



FY 2023 Recommended Budget Budget Question

Board Question #: 18

BUDGET QUESTION: In reference to the School Board's budget presentation, which items listed on slide 11 (base budget) and slide 6 (\$8.2M gap) are mandates?

RESPONDING DEPARTMENT/OFFICE: Schools

RESPONSE:

Slide 06: None of the items on slide 06 are directly mandated; these items are critical needs that have been prioritized and approved by the School Board.

Slide 11: Most of the items on slide 11 fall into one of the following mandate categories below; Please note *reducing the School Division's beginning operating budget (red box) is not required. Also, increasing academic and athletic stipends (it is important to note that several of the athletic stipends are mandated due to VHSL Title IX requirements), increasing school based allocations, and school staff at elementary schools are not mandated. All items related to the new Federal funds have restricted uses.*

- Conditions of the [FY 2023 State budget](#). The [Governor's Proposed budget](#) has now gone to the General Assembly for review and amendments at the 2022 Session. The General Assembly will pass its version of the budget next month. The budget for the 2022-2024 biennium is not final until signed into law by the Governor.
- State Code
 - a. Minimum Wage: <https://law.lis.virginia.gov/vacode/40.1-28.10/>
 - b. Standards of Quality: <https://www.doe.virginia.gov/boe/quality/>
- Federal [Grants/Programs](#):
 - a. The Virginia Department of Education administers federal programs that support instruction and services to specific groups of students. These include programs authorized by the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), the most recent reauthorization of which is also known as the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015. Federal funding authorized under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) supports instruction and other services for students with disabilities.
 - b. In addition, several federally funded programs have been authorized to support public and non-public schools during the COVID-19 pandemic. The overarching purpose of these programs is to address the impact that COVID-19 has had, and continues to have, on elementary and secondary schools in Virginia.
 - c. Other Federal Laws as explained in the [Superintendent's Proposed Budget](#).

ESTIMATE OF STAFF TIME SPENT ON RESPONSE: