

Suffolk Region Education Report: January 2023

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Board of Regents Budget and Legislative Priorities for the 2023-24 school year.

“Proposals Focus on Providing Lifelong Learning Opportunities, Creating Equity in Education, and Improving Customer Service

To address these three areas of critical need, funding requests fall into the following six key areas of support for New York students, educators, schools, professionals, and residents:

- *Streamlining SED-Administered Early Childhood Programs;*
- *Improving High School Opportunity and Career Success Programs;*
- *Expanding Funding Equity, Excellence, and Access;*
- *Fostering Student Health and Well-being;*
- *Enhancing Teacher/Leader Preparation and Development; and*
- *Bolstering Data and Systems Modernization.”*

** Quoted from Board of regents website

Board of Regents Proposes \$3.4 Billion in State Aid and Review of Current Outdated Foundation Aid Formula to Provide Equitable Funding Across the State. This is part of their Budget and Legislative priorities for the 2023-2024 school year released on December 12, 2023

“The Board of Regents is committed to supporting all school districts through three key proposal components:

- *Fully funding foundation aid and other state aids as provided under current law;*
- *Providing universal access to Career and Technical Education for all students wanting such programs; and*
- *Providing multiple options to encourage districts to engage in greater regional collaboration to provide expanded educational programs and services to students.*

A full description of the Board’s 2023-24 [Legislative and Budget priorities](#) and the [Regents State Aid proposal](#) may be found on the Department’s website.”

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The New York State Education Department is accepting public comments on the definition of a “High-Need Local Education Agency” for the purposes of distributing funds through the federal Stronger Connections Grant Program, Commissioner Betty A. Rosa announced. The Stronger Connections grants will aid schools in providing all students with safe and supportive learning opportunities and environments. Stakeholders can comment until January 31, 2023

<http://www.nysed.gov/news/2023/state-education-department-seeks-public-comment-definition-high-need-local-education>