

# ★ Local Control in School Funding

## Meaningful Discretion for Districts

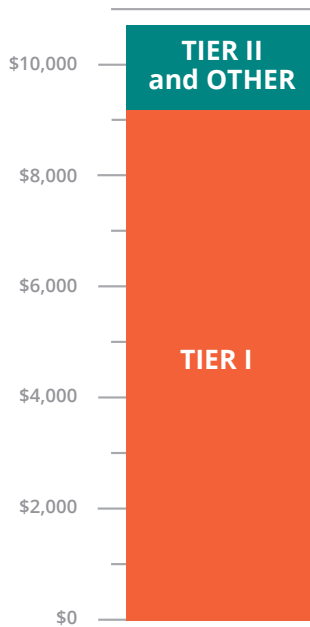
There are multiple components that make up M&O and related funding streams available to districts. Many of these components can be accessed based upon the decisions of local school boards and district leaders.

### School boards determine:

- **how funds are spent** within a district, and
- **whether extra funding** streams are accessed by a district



Schools received **\$10,800** on average per student in total M&O in 2023-24<sup>14</sup>



### Many different funding components make up Tier I and total M&O funding

#### ATTENDANCE-BASED

- Regular Program / Basic Allotment
- Early Education
- School Safety (in part)
- Career and Technology
- Special Education
- Bilingual Education

#### ENROLLMENT-BASED

- Dyslexia
- Compensatory Education
- Instructional Materials Allotment
- Gifted & Talented Allotment

#### DISTRICT-BASED

- Small and Mid-Sized
- Fast Growth
- School Safety (in part)

#### SPENDING-BASED

- Transportation
- TRS On-Behalf
- New Instructional Facility Allotment
- College Readiness Assessment
- IBCs

#### DISTRICT ACTION-DEPENDENT

- Career and Technology Sequences
- Teacher Incentive Allotment
- Mentor Program Allotment
- CCMR Outcomes Bonus
- Dual Language
- Additional Days School Year
- Dropout Recovery
- P-TECH & New Tech
- Rural Pathway Excellence Partnership
- SB 1882 Partnerships
- Resource Campuses
- Non-Enrolled UIL Participation
- High-Quality Instructional Materials

#### TAX RATE-DEPENDENT

- Tier I Tax Rate
- Tier II Tax Rate
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## Tier II Tax Rates<sup>14</sup>

For M&O funding, school boards set a Tier I tax rate not to exceed the maximum rate set in law. School boards also set Tier II tax rates<sup>14</sup>, which have a significant impact on district funding.

### UP TO 8 TIER II GOLDEN PENNIES

provide additional funding of **\$126.21** per penny per weighted student and are **not subject** to recapture\*

### UP TO 9 TIER II COPPER PENNIES

provide additional funding of **\$49.28** per penny per weighted student and **are subject** to recapture



\*The value of Golden Pennies is indexed by law to property value growth. Values per penny featured here were applicable during 2023-24. Since Golden Pennies are not subject to recapture, very high property wealth districts generate more funding per student.