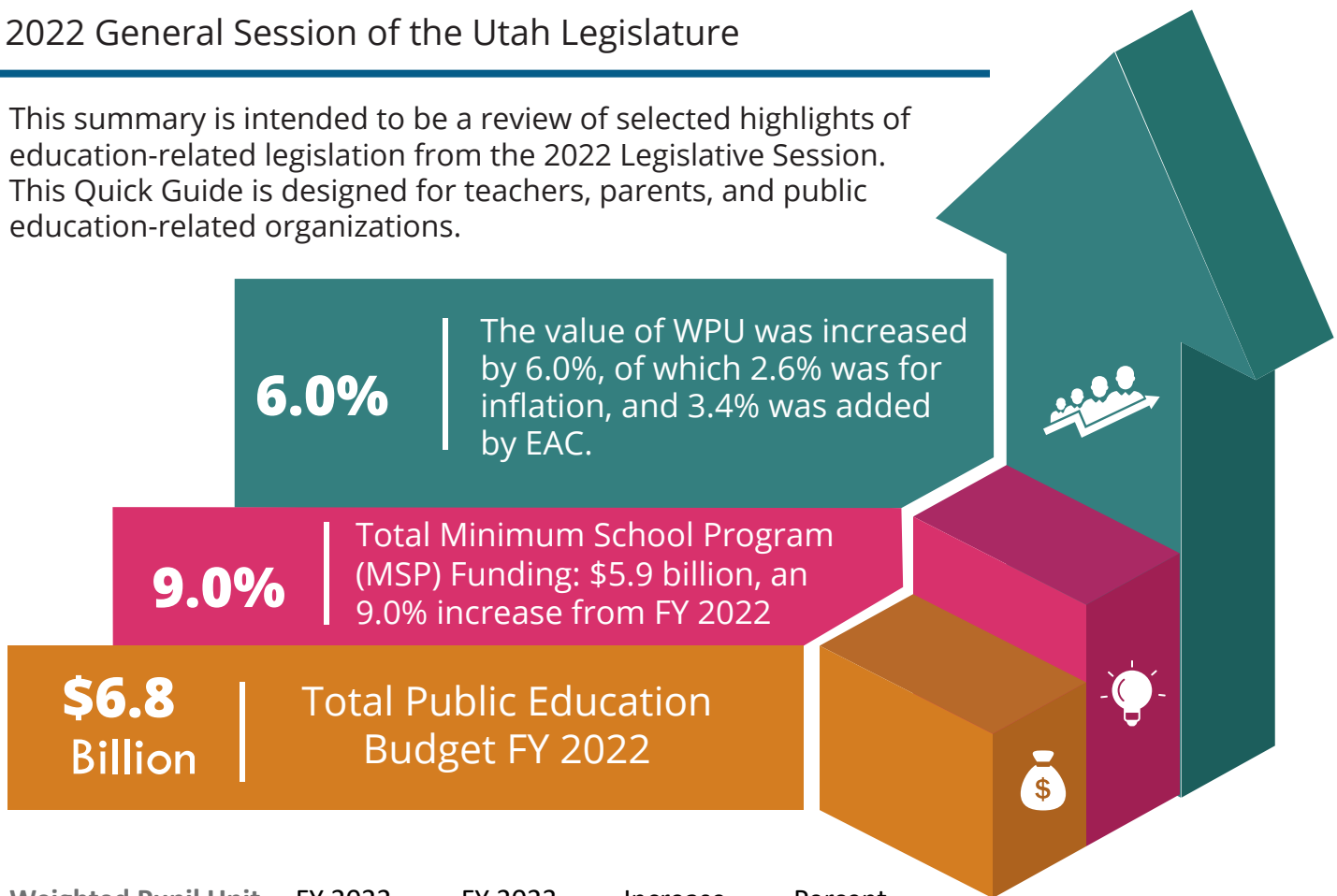


QUICK GUIDE

2022 General Session of the Utah Legislature

This summary is intended to be a review of selected highlights of education-related legislation from the 2022 Legislative Session. This Quick Guide is designed for teachers, parents, and public education-related organizations.



Weighted Pupil Unit (WPU) Value	FY 2022	FY 2023	Increase	Percent
	\$3,809	\$4,038	\$229	6.0%



Enrollment Growth & WPU

\$265,172,000 ongoing and **\$18,726,000** one-time. This funding includes the WPU value increase. Local Education Agencies (LEAs) will be funded on the prior year Average Daily Membership (ADM) + growth. Enrollment growth was funded for an estimated increase of **3,680** over fall 2021 enrollments.

