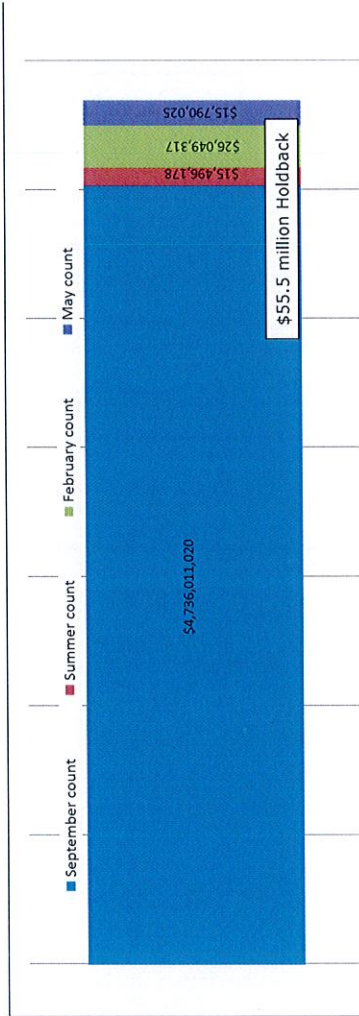


Overview of the 2015/16 Operating Grant Allocation Formula

Allocation of the total Operating Block and Enrolment counts (2015/16 estimated as at March 2015)



Funding Adjustments:

- Districts' preliminary allocations are adjusted after each of the enrolment counts; September 30th, February and May;
- District preliminary allocation will increase if actual enrolment is higher than district estimated enrolment; and consequently decline if actual enrolment is lower than district estimated enrolment;
- Funding Protection is calculated following the September enrolment count only – this supplemental grant is calculated last and ensures that districts do not experience a funding decline of greater than 1.5% compared to the previous year for the September count;
- The "Holdback" is used as a contingency to fund districts for enrolment greater than the district estimated enrolment and preliminary allocation. Holdback not required for this purpose becomes available for allocation to all districts;
- The full operating block, including holdback, must be allocated to districts by June 30 of the current school year;
- Funding is disbursed in a "just in time" manner to closely match district cash needs.

Provincial Totals

79% allocated through the Basic Allocation

Basic Allocation	
Common per student amount for every FTE student enrolled by school type	
Standard School: \$7,158 per school age FTE	Continuing Education: \$7,158 per school age FTE
Alternate School: \$7,158 per school age FTE	Distributed Learning: \$6,030 per school age FTE

12% allocated to recognize unique student enrolment

Unique Student	
Additional per student funding to address uniqueness of district enrolment and support additional programming	
Level 1 Special Needs: \$37,700 per student	Level 2 Special Needs: \$18,850 per student
Level 3 Special Needs: \$9,500 per student	Adult Education: \$4,565 per FTE
English/French Language Learning: \$1,380 per student	Aboriginal Education: \$1,195 per student
Vulnerable Students: in addition to Community/Link	

8% allocated to recognize unique district factors

Unique District	
Additional funding to address uniqueness of district factors	
Small Community: for small schools located a distance away from the next nearest school	Low Enrolment: for districts with low total enrolment
Rural Factor: located some distance from Vancouver and the nearest large regional population centre	Climate Factor: operate schools in colder/ warmer climates
Sparseness Factor: operate schools that are spread over a wide geographic area	Supplemental Student Location: Level 1 and 2 special needs enrolment
Salary Differential: Funding to districts that have higher average educator salaries	

1% allocated to buffer the effects of declining enrolment

Funding Protection / Enrolment Decline	
Enrolment Decline: funding to districts experiencing enrolment decline of at least 1% when compared to the previous year	Funding Protection: funding to ensure that no district experiences a decline in operating grants greater than 1.5% when compared to the previous September
CSF Supplement – district receives a 15% funding premium on allocated funding	

All Funding information estimated for the 2015/16 School Year