



Universal Free School Meals: FY24 Legislative Report

An update on the implementation of the first year of permanent universal free school meals in terms of student participation, distribution of funding and recommendations for future implementation.

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Dear Honorable Chairs of the House and Senate Committees on Ways and Means, Honorable Chairs of the Joint Committee on Education, and Secretary of the Executive Office for Administration and Finance:

I am pleased to submit this report to the House and Senate Committees on Ways and Means, Executive Office of Administration and Finance, and Joint Committee on Education Universal Free School Meals: School Year 2022-2023 Implementation, pursuant to Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2023, line item 1596-2422. School Year 2022-2023 marked the first year of implementation of a state-funded universal free school meal program in Massachusetts. The data has shown that continuing with universal free school meals has:

- Sustained high student participation in both lunch and breakfast;
- Prevented a significant drop in participation as seen in other states; and
- Provided significant investment in school nutrition programs to sustain and improve the nutritional quality of meals.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me or Jessica Leitz, Director of External Partnerships, at Jessica.leitz@mass.gov. We look forward to continuing to facilitate and coordinate this work.

Sincerely,

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Introduction

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education respectfully submits this Report to the Legislature: *Universal Free School Meals: School Year 2022-2023 Implementation* pursuant to Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2023, line item 1596-2422, that reads in part:

“...provided further, that not later than January 15, 2024, the department of elementary and secondary education shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means, the joint committee on education and the executive office for administration and finance that shall include: (i) data on any change in utilization of school lunch services in districts receiving funding under this item, delineated by free, reduced and full- pay students as defined by the National School Lunch Program; (ii) the distribution of funding paid through this item and, for the purpose of universal free school meals in fiscal year 2023, item [7053-1925](#) delineated by school district; and (iii) options to reform, modify or extend the program in a manner that promotes equity, maximizes federal funds and improves predictability and sustainability of funding.”

Outside Section 34 of the FY24 budget amended Section 1C of Chapter 69 of the Massachusetts General Laws to require these schools to offer both breakfast and lunch free of charge to all students. At the signing of the FY24 budget, Massachusetts became the eighth state to make universal free school meals permanent.¹

Because DESE has not yet received final FY24 school meals data, this report utilizes data from FY23 (School Year 2022-23, or “SY22-23”). Next year’s legislative report will include final data from SY22-23. The state funding supplanted revenue that would have been paid by families in the form of student meal charges to support school nutrition programs. The state funding was distributed to districts as a part of the existing monthly claim reimbursement process as a per lunch and breakfast reimbursement in addition to the applicable federal per lunch and breakfast reimbursements. Total amount distributed to districts in Fiscal Year 2023 was \$168.2M.²

District Reimbursement Method

Reimbursement was based on United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) National School Lunch (NSLP) and Breakfast (SBP) Programs per meal federal reimbursement rates for each student income eligibility category (free, reduced price and paid). The “free” rate is the highest per meal reimbursement rate since families are not being charged for meals. The “reduced price” rate is the second highest and the “paid” rate is the lowest per meal reimbursement rate since families are charged for paid meals. To implement universal free school meals, all breakfasts and lunches served to students in all schools were reimbursed at the “free” rate regardless of student income eligibility since meals were free of charge to families across the Commonwealth. Therefore, consistent with the pandemic waivers, in SY 22-23 universal free school meals state per meal reimbursement was used to pay the difference between the “free” and “reduced price”

¹ [Massachusetts Joins Short List of States Providing Free School Meals to All \(edweek.org\)](#)

and “free” and “paid” rate for every lunch and breakfast claimed by a district per month. This mechanism allowed all meals to be claimed at the highest “free” per meal rate. Most of the funds were used to pay the difference between the “free” and “paid” rates since these are the largest differential. In FY23, this equated to \$3.56 per lunch and \$2.17 per breakfast.

Distribution of Funding

A total of 379 districts received a total of \$168.2M for universal free school meals based on monthly claims. Since the universal free school meal state reimbursement applied only to meals claimed as “paid” and “reduced price,” districts with the highest number of “paid” and “reduced price” students received the highest amounts of funding. The universal free school meals state funds did not go towards meals that are claimed as “free.” USDA pays in full for meals claimed as “free.”

