



2019 Budget and Legislative Highlight

BEP Review Committee

June 12, 2019

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Budget Highlights

FY19-20 Budget Increases

- \$71 million increase to the instructional salary component of the BEP.
- \$30 million for school safety grants. Brings total funding for school safety to \$20 million recurring and \$20 million non-recurring.
- \$12 million in non-recurring funds to support charter school facilities.
- \$1.8 million for the ACT retake opportunity.
- \$2.4 million for the expansion of early postsecondary opportunity (EPSO) courses and dual credit courses.

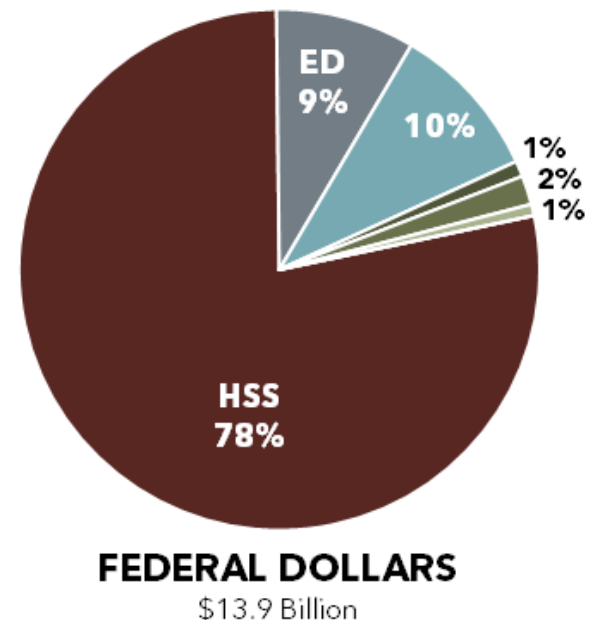
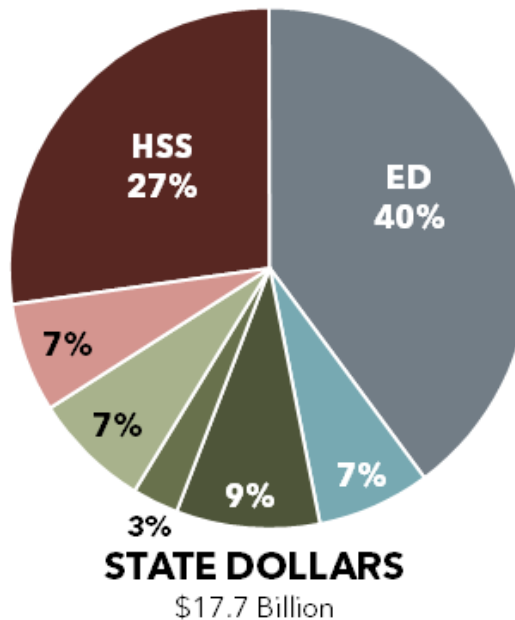
FY19-20 Budget Increases

- \$750,000 for middle school Career and Technical Education (CTE) start-up grants.
- \$5 million non-recurring to support improvement in the state's Priority schools.
- \$1.1 million for STEM expansion. This includes funding for computer science course expansion, standards training, professional development, and technical assistance to schools seeking the STEM designation.
- \$25 million recurring for the Education Savings Account (ESA) Program.

Expenditures

How Tennessee Spends State and Federal Revenues FY 2019 Recommended Budget

- Health & Social Services (HSS)
- Education (ED)
- Transportation, Tourism & Economic Dev't
- Law, Safety & Corrections
- Resources & Regulations
- General Government
- Taxes Shared with Cities & Counties

