

Estimates of Districts over Their AGP Threshold

The accompanying file is an estimate of what school districts may spend per equalized pupil in FY2017 versus the allowable growth threshold (commonly known as AGP). As of this time, AOE has not received board approved preliminary budget data from school districts. The data in the file is a mixture of rough estimates by business managers (87 districts), based on a request for data and inflating FY2016 data for the remainder. Data for the remaining districts (182 districts) was inflated by 2.0% - i.e., FY2016 education spending was increased by 2.0% for FY2017. Those figures were then brought back to a per equalized pupil estimate, based on FY2017 equalized pupils.

Data for districts that were inflated by 2.0% (i.e., no response from business managers) are colored pink. If data are not colored pink, estimates came from business managers.

Based on the above, it is estimated that 109 districts are over their AGP threshold. **THESE ARE ESTIMATES ONLY AND ARE NOT BASED ON BOARD APPROVED PRELIMINARY FY2017 BUDGET DATA. BECAUSE A DISTRICT APPEARS IN THIS ESTIMATE AS EXCEEDING ITS AGP THRESHOLD DOES NOT MEAN THAT IS WHAT WILL OCCUR ONCE BOARD APPROVED BUDGETS ARE IN. SIMILARLY, THE OPPOSITE MAY BE TRUE – A DISTRICT SHOWN AS NOT EXCEEDING ITS THRESHOLD MAY EXCEED IT WHEN DATA ARE SUBMITTED.**

Data columns are as follows:

1. The AGP threshold for FY2017 (sec. 37 of Act 46, 2015)
2. Equalized pupils for FY2017
3. Estimated education spending for FY2017 – data colored pink are FY2016 education spending increased by 2.0%
4. Estimated FY2017 education spending per equalized pupil – pink cells are inflated FY2016 data
5. Estimated per pupil amount over a district's AGP threshold

The 2.0% used to inflate FY2016 education spending (cell i7) can be changed by typing in a new assumption about overall growth in education spending.