

Available School Fund (ASF) Payments

Texas Education Code (TEC)

TEC, §42.251(b) and §43.001(b)

History/Relevant Background Information

All Texas school districts and charter schools are entitled, under the Texas Constitution, to receive payments from the ASF for each eligible student enrolled. The ASF is primarily made up of revenue generated by the state's fuel tax and the Permanent School Fund.

Charter schools began receiving ASF payments in March 2013.

Description of Funding Element

The ASF serves as a finance method for the Foundation School Program (FSP). This source of revenue helps pay the state's FSP payments to school districts and charter schools. For charter schools and most districts, ASF funding is not received in addition to the funding making up the schools' and districts' FSP state aid, but as a part of the funding making up that state aid.

ASF payments are based on a district's or charter school's prior year average daily attendance (ADA). The payment rate per ADA (the distribution rate) is adopted each year by the State Board of Education. ASF payments are referred to as "per capita" payments. The following table shows the payment rates for the last several years.

Year	Rate	Allotment (\$)
2001–2002	236.00	882,115,931
2002–2003	371.00	1,416,832,762
2003–2004	334.00	1,300,948,054
2004–2005	393.00	1,558,282,468
2005–2006	317.00	1,276,255,334
2006–2007	394.00	1,624,852,326
2007–2008	280.00	1,170,922,357
2008–2009	258.00	1,093,744,680
2009–2010*	274.06	1,179,465,191
2010–2011*	466.68	2,037,709,255
2011–2012	251.75	1,118,031,221
2012–2013	469.22	2,174,014,726
2013–2014	261.37	1,228,221,219
2014–2015	263.60	1,257,967,998
2015–2016	180.32	873,163,821
2016–2017	388.00	1,909,226,221
2017–2018	206.56	1,026,864,763
2018–2019	459.76	2,300,627,294

* For the 2009–2010 and 2010–2011 school years, a portion of the per capita payment was funded with State Fiscal Stabilization Fund (SFSF) funds provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009.

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