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Fiscal Year 2026 Executive Budget Review

SPECIAL SCHOOLS AND COMMISSIONS

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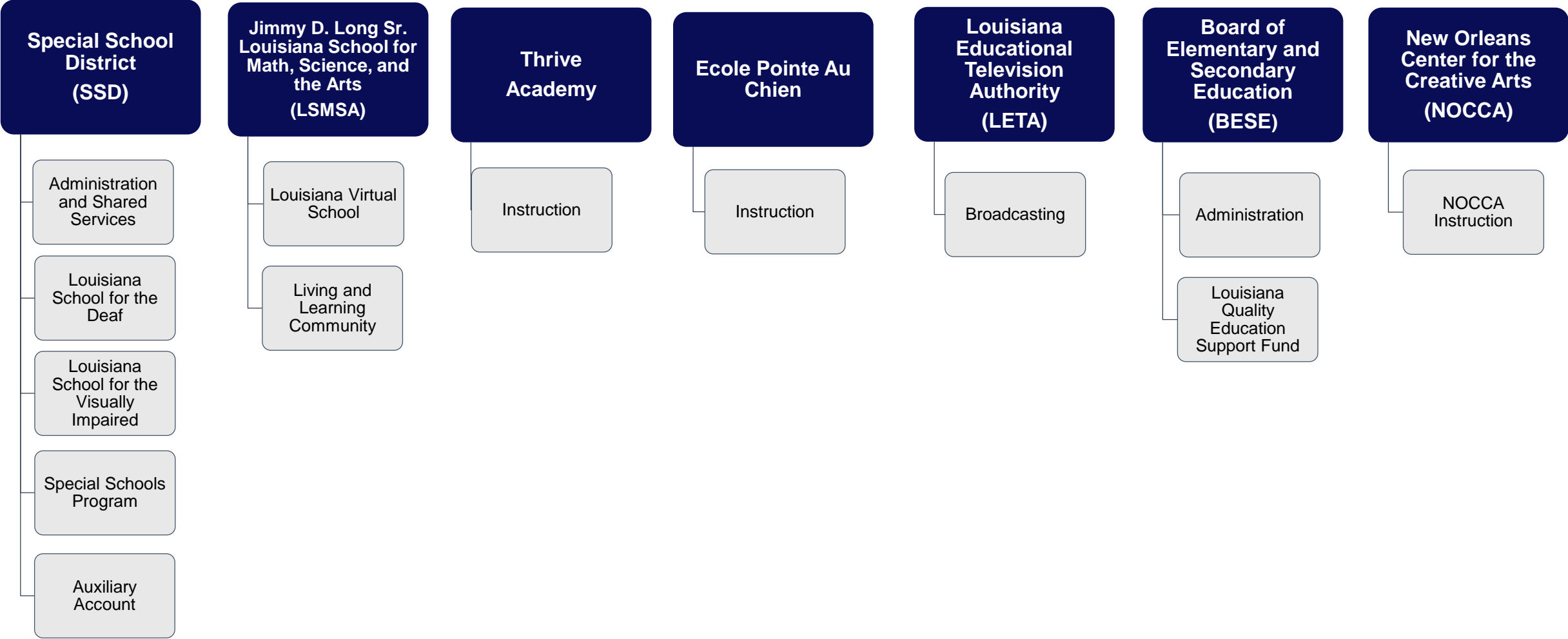
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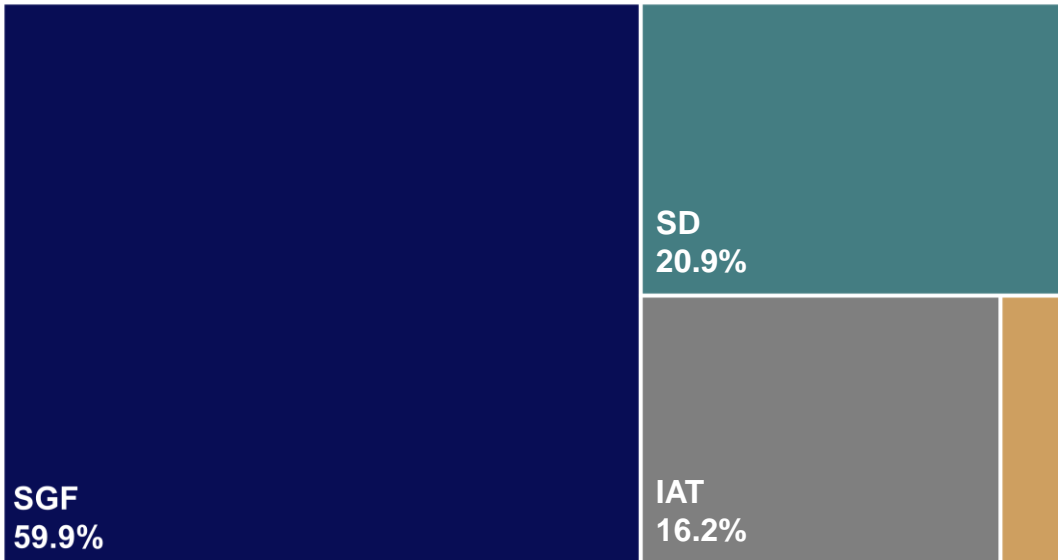
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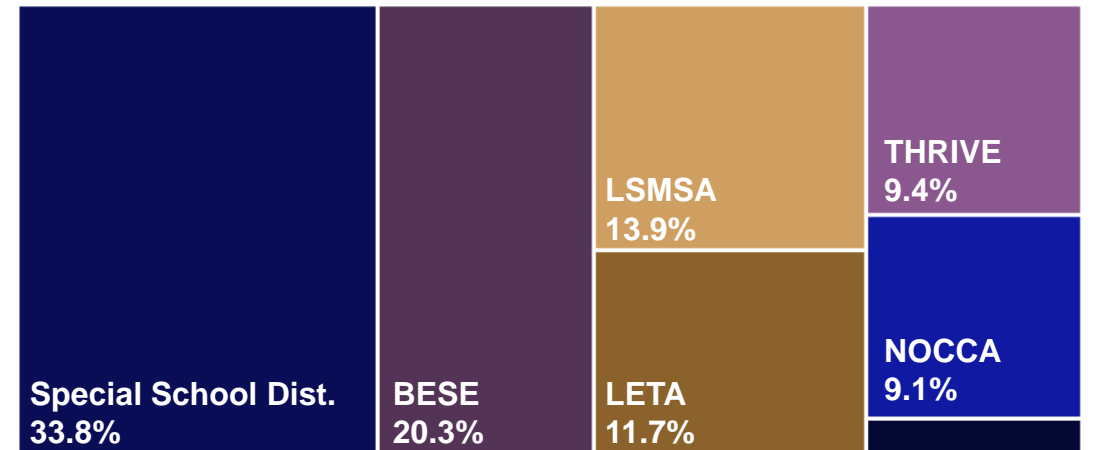
FY 26 BUDGET RECOMMENDATION

Total Funding = \$113,069,816

Means of Finance		
State General Fund	\$	67,774,626
Interagency Transfers		18,310,052
Fees & Self-generated		3,402,805
Statutory Dedications		23,582,333
Federal Funds		0
Total	\$	113,069,816



Agency Funding & Authorized Positions			
		Amount	Positions
Special School District	\$	38,236,316	337
Louisiana School for Math Science and the Arts		15,708,451	91
Thrive Academy		10,665,658	49
Ecole Pointe Au Chien		1,939,126	16
Louisiana Educational Television Authority		13,226,756	64
Board of Elementary & Secondary Education		22,968,642	11
New Orleans Center for Creative Arts		10,324,867	79
Total	\$	113,069,816	647



HISTORICAL SPENDING

Annual Average Spending
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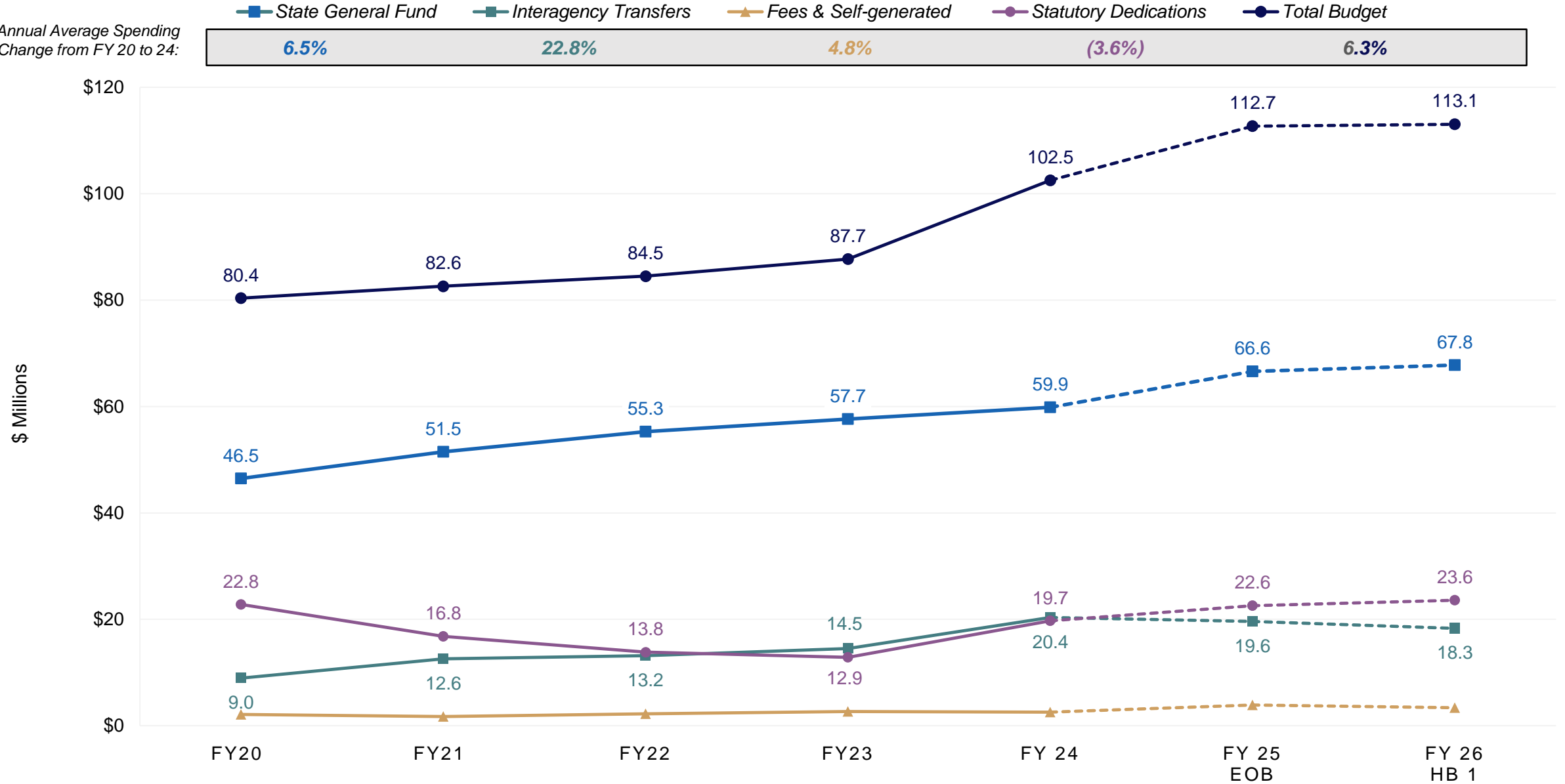
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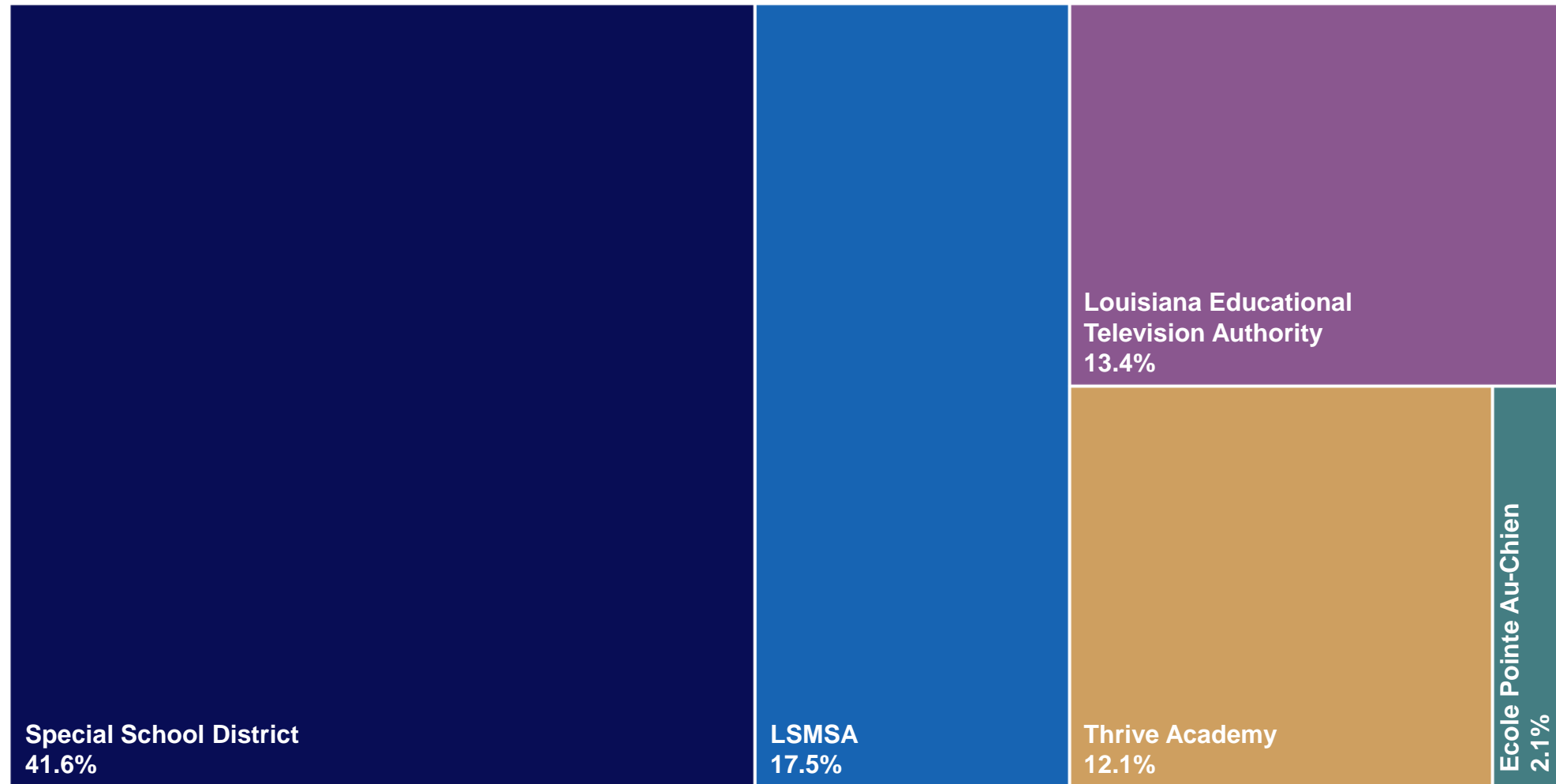