Almost all the districts and schools that received funding are not eligible for the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP), which is the USDA federal universal free school meal program. Over 185,000 free or reduced price-eligible students attend schools where, if it were not for the current state funding, meals would not be free of charge to all families.³

Part of the objective of the state funding was to provide the revenue school nutrition programs would have received if families were charged for school meals. In SY 22-23, the state per meal reimbursement for a “paid” lunch (\$3.56) was likely the average of what a school would have charged families for school lunch given USDA regulations pertaining to meal pricing and high inflation. It is important to note that income eligibility guidelines in SY 22-23 was such that a family of four with an annual income of \$56,000 was over income and not eligible for free or reduced price meals⁴. Income eligibility for free and reduced price meals is the same for all states and is not adjusted for varying state cost of living levels. Therefore, a family of a “paid” student in Massachusetts does not necessarily mean that family could have easily afforded to pay for school meals. Universal free school meals have removed that financial barrier for all students.

Student Meal Participation

SY 22-23 was the third full school year of universal free school meals in Massachusetts starting mid SY 19-20 when schools were closed due to the pandemic. As such, families, and students in SY 22-23 were already accustomed to universal free school meals and a significant increase in student participation was not anticipated. Instead, the continued extension of free school meals prevented student participation from severely dropping as seen in states that did not provide state funding to continue free school meals after the national waivers ended on July 1, 2022⁵.

⁴ [Child Nutrition Programs Income Eligibility Guidelines \(2022-2023\) | Food and Nutrition Service \(usda.gov\)](#)

⁵ [Loss of Free School Meals for All Students Results in Drop in School Meal Participation, According to FRAC Report - Food Research & Action Center](#)

In SY22-23:

- 97.5M total lunches were served
- 557,000 students ate lunch every school day
- 44.5M breakfasts were served
- 243,000 students ate breakfast every school day

When compared to the last full school year pre-pandemic and before universal free school meals (School Year 2018-2019), breakfast and lunch student participation has increased significantly.

- Comparing SY 22-23 to SY 18-19:
 - 12.2M more lunches were served.
 - 61,500 more students ate lunch every school day.
 - 9M more breakfasts were served.
 - 43,400 more students ate breakfast every school day.⁶
- Notably, these student participation increases occurred while the state K-12 enrollment decreased by 37,896 from SY 22-23 compared to SY 18-19⁷.
- Almost all the increase in lunches served were lunches claimed as “paid.” Of the 12.2M increase in lunches served, **11.1M** were “paid” lunches. Participation for “paid” students last year increased by 37.8 percent.
- The number of “free” lunches increased by **3.4M**.
- Almost all the increase in breakfasts served were breakfasts claimed as “paid.” Of the 9M increase in breakfasts served, **7.5M** were “paid” breakfasts. Participation for “paid” students last year increased by 11.2 percent.
- The number of “free” breakfasts increased by **2M**.
- The number of lunches claimed as “reduced price” decreased by **2.4M** meals and breakfasts by **500K**. The reason for the decrease in the number of meals claimed as “reduced price” is that many schools were approved for CEP last year. CEP schools only claim “free” and “paid” meals therefore the “reduced price” meals were distributed mostly to the “free” category and claimed as such. This did not affect student participation and only impacted how the meals were claimed.
- The largest gains in participation were among “paid” students which was the main factor as to how the funds were distributed among districts.

⁷ DESE School and District Profile Statewide K-12 Enrollment. SY 18-19: 951,631 SY 22-23: 913,735

Investing in School Nutrition Programs

The state reimbursement for universal free school meals also allowed districts to invest in school nutrition programs. The substantial student participation increases statewide generated much needed revenue for programs. From a school nutrition business perspective, the predictable monthly revenue helped with budgeting and created new opportunities to reinvest in the programs including menus. Funds were available to purchase fresh local food from local producers, including but not limited to farmers, food hubs, and fishermen, with all products originating within 400-miles.

