

School Fees –

Public Education Appropriations Committee
February 9, 2021

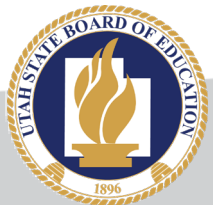
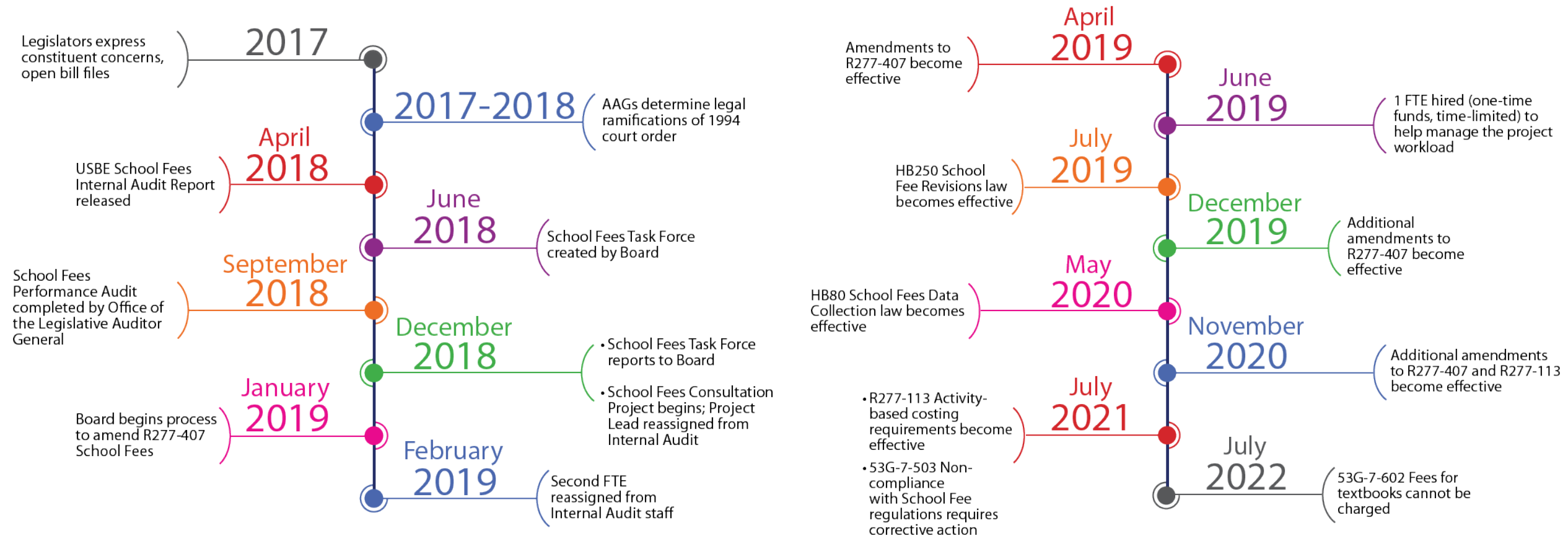
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School Fees Project - Timeline



Active case Civil No. 920903376 assigned to Judge Keith Kelly, 3rd District Court, Salt Lake County, Utah

1994 Permanent Injunction Order Section IV

- A. When Fees may be Charged
- B. Eligibility for Waivers
- C. What Must be Waived
- D. Community Service Requirements
- E. Fundraising Requirements
- F. Installment Plans and Donations
- G. Parental Notice Requirements
- H. Reporting Requirements
- I. Procedural Requirements
- J. Monitoring and Sanctions for Non-Compliance
- K. Continuing Jurisdiction
- L. Amendment of State Regulations
- M. Effect on Previous Orders