SOURCES OF FUNDING

State General Fund \$67.7 M	Interagency Transfers \$18.3 M	Self-generated Revenue \$3.4 M	Statutory Dedications \$23.5 M
The chief operating fund of the State recognized by the Revenue Estimating Conference from various taxes, licenses, fees, and other revenue sources except for those identified as other means of financing	<p>Funding is derived from the following transfers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LSMSA, Thrive Academy, and NOCCA receive funding from the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) • The Louisiana Department of Education transfers various funding to special schools, such as federal grant funding or 8(g) funds • Thrive Academy and LSDVI also receive some Medicaid funding from the Louisiana Department of Health 	<p>Revenues derived from the following sources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LETA generates revenues from production and satellite truck rental, uplinks, and foundations support • Employee meals at some facilities • Room and board fees at LSMSA • Louisiana Virtual School receives tuition from local education agencies, charter and parochial schools, and private individuals 	<p>Funding is derived from the following funds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$21.5 M from the Louisiana Quality Education Support Fund (8G) • \$1.4 M from the Imagination Library of Louisiana Fund • \$462,105 from the Education Excellence Fund • \$218,780 from the Louisiana Charter School Loan Fund

STATE GENERAL FUND COMPARISON

Total State General Fund = \$67,774,626



FUNDING COMPARISON

Means of Finance	FY 24 Actual Expenditures	FY 25 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/24	FY 26 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Budget to HB1		Change Actual Expenditures to HB1	
SGF	\$ 59,857,532	\$ 66,588,179	\$ 67,774,626	\$ 1,186,447	1.8%	\$ 7,917,094	13.2%
IAT	20,371,864	19,610,913	18,310,052	(1,300,861)	(6.6%)	(2,061,812)	(10.1%)
FSGR	2,574,001	3,912,805	3,402,805	(510,000)	(13.0%)	828,804	32.2%
Stat Ded	19,720,394	22,582,611	23,582,333	999,722	4.4%	3,861,939	19.6%
Federal	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	\$ 102,523,791	\$ 112,694,508	\$ 113,069,816	\$ 375,308	0.3%	\$ 10,546,025	10.3%

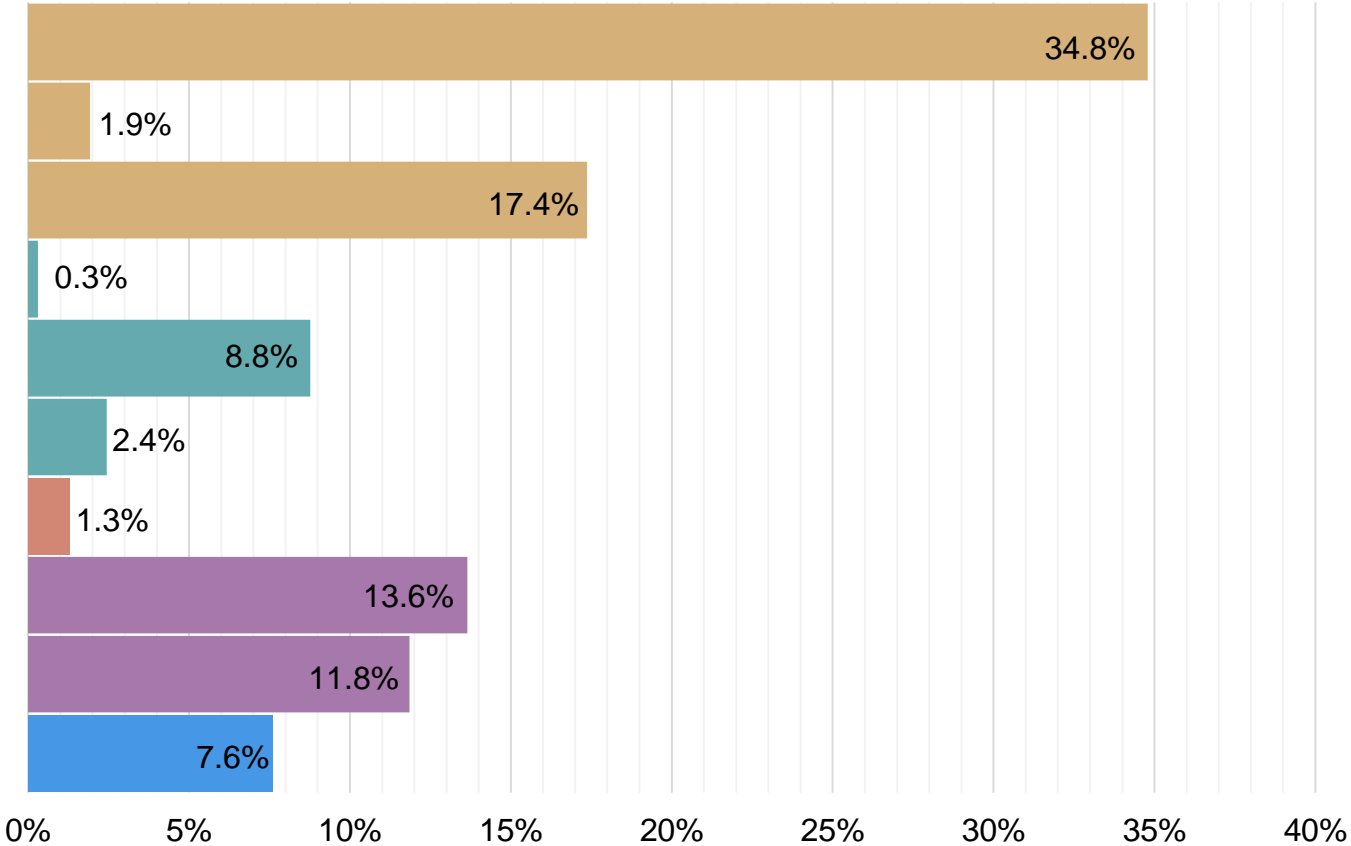
Significant funding changes compared to the FY 25 Existing Operating Budget

State General Fund	Interagency Transfers	Fees and Self-generated	Statutory Dedications
<p>\$1.2 M net increase primarily due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$4.8 M increase in the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts (\$2.7 M) decrease in the Louisiana Educational Television Authority (\$2 M) decrease in the Special School District 	<p>(\$1.3 M) decrease primarily due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (\$889,899) decrease in Special School District (\$352,705) decrease in Louisiana School for the Math, Science, and the Arts 	<p>(\$510,000) decrease primarily due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (\$510,000) decrease in Ecole Pointe-Au-Chien to align expenditures and anticipated revenue 	<p>\$999,722 increase largely due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1 M increase in the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education from the Louisiana Quality Education Support Fund (\$278) decrease in Education Excellence Fund

FY 26 EXPENDITURE RECOMMENDATION

Total Funding = \$113,069,816

Expenditure Category		
Salaries	\$	39,338,996
Other Compensation		2,178,698
Related Benefits		19,639,534
Travel		348,003
Operating Services		9,917,028
Supplies		2,763,116
Professional Services		1,467,761
Other Charges		15,432,458
Interagency Transfers		13,396,013
Acquisitions/Repairs		8,588,209
Total	\$	113,069,816



OTHER CHARGES / INTERAGENCY TRANSFERS

Other Charges

Amount	Description
\$ 13,725,393	Local Educational Initiatives
1,303,230	Student Transportation
403,835	Personnel
\$ 15,432,458	Total Other Charges

Interagency Transfers

Amount	Description
\$ 9,855,166	Funding transferred to LDOE for K-12 projects
1,063,898	Office of Technology Services (OTS) includes printing and OTM
1,875,902	Office of Risk Management (ORM)
128,682	Capitol Park Security/Capitol Police
229,172	Legislative Auditor
73,787	Rent/Maintenance in State-Owned Buildings
60,473	Civil Service
36,481	Indirect Costs
25,822	Office of State Procurement
34,358	Uniform Payroll System
10,921	Division of Administrative Law (DAL)
1,201	State Treasury Fees
150	Printing costs
\$ 3,540,847	Total Interagency Transfers

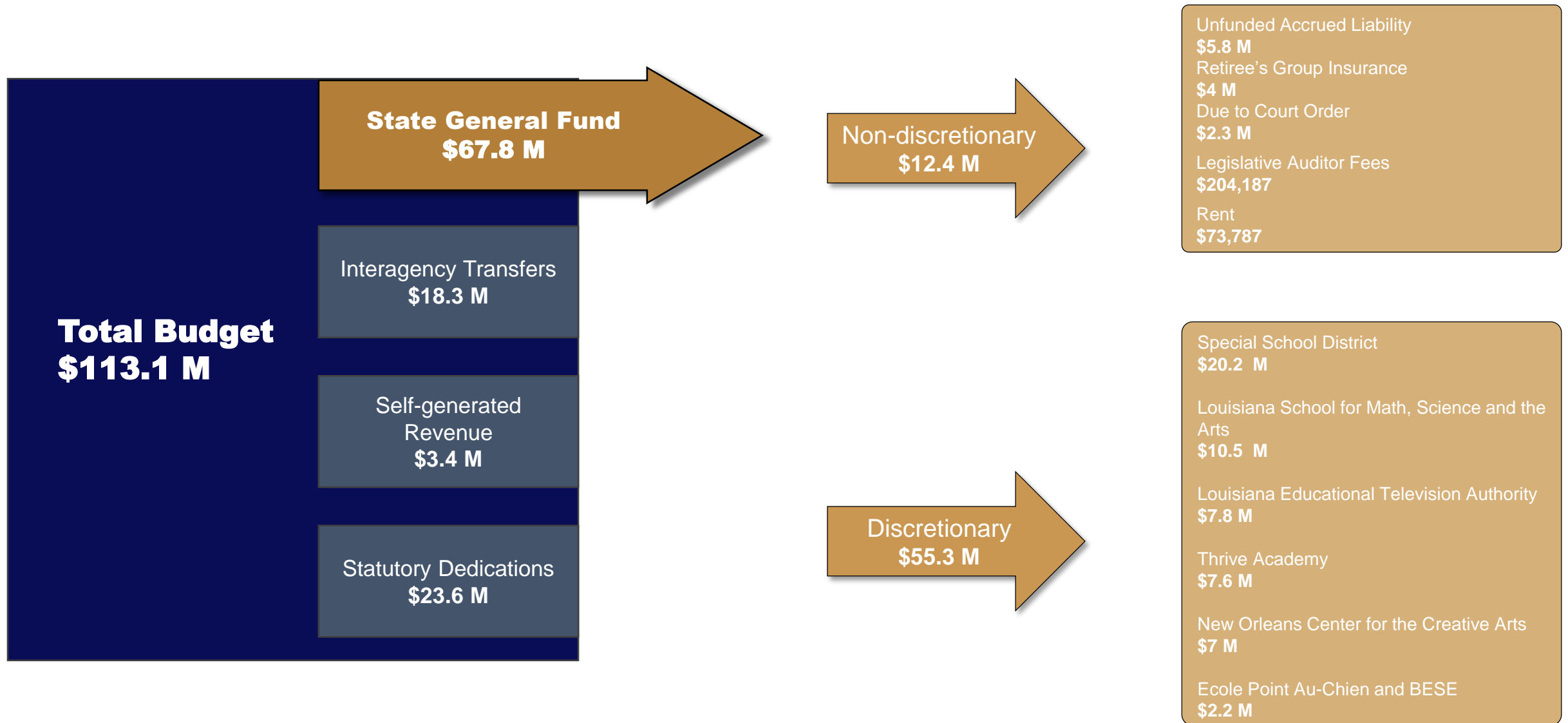
EXPENDITURE COMPARISON

Expenditure Category	FY 24 Actual Expenditures	FY 25 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/24	FY 26 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Budget to HB1		Change Actual Expenditures to HB1	
Salaries	\$ 35,584,529	\$ 37,630,066	\$ 39,338,996	\$ 1,708,930	4.5%	\$ 3,754,467	10.6%
Other Compensation	2,189,054	2,152,138	2,178,698	26,560	1.2%	(10,356)	(0.5%)
Related Benefits	18,821,600	20,585,187	19,639,534	(945,653)	(4.6%)	817,934	4.3%
Travel	433,334	325,503	348,003	22,500	6.9%	(85,331)	(19.7%)
Operating Services	8,387,586	9,693,591	9,917,028	223,437	2.3%	1,529,442	18.2%
Supplies	3,034,638	2,753,967	2,763,116	9,149	0.3%	(271,522)	(8.9%)
Professional Services	1,279,054	1,994,166	1,467,761	(526,405)	(26.4%)	188,707	14.8%
Other Charges	12,875,196	16,104,284	15,432,458	(671,826)	(4.2%)	2,557,262	19.9%
Interagency Transfers	12,545,024	13,515,029	13,396,013	(119,016)	(0.9%)	850,989	6.8%
Acquisitions/Repairs	7,373,775	7,940,577	8,588,209	647,632	8.2%	1,214,434	16.5%
Total	\$ 102,523,790	\$ 112,694,508	\$ 113,069,816	\$ 375,308	0.3%	\$ 10,546,026	10.3%

Significant expenditure changes compared to the FY 25 Existing Operating Budget

Personnel Services	Acquisitions/Repairs	Professional Services
<p>\$789,837 net increase due to:</p> <p>Various standard statewide adjustments to salaries including attrition, benefits, and retirement changes including a net</p>	<p>\$647,632 net increase due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$8.6 M increase to fund replacement equipment and repairs needed in FY 26 at LSMSA, LETA, and the Special School District (\$7.1 M) decrease to remove funding for acquisitions budgeted in FY 25 no longer needed for FY26 	<p>(\$526,405) decrease due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (\$559,000) decrease for the removal of funding for River Oaks Hospital in New Orleans and Brentwood Hospital in Shreveport and maintenance contracts carried forward into FY 25 no longer needed for FY 26 in the Special School District \$17,000 increase for medical and legal services in the Special School District \$15,595 increase for ACT preparation and therapy services in the New Orleans Center for Creative Arts

DISCRETIONARY EXPENSES



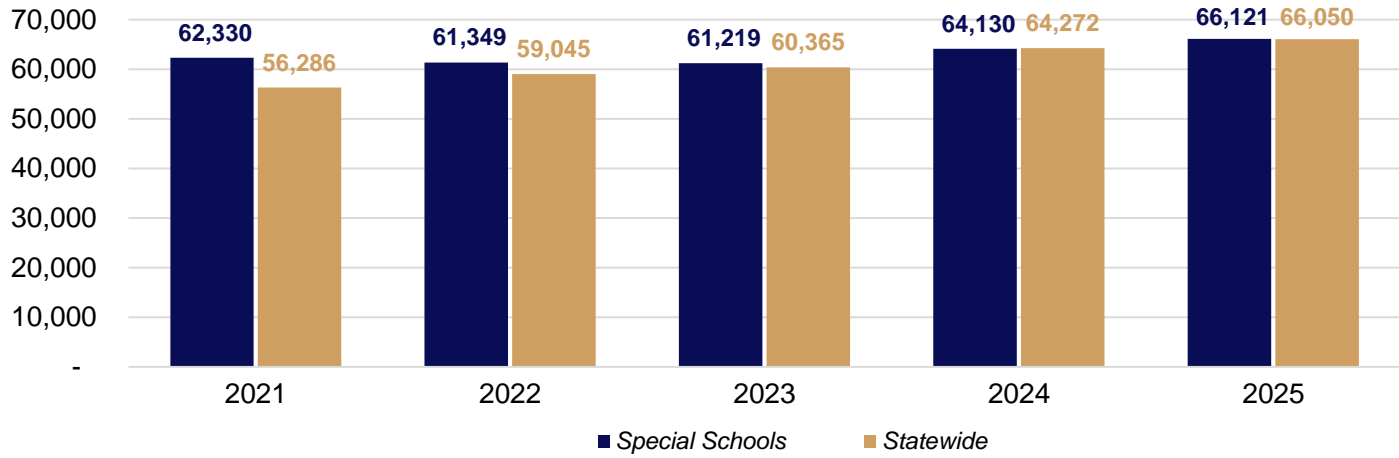
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PERSONNEL INFORMATION

