

SCAP 101 – HOW STATE FUNDING ASSISTANCE WORKS

Funding Formula Drivers:



ELIGIBLE AREA: Square footage of instructional space for which the state will provide funding assistance. It compares the district's current inventory of instructional space to its projected enrollment, (as calculated by an [Enrollment Cohort Projection \(Report 1049\)](#), multiplied by the Student Space Allocation (SSA), the amount of square feet per student established by the legislature to determine funding allocation level and may not reflect what is adequate to meet district's educational program requirements.

CONSTRUCTION COST ALLOCATION (CCA): The State's recognized costs per square foot of new construction. Not to be confused with actual costs per square foot, which is usually higher. ([construction cost allocation](#))

STATE FUNDING ASSISTANCE PERCENTAGE: A unique number calculated for each district, used to determine the amount of state assistance. Calculated annually, it is a ratio of a district's assessed land value per student compared to the statewide average of assessed land value per student. Minimum percentage is 20% up to a maximum percentage of 100% of [recognized project costs](#). Additional points are provided for district-anticipated growth. ([state funding assistance percentages](#))

Cost-Sharing Partnership

SCAP-Recognized Costs (State & Local Funds)

- Furniture & Equipment
- Art in Public Places
- Value Engineering
- Constructability Review
- Building Commissioning
- Certain Special Inspections and Testing
- Educational Specifications
- Energy (ELCCA) Report
- 7% Sales Tax

Project/Construction Management

A/E Design Fees

Construction Cost

Non-Recognized Costs (Local Funds Only)

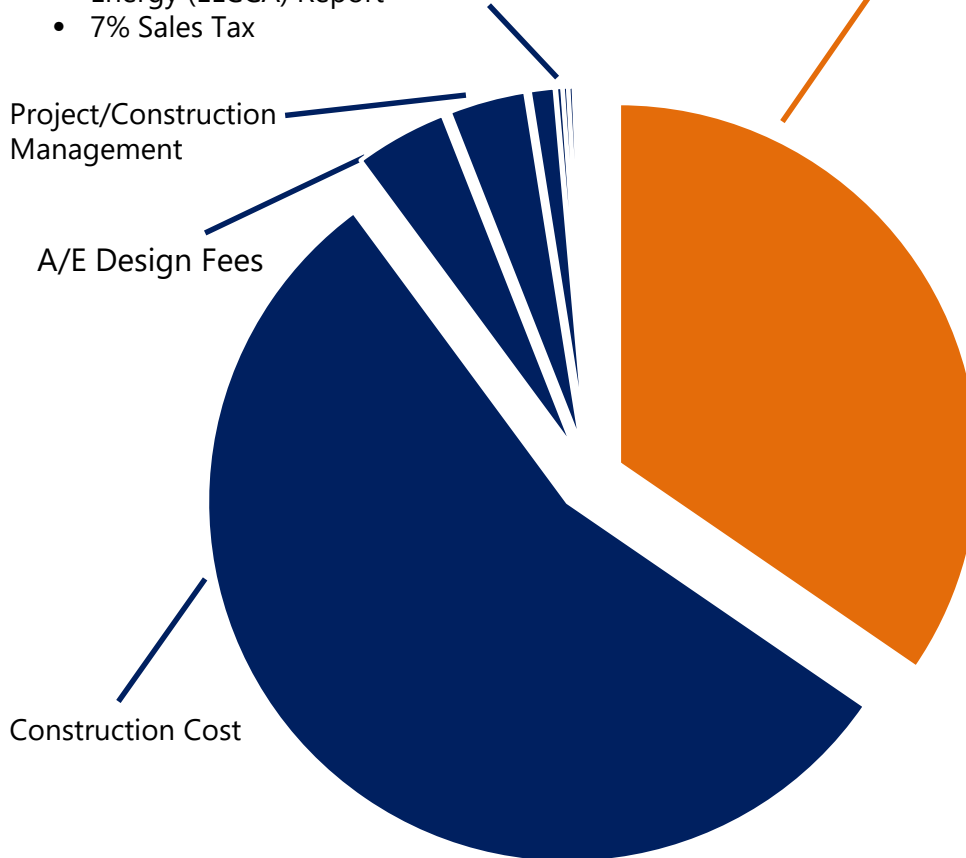
Includes but are not limited to:

Excess Costs

- Recognized costs above current Construction Cost Allocation (CCA) and Funding Assistance Percentage (FAP)
- Recognized costs in excess of eligible square footage
- Local sales tax above 7%
- Construction contract modifications (change orders)
- Construction or design contingency
- Design service fees not already included in A/E Contract

Additional Project Costs

- Land purchases and easement costs
- Feasibility studies
- Surveys and geotechnical services
- Off-site work (right-of-way development, traffic mitigation, etc.)
- Hazardous materials abatement and demolition, if not part of recognized modernization work
- Legal fees, permit fees, and non-building inspections



Eligibility Types

NEW CONSTRUCTION:

Need for instructional space based on unhoused students.

- Future Need (projected enrollment x SSA) – (minus)
Existing Capacity (current inventory of square feet) =
Eligibility (if need is greater than existing)

ASSET PRESEVATION PROGRAM (APP):

- Districts have the responsibility to maintain and assess on an annual basis newly constructed buildings to ensure appropriate building condition standard for 30 years.

MODERNIZATION OR NEW-IN-LIEU (replacement of existing facilities):

Need for modernization of an existing facility that satisfies the housing needs of the district and is more than **20 years old** and has not been modernized in the last 20 years, if built prior to January 1, 1993, if built after January 1, 1993, must be **30 years old**.

Limitations may exist to the amount of square footage eligible to modernize or new-in-lieu.

New-in-Lieu replacement of existing facilities is generally subject to the same criteria as modernization.

- Future Need – Improved Space (space less than 20 or 30 years old) = Remaining Eligibility to Improve (if need is greater than improved space)

State's Contribution to School Construction is based on the following funding formula

State Assistance = Eligible Area X CCA X Funding Assistance Percentage

New Construction
 Future Need - Existing Capacity

State Square Foot Allocation

K-6	90 square feet per student
7-8	117 square feet per student
9-12	130 square feet per student

Students w/ Disabilities
 144 square feet per student

**Building Modernization/
 Replacement**

Age

Before 1993 = 20 years
 After 1993 = 30 years

Limited to "area of need"

Major mod > 40% up to 100% of CCA

Determined By Legislature

Release Year

July 2014	\$200.40
July 2015	\$206.76
July 2016	\$213.23
July 2017	\$219.58
July 2018	\$225.97
July 2019	\$232.10
July 2020	\$238.22
July 2021	Unknown

Level of Assistance Relates to Wealth in District.

Local Assessed Land Value per Pupil compared to State Average Value per Pupil.

Additional percentage points for School District growth.

State Square Foot Allocation (SSA) levels are used to determine funding allocation level