

Bill History on Increases to K-12 BASE aid

2021 (Anderson)	HB0015 Increase K-12 BASE aid.	Signed by Governor 2/25/2021
2019 (Grubbs)	HB0159 Increase K-12 BASE aid.	Signed by Governor 2/27/2021
2017 (Berglee)	HB0191 Increase K-12 BASE aid.	Signed by Governor 2/23/2021
2015 (Hayman)	HB0027 Increase K-12 BASE aid.	Signed by Governor 2/27/2021

Generally, this bill modifies the rates in section 20-9-306, MCA in accordance with the Governor’s executive budget request for inflationary adjustments associated with the requirements of section 20-9-326, MCA the annual inflation-related adjustments to basic entitlements and per-ANB entitlements. Although the passage of this important bill does not appropriate funds to schools it is the first step in allowing districts to begin the budgeting process of the ensuing year with a more concrete basis for moving forward.

20-9-326 MCA Annual inflation-related adjustments to basic entitlements and per-ANB entitlements

Special Ed Allowable Cost	Allocation of BASE aid approx. \$286 per current year ANB
Data for Achievement	FY 23 = ANB X \$22.29
Achievement Gap	FY 23 = Indian Students X \$229
Indian Education for All	FY 23 = ANB X \$23.28
At Risk	FY 23 = Proportion of \$5,873,777
Quality Educator	FY 23 = FTE X \$3,472
Per Student Entitlement	El 5,962 – 20¢ to 1000 th student HS 7,634 – 50¢ to 800 th student
Basic Entitlement	El 55,741 + 2,678 per 25 past 250 MS 111,483 + 5,354 per 45 past 450 HS 334,453 +16,063 per 80 past 800

More importantly these formulas are then used to calculate the BASE and Maximum budget limits along with the voting limitations of the highest achievable budget with and without an over-BASE levy proposal.

The OPI is required to provide this information to the districts of the state on or before March 1.