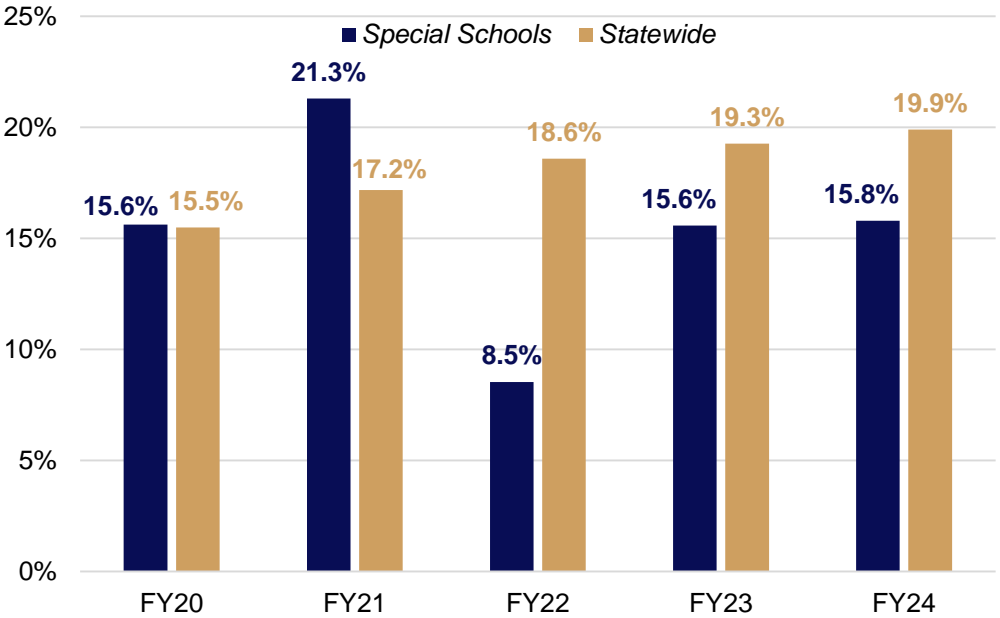
FY 2026 Recommended Positions

647	Total Authorized T.O. Positions (199 Classified, 448 Unclassified)
31	Authorized Other Charges Positions
11	Non-T.O. FTE Positions
88	Vacant Positions (December 30, 2024)

Historical Average Salary



Turnover History



Top Positions Vacated FY 2024

Position	Number of Employees	Separations	Turnover Rate
Residential Advisor III	29	3	10.3%
Residential Advisor I	7	3	42.9%
Guard	3	3	100.0%
Custodian II	6	2	33.3%

Source: Department of Civil Service

Special School District

SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

FY 26 Budget Recommendation

Means of Finance

State General Fund	\$	28,180,903
Interagency Transfers		9,735,197
Fees & Self-generated		168,145
Statutory Dedications		152,071
Federal Funds		0
Total	\$	38,236,316

Expenditure Category

Salaries	\$	18,574,520
Other Compensation		746,825
Related Benefits		10,519,671
Travel		251,842
Operating Services		1,402,765
Supplies		933,612
Professional Services		1,073,671
Other Charges		1,781,030
Interagency Transfers		1,255,330
Acquisitions/Major Repairs		1,697,050
Total	\$	38,236,316

SGF
73.7%

IAT
25.5%

Salaries
48.6%

Related Benefits
27.5%

Other
Charges
4.7%

Operating
Services
3.7%

Acq/Repairs
4.4%

IAT
3.3%

SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Historical Spending



SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Sources of Funding

State General Fund	Interagency Transfers	Self-generated Revenue	Statutory Dedications
\$28.2 M	\$9.7 M	\$168,145	\$157,071
The chief operating fund of the State recognized by the Revenue Estimating Conference from various taxes, licenses, fees, and other revenue sources except for those identified as other means of financing	<p>Funding is derived from the following transfers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minimum Foundation Program (MFP)• The Louisiana Department of Education transfers various funding to special schools, such as federal grant funding IDEA-B, Title II and Title I• Professional Improvement Programs (PIPS) to pay the salary increment earned by certified teachers	<p>Revenues derived from the following sources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Employee meals at some facilities• Athletic events, facility rentals, key and badge replacement for employees, and sign language classes to the general public• Snack Bar Center and Field Trips	<p>Funding is derived from:</p> <p>\$157,071 from the Education Excellence Fund</p>

SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Funding Comparison

Means of Finance	FY 24 Actual Expenditures	FY 25 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/24	FY 26 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Budget to HB1		Change Actual Expenditures to HB1	
SGF	\$ 26,096,541	\$ 30,141,431	\$ 28,180,903	\$ (1,960,528)	(6.5%)	\$ 2,084,362	8.0%
IAT	8,266,691	10,625,096	9,735,197	(889,899)	(8.4%)	1,468,506	17.8%
FSGR	47,985	168,145	168,145	0	0.0%	120,160	250.4%
Stat Ded	0	152,220	152,071	(149)	(0.1%)	152,071	0.0%
Federal	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	\$ 34,411,217	\$ 41,086,892	\$ 38,236,316	\$ (2,850,576)	(6.9%)	\$ 3,825,099	11.1%

Significant funding changes compared to the FY 25 Existing Operating Budget	
State General Fund	Interagency Transfers
<p>(\$2 M) decrease primarily due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (\$1.2 M) decrease from funding carried into FY 25 no longer needed in FY 26 • (\$709,468) net decrease for various standard statewide adjustments to salaries, including attrition, benefits, retirement changes, and 19 personnel reductions 	<p>(\$889,899) decrease due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (\$271,508) decrease from funding carried into FY 25 no longer needed in FY 26 • (\$618,391) decrease for related benefits base adjustment

SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Expenditure Comparison

Expenditure Category	FY 24 Actual Expenditures	FY 25 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/24	FY 26 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Budget to HB1		Change Actual Expenditures to HB1	
Personnel Services	\$ 26,352,832	\$ 30,550,484	\$ 29,841,016	\$ (709,468)	(2.3%)	\$ 3,488,184	13.2%
Operating Expenses	3,125,405	2,608,521	2,588,219	(20,302)	(0.8%)	(537,186)	(17.2%)
Professional Services	420,484	1,615,671	1,073,671	(542,000)	(33.5%)	653,187	155.3%
Other Charges	3,073,415	2,934,474	3,036,360	101,886	3.5%	(37,055)	(1.2%)
Acquisitions/Repairs	1,439,079	3,377,742	1,697,050	(1,680,692)	(49.8%)	257,971	17.9%
Total	\$ 34,411,215	\$ 41,086,892	\$ 38,236,316	\$ (2,850,576)	(6.9%)	\$ 3,825,101	11.1%

Significant expenditure changes compared to the FY 25 Existing Operating Budget

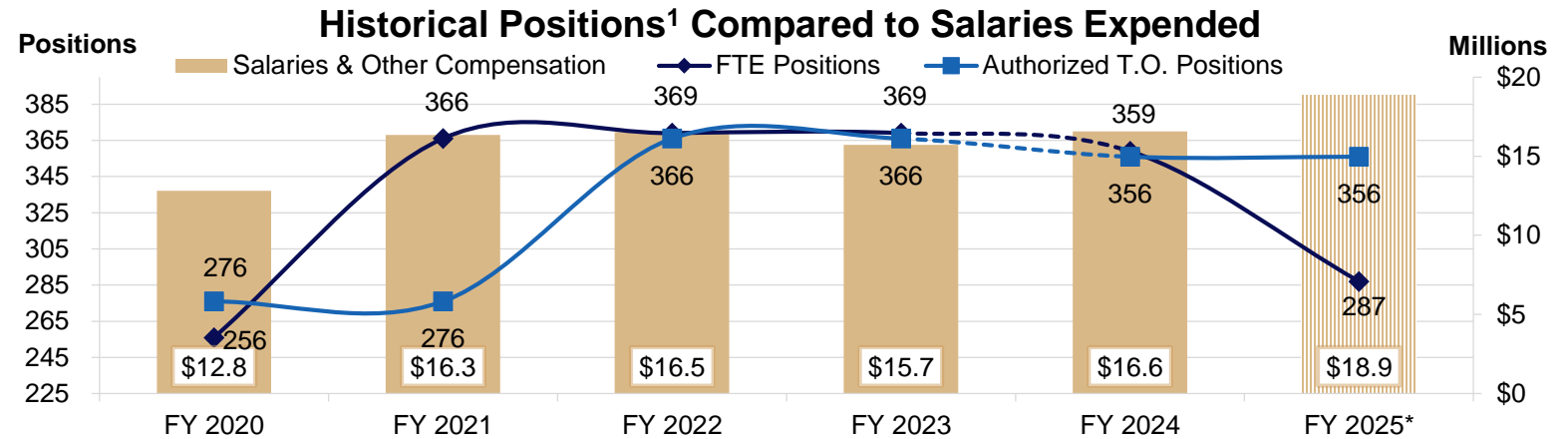
Personnel Services	Professional Services	Acquisitions/Major Repairs
<p>(\$709,468) decrease due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (\$1.5 M) decrease for the elimination of 19 positions • \$766,534 net increase for various standard statewide adjustments to salaries and related benefits including attrition 	<p>(\$542,000) net decrease due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (\$559,000) decrease for the removal of funding carried forward into FY 25 for River Oaks Hospital in New Orleans and Brentwood Hospital in Shreveport no longer needed for FY 26 • \$17,000 increase for medical and legal services 	<p>(\$1.7 M) net decrease due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (\$2.5 M) decrease to remove funding for acquisitions and major repairs budgeted in FY 25 no longer needed for FY 26 • \$1.7 M increase for the replacement of HVAC units, field lighting, and repairs to dorm rooftops, parking lots, and floors • (\$793,994) decrease in funding carried forward from FY 25 for computers, agriculture equipment, meat processing equipment no longer needed for FY 26

SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Personnel Information

FY 2026 Recommended Positions

337	Total Authorized T.O. Positions (116 Classified, 221 Unclassified)
3	Authorized Other Charges Positions
0	Non-T.O. FTE Positions
52	Vacant Positions (December 30, 2024)



¹ FTE Source: Dept. of Civil Service Weekly Report on State Employment

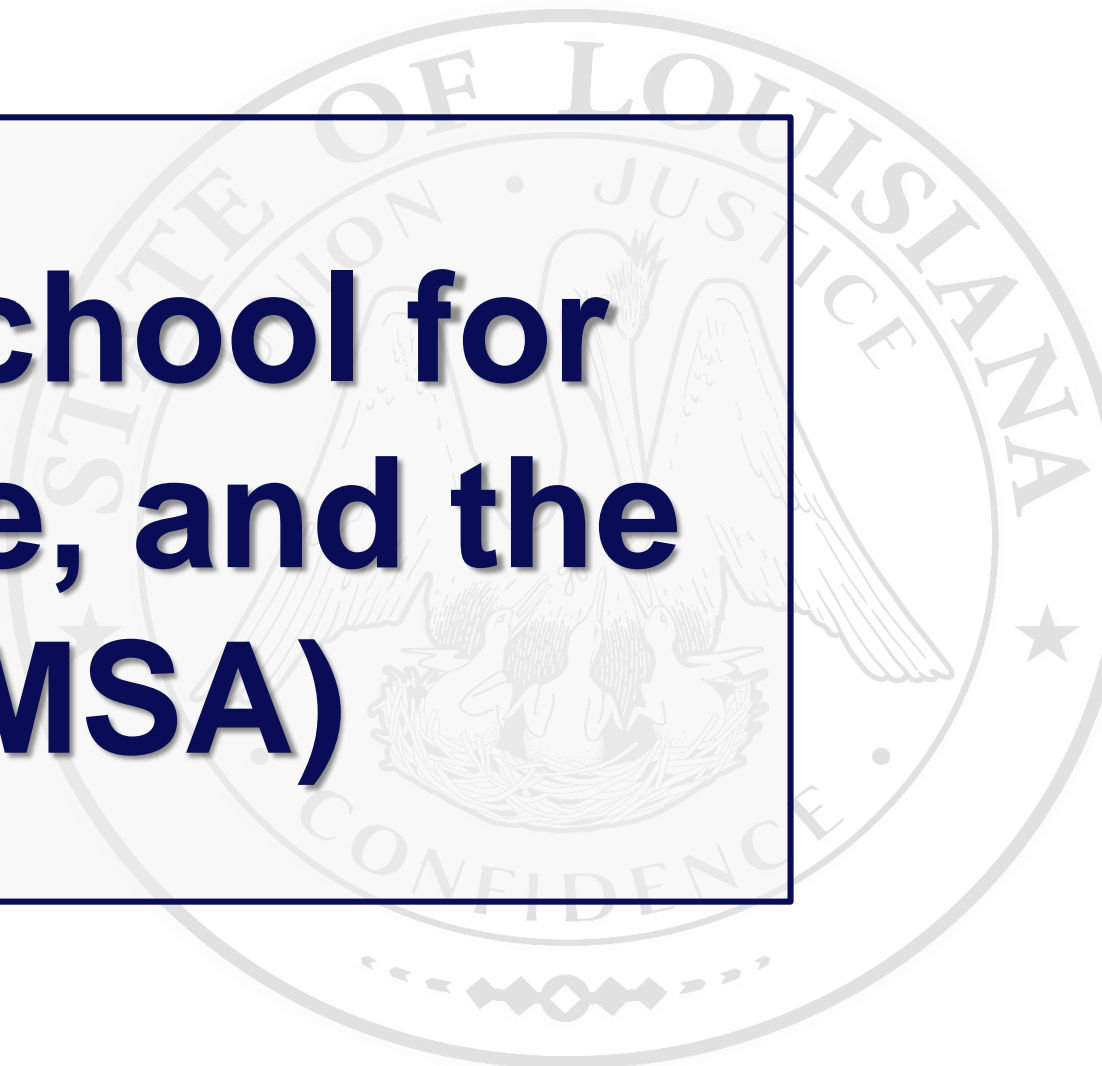
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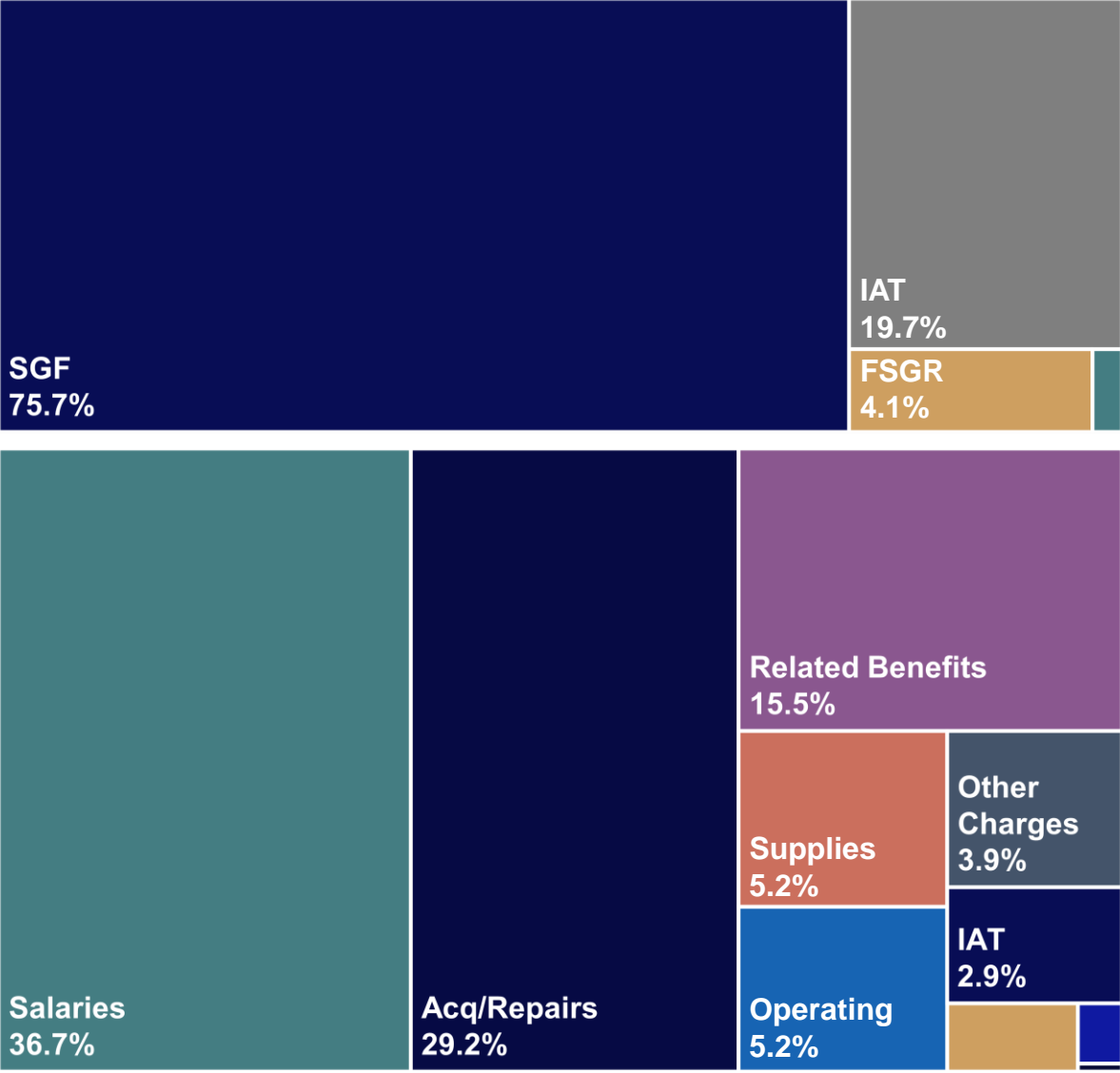
Louisiana School for Math, Science, and the Arts (LSMSA)

