

2024 Session Preview

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Topics for today

Legislative Leaders

2024 Policy

2024-2025 Budget



2024 Legislature

- ▶ Senate President Kathleen Passidomo
 - ▶ 28 Republicans, 12 Democrats
- ▶ House Speaker Paul Renner
 - ▶ 85 Republicans, 35 Democrats



Governor Ron DeSantis



- ▶ Republican
- ▶ Elected in 2018
- ▶ Reelected in 2022
- ▶ Will term out in 2026

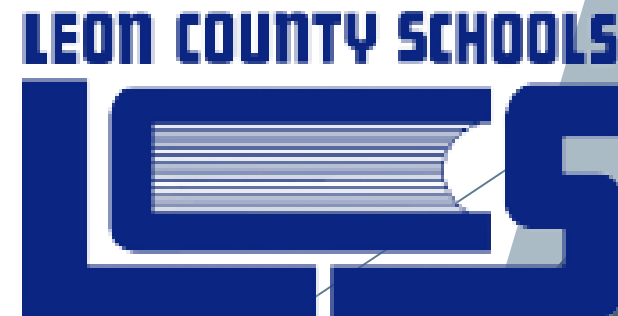
Leon County Delegation Members

Senators

- ▶ Senator Simon
 - ▶ Education Policy Chairman

Representatives

- ▶ Rep. Tant
- ▶ Rep. Shoaf
- ▶ Rep. Franklin





2024 Legislative Session

2024 Session Dates

- ▶ September 18-22, 2023 House Interim Committee
- ▶ October 9-13, 2023 Senate Interim Committee
- ▶ October 16-20, 2023 Joint Interim Committee
- ▶ November 6-9, 2023 Joint Interim Committee
- ▶ November 13-17, 2023 Joint Interim Committee
- ▶ December 4-7, 2023 Joint Interim Committee
- ▶ December 11-15, 2023 Joint Interim Committee
- ▶ January 9- March 8, 2024 Legislative Session

Interim Committee Weeks and Hearings

Interim Committee Weeks

- ▶ Lawmakers' first time in Tallahassee since last session
- ▶ Scheduled between regular legislative sessions
- ▶ Lay the groundwork for the next legislative session
- ▶ Allow lawmakers to deliberate on important issues, study proposed legislation, and prepare for the upcoming session

Committee Hearings

- ▶ The heart of the legislative process
- ▶ Where proposed bills are debated, amended, and ultimately voted upon.
- ▶ Offer opportunities for public scrutiny, expert testimony, amendments and refinement, party and constituency considerations, and vote and advancement.

2024 Session Policy Issues





Public School Deregulation

Senator Calatayud's Bill: SB 7000

- Instructional, Administrative and Support Personnel Issues

Senator Hutson's Bill: SB 7002

- Finance, Facilities and Purchasing Issues

Senator Simon's Bill: SB 7004

- Assessments and Accountability Issues

Scholarship “Glitch” Legislation



Funding following the student



PEP student funding for taking courses at the public school district

Teacher and Administrator Recruitment and Retention



Funding (additional dollars
and flexibility)



Streamline certification
requirements

Mental Health Supports



INCREASED FUNDING



INCREASE ACCESS FOR STUDENTS
TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

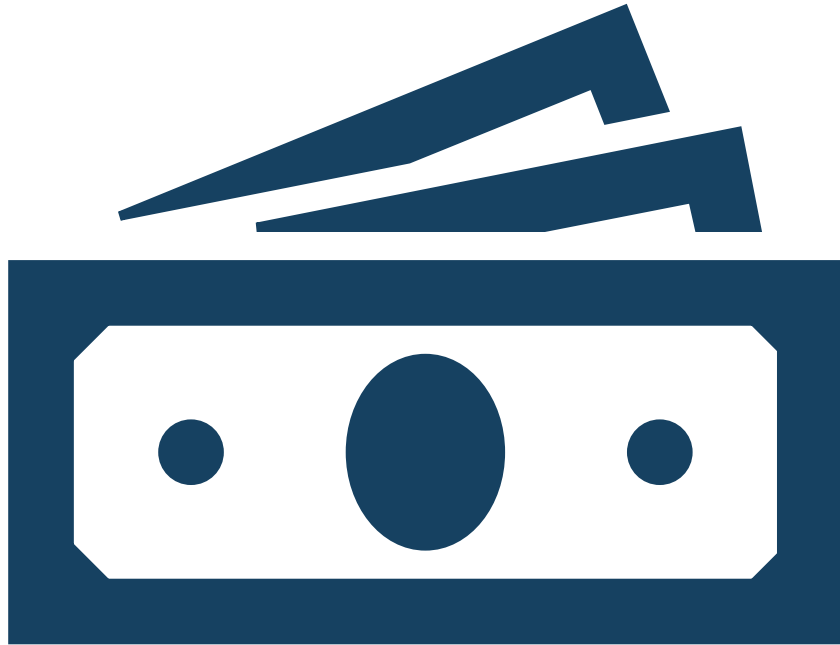
Absenteeism and Attendance Issues



Property Insurance

Dramatic increases in rates have had a negative impact on district budgets.





Budget

Long Range Financial Outlook



The LRFO focuses on General Revenue (GR), which is the largest source of state revenue used to fund K-12 public education providers



The LRFO also assumes the continuation of the current policy of allowing the current Required Local Effort (RLE) millage to be applied against the new school taxable value in each district and that the Legislature will not apply the rolled back rate that would reduce the millage rate to prevent RLE revenue to increase as a function of market forces increasing School Taxable Value.



The LRFO projects the “critical” and “other high priority needs” for the FEFP. Workload and Enrollment in the FEFP is the “critical” FEFP need.



The Outlook forecasts an increase in enrollment in the programs funded by the FEFP of 131,323.44 FTE over the next three years.

FEFP Enrollment and Funding

FLORIDA EDUCATION FINANCE PROGRAM	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-2027
FTE Student Enrollment Growth	51,021.48	51,052.37	29,249.59
Total Funds per FTE Increased by The 3.45% per year Three-Year Average	\$8,966.69	\$9,276.05	\$9,596.07
Enrollment Growth Funding	\$442.2 million	\$442.5 million	\$253.5 million
Total Funds per FTE Student Increase Funding	\$940.8 million	\$1.0043 billion	\$1.0503 billion
State Funding Offset for Total Local Funds Increase	(\$390.1) million	(\$646.9) million	(\$723.8) million
State Funds Included in LRFO Cost Drivers	\$992.9 million	\$799.9 million	\$580.1 million

Governor's Budget Recommendations

- ▶ No major changes to the FEFP
- ▶ Increase in total potential funds of \$991,734,721
 - ▶ This is less than half of last year's increase
- ▶ Enrollment increase of 1.65%
- ▶ BSA of \$5,247.02 or \$107.29 per WFTE
- ▶ \$350,000,000 Contingency Fund



Questions?

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