Staffing continues to be a challenge in school kitchens and cafeterias across the state. In a recent national School Nutrition Association survey, 93 percent of school nutrition respondents said they were challenged by staff shortages which can limit efforts to increase scratch cooking⁸. The new state investment in school meals can be used to improve staffing levels to meet the demands of school food service.

Districts were also encouraged to replace aging and inefficient school food equipment and purchase new equipment to create fun, fresh dining service experiences for both students and staff. New equipment will not only create a more efficient process but will help create more serving options and an engaging environment for students and staff.

Districts showed off their nutritious school meals featuring local food and shared recipes with other districts through DESE's Terrific Trays Competition.



Waltham Public Schools



Littleton Public Schools



Acton Boxborough PS

Maximizing Federal Revenue and Future Implementation Options

As required by new language inserted into Section 1C of Chapter 69, districts and DESE maximized federal revenue including requiring eligible schools, groups of schools or entire districts to adopt CEP. To maximize federal revenue, districts were instructed to continue to identify student income eligibility for free and reduced price meals because the state universal free school meals earmark does not pay towards meals claimed as “free” and the universal free school meals per meal reimbursement for “reduced price” meals is significantly less than the amount reimbursed towards meals served to “paid” students. Therefore, identifying students as

⁸ [SNA Survey Shows School Meal Programs Face Critical Challenges – School Nutrition Association](#)

income eligible for free and reduced price meals while meals are free of charge to all families reduced the run rate of the earmark.

Identifying students as income eligible for free and reduced price meals is done at the district level through NSLP application approvals and direct certifying students matched through the Executive Office for Health and Human Services (EOHHS) Virtual Gateway. Families were incentivized to submit NSLP forms, not for the school meals subsidy benefit, but for other local level educational benefits such as athletics fee waivers. Direct certification is the district process of directly certifying students for free or reduced price meals by identifying students of families receiving state assistance such as the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP). This is done through a matching process conducted by districts through the online Virtual Gateway system. Districts conduct direct certification throughout the year. Since USDA pays in full for meals served to students identified as free eligible, encouraging continued and expanding SNAP outreach will in turn offset spending for universal free school meals. DESE and the Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA) have provided SNAP Outreach Partnership trainings specifically tailored for schools.

State universal free school meals regulation also required eligible schools to adopt CEP. This federal claiming method to support universal free school meals pushes a portion of “reduced price” and “paid” meals to be claimed as “free” as a part of the monthly claim reimbursement process. As such, districts adopting CEP reduce spending as the state universal free school meals earmark. For SY 22-23, 119 schools from 37 districts were newly approved for CEP and took advantage of the CEP reimbursement formula pushing more meals to be fully paid by USDA. In total, 849 schools from 172 districts were existing or newly approved CEP schools in SY 22-23⁹.

Importantly, in October of 2023, USDA lowered the eligibility criteria for schools to participate in CEP¹⁰. In November of 2023, DESE was approved by USDA to approve schools midyear for CEP to maximize federal revenue immediately and not wait until the usual spring enrollment timeframe. In December of 2023, 80 districts and 153 schools were notified that DESE identified at least one school potentially newly eligible for CEP based on the new, lowered eligibility threshold.

Student statewide participation for both lunch and breakfast has stayed approximately the same from SY21-22 to SY22-23 (63 percent for lunch and 30 percent for breakfast). The biggest factor implicating the annual cost to fulfill universal free school meals is the annual increases for the NSLP per meal rates. These rates are tied to the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The annual rates last year increased 8 percent compared to the previous year due to continued high inflation. In comparison, annual NSLP rate increases for the years prior to the pandemic (2016-2019) were between 2-3 percent¹¹. Once inflation goes back down, it is expected that annual increases in the cost to provide universal free school meals will go down accordingly.

