$6,104,732,141

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Functional Budget Summary - Unit A - State Board of Education

Functional Budgets	FY 2003 Appropriations		FY 2004 Recommendations	
	Total	State	Total	State
1. State Administration	\$15,377,952	\$13,348,357	\$14,211,149	\$12,181,554
2. Student Learning and Assessment	28,945,479	10,542,344	21,414,431	3,011,296
3. Governor's Honors Program	1,469,926	1,392,337	1,472,108	1,394,519
4. Quality and School Support	8,734,803	3,261,336	8,760,906	3,287,439
5. Federal Program	11,184,915	227,735	11,209,797	252,617
6. Technology	18,761,612	13,283,277	18,231,017	12,752,682
7. Local Programs	7,000,754,932	5,995,433,025	7,150,811,724	6,145,489,817
8. Georgia Academy for the Blind	5,850,475	5,586,957	6,203,856	5,940,338
9. Georgia School for the Deaf	5,675,457	5,248,986	5,995,408	5,568,937
10. Atlanta Area School for the Deaf	6,640,736	6,302,475	6,875,678	6,537,417
11. Tobacco Settlement Funds	30,000,000	30,000,000	30,000,000	30,000,000
AUSTERITY ADJUSTMENTS			(121,684,475)	(121,684,475)
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$7,133,396,287	\$6,084,626,829	\$7,153,501,599	\$6,104,732,141

RECOMMENDED APPROPRIATION: The State Board of Education - Unit A is the budget unit for which the following State and Tobacco Fund Appropriation is recommended for FY 2004: \$6,104,732,141.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Financial Summary - Unit B - Lottery for Education

Expenditures, Current Budget, and Agency Requests

Budget Classes / Fund Sources	FY 2001 Expenditures	FY 2002 Expenditures	FY 2003 Current Budget	FY 2004 Agency Requests		
				Adjusted Base	Enhancements	Totals
Computers in the Classroom	\$39,485,873	\$35,723,350				
Post Secondary Options	4,500,000					
Assistive Technology		2,500,000				
Capital Outlay	120,891,961					
Applied Technology Labs	1,600,000					
Fort Discovery National Science Center	135,000					
Total Funds	<u>\$166,612,834</u>	<u>\$38,223,350</u>				
TOTAL LOTTERY FUNDS	\$166,612,834	\$38,223,350				

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Financial Summary - Unit B - Lottery for Education

Current Budget and Governor's Recommendations

Budget Classes / Fund Sources	FY 2003 Current Budget	FY 2004 Governor's Recommendations				
		Budget Reductions	Annualizers and Adjustments	Adjusted Base	Enhancements	Totals
Computers in the Classroom						
Post Secondary Options						
Assistive Technology						
Capital Outlay						
Applied Technology Labs						
Fort Discovery National Science Center						
Total Funds						

TOTAL LOTTERY FUNDS

RECOMMENDED APPROPRIATION: The Lottery for Education - Unit B is the budget unit for which the following Lottery Fund Appropriation is recommended for FY 2004: \$0.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Financial Summary - Unit C - Office of School Readiness

Expenditures, Current Budget, and Agency Requests

Budget Classes / Fund Sources	FY 2001 Expenditures	FY 2002 Expenditures	FY 2003 Current Budget	FY 2004 Agency Requests		
				Adjusted Base	Enhancements	Totals
Personal Services	\$1,142,407	\$1,164,374	\$1,237,898	\$1,244,549		\$1,244,549
Regular Operating Expenses	25,165	35,742	36,500	36,500		36,500
Travel	30,219	50,000	50,000	50,000		50,000
Computer Charges	5,000		3,000	3,000		3,000
Telecommunications	11,954	10,000	11,000	11,000		11,000
Per Diem and Fees	9,944	3,000	5,000	5,000		5,000
Pre-Kindergarten - Grants	221,311,230	228,411,252	237,879,948	253,539,216	(\$577,769)	252,961,447
Pre-Kindergarten - Personal Services	1,927,497	1,909,660	2,090,892	2,293,257		2,293,257
Pre-Kindergarten - Operations	5,200,199	6,164,370	5,215,957	5,465,220		5,465,220
Federal Nutrition Grants	67,833,324	80,164,990	75,495,529	75,495,529	1,500,000	76,995,529
Standards of Care		324,309	424,000	667,000		667,000
Austerity Adjustments						
Total Funds	\$297,496,939	\$318,237,697	\$322,449,724	\$338,810,271	\$922,231	\$339,732,502
Less Federal & Other Funds:						
Federal Funds	\$67,833,324	\$80,164,990	\$75,495,529	\$75,495,529	\$1,500,000	\$76,995,529
Standards of Care		324,309	424,000	667,000		667,000
Other Funds						
Total Federal & Other Funds	\$67,833,324	\$80,489,299	\$75,919,529	\$76,162,529	\$1,500,000	\$77,662,529
TOTAL LOTTERY FUNDS	\$228,438,926	\$236,485,282	\$245,186,797	\$261,297,693	(\$577,769)	\$260,719,924
TOTAL STATE GENERAL FUND:	\$1,224,689	\$1,263,116	\$1,343,398	\$1,350,049		\$1,350,049
Positions	83	83	85	89	2	91
Motor Vehicles	1	1	1	1		1