UCA HB250
2018 Amendments

UAC R277-407
2018 Amendments

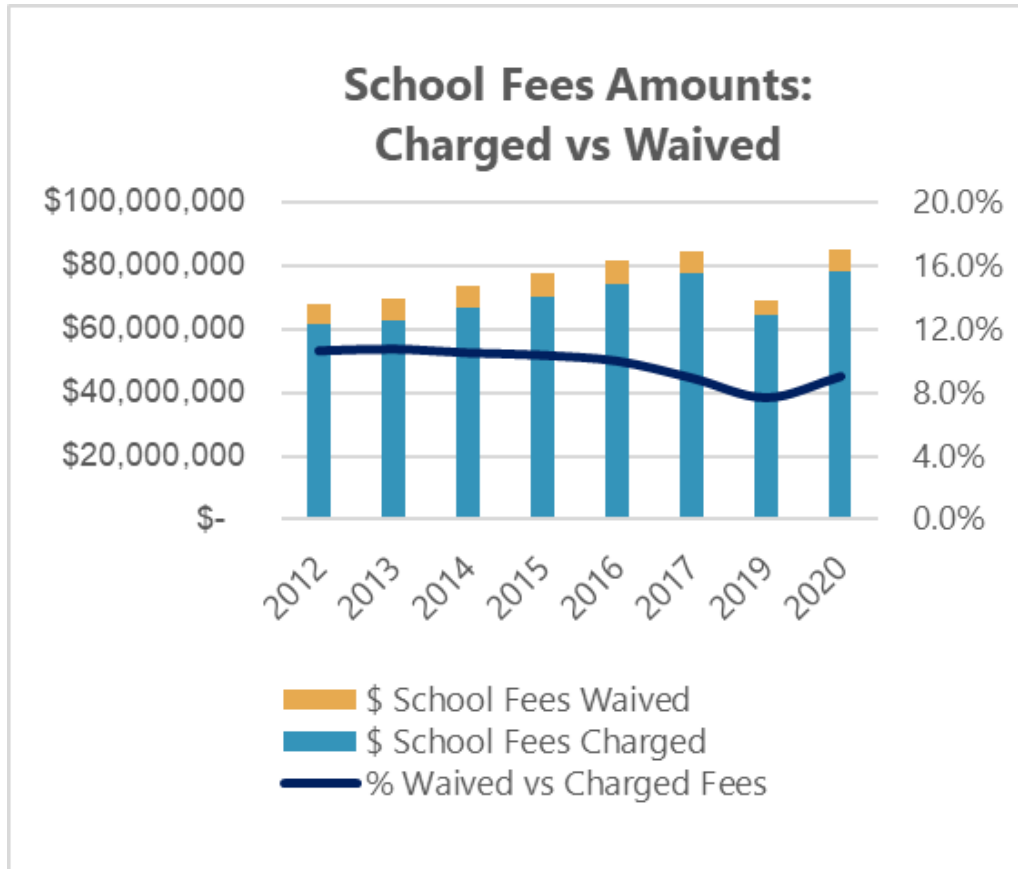
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	SY2017	SY2020	SY2021
	Based on 18-02 Audit)	(% Based on LEAs that Submitted Certificate of Compliance)	
Number of LEAs	147	153	156
Certificate of Compliance (CofC) Response	68	125	154
% Certificate of Compliance Submitted	46%	82%	99%
LEAs Charge Fees (Self-Reported)	78%	71%	79%
USBE Fee Schedule Submitted	34%	73%	100%
School Fees Approved in Public Meeting	68%	na	100%
Notices to Parents Sent	10%	na	100%
Schools that Provided Certificate of Compliance	67%	91%	99%
Statistical Data Submitted for Prior Years:	SY2016	SY2019	SY2020
# of Students Granted Fee Waivers – reported to USBE	0%	9%	8%