¹⁰ [Final Rule: Child Nutrition Programs - CEP Increasing Options for Schools | Food and Nutrition Service \(usda.gov\)](https://www.usda.gov/food-nutrition-service/child-nutrition-programs/cep-increasing-options-for-schools)

¹¹ [Rates of Reimbursement | Food and Nutrition Service \(usda.gov\)](https://www.usda.gov/food-nutrition-service/rates-of-reimbursement)

As previously stated, since SY 22-23 was the third straight school year with school meals being offered free of charge it was not expected that participation would drastically increase compared to SY 21-22. If student participation increases going forward, the cost savings related to approving additional CEP schools will help offset increases to the overall cost for universal free school meals. If inflation goes down, the annual increases in the NSLP per meal rates will also go down and lower the annual increases to the program.

Since DESE has a method to accurately predict annual increases for the cost to provide universal free school meals and districts and DESE are maximizing federal revenue to the extent possible, DESE recommends continuing to operate and fund the program as currently executed. The per meal state reimbursement amount as required by the new state law have shown to provide a return on investment in terms of increasing the nutrition quality of meals, addressing cafeteria staffing shortages and supporting the local food agricultural industry. Reducing the level of state per meal reimbursement for universal free school meals below the amount that districts would have charged if meal pricing were allowed would be detrimental to school nutrition programs. would be necessary to make the program whole.

Almost seven out of ten students across the state are eating school lunch, which research shows¹² are the healthiest meals children eat in a day.

¹² [Lunches Consumed From School Are the Most Nutritious | Food and Nutrition Service \(usda.gov\)](https://www.ams.usda.gov/food-nutrition-service/food-nutrition-service-reports)

Appendix A: Distribution of Funding (FY23)

District	Amount
Abby Kelley Foster Regional Charter Sch.	\$89,377.18
Abington Public Schools	\$642,997.16
Academy of the Pacific Rim	\$3,820.76
Acton Boxborough Reg'l School Dist	\$1,998,200.62
Acushnet Public Schools	\$249,281.54
Agawam Public Schools	\$795,415.05
Amesbury Public Schools	\$464,113.49
Amherst School Committee	\$331,980.54
Amherst/Pelham Regional School District	\$277,602.61
Andover Public Schools	\$2,186,900.24
Arlington Public Schools	\$1,885,855.58
Ashburnham-Westminster	\$865,637.20
Ashland Public Schools	\$1,059,602.56
Assabet Valley Regional Vocational S. D.	\$357,063.41
Athol-Royalston Regional School District	\$54,986.69
Atlantis Charter School	\$41,475.17
Attleboro Public Schools	\$1,369,897.92
Auburn Public Schools	\$896,912.03
Avon Public Schools	\$164,677.44
AYER-SHIRLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT	\$479,619.46
Barnstable Public Schools	\$403,516.54
Bedford Public Schools	\$667,666.46
Belchertown School Committee	\$808,850.24
Bellingham Public Schools	\$581,912.66
Belmont Public Schools	\$1,572,147.72
Benjamin Banneker Charter School	\$23,587.50
Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter	\$158,776.82
Berkley Schools	\$322,638.51
Berkshire Arts/Tech Charter	\$48,855.93
Berkshire Hills Regional School District	\$211,613.90
Berlin-Boylston Reg'l School District	\$343,032.20
Beverly Public Schools	\$1,230,562.76
Billerica Public Schools	\$1,577,892.51
Blackstone Valley Vocational R. D.	\$513,487.84
Blackstone-Millville Regional School	\$505,656.60
Blue Hills Regional School District	\$180,919.97
BOSTON COLLEGIATE CHARTER SCHOOL	\$44,786.91
Boston Preparatory Charter School	\$100,120.43