LOUISIANA SCHOOL FOR MATH SCIENCE AND THE ARTS

FY 26 Budget Recommendation

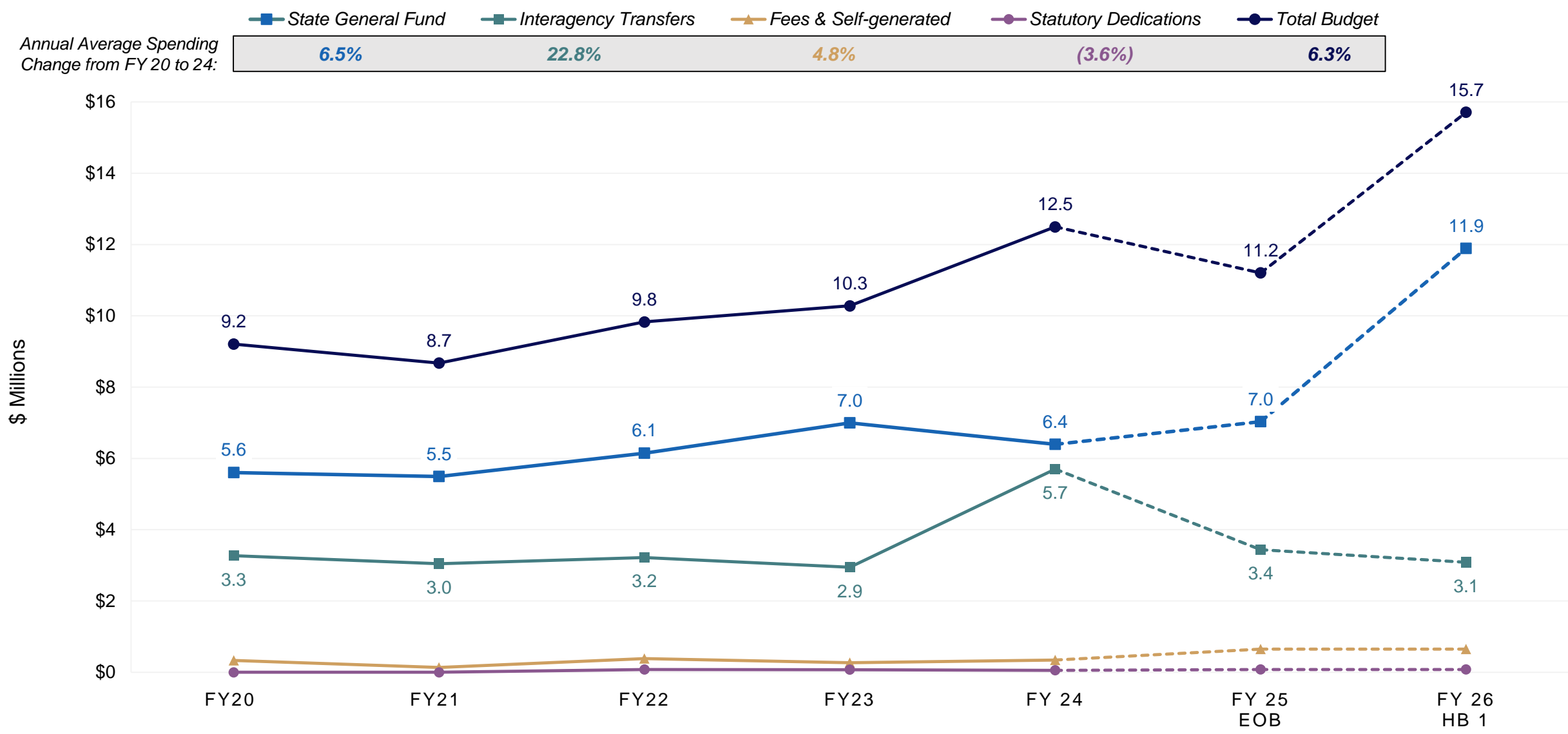
Means of Finance		
State General Fund	\$	11,891,816
Interagency Transfers		3,087,004
Fees & Self-generated		650,459
Statutory Dedications		79,172
Federal Funds		0
Total	\$	15,708,451

Expenditure Category		
Salaries	\$	5,764,676
Other Compensation		199,964
Related Benefits		2,430,318
Travel		7,600
Operating Services		771,818
Supplies		823,734
Professional Services		60,000
Other Charges		613,885
Interagency Transfers		454,169
Acquisitions/Major Repairs		4,582,287
Total	\$	15,708,451



LOUISIANA SCHOOL FOR MATH SCIENCE AND THE ARTS

Historical Spending



LOUISIANA SCHOOL FOR MATH SCIENCE AND THE ARTS

Sources of Funding

State General Fund	Interagency Transfers	Self-generated Revenue	Statutory Dedications
\$11.9 M	\$3.1 M	\$650,459	\$79,172
The chief operating fund of the State recognized by the Revenue Estimating Conference from various taxes, licenses, fees, and other revenue sources except for those identified as other means of financing	Funding is derived from the following transfer: <ul style="list-style-type: none">\$2.4 M from the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) for instructional services	Revenues derived from the following sources: <ul style="list-style-type: none">From local school districts, charter and parochial schools, and private individuals at the virtual schoolFrom transcript fees, computer fees, science lab fees, and room and board charges	Funding is derived from the following funds: \$79,172 from the Education Excellence Fund

LOUISIANA SCHOOL FOR MATH SCIENCE AND THE ARTS

Funding Comparison

Means of Finance	FY 24 Actual Expenditures	FY 25 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/24	FY 26 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Budget to HB1		Change Actual Expenditures to HB1	
SGF	\$ 6,394,944	\$ 7,030,808	\$ 11,891,816	\$ 4,861,008	69.1%	\$ 5,496,872	86.0%
IAT	5,703,520	3,439,709	3,087,004	(352,705)	(10.3%)	(2,616,516)	(45.9%)
FSGR	341,048	650,459	650,459	0	0.0%	309,411	90.7%
Stat Ded	56,845	79,032	79,172	140	0.2%	22,327	39.3%
Federal	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	\$ 12,496,357	\$ 11,200,008	\$ 15,708,451	\$ 4,508,443	40.3%	\$ 3,212,094	25.7%

Significant funding changes compared to the FY 25 Existing Operating Budget		
State General Fund	Interagency Transfers	Statutory Dedications
<p>\$4.9 M increase primarily due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">\$4.6 M increase for various standard statewide adjustments\$239,574 increase for additional operating expenses	<p>(\$352,705) decrease due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(\$350,332) decrease to remove funding for one-time purchases and to remove funds carried into FY 25(\$2,373) decrease for the removal of federal elementary and secondary school emergency relief funding transferred from the Dept. of Education	<p>\$140 increase due to:</p> <p>Align funding in the Education Excellence Fund to the Revenue Estimating Conference forecast</p>

LOUISIANA SCHOOL FOR MATH SCIENCE AND THE ARTS

Expenditure Comparison

Expenditure Category	FY 24 Actual Expenditures	FY 25 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/24	FY 26 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Budget to HB1	Change Actual Expenditures to HB1
Personnel Services	\$ 8,337,149	\$ 7,782,331	\$ 8,394,958	\$ 612,627 7.9%	\$ 57,809 0.7%
Operating Expenses	1,430,713	1,531,587	1,603,152	71,565 4.7%	172,439 12.1%
Professional Services	156,272	60,000	60,000	0 0.0%	(96,272) (61.6%)
Other Charges	834,400	1,045,131	1,068,054	22,923 2.2%	233,654 28.0%
Acquisitions/Repairs	1,737,822	780,959	4,582,287	3,801,328 486.8%	2,844,465 163.7%
Total	\$ 12,496,356	\$ 11,200,008	\$ 15,708,451	\$ 4,508,443 40.3%	\$ 3,212,095 25.7%

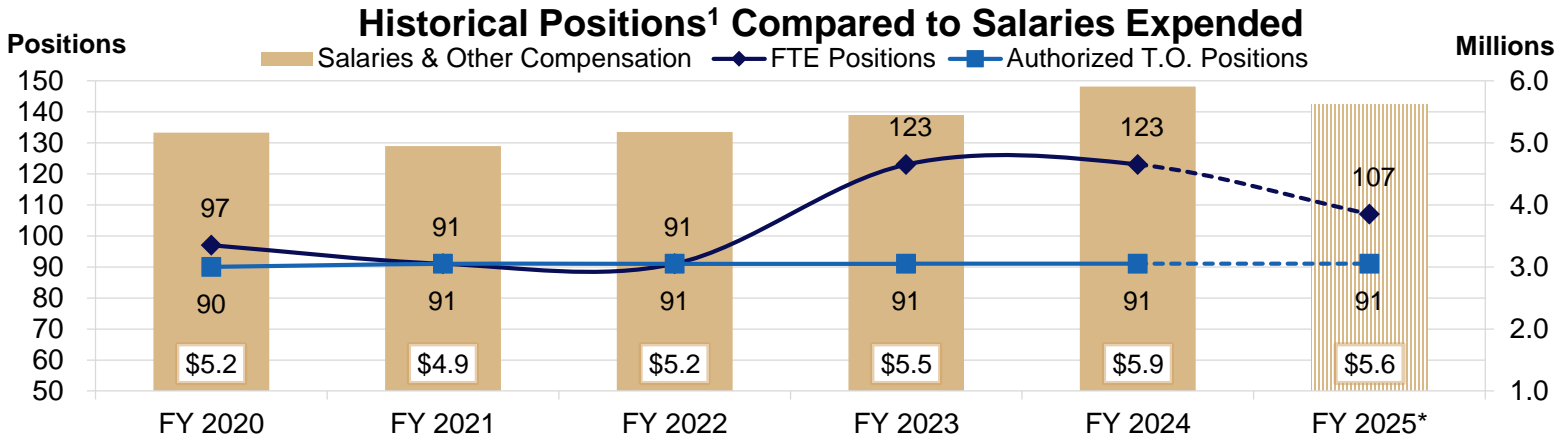
Significant expenditure funding changes compared to the FY 25 Existing Operating Budget		
Personnel Services	Operating Expenses	Acquisitions/Repairs
<p>\$612,627 net increase due to:</p> <p>Various standard statewide adjustments to salaries including attrition, benefits, and retirement changes</p>	<p>\$71,565 net increase due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">\$128,610 increase for food service and utility costs(\$54,672) decrease to remove funding carried into FY 25 for textbooks and MFP funding allocation from LDOE	<p>\$3.8 M increase due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">\$4.6 M increase for acquisition purchases and major repairs needed in FY 26 such as replacement furniture, facility equipment, textbooks, gym floor, and shower units(\$780,959) decrease to remove funding for acquisition purchases and major repairs budgeted in FY 25 that are no longer needed in FY 26

LOUISIANA SCHOOL FOR MATH SCIENCE AND THE ARTS

Personnel Information

FY 2026 Recommended Positions

91	Total Authorized T.O. Positions (11 Classified, 80 Unclassified)
28	Authorized Other Charges Positions
4	Non-T.O. FTE Positions
6	Vacant Positions (December 30, 2024)



