

# 2019-2021 BIENNIAL BUDGET



## Funding Increases

### Early Learning

**ECEAP (Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program)**

**\$20 million – to expand ECEAP**

- 509 slots in 2020
- 662 slots in 2021
- 88% are full day, the rest are extended day

**\$15 million ECEAP rate increase**

- 6% rate increase starting July 2019

**Child Care Centers**

**\$23 million** – For tiered reimbursement rate increases for qualifying child care centers participating in Early Achievers

### K-12

**Local Effort Assistance (LEA)**

**\$61 million – Increase from changes to Local Effort Assistance including:**

- Creating a provision that will direct additional LEA funding to Vancouver and Evergreen school districts in Clark County
  - Increasing the LEA threshold by \$50 per-student
  - Enabling tribal compact schools to receive LEA funds

**Local Education Levy Lids (Does not generate additional state funding)**

**Levy lids are:**

- \$3,000 per student or \$2.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value, whichever is lower for districts **over** 40,000 students
- \$2,500 per student or \$2.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value, whichever is lower for districts **under** 40,000 students

**School Counselors**

**\$1.8 million** to increase guidance counselor staffing at elementary and middle schools receiving targeted supports as part of the Washington School Improvement Framework

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<p><b>Career Connected Learning</b></p>	<p><b>\$11.5 million</b> for Career Connected Learning initiatives (<a href="#">House Bill 2158</a>)</p>
<p><b>Special Education Funding Multiplier</b></p>	<p><b>\$77 million</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>2019-20</u> Multiplier will increase to .995 (up from .9609)</li> <li>• <u>2020-21 and beyond</u> Tiered multiplier will be implemented:</li> </ul> <p>1.0075 for students receiving special education services in a general education setting 80% or more of the day</p> <p>.995 for students receiving special education services in a general education setting less than 80% of the day</p> <p>The 13.5% funded enrollment cap for special education is restructured, but maintained with the transition to a tiered multiplier funding system</p>
<p><b>Special Education Safety Net</b></p>	<p><b>\$49 million</b> – To lower the safety net eligibility threshold to 2.3x the average per-student expenditure to increase eligibility for reimbursement opportunities</p>
<p><b>Special Education Professional Development (PD)</b></p>	<p><b>\$25 million</b> – One-time investment - Directed to the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) to support PD in inclusionary practices for classroom teachers to support students with individualized educational programs (IEPs)</p>
<p><b>School Safety and Student Well-Being</b></p>	<p><b>\$2.5 million</b> – To establish state school safety center at OSPI, convene a school safety and student well-being workgroup, and provide 1.0 FTE at each ESD for regional school safety</p> <p><b>\$100,000</b> – Grant program to provide training for school resource officers, administered by OSPI</p>
<p><b>Social Emotional Learning (SEL)</b></p>	<p><b>\$400,000</b> – To establish a Social Emotional Learning Committee and establish SEL standards for K-12 staff</p>

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### Higher Education

<b>Financial Aid</b>	<p><b>\$163 million</b> – For Washington College Grant (formerly State Need Grant)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Waitlist for eligible students reduced by 1/3 in 2019-20, waitlist eliminated by 2020-21 school year</li></ul>
<b>Guided Pathways</b>	<p><b>\$32 million</b> – To expand guided pathways to all community and technical colleges to help develop clear pathways for students as they seek a postsecondary credential</p>
<b>Higher Education Funding</b>	<p><b>\$62 million</b> – To increase base funding for state higher education institutions</p>
<b>Student Supports</b>	<p><b>\$1.5 million</b> – To fund an emergency grant aid program to reduce barriers to postsecondary persistence (<a href="#">House Bill 1893</a>)</p> <p><b>\$550,000</b> – To support a pilot program to assist students experiencing homelessness and students who were in the foster care system when they graduated from high school (<a href="#">Senate Bill 5800</a>)</p>
<b>College Affordability</b>	<p><b>\$2 million</b> – For a student loan refinancing program</p>