

Commission on School Funding

Recommendations to the Legislature's Interim Committee on Education to ensure the successful implementation of the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan 2021-2023

Auxiliary Services

Recommendation, September 2021: Auxiliary Services, such as food services and transportation costs, should be based on a four-year average of actual expenditures. Additionally, a hold harmless adjustment, like that used for payments based on quarterly Average Daily Enrollment data, should be applied in the event expenditures decrease compared to the previous fiscal year.

Recommendation, September 2021: Charter schools and university schools for profoundly gifted students should be included in the Auxiliary Services calculation of the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan, using the same funding methodology established for school districts.

Recommendation, September 2021: If charter schools or university schools for profoundly gifted students have not incurred expenditures for Auxiliary Services for a total of four years, the average should be based on the number of years for which expenditure data is available.

Recommendation, September 2021: The PCFP should include an inflationary adjustment for Auxiliary Services that mirrors the inflationary factor for the PCFP. Currently that inflationary adjustment is the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all Urban Consumers, Western Region as published by the United States Department of Labor.

Recommendation, February 2022: Expansion of transportation or food services for charter schools providing auxiliary services for the first time and allowing the applicants to build a budget that would be submitted to the Nevada Department of Education.

At-Risk Definition

Recommendation, January 2022: The Commission on School Funding affirmed the use of the updated At-Risk definition as approved by the State Board of Education.

NCEI Floor

Recommendation, February 2022: The Commission on School Funding voted to eliminate the 1.0 floor for the Nevada Cost of Education Index for the next biennium.

CPI

Recommendation, December 2021: The Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all Urban Consumers, Western Region currently included in Nevada Revised Statute should be replaced with a Nevada-specific CPI.