Boston Renaissance Charter School	\$66,311.05
Boston School Committee	\$0.00
Bourne Public Schools	\$412,608.09
Boxford Public Schools	\$235,154.48
Braintree Public Schools	\$1,449,119.85
Brandon Residential Treatment Center	\$1,578.92
Brewster Elementary School	\$128,808.31
Bridgewater-Raynham Regional	\$1,598,472.64
Brimfield Elementary	\$42,080.45
Bristol County Agricultural	\$170,822.69
Bristol-Plymouth Regional School Dist.	\$405,339.80
BROOKE CHARTER SCHOOL	\$18,138.11
Brookfield School Committee	\$55,190.05
Brookline Public Schools	\$2,139,348.57
Burlington Public Schools	\$931,078.16
Cambridge School Department	\$1,386,973.75
Canton Public Schools	\$952,183.82
Cape Cod Lighthouse Charter	\$25,327.78
Cape Cod Reg'l Tech High School	\$114,773.94
Cardinal Cushing School	\$15,631.96
Carlisle Public Schools Committee	\$222,281.68
Carver School Committee	\$416,744.79
Cathedral High School	\$40,708.86
Central Berkshire Regional Sch District	\$415,055.45
Chelmsford School Committee	\$1,565,066.70
Chesterfield-Goshen Regional	\$47,507.90
CHEVERUS CENTENNIAL SCHOOL	\$74,669.60
Christa McAuliffe Regional Charter	\$60,138.56
Clarksburg School Committee	\$67,093.30
Clinton School Department	\$179,522.58
Cohasset Public Schools	\$489,854.60
Collab. for Reg. Ed. Serv.& Training	\$74,817.53
COLLEGIATE CHARTER SCHOOL OF LOWELL	\$155,326.26
Community Charter School	\$6,153.83
Concord Public Schools	\$491,095.94
Concord-Carlisle Regional District	\$321,841.98
Conway School Committee	\$60,202.41
CRISTO REY BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL	\$16,784.91
Cutchins Programs for Children	\$1,904.28
Danvers Public Schools	\$943,902.12
Dartmouth School Committee	\$979,144.64

Dedham Public Schools	\$964,157.21
Deerfield School Committee	\$126,930.58
Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District	\$639,321.23
Devereux Foundation	\$2,826.64
Dighton-Rehoboth Regional School District	\$827,400.20
Douglas School Department	\$329,012.90
Dover Public Schools	\$198,484.12
Dover-Sherborn Regional School District	\$353,730.92
Dracut Public Schools	\$1,182,573.66
Dudley-Charlton School District	\$945,425.95
Duxbury Public Schools	\$873,925.86
Eagle Hill Foundation of MA Inc.	\$5,331.53
East Boston Central Catholic	\$19,195.18
East Bridgewater School Committee	\$610,736.35
East Longmeadow Public Schools	\$603,702.98
Easthampton Public Schools	\$415,197.13
Easton Public Schools	\$897,544.66
Edgartown School Committee	\$79,695.60
Epiphany School	\$1,006.34
Erving Public Schools	\$19,062.73
Essex North Shore Agricultural/Technical	\$469,021.00
Excel Academy Charter School	\$8,289.41
Fairhaven Public Schools	\$437,995.02
Falmouth Public Schools	\$533,363.54
Farmington River Regional	\$37,561.27
Florida School Committee	\$11,698.88
Foxborough Public Schools	\$990,725.58
Foxborough Regional Charter School	\$363,463.18
Framingham Public Schools	\$801,475.91
Francis Parker Essential Charter School	\$151,271.18
Franklin County Technical School	\$189,059.88
Franklin School Committee	\$1,347,608.08
Freetown-Lakeville Regional School District	\$890,183.26
Frontier Regional School District	\$166,160.38
Gardner School Committee	\$388,068.63
Gateway Regional School District	\$141,089.20
Georgetown School Department	\$448,434.78
Gill-Montague Regional School District	\$54,401.71
Gloucester School Committee	\$486,822.96
Grafton Public Schools	\$873,437.00
Granby School Committee	\$227,729.07