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Financial Summary - Unit C - Office of School Readiness

Current Budget and Governor's Recommendations

Budget Classes / Fund Sources	FY 2003 Current Budget	FY 2004 Governor's Recommendations				Totals
		Budget Reductions	Annualizers and Adjustments	Adjusted Base	Enhancements	
Personal Services	\$1,237,898	(\$40,954)	(\$2,156)	\$1,194,788		\$1,194,788
Regular Operating Expenses	36,500			36,500		36,500
Travel	50,000			50,000		50,000
Computer Charges	3,000			3,000		3,000
Telecommunications	11,000			11,000		11,000
Per Diem and Fees	5,000			5,000		5,000
Pre-Kindergarten - Grants	237,879,948		5,569,022	243,448,970		243,448,970
Pre-Kindergarten - Personal Services	2,090,892	(62,727)	(46,600)	1,981,565		1,981,565
Pre-Kindergarten - Operations	5,215,957	(156,479)		5,059,478		5,059,478
Federal Nutrition Grants	75,495,529			75,495,529		75,495,529
Standards of Care	424,000		243,000	667,000		667,000
Austerity Adjustments		(40,302)		(40,302)		(40,302)
Total Funds	\$322,449,724	(\$300,462)	\$5,763,266	\$327,912,528		\$327,912,528
Less Federal & Other Funds:						
Federal Funds	\$75,495,529			\$75,495,529		\$75,495,529
Standards of Care	424,000		\$243,000	667,000		667,000
Other Funds						
Total Federal & Other Funds	\$75,919,529		\$243,000	\$76,162,529		\$76,162,529
TOTAL LOTTERY FUNDS	\$245,186,797	(\$219,206)	\$5,522,422	\$250,490,013		\$250,490,013
TOTAL STATE GENERAL FUND	\$1,343,398	(\$81,256)	(\$2,156)	\$1,259,986		\$1,259,986
Positions	85			85		85
Motor Vehicles	1			1		1

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Budget Summary - Unit C - Office of School Readiness

Governor's
Recommendations

ADJUSTMENTS TO CURRENT BUDGET - STATE GENERAL FUNDS

FY 2003 STATE APPROPRIATIONS	\$1,343,398
BUDGET REDUCTIONS	
1. Utilize cost allocation plan to charge Department of Human Resources with its share of administrative personnel costs for Standards of Care program.	(\$27,520)
2. Reduce personal services.	(13,434)
3. Allow for an austerity adjustment.	(40,302)
Subtotal	(\$81,256)
ANNUALIZERS AND OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	
4. Reduce personal services to delete funding for DOAS insurance cost.	(\$2,156)
5. Raise lapse by 3.3 months to correct an Office of School Readiness (OSR) mistake in expenditure classifications.	Yes
Subtotal	(\$2,156)
ADJUSTED BASE	\$1,259,986
TOTAL FY 2004 STATE FUNDS	\$1,259,986