¹ FTE Source: Dept. of Civil Service Weekly Report on State Employment

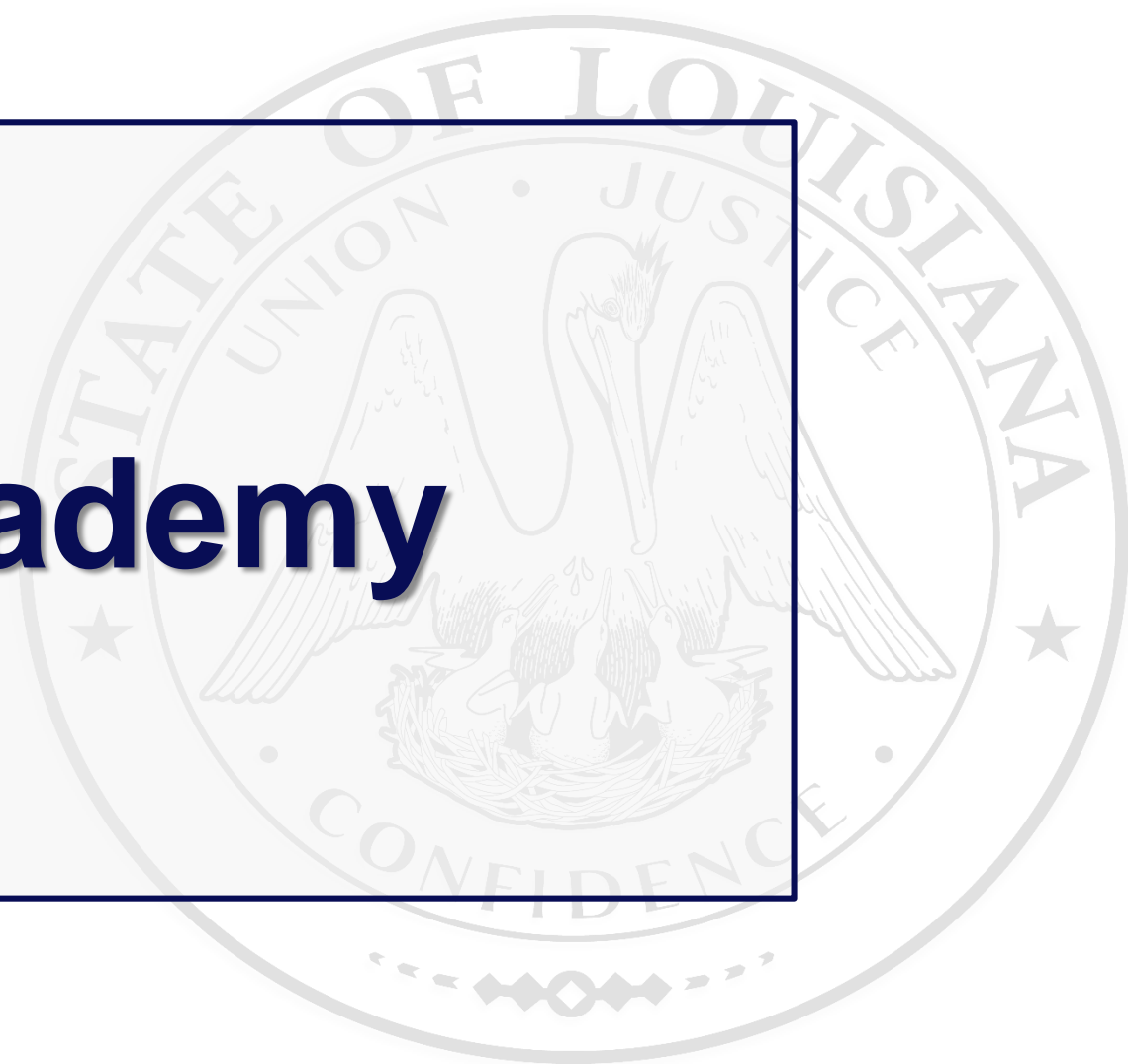
* Existing Operating Budget on 12/1/24



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Thrive Academy



THRIVE ACADEMY

FY 26 Budget Recommendation

Means of Finance

State General Fund	\$	8,203,347
Interagency Transfers		2,379,875
Fees & Self-generated		5,000
Statutory Dedications		77,436
Federal Funds		0
Total	\$	10,665,658

Expenditure Category

Salaries	\$	3,223,448
Other Compensation		936,988
Related Benefits		1,399,012
Travel		0
Operating Services		4,228,054
Supplies		579,606
Professional Services		140,555
Other Charges		0
Interagency Transfers		157,995
Acquisitions/Major Repairs		0
Total	\$	10,665,658

SGF
76.9%

IAT
22.3%

Operating Services
39.6%

Salaries
30.2%

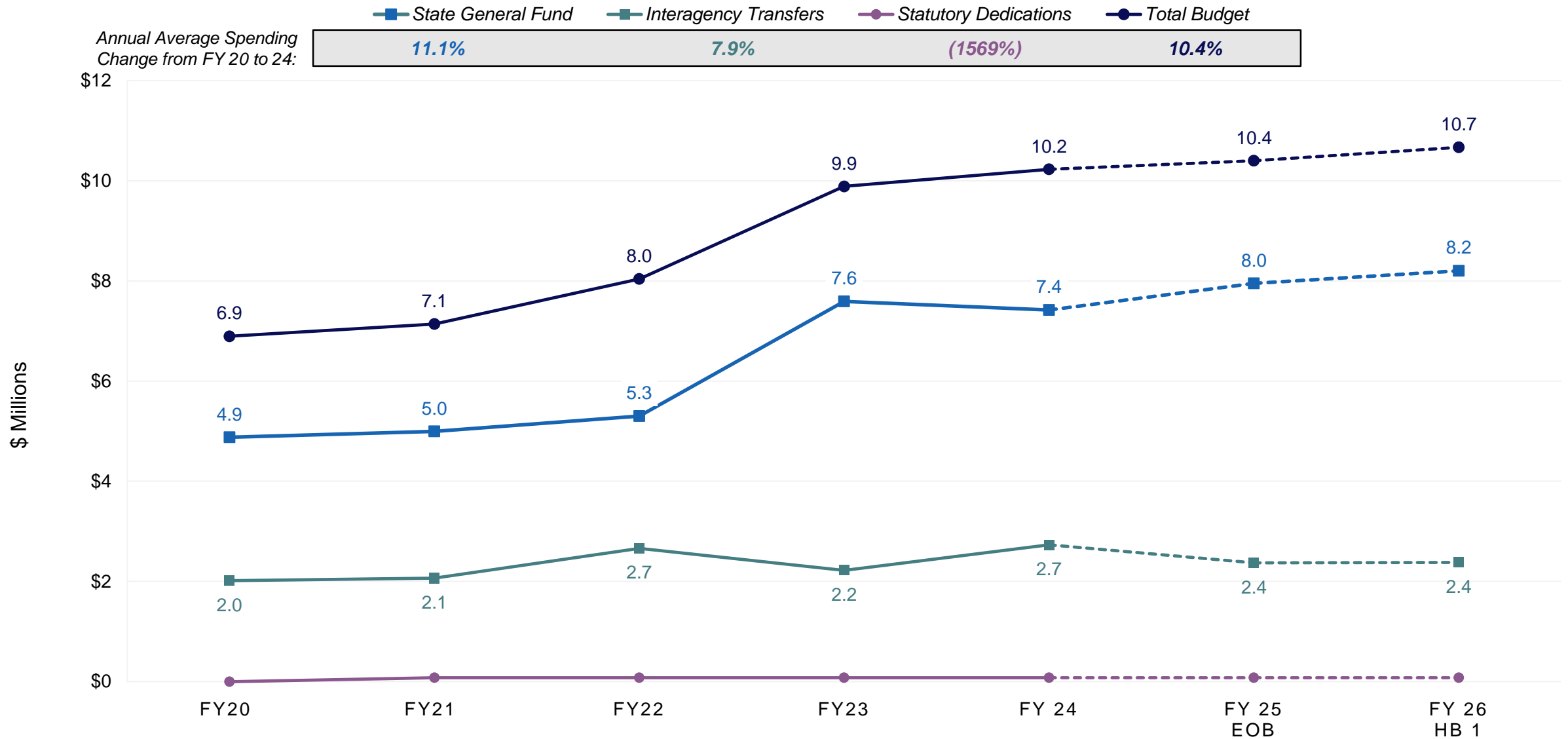
Related Benefits
13.1%

Other
Comp
8.8%

Supplies
5.4%

THRIVE ACADEMY

Historical Spending



THRIVE ACADEMY

Sources of Funding

State General Fund \$8.2 M	Interagency Transfers \$2.4 M	Self-generated Revenue \$5,000	Statutory Dedications \$77,436
The chief operating fund of the State recognized by the Revenue Estimating Conference from various taxes, licenses, fees, and other revenue sources except for those identified as other means of financing	<p>Funding is derived from the following transfers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• From the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) for instructional services• From Title XIX reimbursements for approved services for eligible students from the Louisiana Department of Health• From the United States Department of Agriculture's National School Lunch Program and Child and Adult Care Food Program from LDOE• From Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) from LDOE	<p>Revenues derived from the following source:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• From reimbursement costs for replacement items such as keys and badge	<p>Funding is derived from the following fund:</p> <p>\$77,436 from the Education Excellence Fund</p>

THRIVE ACADEMY

Funding Comparison

Means of Finance	FY 24 Actual Expenditures	FY 25 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/24	FY 26 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Budget to HB1		Change Actual Expenditures to HB1	
SGF	\$ 7,421,057	\$ 7,950,562	\$ 8,203,347	\$ 252,785	3.2%	\$ 782,290	10.5%
IAT	2,730,806	2,370,493	2,379,875	9,382	0.4%	(350,931)	(12.9%)
FSGR	0	0	5,000	5,000	0.0%	5,000	0.0%
Stat Ded	77,748	77,718	77,436	(282)	(0.4%)	(312)	(0.4%)
Federal	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	\$ 10,229,611	\$ 10,398,773	\$ 10,665,658	\$ 266,885	2.6%	\$ 436,047	4.3%

Significant funding changes compared to the FY 25 Existing Operating Budget

State General Fund	Interagency Transfers	Fees and Self-generated	Statutory Dedications
<p>\$252,785 net increase primarily due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$323,209 increase for operating expenses such as food services and faculty support (\$70,424) net decrease for various standard statewide adjustments 	<p>\$ 9,382 increase due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$162,462 increase to align funding received from LDOE (\$153,080) increase for various standard statewide adjustments 	<p>\$5,000 increase in authority of funds generated through payment for replacement of keys and badges</p>	<p>(\$282) decrease due to the alignment of funding in the Education Excellence Fund to the Revenue Estimating Conference forecast</p>

THRIVE ACADEMY

Expenditure Comparison

Expenditure Category	FY 24 Actual Expenditures	FY 25 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/24	FY 26 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Budget to HB1		Change Actual Expenditures to HB1	
Personnel Services	\$ 5,866,167	\$ 5,554,195	\$ 5,559,448	\$ 5,253	0.1%	\$ (306,719)	(5.2%)
Operating Expenses	3,984,444	4,387,948	4,807,660	419,712	9.6%	823,216	20.7%
Professional Services	98,334	140,555	140,555	0	0.0%	42,221	42.9%
Other Charges	154,129	162,995	157,995	(5,000)	(3.1%)	3,866	2.5%
Acquisitions/Repairs	126,537	153,080	0	(153,080)	(100.0%)	(126,537)	(100.0%)
Total	\$ 10,229,611	\$ 10,398,773	\$ 10,665,658	\$ 266,885	2.6%	\$ 436,047	4.3%

Significant expenditure changes compared to the FY 25 Existing Operating Budget

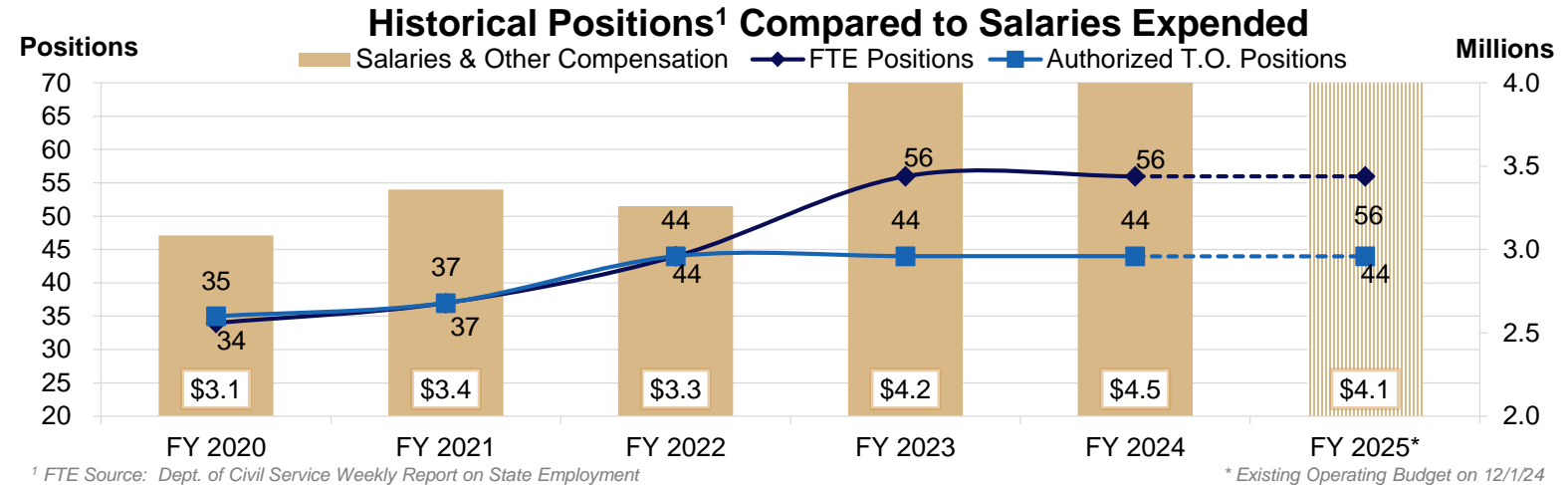
Personnel Services	Operating Expenses	Other Charges	Acquisitions/Repairs
<p>\$5,253 net increase due to:</p> <p>Various standard statewide adjustments to salaries including attrition, benefits, and retirement changes</p>	<p>\$419,712 increase due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$162,462 increase for the pass through from LDOE \$117,496 increase for increasing leasing agreement costs at facilities \$108,459 increase for summer school programming \$97,254 for increases to operational expenses and supply costs 	<p>(\$5,000) decrease due to:</p> <p>Various standard statewide adjustments</p>	<p>(\$153,080) decrease due to:</p> <p>The removal of acquisition purchases budgeted in FY 25 for items such as replacement furniture, equipment, and textbooks</p>

THRIVE ACADEMY

Personnel Information

FY 2026 Recommended Positions

49	Total Authorized T.O. Positions (2 Classified, 47 Unclassified)
0	Authorized Other Charges Positions
7	Non-T.O. FTE Positions
1	Vacant Positions (December 30, 2024)