Greater Fall River Regional Voc	\$289,060.14
Greater Lowell Regional Voc Tech	\$201,558.93
Greater New Bedford Regional Voc. District	\$313,648.87
Greenfield Public Schools	\$85,778.12
Groton-Dunstable Regional Sch District	\$636,082.96
Hadley School Department	\$68,089.57
Halifax School Committee	\$163,962.38
Hamilton-Wenham Regional School District	\$544,737.16
Hampden Charter School of Science West	\$7,244.16
Hampden-Wilbraham Regional Schoo District	\$933,283.36
Hampshire Regional School District	\$176,651.82
Hanover School Department	\$950,976.92
Harvard Public Schools	\$385,047.86
Hatfield School Committee	\$107,320.78
Haverhill Public Schools	\$126,384.21
Hawlemont Regional School District	\$11,725.18
HELEN Y. DAVIS LEADERSHIP ACAD. CHARTER	\$2,894.32
Hill View Montessori Charter School	\$31,712.99
Hingham Public Schools	\$1,090,890.72
Holbrook Public Schools	\$494,766.98
Holland School Committee	\$39,722.84
Holliston Public Schools	\$854,050.56
Holyoke Public Schools	\$1,286.63
Home for Little Wanderers	\$10,377.01
Hoosac Valley Regional School District	\$57,714.59
Hopedale Public Schools	\$297,433.60
Hopkinton Public Schools	\$1,393,049.12
Hudson Public Schools	\$526,610.19
Hull Public Schools	\$241,683.13
INNOVATION ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL	\$227,687.38
Ipswich School Committee	\$417,527.32
Italian Home for Children Inc.	\$7,284.78
James F. Farr Academy	\$1,396.69
Judge Baker Guidance Center	\$44,278.60
Judge Rotenberg Education Center Inc.	\$242.08
King Philip Regional School District	\$497,879.90
Kingston Public Schools	\$332,991.00
Kipp Academy Lynn Charter School	\$8,970.59
LAWRENCE CATHOLIC ACADEMY INC.	\$76,758.62
Learning Center for Deaf Children	\$36,099.06
Lee Public Schools	\$160,399.46

Leicester Public Schools	\$404,331.30
Lenox School Committee	\$254,713.76
Leominster Public Schools	\$992,779.44
Leverett Public Schools	\$50,234.66
Lexington School Committee	\$2,480,798.89
Lincoln Public Schools	\$273,625.58
Lincoln-Sudbury Regional School District	\$361,162.14
Littleton Public Schools	\$706,325.54
Longmeadow Public Schools	\$857,541.56
Lower Pioneer Valley Ed Collaborative	\$11,142.57
Ludlow Public Schools	\$580,296.89
Lunenburg Public Schools	\$424,348.75
Lynnfield Public Schools	\$737,964.34
Malden Public Schools	\$6,794.78
Malik Academy	\$15,464.11
Manchester-Essex Regional School District	\$294,818.48
Mansfield Public Schools	\$1,164,019.18
MAP Academy Charter School	\$923.41
Marblehead Community Charter School	\$76,245.14
Marblehead School Department	\$745,838.64
Marlborough School Department	\$129,980.46
Marshfield Public Schools	\$1,091,107.65
Martha's Vineyard Charter School	\$26,250.78
Martha's Vineyard Regional High School	\$156,791.04
Masconomet Regional School District	\$410,975.22
Mashpee Public Schools	\$274,655.96
Maynard Public Schools	\$362,142.71
McAuley Nazareth Home for Boys	\$206.48
Medfield Public Schools	\$923,991.98
Medford Public Schools	\$860,542.79
Medway School Committee	\$773,949.28
Melrose Public Schools	\$885,368.56
Mendon-Upton Regional School District	\$798,734.52
Mesivta of Greater Boston	\$160,477.79
Methuen Public Schools	\$651,143.76
Middleborough Public Schools	\$720,966.02
Middleton Public Schools	\$185,606.76
Milford Public Schools	\$777,770.15
Millbury School Department	\$460,695.81
Millis Public Schools	\$381,001.92
Milton School Committee	\$1,635,172.52

