Funding Your Programs for the Remainder of 2024-25

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Agenda

- Funding Snapshot
 - Where are we now?
 - Brief update on Federal Funding Freeze
 - 2024-25 Funds
- 2025-26 Funding Tips
 - Preparing for change
 - Federal > State>Local
 - Vouchers and ESAs
 - Market! Market! Market!



Where are we now?

- Federal Budget
 - National Budget
 - Continuing Resolution until March 14, 2025
 - Education Budget
 - ESSER is gone hence the funding cliff
 - ESSA funds are in place through the end of this school year
 - Brief Update on Federal Funding Freeze potential impacts
 - Formula Funding
 - Discretionary Funding
 - Calendar of appropriations



ESSA Estimates for 2024-25

Title I, Part A \$18.4B	Title II: Supporting Effective Instruction \$2.19B		Title III: English Language Acquisition \$890M		Title IV, Part A: SSAEG \$1.4B
Title IV, Part B: 21st CCLC \$1.3B	Title V, Part B: REAP (RLI) \$107M		Title V, Part B: REAP SRS \$107M		McKinney-Vento Homeless \$129M
IDEA, Part B: Special Education \$14.2B		Impact Aid \$1.47B		Career and Technical Education \$7.9M	

Source: budget tables

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State Budgets

- Some states have increased budgets
 - CA, FL, NY, TX, IL, MI, CO, OH, NC, GA
 - Why increases?
 - To recover from pandemic losses
 - To address teacher recruitment and retention
 - To increase Career and Technical Education to prepare a productive workforce
 - To address mental health needs



Budget Challenge

- Absenteeism <u>28% nationally 2022-23</u>
 - Miss 10% or more of school
 - Schools must address:
 - Prioritizing family engagement.
 - Encouraging student connections.
 - Ensuring student health, wellness and safety.
 - Offering relevant and engaging learning.
 - Supporting access to learning.

Decrease absentees – increase ADA (Average Daily Attendance) = increase funds





Governors' Priorities

- Budget challenges
- Teacher Shortages
 - Teacher Pay
 - Retention
- Cybersecurity
- Mental Health of students and educators
- Parental Rights
- School Choice



Source: Governors Top Priorities 2024



Speculation about 2025-26 \$\$

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School Choice

- Vouchers
- ESAs
- Tax Credits
- Block grants to states
- Parental Rights





Curriculum Priorities

- Literacy
- Math
- CTE
- Early Childhood
- Mental Health/ SEL
- Al





New Directions

- President Trump has called for
 - **c**losing the Education Department to reduce bureaucracy
 - sending federal funding and programming to the states to manage
 - expanding school choice by allowing more taxpayer funding to be used for private school vouchers.
 - Source: https://www.k12dive.com/news/6-k-12-trends-to-watch-in-2025/736853/





Vouchers and ESAs

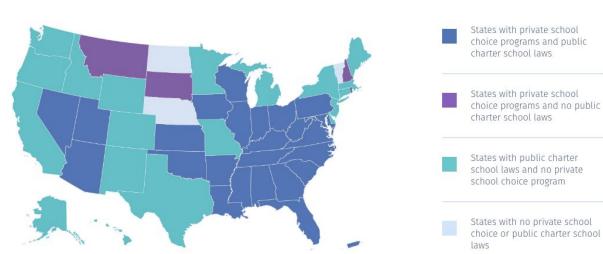
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- Voucher Public funds for private schooling
- ESA Education Savings Account
 - Private school tuition
 - Homeschooling
 - College savings account
- As of 2025, <u>30 states have either vouchers, ESAs or other school choice programs</u> <u>like tax credit scholarships</u>





Where is School Choice?



Source: Where is School Choice

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Market! Market! Market!

- What are the best features of your program?
- What are the general stats about your students' successes?
- Are there any new programs parents should know about?
- Do you have testimonials from students? Teachers? Parents?





Some Resources

Federal Grants

- Federal Grants
- Rural Education Achievement Programs eligibility
- Get Ed Funding
 - Get Ed Funding





Q & A



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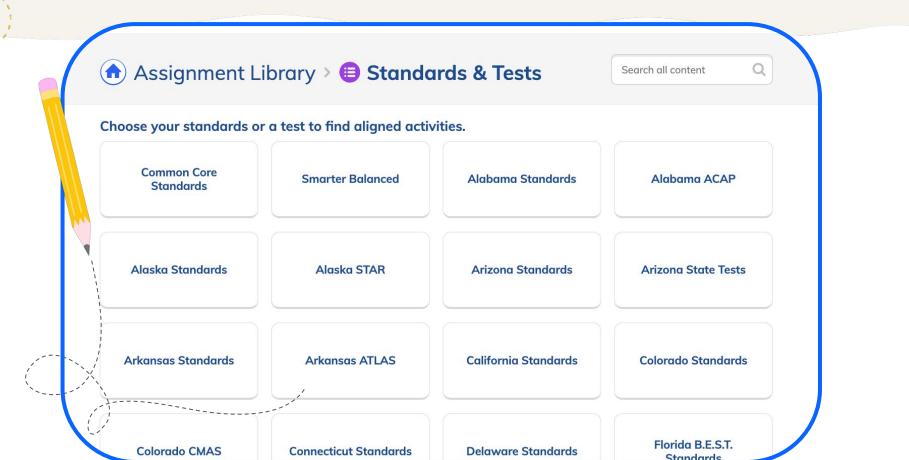
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S Key Parts of the Introduction In your first paragraph, draw your readers in and present your argument.

V Hook

Open your essay with an attentiongrabbing statement.

✓ Bridge

Transition readers from the larger idea in your hook to the specific argument in your thesis statement.

V Thesis Statement

State the debatable opinion you will argue in your essay.

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Tips and Tricks

You don't have to write your essay in order. For example, if you're having

trouble coming up with a hook, try starting out by just writing your thesis. Then, draft your body paragraphs. It's okay to write your introduction last!

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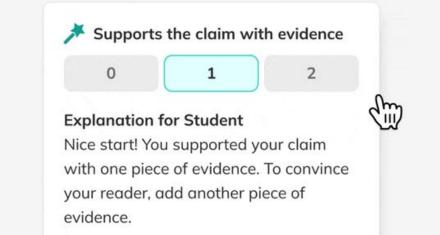
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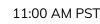
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