Notable Education Stabilization Funding Distribution

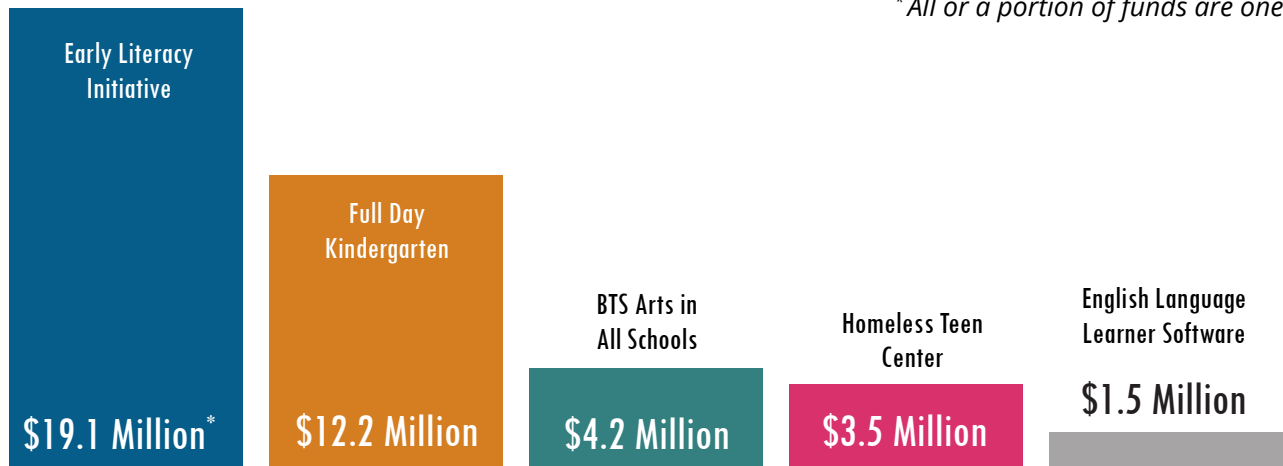
\$91.5 million
Public Education
Capital and Technology

\$50 million
Small School Capital
Needs Funds

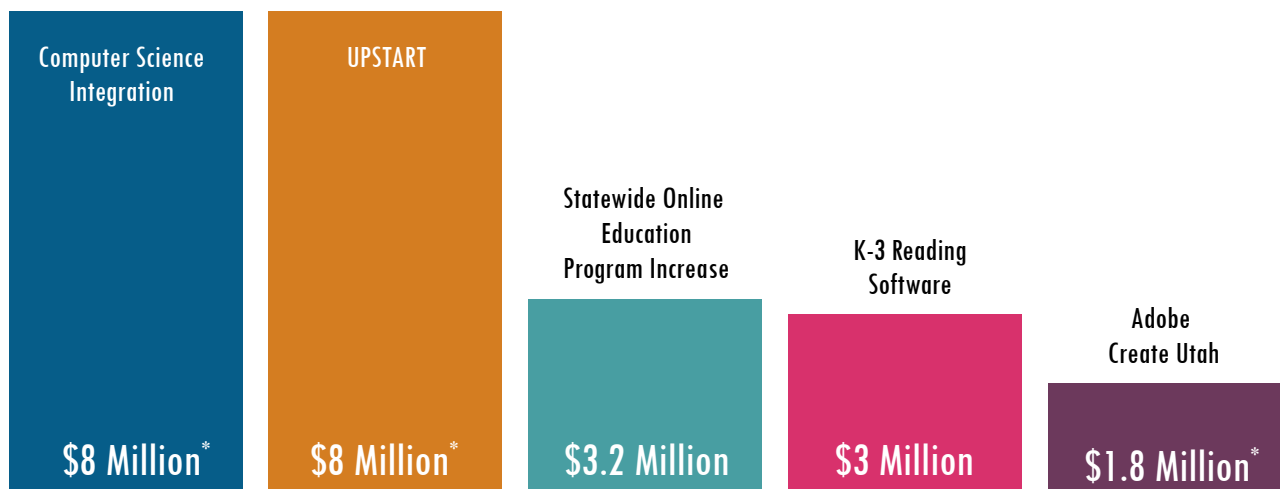
\$64 million
Educator-Directed
Prep & Collab Time