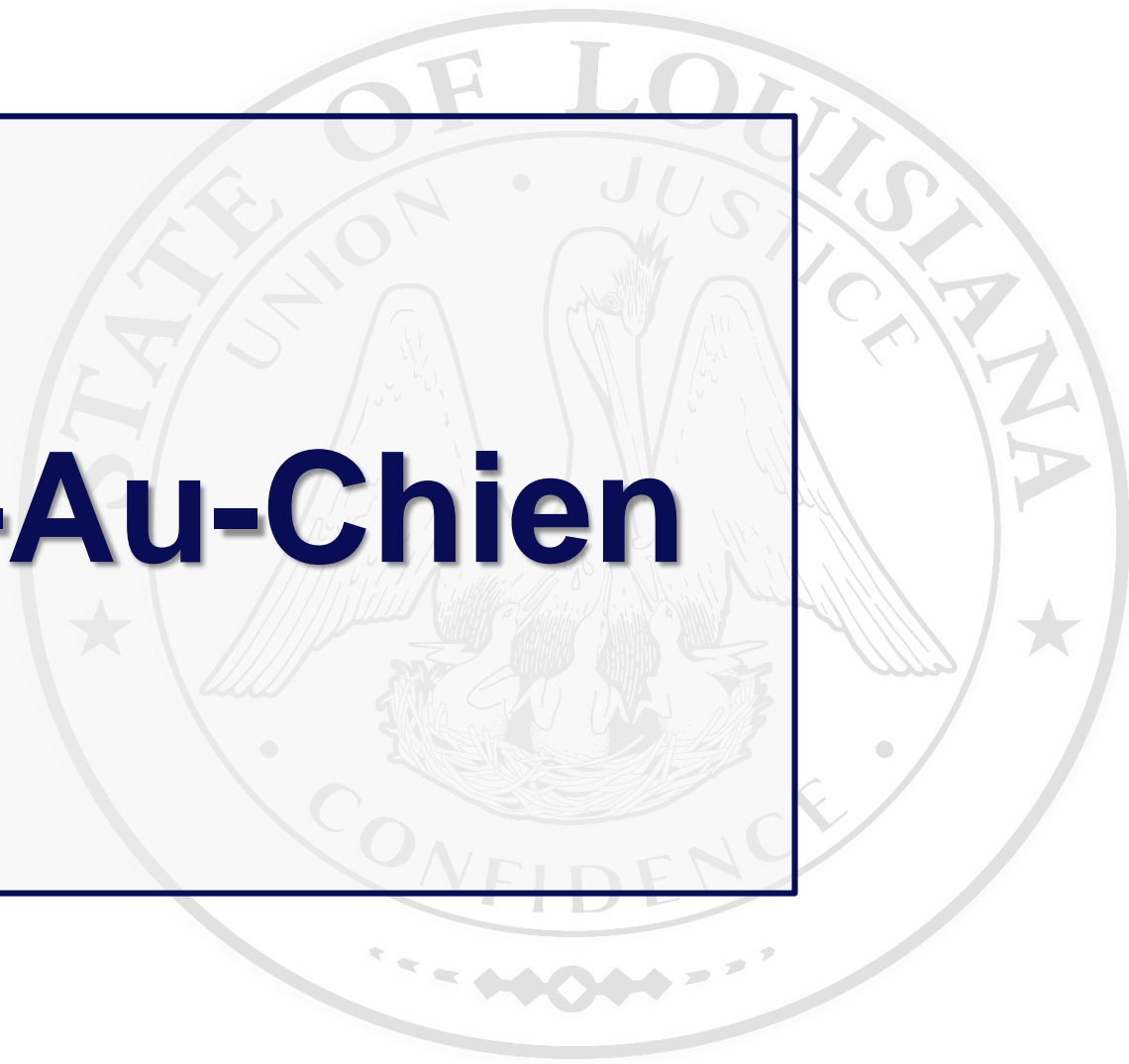


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ECOLE POINTE-AU-CHIEN

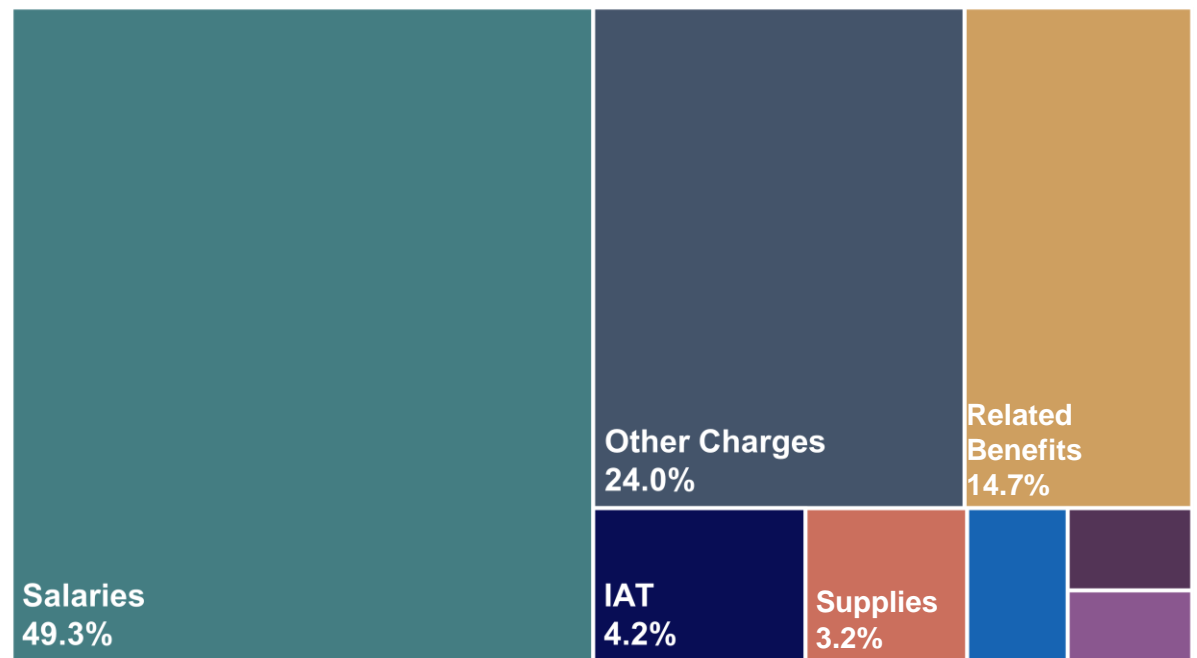
FY 26 Budget Recommendation

Means of Finance

State General Fund	\$	1,395,126
Interagency Transfers		369,000
Fees & Self-generated		175,000
Statutory Dedications		0
Federal Funds		0
Total	\$	1,939,126

Expenditure Category

Salaries	\$	955,655
Other Compensation		0
Related Benefits		285,770
Travel		22,500
Operating Services		38,872
Supplies		62,505
Professional Services		25,600
Other Charges		466,286
Interagency Transfers		81,938
Acquisitions/Major Repairs		0
Total	\$	1,939,126



ECOLE POINTE-AU-CHIEN

Sources of Funding

State General Fund	Interagency Transfers	Self-generated Revenue
\$1.4 M	\$369,000	\$175,000
The chief operating fund of the State recognized by the Revenue Estimating Conference from various taxes, licenses, fees, and other revenue sources except for those identified as other means of financing	Funding is derived from the following transfer: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$369,000 from the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) for instructional services	Revenues derived from the following source: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• From private donations via the agency's foundation

ECOLE POINTE-AU-CHIEN

Funding Comparison

Means of Finance	FY 24 Actual Expenditures	FY 25 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/24	FY 26 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Budget to HB1		Change Actual Expenditures to HB1	
SGF	\$ 467,226	\$ 1,083,182	\$ 1,395,126	\$ 311,944	28.8%	\$ 927,900	198.6%
IAT	96,723	325,750	369,000	43,250	13.3%	272,277	281.5%
FSGR	0	700,000	175,000	(525,000)	(75.0%)	175,000	0.0%
Stat Ded	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Federal	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	\$ 563,949	\$ 2,108,932	\$ 1,939,126	\$ (169,806)	(8.1%)	\$ 1,375,177	243.8%

Significant funding changes compared to the FY 25 Existing Operating Budget		
State General Fund	Interagency Transfers	Fees and Self-generated
\$311,944 net increase primarily due to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$294,755 increase for 3 new instructor positions \$17,189 various standard statewide adjustments 	\$43,250 increase due to: Increase associated with based adjustments for salaries for the FY 26	(\$525,000) decrease primarily due to: The alignment of authority with anticipated collections

ECOLE POINTE-AU-CHIEN

Expenditure Comparison

Expenditure Category	FY 24 Actual Expenditures	FY 25 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/24	FY 26 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Budget to HB1		Change Actual Expenditures to HB1	
Personnel Services	\$ 441,713	\$ 903,262	\$ 1,241,425	\$ 338,163	37.4%	\$ 799,712	181.0%
Operating Expenses	0	39,722	123,877	84,155	211.9%	123,877	0.0%
Professional Services	0	25,600	25,600	0	0.0%	25,600	0.0%
Other Charges	122,236	1,140,348	548,224	(592,124)	(51.9%)	425,988	348.5%
Acquisitions/Repairs	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	\$ 563,949	\$ 2,108,932	\$ 1,939,126	\$ (169,806)	(8.1%)	\$ 1,375,177	243.8%

Significant expenditure changes compared to the FY 25 Existing Operating Budget		
Personnel Services	Operating Expenses	Other Charges
<p>\$338,163 net increase due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$294,755 increase for 3 additional instructors for the implementation of a 3rd grade level \$43,408 increase for various statewide adjustments to salaries and related benefits including attrition and retirement rate changes 	<p>\$84,155 increase due to:</p> <p>The increase operations costs including supplies</p>	<p>(\$592,124) decrease due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (\$525,000) decrease to align funding with anticipated collections (\$67,124) decrease for various standard statewide adjustments including changes to fees charged by OTS and the Legislative Auditor

ECOLE POINTE-AU-CHIEN

Personnel Information



FY 2026 Recommended Positions

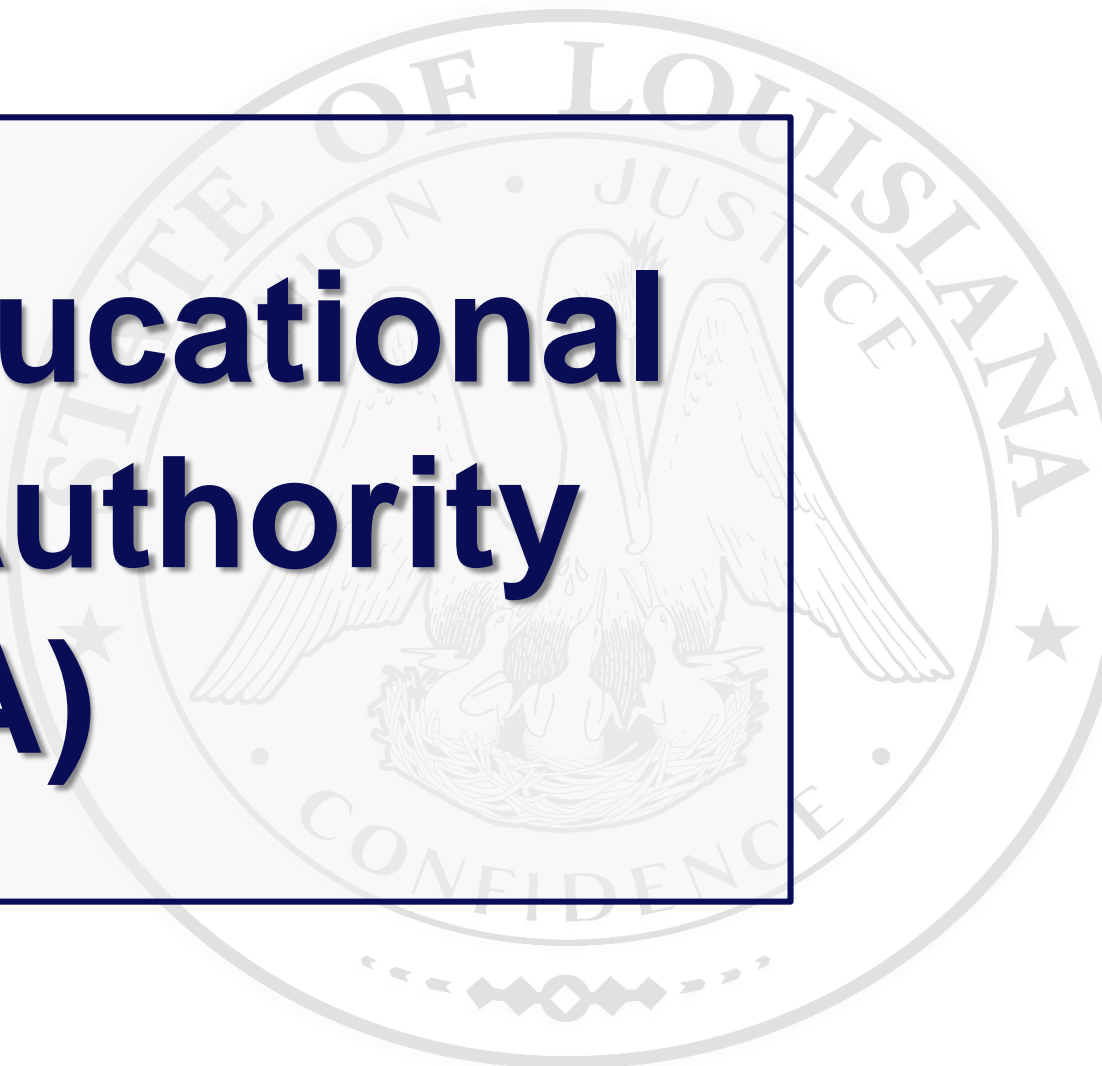
16	Total Authorized T.O. Positions (0 Classified, 16 Unclassified)
0	Authorized Other Charges Positions
0	Non-T.O. FTE Positions
3	Vacant Positions (December 30, 2024)



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Louisiana Educational Television Authority (LETA)

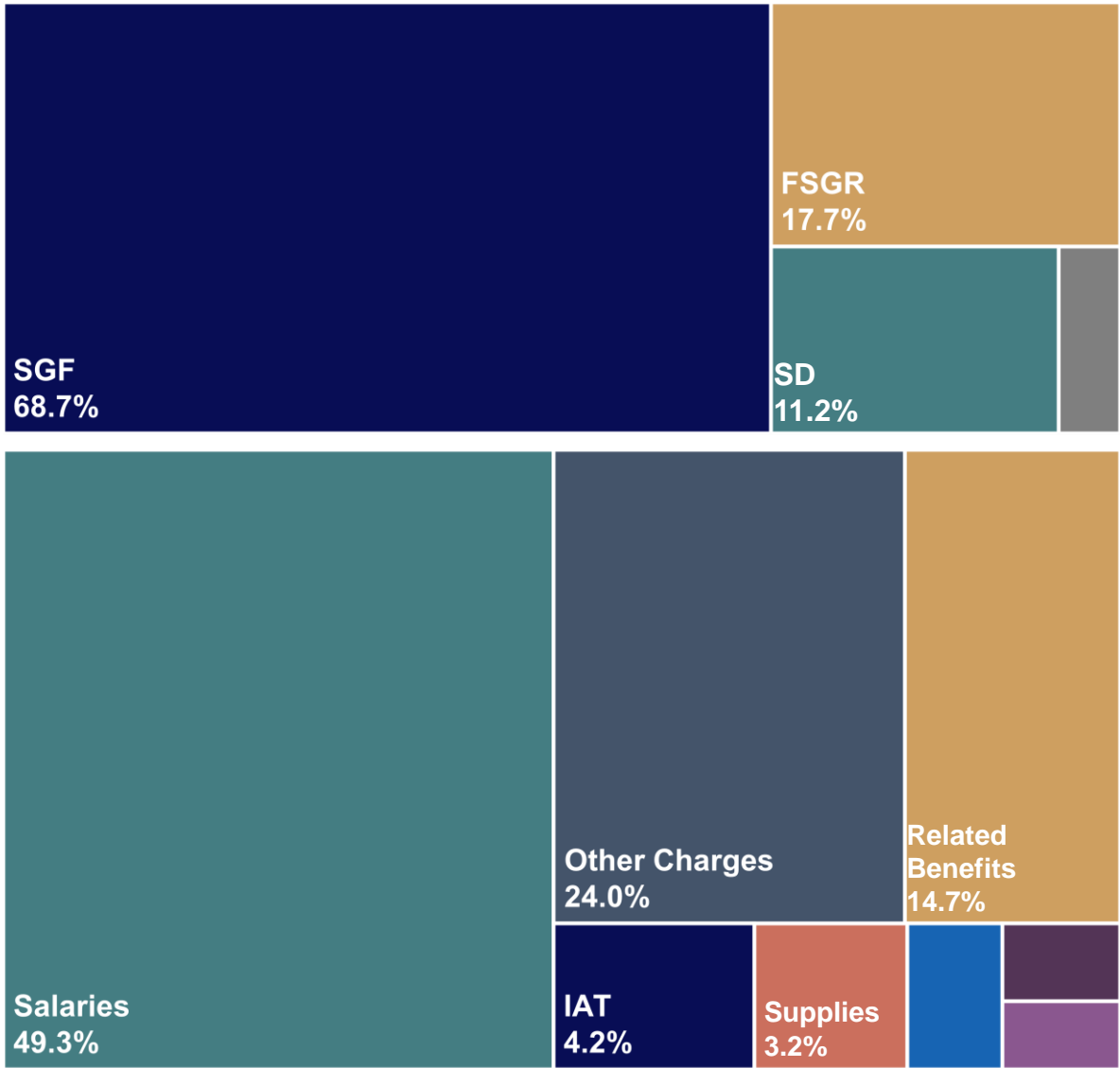


LA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION AUTHORITY

FY 26 Budget Recommendation

Means of Finance		
State General Fund	\$	9,090,190
Interagency Transfers		315,917
Fees & Self-generated		2,344,201
Statutory Dedications		1,476,448
Federal Funds		0
Total	\$	13,226,756