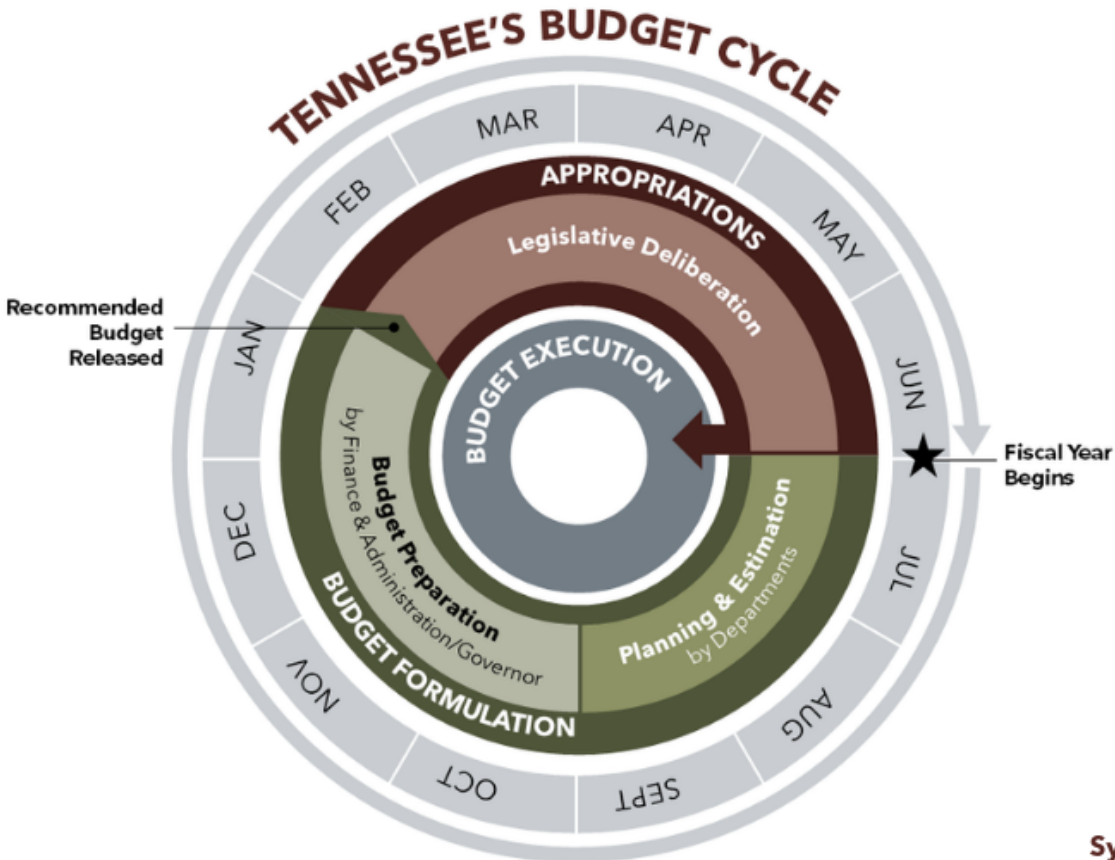


Numbers may not add up to 100% due to rounding. Expenditures are categorized differently than those shown in the FY 2019 Budget (e.g. capital outlays have been categorized in this figure as "General Government.").

Source: The Sycamore Institute's analysis of the FY 2018-2019 Tennessee State Budget

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Budget Cycle



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Legislative Highlights

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2019 Legislative Highlights – Governor Initiatives

- **Public Chapter 108** - Requires LEAs to administer a career aptitude assessment to students in grades 7 or 8 to help inform a student's high school plan of study.
- **Public Chapter 153** - Requires LEAs to report to the Department of Education how any increase received in the instructional component of the BEP is spent, and requires that information to be included in the BEP Review Committee's annual report.
- **Public Chapter 203** - Establishes the Governor's Investment in Vocational Education (GIVE) Act.

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- **Public Chapter 219** - Establishes the Tennessee Public Charter School Commission to serve as an independent appellate authorizer for charter schools. Transfers appellate authorizing duties from the State Board of Education to the Commission.
- **Public Chapter 330** - Establishes the governor's civics seal to recognize public schools and LEAs implementing high-quality civic education programs.

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- **Public Chapter 361** - Creates the “Agriculture Education and Youth Participation Task Force” which is tasked with analyzing and making recommendations related to agricultural education in Tennessee, emerging technologies, and integrating agricultural career readiness goals into the Tennessee Pathways Initiative.
- **Public Chapter 506** - Establishes the Education Savings Account Program such that eligible students may receive BEP funds to use for the education services of their choice. Applicable only to Shelby County Schools and Metro Nashville Public Schools. Enrollment set to begin in the 2021-2022 school year.

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- **Public Chapter 442** - Requires students take and pass a U.S. civics test in order to meet the social studies course credit requirements to earn a traditional high school diploma.
- **Public Chapter 468** - Removes from current law, the requirement that an LEA that coordinates work-based learning for students must maintain liability insurance coverage for all participating students, and instead, requires LEAs to maintain student accident insurance coverage.

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- **Public Chapter 475** - Requires that the Tennessee comprehensive assessment program (TCAP) tests administered in the 2019-2020 school year be administered in paper format and requires all LEAs to participate in an online verification exam prior to moving to online administration.
- **Public Chapter 482** - Changes, from one to two, the number of additional dual enrollment courses a student may take under certain circumstances for a total of three DEG courses per semester. Caps the total number of courses for which a student may receive a dual enrollment grant at 10.



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