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# Class Size Reduction

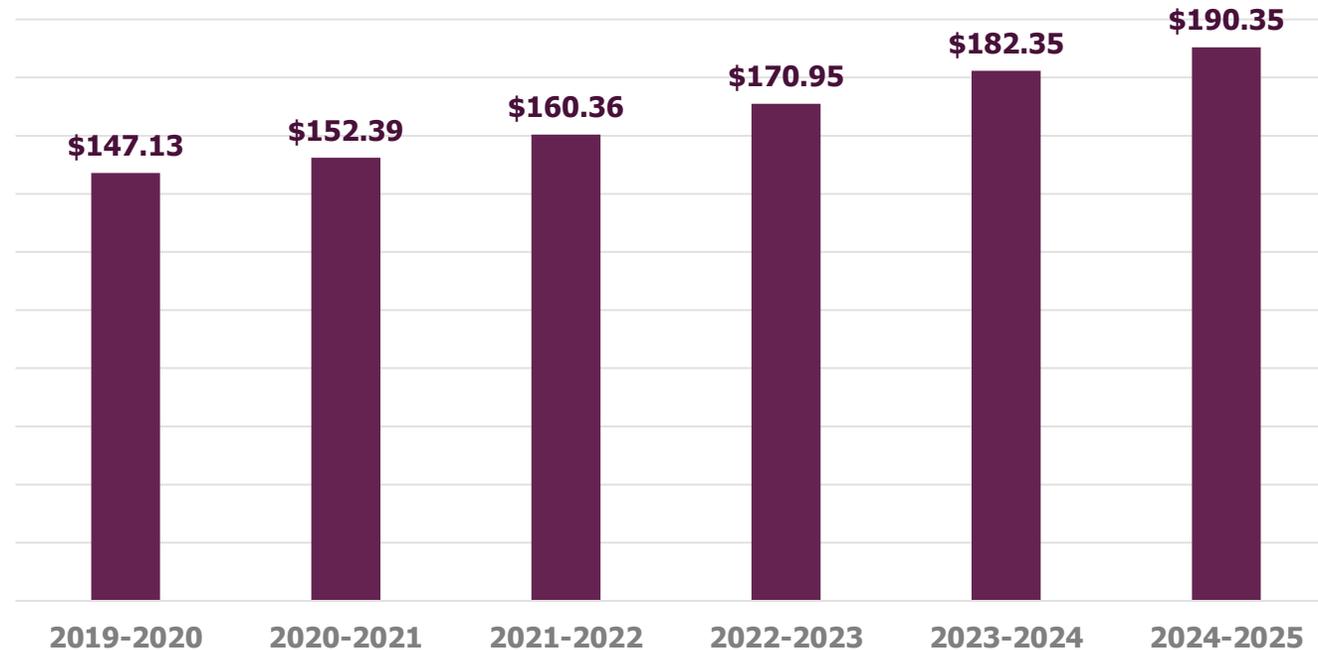
Education Interim Committee

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# Class Size Reduction: Appropriation

**Class Size Reduction Appropriation**  
Appropriated from the Minimum School Program, Basic School Program  
*Amount in Millions*



See [COBI](#) for more information



# Class Size Reduction: **Statutory Requirements**

## Utah Code 53F-2-312

- Reduce average class size in grades K-8.
- Allocation based on an LEA's prior-year average daily membership for grades K-8, plus growth.
- LEAs must use 50% of the allocation to reduce K-2 class sizes.
- LEAs may use up to 20% for capital facilities projects to reduce class size. Districts with student increases (at least 5% or 700 students) may use up to half for classroom construction.
- Funded through the WPU - Legislature provides an annual adjustment in proportion to the statewide increase of K-8 students.



# Class Size Reduction: Background

Session and Bill	Highlights
1992, SB 21	Created the class size reduction appropriation for grade 1
1995, SB 215	Expanded to K-4
1996, HB 235	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Substantially expanded appropriation</li><li>• Added emphasis on K-2</li><li>• Required information from schools on how money used for class size reduction</li></ul>
1999, HB 3	Expanded to K-8
2003, HB 39	Removed reporting requirements
2013, HB 318	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Added charter schools</li><li>• Added prior year ADM + growth</li><li>• Replaced reporting requirements</li></ul>
2018, HB 227	Removed reporting requirements



# Class Size Reduction: **Summary**

- \$190.3M (FY2024-25) appropriation for class size reduction in grades K-8. Maintains appropriation increase from 1996.
- Statute provides some guidelines on how money should be spent; no reporting requirement.
- Hiring teachers is a local issue.

