

AGENCY NAME:	South Carolina Department of Education		
AGENCY CODE:	H630	SECTION:	001

FORM B1 – RECURRING OPERATING REQUEST

AGENCY PRIORITY	1
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Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE	X.A.EFA and Fringe
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Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

AMOUNT	General: X.A. Education Finance Act - \$218,145,436 Federal: Other: Total:
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What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2019-20? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

NEW POSITIONS	
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Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.

FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST	Mark "X" for all that apply:	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Change in case load/enrollment under existing program guidelines
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-mandated program change in service levels or areas
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Proposed establishment of a new program or initiative
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Loss of federal or other external financial support for existing program
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program
	<input type="checkbox"/>	IT Technology/Security related
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Consulted DTO during development
	Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority # _____	

STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES	Mark "X" for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Education, Training, and Human Development
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Healthy and Safe Families
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Infrastructure and Economic Development
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Government and Citizens

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ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS	<p>Goal 2: The SCDE will assist schools in using funding and resources effectively, improving continuously, and ensuring systems are high quality so students are able to meet the Profile of the SC Graduate. These funds directly impact instruction and the ability for students to meet the Profile of the graduate. While these funds are not subjected to a formal evaluation, accountability for these funds is measured through audit compliance for expenditures and local required effort.</p>
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What specific strategy, as outlined in the FY 2018-19 Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?

RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS	<p>SC Public School districts and special schools will receive the funding. Funding is allocated using the formula outlined in 59-20-20 – SC Code of Laws and Provisos 1.3 and 1.5 in the 2018 State Appropriations Act</p>
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What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?

JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST	<p>This Funding Request is for a \$162 increase in the Base Student Cost from \$2,485 to \$2,647 using 1,010,444 Weighted Pupil Units for the local geographic districts (992,431 Weighted Pupil Units provided by Revenue and Fiscal Affairs + 18,013 WPU's related to the new safety weighting).</p> <p>EFA Request - \$173,477,151 Fringe - \$44,668,285 Total - \$218,145,436</p> <p>The EFA request is \$173,477,151 and the EFA fringe request is \$44,668,285. Approximately \$47 of the increase to BSC is to cover the cost of an additional .025 add-on weighting for School Safety. This weighting will be applied to each school district's ADM to generate funding that can be used to cover costs associated with school resource officers and other needed pre-crisis intervention or safety expenditures. The remaining \$115 increase to BSC allows the state to move closer to the FY 2019-20 estimate of BSC (\$3,095).</p> <p>Schools districts are required to match funds according the calculation using their Index of Tax Paying Ability; no other state or federal funds are used for matching. The requested increase provides funding at the estimated student count (WPU's) as projected by Revenue and Fiscal Affairs – .4% increase from prior year plus the projected WPU associated with the new safety weighting; Funding for specials schools is based on prior year 135-day figures; Funding for charters is based on anticipated growth and new schools scheduled to open in 2019-20. Current Funding will not be adequate to maintain the current Base Student Cost given the increase in students qualifying for the academic assistance weighting or to fund the increase in employer</p>
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	<p>contribution rates. The State will fall further behind the projected Base Student Cost for FY 2019-20 of \$3,095.</p>
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Please thoroughly explain the request to include the justification for funds, potential offsets, matching funds, and method of calculation. Please include any explanation of impact if funds are not received. If new positions have been requested, explain why existing vacancies are not sufficient.
