

BACKGROUND

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PROVINCE INCREASES OPERATING FUNDING PER STUDENT

Operating funding per student has increased by \$863 since 2000-01.

Year	Operating Funding	FTE Students	Per Student Funding
2000-01	\$3.72 billion	597,948	\$6,216
2001-02	\$3.77 billion	595,157	\$6,328
2002-03	\$3.79 billion	587,247	\$6,455
2003-04	\$3.79 billion	580,484	\$6,529
2004-05	\$3.875 billion	574,230	\$6,752
2005-06	\$4.025 billion	568,591*	\$7,079*

*projected

Sample comparison of 2005-06 projected operating grants

School District	2004-05 Final Operating Funding	2005-06 Projected Operating Funding	Projected Funding Increase
Cariboo- Chilcotin	\$51.5 million	\$53.1 million	\$1.6 million
Surrey	\$395.2 million	\$411.1 million	\$15.9 million
Vancouver	\$376 million	\$390.4 million	\$14.4 million
Prince George	\$112.8 million	\$116.9 million	\$4.1 million

NOTE: Projected operating funding for 2005-06 is based on enrolment projections provided by BC Stats. Final operating funding for 2005-06 will be based enrolment figures provided by school districts as of Sept. 30.

By law, the Province must announce overall school district operating funding by Feb. 1 and district-by-district preliminary operating funding by March 15.

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