ADJUSTMENTS TO CURRENT BUDGET - LOTTERY FUNDS

FY 2003 STATE APPROPRIATIONS	\$245,186,797
BUDGET REDUCTIONS	
1. Utilize cost allocation plan to charge Department of Human Resources with its share of administrative personnel costs for Standards of Care program.	(\$20,909)
2. Reduce personal services.	(41,818)
3. Reduce regular operating expenses (\$54,319) as well as contracts (\$60,000) for workforce development, administrative & research projects, and a cohort evaluation	(114,319)
4. Reduce rents for space to train Pre-Kindergarten (Pre-K) project directors.	(42,160)
Subtotal	(\$219,206)
ANNUALIZERS AND OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	
5. Annualize funds for the additional 2,900 students identified in the November 2002 roster count for the 1,980 sites in the Pre-K program.	\$6,146,791
6. Reduce personal services to delete funding for DOAS insurance cost.	(3,234)
7. Reflect net reduction in Lottery funds for grants due to Medicaid funds being eligible for funding Resource Coordinator activities.	(577,769)
8. Decreases salaries and benefits of vacant Executive Director (\$22,340) and Executive Assistant (\$21,016) positions.	(43,366)
9. Raise lapse factor to correct OSR mistake in expenditure classifications.	Yes
Subtotal	\$5,522,422
ADJUSTED BASE	\$250,490,013
TOTAL FY 2004 LOTTERY FUNDS	\$250,490,013
TOTAL FY 2004 STATE AND LOTTERY FUNDS	\$251,749,999

RECOMMENDED APPROPRIATION: The Office of School Readiness - Unit C is the budget unit for which the following State and Lottery Fund Appropriation is recommended for FY 2004: \$251,749,999.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Roles and Responsibilities

The State Board of Education establishes policies that the Georgia Department of Education administers under the direction of the State Superintendent of Schools. The department disburses state education funds, provides technical assistance and support services to local school systems, operates 3 state schools for hearing- and visually-impaired students, and provides intensive assistance to local schools identified by the Office of Education Accountability.

OFFICE OF STUDENT LEARNING AND ACHIEVEMENT

The Office of Student Learning and Achievement consists of 4 divisions: Instruction, School Improvement and Training, Student Transportation Services, and Facilities Services. The office:

- Provides leadership in developing and implementing curriculum for elementary, middle, and secondary students;
- Administers student support programs;
- Administers the Governor's Honors, student assessment and special education programs;
- Administers funds and provides technical assistance for school improvement as directed by the Office of Educational Accountability; and
- Provides technical assistance to local systems and processes waiver requests.

OFFICE OF CHIEF OF STAFF

The Office of Chief of Staff consists of 6 divisions: Human Resources Development, State Schools, Constituent Services, Legal Services, Legislation, and Federal Programs. The office:

- Provides personnel support to other units within the department;
- Recruits personnel for the Department of Education;
- Administers federal programs including School and Community Nutrition, Drug-Free Schools, Homeless grants, Headstart, Title I, and Migrant Education; and

- Provides instructional and therapeutic services for students who attend the state operated schools.

OFFICE OF FINANCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The Office of Finance and Technology consists of 4 divisions: Budget and Accounting Services, Technology Services, Internal Support, and Recognition Programs. The office:

- Disburses funds to local school systems;
- Provides technical assistance in budgeting, accounting, and financial reporting;
- Reviews and tracks contracts items;
- Designs guidelines for the expenditure of state and lottery funds for K-12 technology;
- Provides information to local school systems regarding technology training;
- Coordinates with GSAMS agencies for K-12 site selection and delivery of instructional programs; and
- Administers funds and provides technical assistance on teacher recognition initiatives such as: Teacher of the Year, Teachers Academy, and Pay for Performance.

OFFICE OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

The Office of External Affairs coordinates agency interactions with colleges and universities, technical institutes, and other national, state, and local agencies and develops and delivers leadership and organizational development programs that focus on systemic change for local system personnel and school board members.

ATTACHED AGENCIES

The Office of School Readiness administers the Georgia Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten program, licenses private childcare centers that operate pre-kindergarten programs, and administers the federal Child and Adult Care Food program.

AUTHORITY

Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Strategies and Services

Georgia continues to invest in its most precious resource for the future, its children. Despite difficult budget times, the state continues to move forward on strategies that improve student achievement and ultimately improve the life chances of the children of our state. In the Amended FY 2003, the Governor is recommending an additional \$115,469,231 toward the Quality Basic Education (QBE) formula for local school systems to address a 1.8% increase in the student population. An additional \$2,634,485 is recommended in equalization funds for systems that increased their millage rate. In FY 2004, the state is continuing to move forward in the implementation of the equalization grants program funding the program at the 70% level, up 15 percent from the FY 2003 funding level. A total of \$15,008,868 is recommended in FY 2004 for equalization. An additional \$161,642,430 for QBE is recommended in FY 2004 for a 1.8% increase in the full-time student population.