Expenditure Category		
Salaries	\$	4,535,376
Other Compensation		8,888
Related Benefits		2,537,644
Travel		1,207
Operating Services		1,958,202
Supplies		65,517
Professional Services		43,375
Other Charges		1,518,151
Interagency Transfers		409,524
Acquisitions/Major Repairs		2,148,872
Total	\$	13,226,756



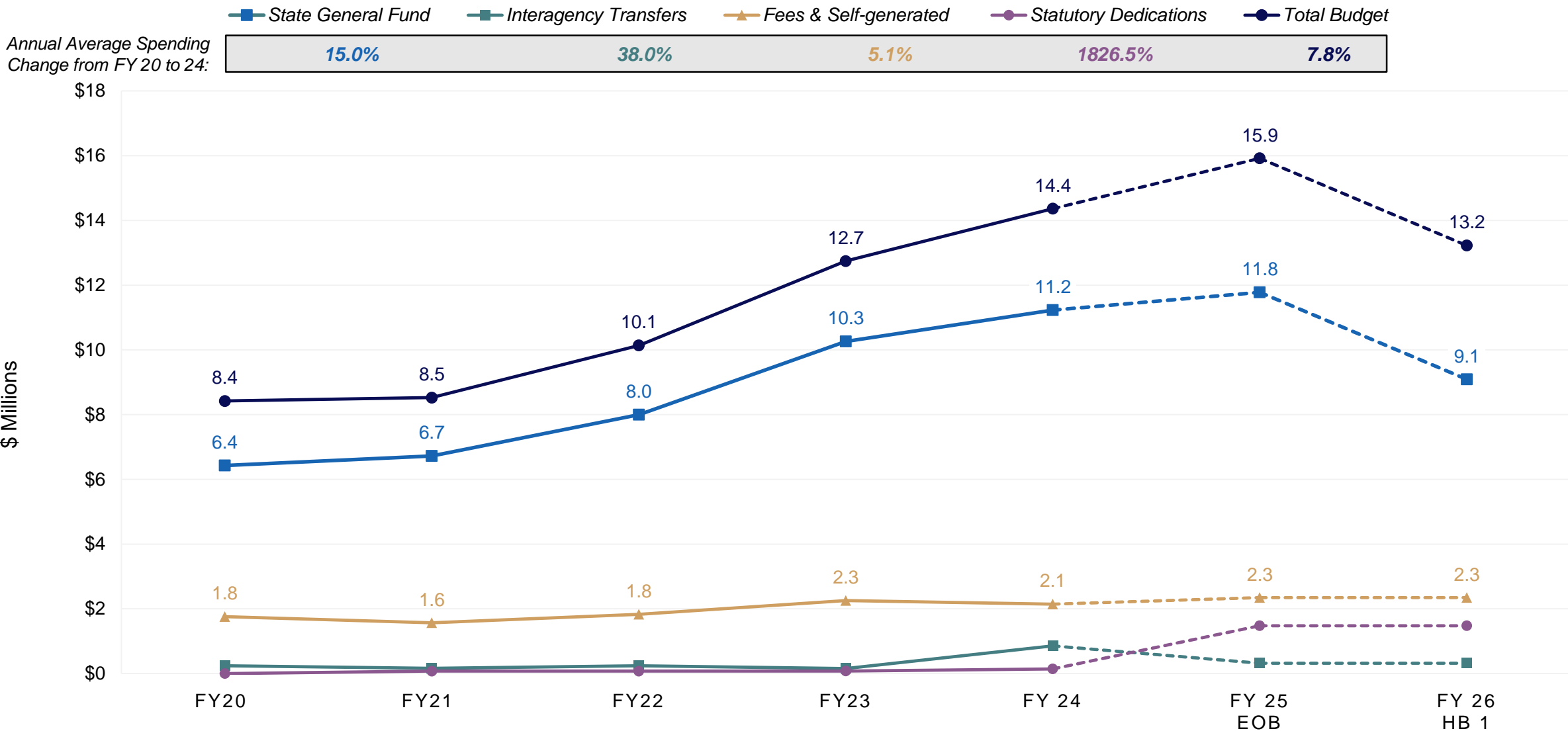
LA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION AUTHORITY

Sources of Funding

State General Fund \$9 M	Interagency Transfers \$315,917	Self-generated Revenue \$2.3 M	Statutory Dedications \$1.5 M
The chief operating fund of the State recognized by the Revenue Estimating Conference from various taxes, licenses, fees, and other revenue sources except for those identified as other means of financing	Funding is derived from the following transfer: \$315,917 for video production and media services to state agencies	Revenues derived from the following source: From private donations, private production, and media uplink services, including rental revenue and foundation support	Funding is derived from the following funds: \$1.4 M from the Imagination Library of Louisiana Fund \$75,000 from the Education Excellence Fund

LA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION AUTHORITY

Historical Spending



LA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION AUTHORITY

Funding Comparison

Means of Finance	FY 24 Actual Expenditures	FY 25 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/24	FY 26 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Budget to HB1		Change Actual Expenditures to HB1	
SGF	\$ 11,226,991	\$ 11,780,264	\$ 9,090,190	\$ (2,690,074)	(22.8%)	\$ (2,136,801)	(19.0%)
IAT	855,421	315,917	315,917	0	0.0%	(539,504)	(63.1%)
FSGR	2,144,968	2,344,201	2,344,201	0	0.0%	199,233	9.3%
Stat Ded	137,742	1,476,448	1,476,448	0	0.0%	1,338,706	971.9%
Federal	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	\$ 14,365,122	\$ 15,916,830	\$ 13,226,756	\$ (2,690,074)	(16.9%)	\$ (1,138,366)	(7.9%)

Significant funding changes compared to the FY 25 Existing Operating Budget

State General Fund

(\$2.7 M) decrease primarily due to:

- (\$2.1 M) net decrease due to various statewide adjustments
- (\$600,000) decrease for the removal of one-time operating expenses for programming

LA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION AUTHORITY

Expenditure Comparison

Expenditure Category	FY 24 Actual Expenditures	FY 25 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/24	FY 26 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Budget to HB1		Change Actual Expenditures to HB1	
Personnel Services	\$ 6,660,841	\$ 6,898,462	\$ 7,081,908	\$ 183,446	2.7%	\$ 421,067	6.3%
Operating Expenses	1,960,136	2,274,926	2,024,926	(250,000)	(11.0%)	64,790	3.3%
Professional Services	510,135	43,375	43,375	0	0.0%	(466,760)	(91.5%)
Other Charges	1,434,971	3,263,329	1,927,675	(1,335,654)	(40.9%)	492,704	34.3%
Acquisitions/Repairs	3,799,038	3,436,738	2,148,872	(1,287,866)	(37.5%)	(1,650,166)	(43.4%)
Total	\$ 14,365,121	\$ 15,916,830	\$ 13,226,756	\$ (2,690,074)	(16.9%)	\$ (1,138,365)	(7.9%)

Significant expenditure funding changes compared to the FY 25 Existing Operating Budget

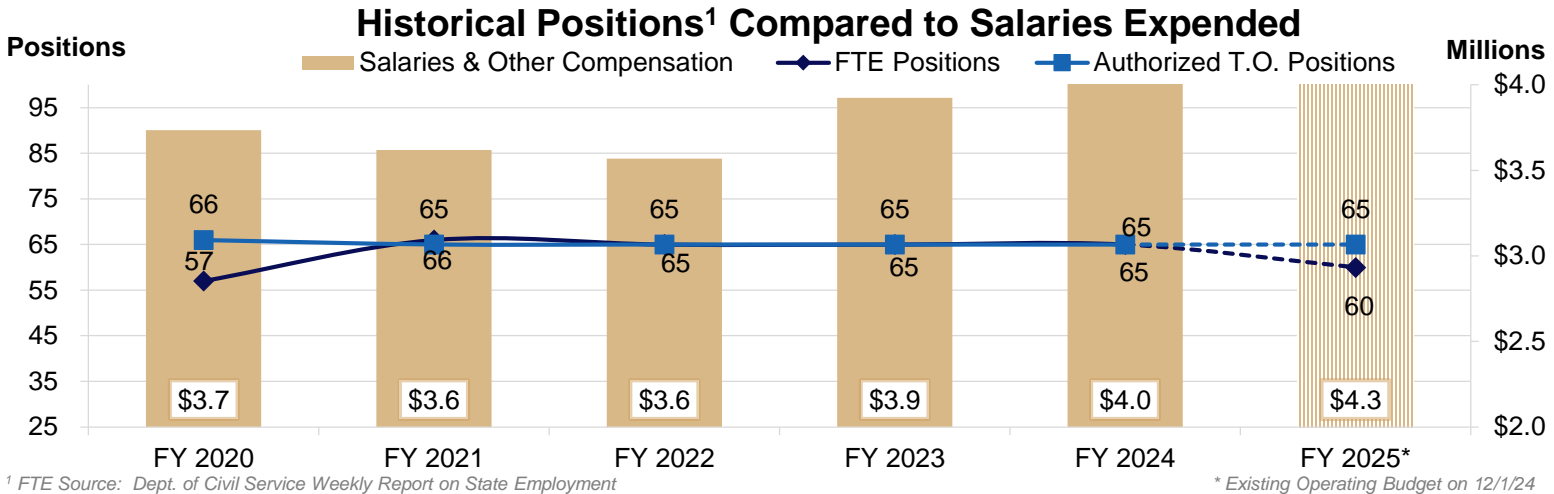
Personnel Services	Operating Expenses	Other Charges	Acquisitions/Repairs
<p>\$183,446 net increase due to:</p> <p>Various standard statewide adjustments to salaries including attrition, benefits, retirement changes, and the reduction of 1 position</p>	<p>(\$250,000) net decrease due to:</p> <p>Removal of one-time funding to the Broadcasting Program for operating expenses</p>	<p>(\$1.3 M) decrease due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (\$926,080) decrease to remove funding carried into FY 25 • (\$250,000) decrease to remove one-time funding for Tele-Louisiane French programming • (\$100,000) decrease to remove one-time funding for public broadcasting member stations (WLAE and WYES) for operating expenses 	<p>(\$1.3 M) net decrease due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (\$3.4 M) decrease for the removal of acquisition purchases and major repairs budgeted in FY 25 for items such as infrastructure, production and lighting equipment, and elevator and HVAC repairs • \$2.1 M increase for acquisition purchases and major repairs for items such as production equipment, flooring, roof replacement, and painting needed in FY 26

LA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION AUTHORITY

Personnel Information

FY 2026 Recommended Positions

64	Total Authorized T.O. Positions (57 Classified, 7 Unclassified)
0	Authorized Other Charges Positions
0	Non-T.O. FTE Positions
5	Vacant Positions (December 30, 2024)



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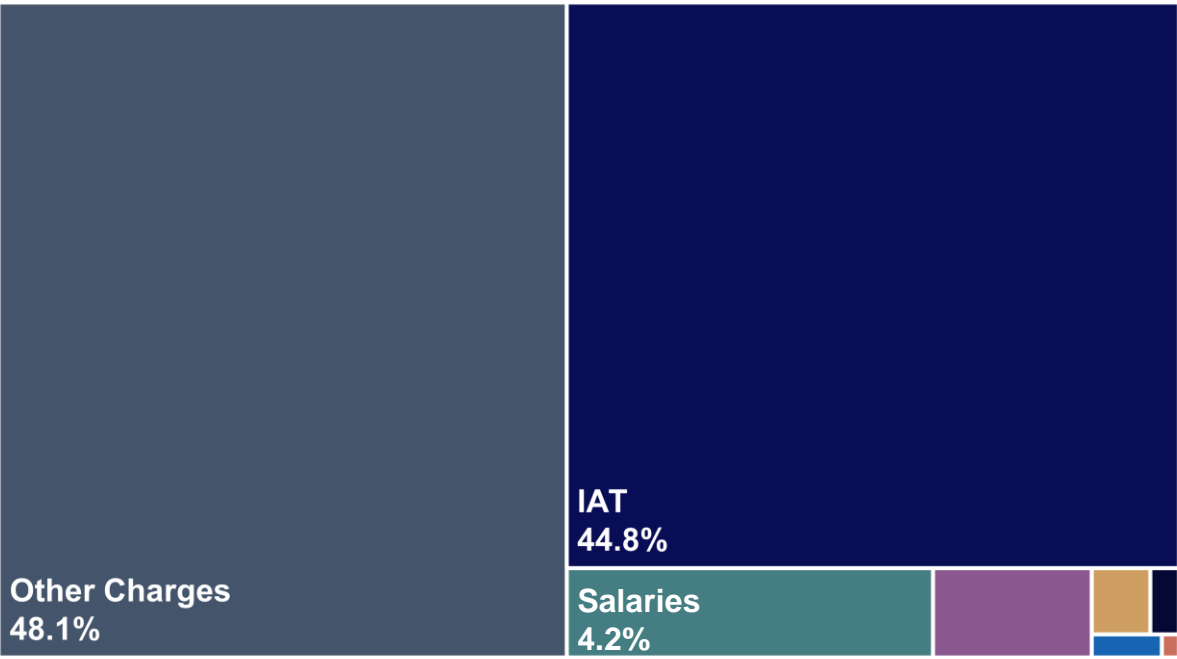
Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE)

BOARD OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

FY 26 Budget Recommendation

Means of Finance		
State General Fund	\$	1,189,862
Interagency Transfers		0
Fees & Self-generated		60,000
Statutory Dedications		21,718,780
Federal Funds		0
Total	\$	22,968,642

