

Talking Points Memo

ADEQUACY FUNDING BENEFITS ENTIRE COMMONWEALTH

Pennsylvania lawmakers voted for the adequacy funding formula in last year's budget, making a crucial commitment to complying with the constitutional mandate to fully fund public schools. Now, some GOP Senators are publicly musing about abandoning this formula before it can fully deliver on its promise to public school students

Virtually every Senate district in Pennsylvania stands to gain from adequacy funding. Walking away now would deny students the educational resources they deserve and break a promise to Pennsylvania families.

In fact, 74% of public school students in GOP districts would benefit from adequacy funding if the Senate passed a budget with an increased investment in adequacy funding equal to the increase in last year's bipartisan budget, compared to 64% in Democratic Senate districts. That would amount to \$246 million to help over 700,000 students in the schools most in need in GOP Senate districts.

The numbers don't lie – if GOP Senators abandon the adequacy formula they already voted for, they're also abandoning the vast majority of public school students in their own Senate districts.

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Senate District (2022)		Party	Amount of Adequacy funding	Total Students in Senate District	Students in school districts that qualify for adequacy funding	Share of students in School Districts that qualify for adequacy funding
1	Saval, Nikil	Democrat	\$25,974,243	37,354	37,354	100%
2	Tartaglione, Christine M.	Democrat	\$16,404,785	23,592	23,592	100%
3	Street, Sharif	Democrat	\$13,670,654	19,660	19,660	100%
4	Haywood, Art	Democrat	\$12,303,589	33,912	17,694	52%
5	Picozzi, Joe	Republican	\$34,176,636	49,150	49,150	100%
6	Farry, Frank A.	Republican	\$1,783,857	32,235	17,813	55%
7	Hughes, Vincent J	Democrat	\$23,240,112	37,005	33,422	90%
8	Williams, Anthony H.	Democrat	\$15,506,312	26,476	26,420	100%
9	Kane, John I.	Democrat	\$7,049,202	38,692	17,748	46%
10	Santarsiero, Steven J	Democrat	\$2,094,960	39,606	8,377	21%
11	Schwank, Judith L.	Democrat	\$30,692,617	38,594	33,677	87%
12	Collett, Maria	Democrat	\$-	34,688	0	0%
13	Martin, Scott	Republican	\$8,632,720	31,194	27,791	89%
14	Miller, Nick	Democrat	\$21,793,975	39,716	34,752	88%
15	Kim, Patty	Democrat	\$16,305,810	36,291	36,291	100%
16	Coleman, Jarrett	Republican	\$2,555,715	39,042	16,178	41%
17	Cappelletti, Amanda M.	Democrat	\$5,048,614	31,403	8,440	27%
18	Boscola, Lisa M.	Democrat	\$6,006,921	32,575	26,431	81%
19	Comitta, Carolyn T	Democrat	\$4,004,913	33,410	12,717	38%
20	Baker, Lisa	Republican	\$9,201,648	38,166	18,208	48%
21	Hutchinson, Scott E.	Republican	\$6,399,256	30,996	27,780	90%
22	Flynn, Marty	Democrat	\$15,062,840	26,385	26,385	100%
23	Yaw, Gene	Republican	\$8,996,787	35,259	32,524	92%
24	Pennycuick, Tracy	Republican	\$2,486,056	37,519	11,443	30%
25	Dush, Cris	Republican	\$6,018,459	27,247	23,117	85%
26	Kearney, Timothy P	Democrat	\$8,717,016	30,110	15,911	53%
27	Culver, Lynda Schlegel	Republican	\$13,925,728	33,992	31,436	92%
28	Phillips-Hill, Kristin	Republican	\$7,191,245	37,037	34,401	93%
29	Argall, David G.	Republican	\$26,032,369	42,399	40,369	95%
30	Ward, Judy	Republican	\$9,474,360	31,010	30,627	99%
31	Keefer, Dawn	Republican	\$12,858,004	37,879	37,867	100%
32	Stefano, Patrick J	Republican	\$6,716,440	30,967	28,368	92%
33	Mastriano, Doug	Republican	\$13,615,035	35,057	31,505	90%
34	Rothman, Greg	Republican	\$5,453,246	36,371	24,017	66%
35	Langerholc, Jr., Wayne	Republican	\$8,931,778	31,701	24,377	77%
36	Malone, James A.	Democrat	\$6,690,230	31,601	30,894	98%
37	Robinson, Devlin J	Republican	\$485,292	38,366	8,597	22%
38	Williams, Lindsey M.	Democrat	\$1,078,771	29,763	8,725	29%
39	Ward, Kim L.	Republican	\$8,185,216	33,178	32,891	99%
40	Brown, Rosemary M.	Republican	\$2,467,132	31,797	5,242	16%
41	Pittman, Joe	Republican	\$4,584,637	30,148	22,774	76%
42	Fontana, Wayne D	Democrat	\$1,650,651	24,627	1,708	7%
43	Costa, Jay	Democrat	\$2,347,330	19,522	7,660	39%
44	Muth, Katie J	Democrat	\$3,554,084	37,030	18,193	49%
45	Pisciottano, Nick	Democrat	\$8,234,101	29,698	23,708	80%
46	Bartolotta, Camera	Republican	\$5,373,967	32,813	24,770	75%
47	Vogel, Jr., Elder A.	Republican	\$6,532,689	33,243	21,212	64%
48	Gebhard, Chris	Republican	\$12,725,199	38,375	24,413	64%
49	Laughlin, Daniel	Republican	\$15,394,450	34,305	34,305	100%
50	Brooks, Michele	Republican	\$5,870,971	32,296	20,266	63%
Grand total			\$493,500,623	1,673,456	1,171,201	70%
Total in Democratic Senate Districts			\$247,431,731	731,712	469,759	64%
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Total in Republican Senate Districts			\$246,068,891	741,744	701,442	74%