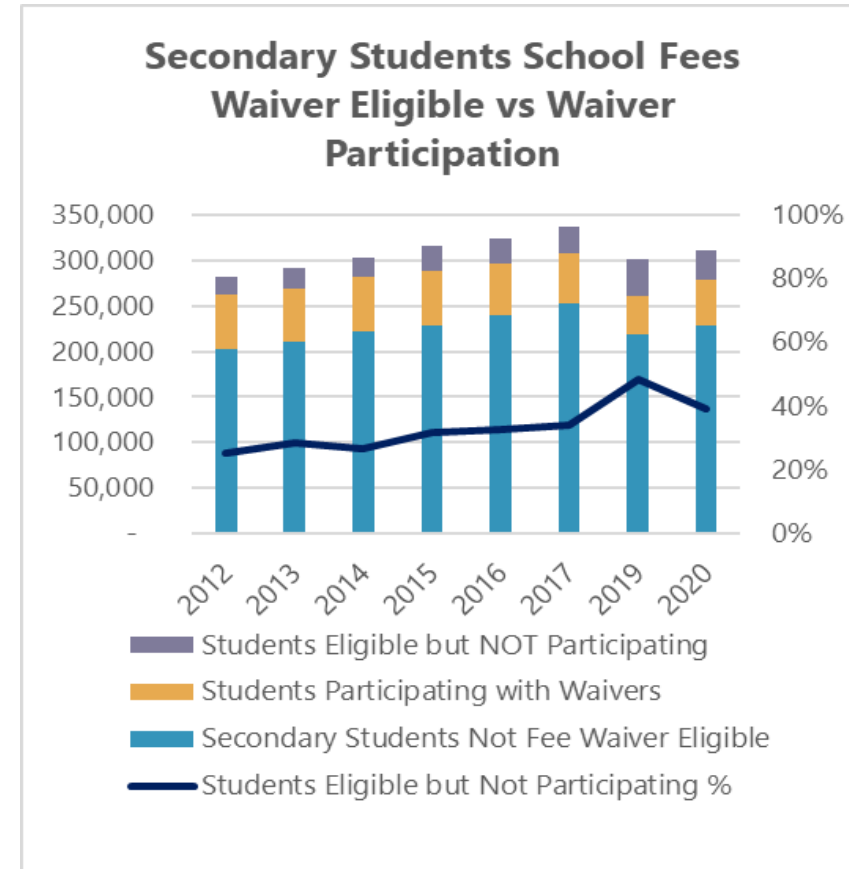
na = not requested on certificate of compliance report that year.



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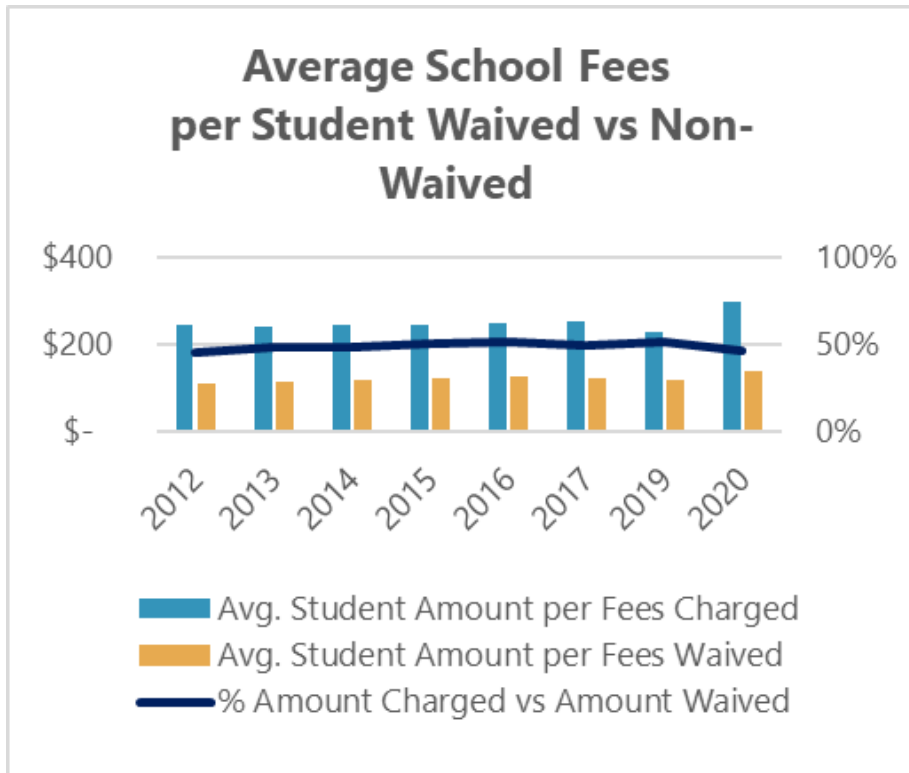
Schools are waiving between 8% - 12% of the total amount of fees charged. As fees have increased, the percent of granted fee waivers is on a downward trend.