Minuteman Regional Vocational Tech.	\$253,906.90
Mohawk Trail Regional School District	\$127,181.44
Monomoy Regional School District	\$485,205.96
Monson Public Schools	\$233,774.99
Montachusett Regional Voc. Tech.	\$402,268.54
Mother Caroline Academy & Education Ctr.	\$9,294.47
Mount Greylock Regional School District	\$296,499.01
Mystic Valley Advantage Regional Charter	\$475,341.69
Nahant Public Schools	\$37,453.24
Nantucket School Committee	\$275,154.68
Narragansett Regional School District	\$401,345.26
Nashoba Regional School District	\$1,060,382.68
Nashoba Valley Tech. High School	\$221,091.16
Natick Public Schools	\$1,672,005.47
Nativity Preparatory School	\$2,555.14
Nauset Regional School Committee	\$316,501.16
Needham Public Schools	\$2,118,938.17
New England Center for Autism Inc.	\$34,799.00
NEW HEIGHTS CHARTER SCHOOL OF BROCKTON	\$16,713.33
New Salem-Wendell Regional School District	\$54,630.01
Newburyport Public Schools	\$553,246.10
Newton Public Schools	\$2,319,913.09
Norfolk County Agricultural	\$140,572.36
Norfolk Public Schools	\$349,575.97
North Andover Public Schools	\$1,440,658.34
North Attleboro Public Schools	\$1,154,316.83
North Brookfield	\$84,992.18
North Middlesex Regional School District	\$978,329.18
North Reading School Committee	\$783,177.27
Northampton - Smith Vocational	\$173,677.33
Northampton Public Schools	\$571,428.15
Northborough School Committee	\$548,196.35
Northborough-Southborough Regional	\$429,277.64
Northbridge Public Schools	\$466,427.16
Northeast Metropolitan Regional Voc.	\$149,568.43
Northern Berkshire Regional Voc District	\$70,529.39
Northshore Education Consortium	\$51,231.01
Norton Public Schools	\$701,194.95
Norwell Public Schools	\$854,474.62
Norwood Public Schools	\$853,192.19
Oak Bluffs School Committee	\$67,554.30

Old Colony Regional Voc. Tech.	\$197,559.92
Old Rochester Regional School District	\$712,576.09
Old Sturbridge Academy Charter School	\$124,978.33
Orleans School Committee	\$45,508.87
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Mission Gr.	\$16,389.65
Oxford Public Schools	\$344,122.87
Palmer Public Schools	\$65,916.62
Pathfinder Regional Voc. Tech. High School	\$177,032.05
Peabody Public Schools	\$930,319.82
Pelham School Committee	\$51,395.07
Pembroke School Department	\$896,037.08
Pentucket Regional School District	\$845,883.74
Petersham School Committee	\$49,035.87
Phoenix Charter Academy	\$3,416.07
PIONEER CHARTER SCHOOL OF SCIENCE Everett	\$24,562.88
Pioneer Charter School of Science Saugus	\$75,523.83
Pioneer Valley Chinese Immersion Charter	\$133,713.74
Pioneer Valley Regional School District	\$223,528.82
Plainville School Committee	\$237,105.94
Plymouth School Committee	\$1,925,188.93
POPE JOHN PAULII CATHOLIC ACAD	\$125,818.60
Prospect Hill Academy	\$4,977.82
Provincetown School Committee	\$22,119.87
Quabbin Regional School District	\$507,441.94
Quaboag Regional School District	\$171,927.95
Quincy Public Schools	\$1,319,235.87
Reading Public Schools	\$1,124,298.94
RFK Community Alliance	\$26,627.11
Richmond Consolidated School	\$43,287.80
Rising Tide Charter School	\$117,707.28
Rockland School Committee	\$479,497.01
Rockport School Committee	\$206,062.26
Rowe School Committee	\$11,031.05
Roxbury Preparatory Charter School	\$9,408.44
Sacred Heart School	\$17,861.00
Salem Academy Charter School	\$23,560.22
Salem School Department	\$71,850.42
Sandwich School Committee	\$537,466.24
Saugus School Committee	\$530,880.80
Schools for Children	\$26,336.48
Scituate Public Schools	\$1,021,125.24