The state recognizes teachers as key personnel in any strategy to improve the quality of education. Georgia underscores its commitment to students by implementing strategies that improve teacher quality. These strategies work to ensure that Georgia recruits, retains and continually develops a highly qualified cadre of teachers. Some of those efforts include providing a 10% salary increase to teachers that earn National Board Certification, maintaining the highest teachers' salary in the southeast, and evaluating the state's staff development offerings in efforts to provide the most effective staff development to teachers in improving student achievement.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND TESTING

ACCOUNTABILITY

The federal government is implementing an educational policy, known as the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, to encourage states and localities to increase accountability by developing a system of sanctions and rewards to hold school districts responsible for improving academic achievement.

Georgia has been developing and implementing accountability standards that are similar to the new federal standards and is emerging as a state with an established student testing system to document student achievement. Georgia's testing programs will comprehensively assess students' educational achievement from kindergarten through high school.

STATE TESTING

To measure how well Georgia students learn and retain knowledge of the Quality Core Curriculum (QCC), the

Georgia Department of Education developed the Criterion-Referenced Competency Tests (CRCT), which yields information on academic achievement at the student, class, school, system, and state levels. This information provides a diagnosis of individual student strengths and weaknesses as related to the instruction of the QCC, as well as program evaluation information for use by Georgia's accountability system through the eventual grading of schools and the diagnosis of schools that need assistance. The CRCT data will be used as part of a battery of accountability measures for identifying means of improving student achievement and school completion.

Current Georgia law requires that all students in grades 1 through 8 take the CRCT in the content areas of reading, English/language arts, and mathematics. Science and social studies CRCT assessments are required in grades 3 through 8. From the 2000 to the 2002 administrations of the CRCT, the percentage of students meeting or exceeding standards increased for students in all grades and in all subject areas. The greatest overall improvements were made in reading, 4th grade reading and 8th grade math in particular. Results of the Spring 2002 administration also showed that more African American students improved in reading than did their counterparts with significant growth in the percentage who met or exceeded standards at all grade levels. Also in reading, the achievement gap between White and African American students and White and Hispanic students decreased at all grade levels.

PRELIMINARY SAT (PSAT)

In order to assist high school students with preparing for the SAT, the Department of Education encourages students to take the PSAT. The Governor recommends the continuation of funds in FY 2004 that enable all 10th graders to take the PSAT free of charge. In addition to funding the PSAT exam, the state also purchases a report called the Summary of Answers for all Georgia high schools whose 10th graders participate in the PSAT administration. This report is a valuable diagnostic tool that provides details of student PSAT responses by classroom and is directly linked to the QCC. The Summary of Answers can be utilized by teachers and administrators for determining 10th grade students' strengths and weaknesses in specific content areas and can therefore guide efforts to improve student learning and achievement.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS

The state also offers Advanced Placement (AP) exams free of charge to encourage students to take AP courses and exams. The rigor of AP classes has proven to better prepare students for postsecondary scholarships and can also provide an exemption from first level courses in college.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION—Services and Strategies

Under current policy, the state provides full funding for all AP exams taken by eligible Georgia students. In order to continue to fully fund this policy, an additional \$1,600,000 would be required in FY 2004. However, due to severe budgetary constraints, the Governor is recommending \$365,000 in additional funds in FY 2004. This funding level will continue to encourage students to take the rigorous AP classes by paying for one AP exam per student and for all AP exams for students who qualify for Free and Reduced Lunch.

TEACHER QUALITY

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Improving teacher quality is a multi-faceted process that begins as future teachers enter our state's colleges and universities and continues into their professional careers. Teachers face a new and dynamic challenge to educate a diverse group of learners and ensure that all are able to successfully meet our state and federal standards. While teachers are eager to rise to the challenge of high standards, they must receive professional development that is well integrated into the larger organizational goals of their schools and systems. Findings of the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education indicates that there are three essential components of effective staff development for teachers: 1) Teachers must be involved in planning their own learning experiences; 2) Staff development must link teachers to a larger "learning community" that can bring in expertise and ideas to complement their work; and 3) Staff development must be balanced between meeting the teacher's individual needs and advancing the organizational goals of their schools and districts.

During FY 2002 and early FY 2003 the Department of Education conducted an evaluation of staff development. The evaluation identified the various types of staff development provided throughout the state and assessed its impact on student achievement. The findings from the evaluation will be used to set new standards that tie teachers' staff development directly with the larger mission of their schools and also ties recertification requirements for all educators with staff development that improves student achievement.

NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFICATION

The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) provides a clearly articulated set of standards for what teachers should know and be able to do in their respective fields. Its credential, National Board Certification (NBC), is hailed as the most rigorous and respected credential of the profession. Teachers, administrators, and elected officials alike suggest that the application process alone improves classroom performance.

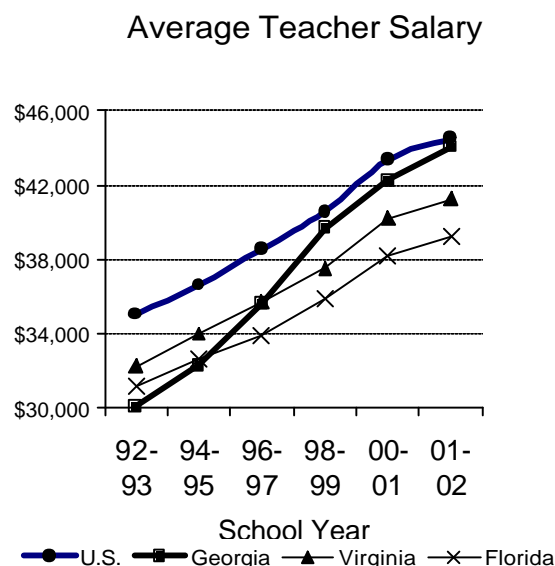
Acknowledging NBC as a corollary to improved teacher quality and a prestigious signature of professional accomplishment, Georgia maintains a commitment to recognizing and increasing the state's pool of National Board certified teachers. Georgia is among 48 states that provide regulatory or legislative support for National Board Certification, and among a select 21 states that provide financial assistance with the \$2,300 application fee and a salary supplement.

The state's commitment to NBC has resulted in a growing number of teachers to successfully earn the credential. Prior to school year 2000-2001, Georgia had a statewide total of 116 NBC teachers. In school year 2001-2002, that number more than tripled as 310 candidates earned NBCs bringing the statewide total to 426. In November of 2002, Georgia had the sixth highest number of candidates (380) to successfully achieve NBC during the 2001-2002 application process, up from seventh place in the 2000-2001 cohort. Georgia now has 806 teachers holding NBC.

In FY 2004, an additional \$2,376,442 is recommended to provide the 10% salary increase to all 806 teachers.

TEACHER SALARIES

Georgia ranks first in the southeast in average teacher salary and beginning teacher salary. North Carolina ranks second in the southeast with the average teacher salary at \$41,991, which is \$2,082 below Georgia's average teacher salary. Alabama, Florida, Tennessee, and South Carolina are approximately \$4,800 below Georgia's average teacher salary. Georgia counties that border these states are seeing an increase of qualified out-of-state teachers coming to teach within the state.



STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION– Services and Strategies

In 1995, Georgia adopted two goals regarding average teacher salaries - being first in the southeast and reaching the national average. In 1992, the average salary of Georgia public school teachers trailed Florida, Kentucky, Virginia and West Virginia. Virginia was ranked first in the southeast with the average teacher salary \$2,200 over Georgia's salary. By the 1998-1999 school year, Georgia's average salary surpassed Virginia's by over \$2,100. From school year 1995-96 to 2001-2002, the average teacher salary in Georgia rose from \$32,291 to \$44,073, an increase of 36%. According to the National Education Association, Georgia ranks 17th nationally in average salaries of public school teachers.

GEORGIA VOLUNTARY PRE-KINDERGARTENPROGRAM

Georgia is proud to have the largest and most comprehensive pre-kindergarten program serving 4-year-olds and their families of any state in the country, and the

Georgia Pre-Kindergarten (Pre-K) program continues to be a model for the rest of the nation.

Governor Perdue is maintaining a strong commitment to the Pre-K Program by recommending that it remain second only to the HOPE Scholarship as a beneficiary of Lottery proceeds. In alignment with this commitment, the Governor's recommends \$250,490,013 in FY 2004 Lottery funds for the Pre-K program, which will provide quality Pre-K instruction in more than 3,300 classrooms throughout the state.

The Pre-K program educates Georgia's four-year-olds at both public and private schools. Lottery funds are granted to Pre-K providers for salaries and benefits of lead and assistant teachers at a ratio of 1 teacher for each 10 students. Pre-K funds also provide educational materials, regular operating expenses, the equipment costs of opening a new Pre-K classroom, and transportation to school for at-risk students.

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