

School Funding Formula House Approved Version

Board Work Session March 4, 2015



Status

- House released formula 2-16-15
- House approved budget 2-23-15
- House updated simulation 2-25-15 to correct complexity index
- Senate version expected to be released and approved beginning of April
- Conference committee will recommend final formula



Formula Components

- Total Regular
 - ADM (average daily membership/enrollment)
 - Foundation
 - Complexity
 - Kindergarten
 - Transition to Foundation
- Special Education
- Career & Tech Ed
- Honors
- Charter Schools
- Vouchers



ADM

Average Daily Membership = Enrollment

Current	House Version
2014-15	2015-16 & 2016-17

- Funded Enrollment
 - ½ Kindergarten
 - Grades 1-12

- Funded Enrollment
 - All Kindergarten
 - Grades 1-12



Foundation Funding

- To support the basic needs of all students
- Same per pupil amount provided to all districts
- Some districts have been funded an additional foundation amount in order to avoid large, immediate losses. They are transitioning to the same foundation and will be there by 2017.



Foundation per Pupil

C	urrent
&	History

House Version 2015-16 & 2016-17

• 2014-15

\$4,587

- State - \$4,519,022,139

• 2013-14

\$4,569

• 1st ½ 2013

\$4,405

2012

\$4,280

• 2011

\$4,505

2010

\$4,550

• 2009

\$4,825

2015-16

\$4,984

- 9% higher than 2014-15

- State - \$5,119,638,992

• 2016-17

\$5,135

12% higher than 2014-15

6.4% higher than 2009

State - \$5,286,561,127

FWCS gaining \$14.3
 million over 2 years



Complexity Funding

- Supports additional resources, beyond the foundation, needed for students with complex needs.
 - 2014-15 FWCS funding \$47.7 million
 - 2015-16 proposed \$33.9 million (\$14 less)
- Also supports areas not fully funded with other revenue
 - Special Education, about \$16 million
 - ELL (English Language Learners), about \$4.7 million

FORT WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS



Complexity

Current	
2014-15	

- Index = 50% of free textbook rate
- 2nd tier provided for districts with poverty over 70%
- Multiplied by foundation per pupil \$4,587
- FWCS per pupil = \$1,688

House Version 2015-16 & 2016-17

- Index = 50% of free lunch rate
- 2nd tier eliminated
- Multiplied by \$4,000
- FWCS per pupil = \$1,156
- FWCS losing \$14 million over 2 years



Complexity Indicators

	Used in			13-14		14-15	
	<u>Formula</u>	Application	<u>Audit</u>	Beginning of	End of	Beginning of	Current
				Year	Year	Year	(Mar '15)
Free and Reduced	Prior to 13-14	Federal Meal	Federal requirement:				
Lunch Rate		Application	3% of error prone	70.42%	71.57%	64.58%	67.15%
			applications				
Free Textbook Rate	2013-14	Federal Meal	State could				
	2014-15	Application	establish separate	69.97%	71.25%	64.50%	67.49%
		Check Box for free textbooks	procedure				
Free Lunch Rate	2015-16	Federal Meal	Federal requirement:				
House Version	2016-17	Application	3% of error prone	61.65%	62.82%	56.65%	58.41%
			applications				
		Required for all that are not directly certified, including those receiving free meals under Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)			Rate always higher at end of year as families understand textbook responsibilities	program ca misundersta textbook res	e believe CEP nuses more anding about sponsibilities



Kindergarten

Current 2014-15

House Version 2015-16 & 2016-17

- Funded at ½ of foundation plus complexity + \$2,472 per pupil grant
- FWCS kindergarten funded at 89% of grades 1-12
- Low poverty districts funded at a higher percent

Funded same as other grades and grant eliminated



Total Regular Foundation + Complexity

	Sta	ite*					
	Traditional Districts & Charters			F	FWCS		
			Per Pupil			Per Pupil	
	Total	Per Pupil	Change	Total	Per Pupil	Change	
2015	5,864,363,717	5,721		183,350,264	6,220		
2016	5,983,203,372	5,824	1.8%	180,128,681	6,140	-1.3%	
2017	6,132,868,119	5,956	2.3%	183,679,702	6,291	2.5%	
Change from 2015 to 2017	268,504,402	235	4.1%	329,438	71	1.1%	
* excludes Vouchers and Transition	n to Foundation						



Transition to Foundation

Current 2014-15

- 7-year transition scheduled 2012-2018
- \$39 million provided to districts funded higher than regular formula
- FWCS at foundation so not transitioning

House Version 2015-16 & 2016-17

- Transition ends 2015-16
- \$20 million provided in 2015-16
- All districts will then be on same funding formula



Special Education

Current 2014-15			House Version 2015-16 & 2016-17			
SevereModerateCommunication	\$8,350 \$2,265 \$533	•	Severe Moderate Communication	\$8,800 \$2,300 \$500		
• FWCS Total \$15,444,395		• FWCS Total \$16,407,000, 6% increase				



Career & Tech Ed

Current 2014-15

House Version 2015-16 & 2016-17

- Funding based on market demand and future wage of course (range \$225 to \$450 per pupil)
- FWCS Total \$1,788,250

New course definitions:

- Foundation \$230
- Introductory \$340
- Standard Pathway \$460
- Premium Pathway \$690
- FWCS Total
 \$1,296,420,
 27% decrease



Honors

Current	
2014-15	

House Version 2015-16 & 2016-17

 \$900 per honor diploma earned Free & reduced lunch students

- \$1,400 per honor diploma earned
- Other students
 - \$1,000 per honor diploma earned

FWCS Total \$508,000

FWCS Total \$656,166 29% increase



Charter Schools

Current 2014-15

- Formula same as traditional public schools
- Virtual charter schools funded at 90%
- No property tax revenue

House Version 2015-16 & 2016-17

- Formula same as traditional public schools
- Virtual charter schools funded at 100%
- Additional \$1,500 per pupil grant outside the formula
 - Compares to FWCS nondebt property tax (after circuit breaker) of \$1,351



Vouchers

Current	House Version		
2014-15	2015-16 & 2016-17		
 29,146 vouchers \$122,617,222 	No limit Budget: • 2015-16 - 36,000 vouchers - \$156,420,000 • 2016-17 - 40,000 vouchers - \$173,800,000 • Increase from 2014-15 - \$51.2 million - Per pupil + 3.3%		



Voucher Enrollment 2014-15

					Compared to
		District	Vouchers in	% of	District
	Top 10 Impact	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Boundaries</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>
1	FWCS	30,783	4,036	13.8%	13.1%
2	IPS	30,813	3,018	10.4%	9.8%
3	South Bend	19,680	2,224	7.6%	11.3%
4	Evansville	22,688	1,390	4.8%	6.1%
5	East Allen	9,114	891	3.1%	9.8%
6	Gary	8,594	765	2.6%	8.9%
7	Hammond	13,528	700	2.4%	5.2%
8	MSD Perry	14,718	665	2.3%	4.5%
9	Anderson	7,062	649	2.2%	9.2%
10	MSD Lawrence	14,871	564	1.9%	3.8%
		171,851	14,902	51.1%	8.7%
279	Others	835,522	14,246	48.9%	1.7%
289	All Districts	1,007,373	29,148	100.0%	2.9%
	(non-charters)				



Legislative Steps

- Met with legislators involved with formula prior to session (handout)
- Information request from Senator Long (handout)
- Phone conference with Senator Mishler
- Meetings at statehouse on 3-5-15 with various legislators involved with formula
- Testimony on budget 3-10-15