



Investing in Student Potential

2022 Operating Supplemental Budget Special Education Highlights

Program Area	<u>Final Budget</u>
<p>Special Education Funding</p>	<p>+\$13 million To support the special education safety net program.</p>
<p>Office of the Education Ombuds (OEO) <i>Provides support to families in addressing their concerns or barriers encountered within the public education system</i></p>	<p>+\$557,000 To increase capacity of OEO to support more families.</p>
<p>Trauma-Informed Support Workgroup</p>	<p>+\$200,000 For the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) to convene a workgroup to identify trauma-informed strategies, approaches, and curricula for supporting students in distress and with challenging behaviors.</p>
<p>Language Access</p>	<p>+\$409,000 For OSPI to implement a language access technical assistance program and directs the Washington State School Directors Association (WSSDA) to develop a model policy for implementing a language access program for culturally responsive, systemic family engagement (House Bill 1153).</p>
<p>Student Mental Health</p>	<p>+\$90 million To increase funding for staffing that support the physical, social, and emotional health of students. (House Bill 1664) (Ex., counselors, nurses, social workers)</p>
<p>Out-of-State Placements Report</p>	<p>+\$50,000 For OSPI to create and annual report on the use of out-of-state placements for students receiving special education services</p>

Our Vision: Every individual thrives in a learning-friendly environment where they feel safe, supported, and challenged.