Seekonk Public Schools	\$581,431.43
Seem Collaborative	\$32,436.14
Shaloh School Oholei Torah	\$270,585.97
Sharon Public Schools	\$1,261,921.78
Shawsheen Valley Voc. Tech. School	\$378,498.56
Sherborn Public Schools	\$131,807.12
Shrewsbury Public Schools	\$1,939,528.36
Shutesbury Public Schools	\$22,395.44
Silver Lake Regional School District	\$478,396.80
Sizer School A North Central Essential	\$40,189.30
Somerset Public Schools	\$419,408.41
SOMERSET-BERKLEY REG. School District	\$277,597.14
Somerville Public Schools	\$690,930.50
South Coast Educational Collaborative	\$23,301.85
South Hadley School Committee	\$517,436.71
South Middlesex Regional Voc. Tech.	\$89,134.88
South Shore Charter Public School	\$245,101.97
South Shore Regional Voc Tech. HS	\$260,933.18
Southampton School Department	\$121,676.48
Southborough School Committee	\$372,627.20
Southeastern Reg'l School District	\$268,715.07
Southern Berkshire Regional School District	\$174,380.94
Southern Worcester County Regional	\$398,667.75
Southwick-Tolland Reg'l School District	\$460,078.58
Spencer-East Brookfield Regional	\$175,610.08
Springfield Public Schools	\$21,437.72
St Agnes School	\$37,201.56
St Ann's Home Inc.	\$21,465.67
ST JOHN THE BAPTIST	\$97,752.62
St Joseph School	\$52,927.12
St Leo School	\$81,703.32
St Mary School	\$19,069.48
St Michael Elementary	\$13,684.64
St Patrick School	\$17,768.75
St Raphael School	\$94,247.28
St Stanislaus School	\$26,044.24
St Theresa School	\$87,571.32
St. Bridget Parish School	\$63,341.95
Stoneham Public Schools	\$492,139.23
Stoughton Public Schools	\$872,650.85
Sturbridge School Department	\$323,241.98

Sudbury Public Schools	\$782,138.20
Sunderland School Committee	\$72,548.41
Sutton Public Schools	\$476,877.60
Swampscott Public Schools	\$453,413.59
Swansea Public Schools	\$656,047.18
Tantasqua Regional School District	\$375,641.24
Taunton Public Schools	\$308,935.25
Tewksbury School Committee	\$1,276,098.26
Tisbury School Committee	\$15,289.88
Topsfield Public Schools	\$179,017.56
TOWN OF EASTHAM	\$45,854.96
Tri-County Regional Vocational Tech.	\$263,200.92
Triton Regional School District	\$652,130.59
Truro School Committee	\$11,237.31
Tyngsborough School Department	\$433,314.66
Up-Island Regional School	\$143,067.44
Upper Cape Cod Regional Voc School	\$204,452.20
Uxbridge Public Schools	\$535,687.84
Wachusett Regional School District	\$2,388,881.20
Wakefield Public Schools	\$1,119,920.56
Wales School Committee	\$7,070.47
Walker Home and School	\$4,668.52
Walpole Public Schools	\$1,372,487.95
Waltham Public Schools	\$532,259.08
Ware School Committee	\$55,122.63
Wareham School Committee	\$75,142.73
Watertown Public Schools	\$775,487.49
Wayland Public Schools	\$961,078.08
Webster School Committee	\$120,173.80
Wellesley Public Schools	\$928,605.22
Wellfleet School Committee	\$25,975.81
West Boylston Public Schools	\$238,971.65
West Bridgewater School Committee	\$586,079.24
West Springfield Public Schools	\$352,476.89
Westborough School Department	\$1,475,714.16
Westfield Public Schools	\$804,266.59
Westford Public Schools	\$1,589,709.32
Westhampton School Department	\$31,495.32
Weston Public Schools	\$636,925.72
Westport Community School District	\$420,872.19
Westwood Public Schools	\$746,602.52

Weymouth Public Schools	\$1,429,848.78
Whately School Committee	\$55,388.70
Whitman-Hanson Regional School District	\$872,214.98
Whittier Regional Vocational Tech, High School	\$279,054.37
Williamsburg School Department	\$29,774.62
Wilmington Public Schools	\$1,198,299.52
Winchendon Public Schools	\$57,889.18
Winchester Public Schools	\$1,235,431.60
Winthrop School Committee	\$401,850.02
Woburn Public Schools	\$1,059,279.21
Worthington Public Schools	\$26,174.40
Wrentham Public Schools	\$327,102.86
Yeshiva Achei Tmimim	\$18,228.42