NOTABLE FUNDING HIGHLIGHTS

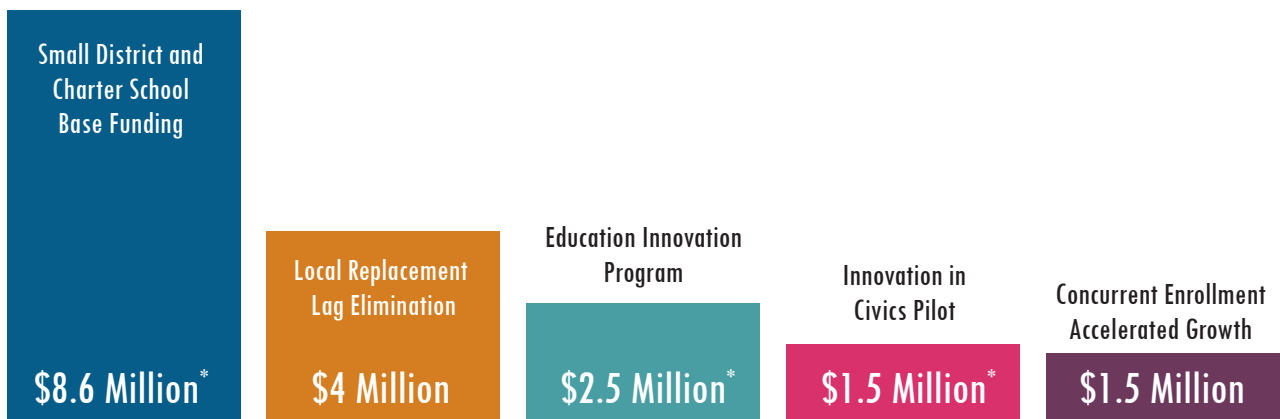
** All or a portion of funds are one-time*



Teacher & Student Support



Investments in Technology



Additional Funding

2022 NOTABLE EDUCATION BILLS

The following are notable bills which passed during the 2022 General Session.

**S.B.
127**

Early Literacy Outcomes Improvement

Improves K-3 literacy by providing coaching, professional learning, community partnerships, and diagnostic tools and increased coordination between USBE and LEAs.

**H.B.
193**

Full-Day Kindergarten

Establishes a new Full-day Kindergarten program in addition to existing OEK program, clarifies that kindergarten remains optional, and provides funding priorities for the \$12.2 million related to the program.

**S.B.
245**

School Turnaround Program Revisions

Amends name of the program and identification criteria for the lowest performing non-Title I "Springboard" schools, creates the voluntary Elevate Schools sub-program, and repeals school retention/recruitment provisions.

**H.B.
396**

Paid Professional Hours for Educators

Provides funding to LEAs for additional educator-directed paid professional hours for educators and requires the Legislature to appropriate a certain amount of funding annually from the stabilization account for the program.

**H.B.
113**

Students with Disabilities Funding Revisions

Allows state special education funding to be used for facilities construction and amends the distribution formula for the special ed add-on WPU by increasing the prevalence cap and using prior year average daily membership.

**H.B.
162**

Period Products in Schools

Requires LEAs to provide period products free of charge in all gender neutral and female designated restrooms and provides \$2.3 million one-time to cover initial costs.

2022 NOTABLE EDUCATION BILLS

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**H.B.
475**

Public Ed. Stabilization Account Funding

Provides for the use of certain recurring one-time funding from the Public Ed. Economic Stabilization Restricted Account. Creates a capital projects fund to provide state funding for certain local capital development projects.

**H.B.
273**

Civics Education Amendments

Creates a pilot grant program to support LEAs in implementing innovative approaches to civics education. Repeals the civics engagement pilot program.

**S.B.
191**

Regulatory Sandbox in Education

Allows a public school to create an innovation plan to be approved by the school's governing board and allows an innovation school to apply for approval to convert up to 35% of state restricted funds to be used as unrestricted funds.

**H.B.
386**

Education Innovation Program

Creates a classroom-based innovation program that allows teachers to apply for flexibility in curriculum and scheduling. It allows up to \$5,000 to also be granted for an approved application.

**H.B.
481**

Education Reporting Amendments

Eliminates certain components of literacy proficiency plans required by LEAs to submit. Eliminates an assessment and reporting requirement for LEAs participating in the Digital Teaching and Learning Grant Program.

**S.B.
251**

Grow Your Own Teacher & School Counselor Pipeline

Allows a paraprofessional scholarship recipient to continue to be eligible for the program if the paraprofessional is hired as an educator before the paraprofessional finishes the program and remains at the same school.

2022 NOTABLE EDUCATION BILLS

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**H.B.
315**

Effective Teachers in High Poverty Schools Incentive

Adds kindergarten teachers as eligible for the incentive program and clarifies that special education teachers may qualify if they are the teacher of record.

**H.B.
374**

Sensitive Materials in Schools

Prohibits sensitive materials in a public school and requires guidance and training to public schools on identifying sensitive materials. Requires an LEA to include parents when determining whether material is sensitive.

**H.B.
184**

Teacher Professional Development Amendments

Amends a 90 day notice requirement for a reallocation of instructional hours or school days for teacher preparation time or teacher professional development to 14 days for the 21-22 and 22-23 school years.

**H.B.
103**

Student Intervention Early Warning Program

Converts the early warning pilot program into an ongoing program; requires participating LEAs to provide notice to parents if the LEA administers a survey using the EWS; and allows parents to opt their students out of taking a EWS survey.