

Governor Snyder's FY 2016 Budget Recommendation

K-12 EDUCATION

"Our students deserve to have a great education so that they have a bright chance at college, career and life after graduation." -Governor Snyder

IN THE BUDGET

Governor Snyder will make another increase in K-12 education funding, ensuring that Michigan's children have the opportunity to succeed in Michigan's growing economy. In the governor's FY 2016 budget, he recommends an additional \$1.2 billion more for K-12 education compared to the FY 2011 budget.

SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

Increase funding for K-12 education by \$1.2 billion more than FY2011.

Next year's budget includes a \$75 per-pupil increase in the foundation allowance for all districts.

Proficiency in third-grade reading is an early indicator of having a skilled workforce that is imperative to growing Michigan stronger, and in the FY 2016 budget, Governor Snyder recommends \$25 million for his third-grade reading initiative.

Governor Snyder is also calling for a commission outside of state government to develop an action plan to increase third-grade reading scores in Michigan.

IMPROVING EARLY LEARNING LITERACY

After making a significant \$130 million investment over the last two years in the Great Start Readiness Program, this year's budget includes funding of nearly \$240 million, providing 63,000 half-day preschool opportunities to four year-olds across the state.

EXPANDING COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS PROGRAMS

The FY2016 budget continues the \$2 million in funding for Michigan's FIRST Robotics program.

An additional \$2.2 million is recommended to expand programs that help make students aware of available college and career choices, and increase the number of college advisors.

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

\$1 million for efforts to improve public safety.

\$28 million in state funds for school lunch and breakfast programs.

The FY2016 budget includes a total of \$8.5 million for Michigan's math and science centers.

BY THE NUMBERS:

FY 2011 spending= \$10.7 billion

FY 2016 spending= \$11.9 billion

Total increase= \$1.2 billion