



IDEA FUNDING
&
HIGH COST DISABILITY

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WE WILL DISCUSS...

- ❖ IDEA Distribution
- ❖ 2nd Weight
- ❖ Cap/Estimates
- ❖ High Cost



TAKE A DEEP BREATH



IDEA DISTRIBUTION

Base Amount

*Uses Child Count

*1996 for 619

*1998 for 611

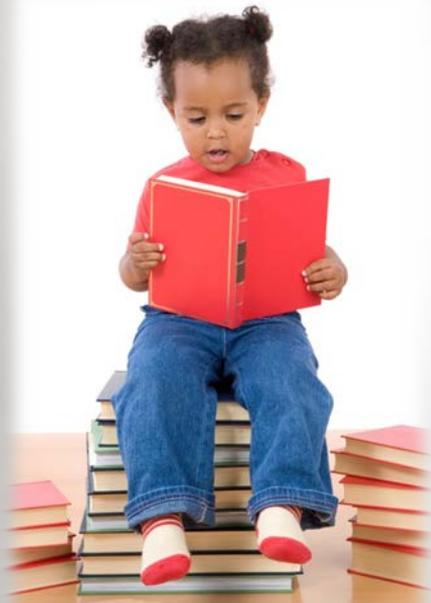
Remaining:

*85% Population

*15% Poverty



PER CHILD AMOUNT



| District | Per Child Amount |
|----------|------------------|
| A | \$ 1,434.95 |
| B | \$ 1,916.63 |
| C | \$ 4,618.03 |
| D | \$ 1,076.49 |
| E | \$ 1,326.19 |
| F | \$ 1,652.25 |
| G | \$ 1,543.73 |
| H | \$ 1,801.71 |
| I | \$ 1,514.07 |
| J | \$ 2,034.58 |

NET VS. GROSS

| | Part B 619 LEA | Part B 619 Gross |
|---------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>School</u> | <u>Total Net Award</u> | <u>Award to District</u> |
| A | \$ 3,327.85 | \$ 13,311.39 |
| B | \$ 918.03 | \$ 918.03 |
| C | \$ - | \$ - |
| D | \$ - | \$ - |
| E | \$ 196.72 | \$ 1,377.04 |

| | Part B 611 LEA | Part B 611 LEA |
|---------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| <u>School</u> | <u>Net Final Award</u> | <u>Total Net Award</u> |
| A | \$ 371,711.01 | \$ 446,340.25 |
| B | \$ 15,335.22 | \$ 15,335.22 |
| C | \$ 9,236.74 | \$ 13,855.11 |
| D | \$ 31,223.40 | \$ 37,683.42 |
| E | \$ 72,951.63 | \$ 94,173.92 |

IDEA DATA



- IDEA Annual Application
- Private School Data Collection
- Cumulative ADM
- SAIPE Data
(Small Area Income & Poverty Estimates)
- SpEd December Child Count



SPED STATE FUNDING

Three Types

- Second Weight with cap
- Weights beyond cap
- High Cost Disability

WHAT IS A WEIGHT?



No.

WHAT IS A WEIGHT

- ❖ Weight is equity of opportunity
- ❖ Additional costs generate additional revenue
- ❖ 1 weight ~ \$7,000



WHERE DO WEIGHTS COME FROM?

- ❖ Start with District Estimates
- ❖ End with Special Education Child Count
- ❖ Utilize district & regionally served students



HOW MANY WEIGHTS?

- ❖ Special Education students get 2.0* weights
 - 1.0 for attendance
 - 1.0 eligibility for special education services
- ❖ * Second weight capped at 11% of a district's ADMr
- ❖ What is the current statewide average for the percent of students eligible for special education?

IS THAT A HARD CAP?

- ❖ Districts over the 11% cap are eligible for weights beyond the cap
- ❖ Based on severity of the special education population and the MOE spending by the district
- ❖ Updated every year in the spring
 - Multi-year database
 - MOE amounts





BUT WAIT THERE'S MORE

❖ High Cost Disability Grant

- \$35 million a year
- Expenses over \$30,000/year on a per student basis eligible

❖ Estimated in December

❖ Actuals in Spring a year later



HIGH COST GRANT

❖ Eligible Expenses

- Proration
- All expenses spent on special education

❖ Non-Eligible Expenses

- Other reimbursement

❖ Caution: MOE problems

DISCUSSION

❖ 25 students in a school's special education program. 3 staff with a total of \$250,000 in salaries and benefits. District has Special Education Director (\$125,000) and Superintendent (\$175,000) and a total of 150 special education students. \$50,000 in eligible transportation expenses for 5 of the children.

❖ Which expenses would you include? Why?

❖ How much for each student?

DISCUSSION

❖ 25 students in school's special education program. Total staff costs of \$250,000. District has a Special Education Director for 300 students (\$150,000 total cost)

- One student has a one-on-one aide for \$45,000
- Another student receives individualized transportation with R.N. riding with student for \$60,000.
- 5 students receive assistive technology for \$30,000 total

❖ Which students qualify for HCD Reimbursement?

RESOURCES



<http://www.ode.state.or.us/search/page/?=2937>

- IDEA Estimates and Actuals are posted
- SpEd Finance Q & A
 - IDEA Distribution
 - 11% Cap
 - High Cost

Questions?





THANK YOU!

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