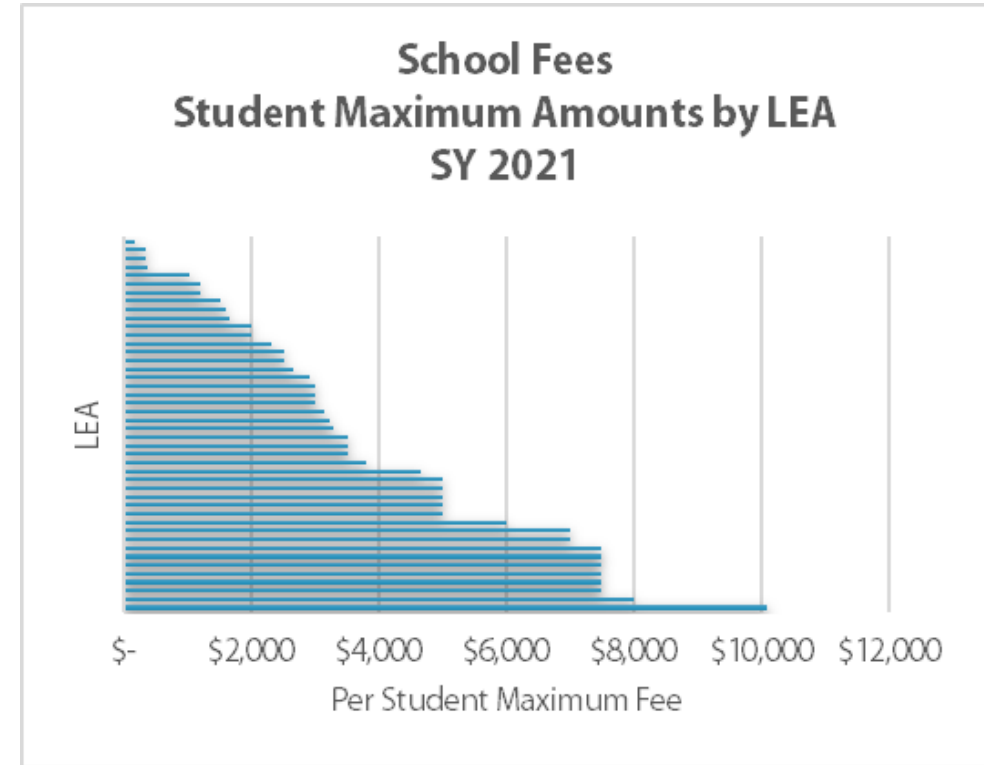
The number of students eligible for fee waivers but not participating has increased from 25% in 2012 to 39% in 2020.



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The average amount charged per student has increased since 2012 but the per amount average waived has stayed constant at approximately 50%.



Maximum	Minimum	Average	Median
\$ 10,100	\$ 165	\$ 3,908	\$ 3,255



Upcoming Requirements by School Year

School Year 2020-2021

- LEAs cannot use fee revenues to offset the cost of fee waivers (R277-407(8)(2)(a))
- An LEA shall establish a spend plan for each fee charged (R277-407-13(2))
- An LEA with multiple schools shall identify and address inequities due to fee waivers (R277-407-13(4)(b))



Upcoming Requirements by School Year

School Year 2021-2022

- Fees must be equal or less than the **cost of the activity** (53G-7-503(3)(a))
- LEA **may not** impose an additional fee or increase a fee to **supplant or subsidize** another fee (53G-7-503(3)(b))
- LEAs must accrue school fees and fee waivers in the LEA's accounting system and use **contra-revenue accounts** to record fee waivers in the LEA's accounting system; (R277-113-8(f))



Upcoming Requirements by School Year

School Year 2022-2023

- LEAs may not sell textbooks or otherwise charge a textbook fee (53G-7-601(3)(a))



Questions?

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