

EDUCATION UPDATE

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INVESTING IN EDUCATION: A TOP PRIORITY

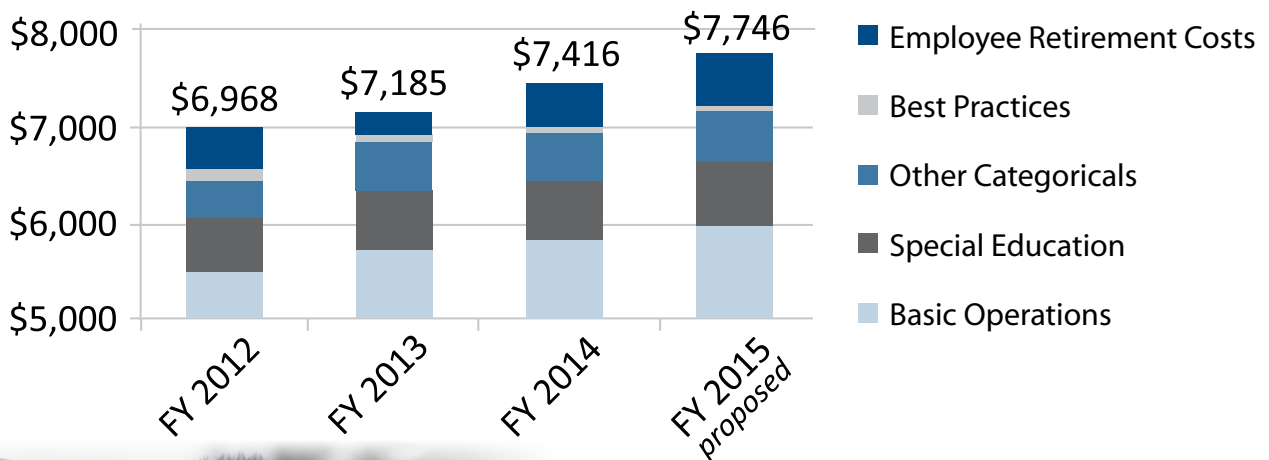
Since 2011, we have increased state funding for K-12 education by nearly \$1 billion. The Legislature and Governor want to build on this investment by increasing school funding again by nearly 3 percent for the 2014-2015 school year - an anticipated increase of almost \$100 on average for every student in Michigan.

Along with this increase in per-student funding, schools can also qualify for additional funding by meeting several "best practice" measures, such as student achievement, financial accountability, and working to consolidate and share services with neighboring districts.

Our children deserve the best possible education, so we have to make sure our schools have the resources to meet this goal!

State Education Funding (Per Student)

FY 2012 to FY 2015



Hildenbrand Supports Pre-School Funding

In the current state budget we invested \$65 million for early childhood education, specifically for pre-school education. This investment translated to over 1,700 additional 4-year-olds attending pre-school in Kent County alone. The Governor recently proposed an additional \$65 million for the 2014-2015 school year so EVERY young person in Michigan will have the opportunity to attend pre-school. I will be supporting the Governor in this effort to ensure our children are ready to learn.



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“Investing in our children has been and will continue to be a top priority as I serve in the Michigan Senate.”

–State Senator Dave Hildenbrand

\$1 Billion Increase in K-12 Education Funding from FY 2011 to FY 2015