Expenditure Category		
Salaries	\$	969,529
Other Compensation		115,262
Related Benefits		420,201
Travel		56,307
Operating Services		48,140
Supplies		11,800
Professional Services		0
Other Charges		11,053,106
Interagency Transfers		10,294,297
Acquisitions/Major Repairs		0
Total	\$	22,968,642



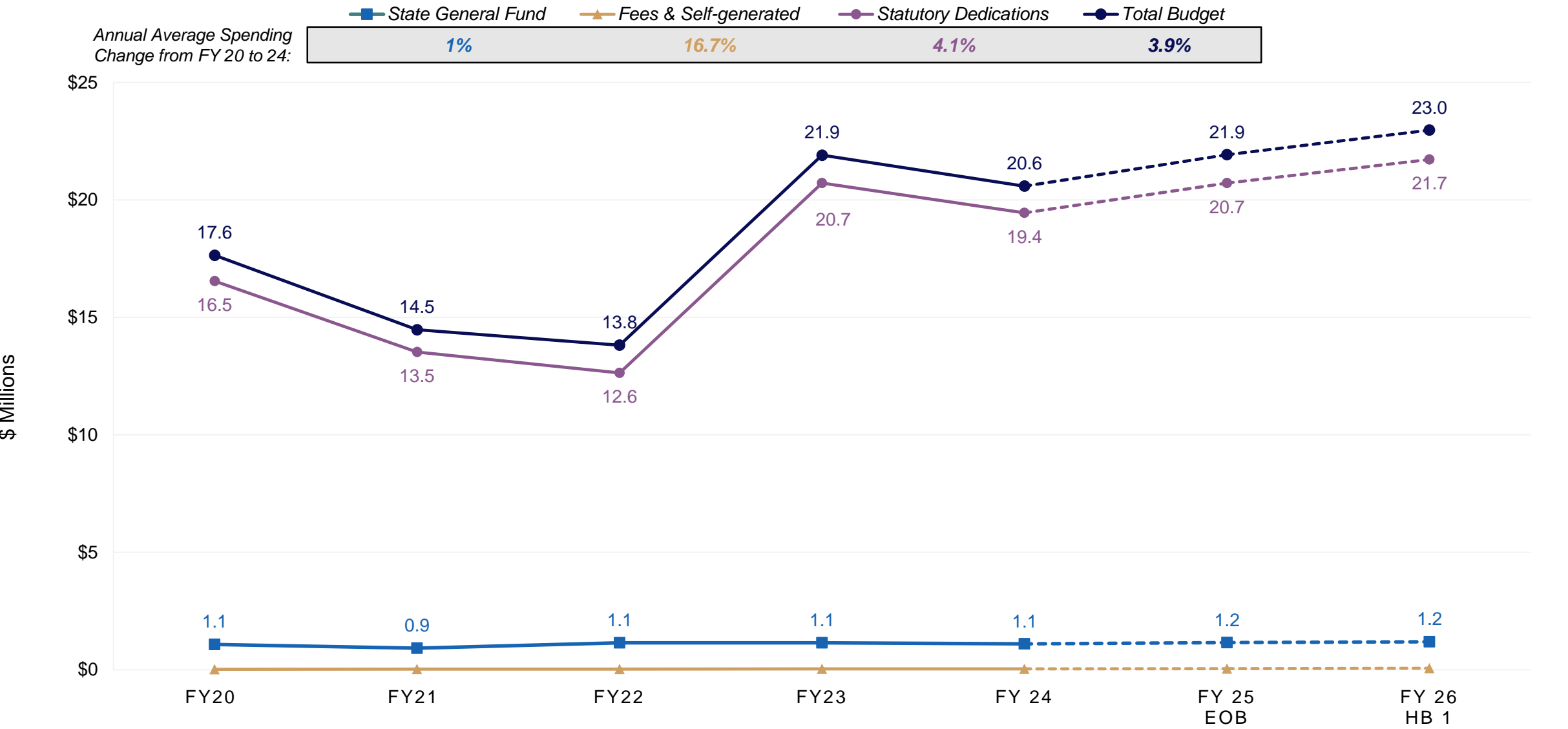
BOARD OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

Sources of Funding

State General Fund	Self-generated Revenue	Statutory Dedications
\$1.2 M	\$60,000	\$21.7 M
The chief operating fund of the State recognized by the Revenue Estimating Conference from various taxes, licenses, fees, and other revenue sources except for those identified as other means of financing	Revenues derived from the following source: Risk Management payments from lessees of BESE buildings	Funding is derived from the following funds: \$21.5 M from the LA Quality Education Support \$218,780 from the La Charter School Startup Loan Fund

BOARD OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

Historical Spending



BOARD OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

Funding Comparison

Means of Finance	FY 24 Actual Expenditures	FY 25 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/24	FY 26 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Budget to HB1		Change Actual Expenditures to HB1	
SGF	\$ 1,101,247	\$ 1,155,652	\$ 1,189,862	\$ 34,210	3.0%	\$ 88,615	8.0%
IAT	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
FSGR	40,000	50,000	60,000	10,000	20.0%	20,000	50.0%
Stat Ded	19,448,059	20,718,780	21,718,780	1,000,000	4.8%	2,270,721	11.7%
Federal	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	\$ 20,589,306	\$ 21,924,432	\$ 22,968,642	\$ 1,044,210	4.8%	\$ 2,379,336	11.6%

Significant funding changes compared to the FY 25 Existing Operating Budget		
State General Fund	Fees and Self-generated	Statutory Dedications
<p>\$34,210 net increase primarily due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">\$48,977 increase for per diem for board members(\$14,767) net decrease for various standard statewide adjustments	<p>\$10,000 increase due to:</p> <p>The standard statewide adjustment for risk management</p>	<p>\$1 M increase due to:</p> <p>The alignment of authority in the Louisiana Quality Education Support Fund to the most recent Revenue Estimating Conference forecast</p>

BOARD OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

Expenditure Comparison

Expenditure Category	FY 24 Actual Expenditures	FY 25 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/24	FY 26 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Budget to HB1		Change Actual Expenditures to HB1	
Personnel Services	\$ 1,407,367	\$ 1,435,133	\$ 1,504,992	\$ 69,859	4.9%	\$ 97,625	6.9%
Operating Expenses	107,776	113,947	116,247	2,300	2.0%	8,471	7.9%
Professional Services	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Other Charges	19,074,163	20,375,352	21,347,403	972,051	4.8%	2,273,240	11.9%
Acquisitions/Repairs	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	\$ 20,589,306	\$ 21,924,432	\$ 22,968,642	\$ 1,044,210	4.8%	\$ 2,379,336	11.6%

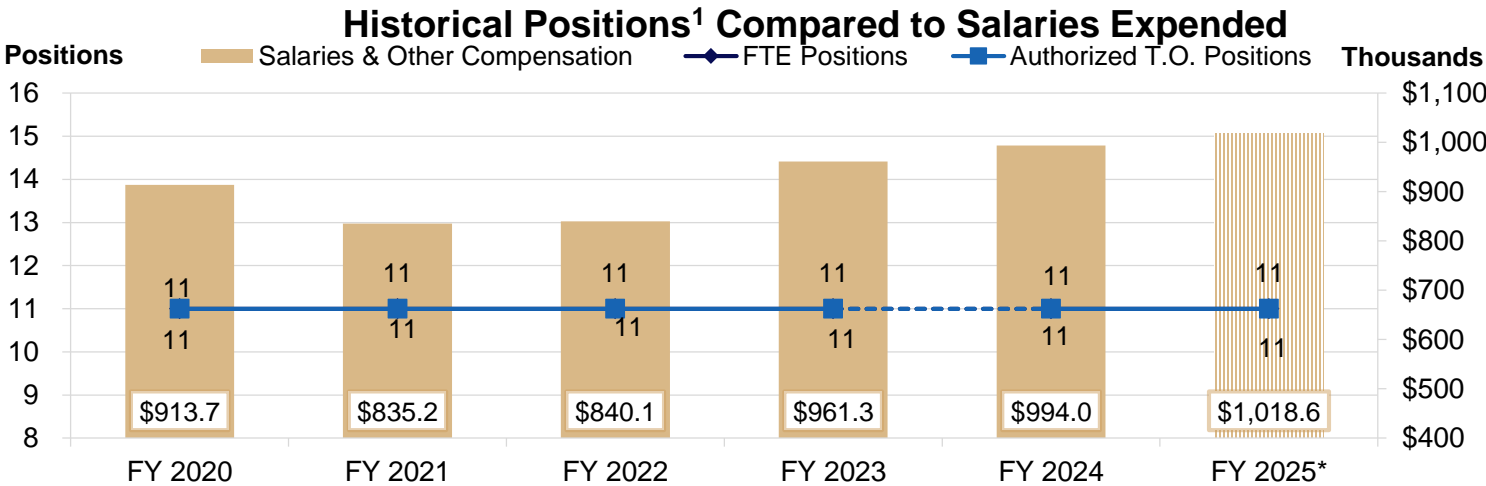
Significant expenditure funding changes compared to the FY 25 Existing Operating Budget		
Personnel Services	Operating Expenses	Other Charges
<p>\$69,859 increase due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">\$45,677 increase to provide for increased per diem to the 11 BESE board members\$23,182 net increase for various standard statewide adjustments including base adjustments for salaries and related benefits	<p>\$2,300 for supply costs associated with BESE board meetings</p>	<p>\$972,051 net increase due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">\$1 M increase in the Louisiana Quality Education Support Fund(\$27,949) net decrease for various standard statewide adjustments

BOARD OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

Personnel Information

FY 2026 Recommended Positions

11	Total Authorized T.O. Positions (0 Classified, 11 Unclassified)
0	Authorized Other Charges Positions
0	Non-T.O. FTE Positions
0	Vacant Positions (December 30, 2024)



¹ FTE Source: Dept. of Civil Service Weekly Report on State Employment

* Existing Operating Budget on 12/1/24



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BESE

The seal of the State of Louisiana is visible in the background, featuring an eagle with a shield, holding an olive branch and arrows, with a banner below it. The text "STATE OF LOUISIANA" is at the top, "UNION • JUSTICE" is on the sides, and "CONFIDENCE" is at the bottom.

New Orleans Center for the Creative Arts

NEW ORLEANS CENTER FOR CREATIVE ARTS

FY 26 Budget Recommendation

Means of Finance

State General Fund	\$	7,823,382
Interagency Transfers		2,423,059
Fees & Self-generated		0
Statutory Dedications		78,426
Federal Funds		0
Total	\$	10,324,867



Expenditure Category

Salaries	\$	5,315,792
Other Compensation		170,771
Related Benefits		2,046,918
Travel		8,547
Operating Services		1,469,177
Supplies		286,342
Professional Services		124,560
Other Charges		0
Interagency Transfers		742,760
Acquisitions/Major Repairs		160,000
Total	\$	10,324,867

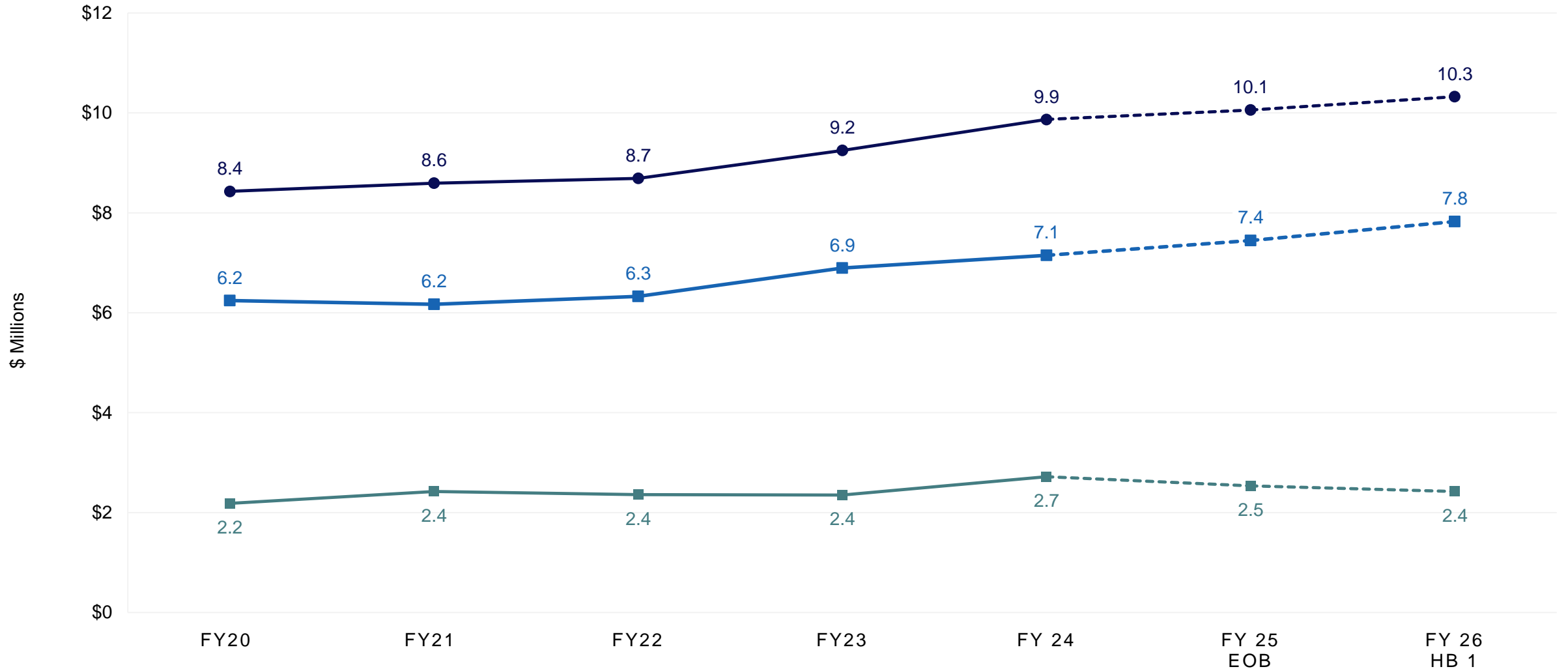


NEW ORLEANS CENTER FOR CREATIVE ARTS

Historical Spending

Annual Average Spending
Change from FY 20 to 24:

State General Fund	Interagency Transfers	Total Budget
3.4%	5.6%	4.0%



NEW ORLEANS CENTER FOR CREATIVE ARTS

Funding Comparison

Means of Finance	FY 24 Actual Expenditures	FY 25 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/24	FY 26 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Budget to HB1		Change Actual Expenditures to HB1	
SGF	\$ 7,149,527	\$ 7,446,280	\$ 7,823,382	\$ 377,102	5.1%	\$ 673,855	9.4%
IAT	2,718,703	2,533,948	2,423,059	(110,889)	(4.4%)	(295,644)	(10.9%)
FSGR	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Stat Ded	0	78,413	78,426	13	0.0%	78,426	0.0%
Federal	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	\$ 9,868,230	\$ 10,058,641	\$ 10,324,867	\$ 266,226	2.6%	\$ 456,637	4.6%

<i>Significant funding changes compared to the FY 25 Existing Operating Budget</i>	
State General Fund	Interagency Transfers
\$377,102 net increase primarily due to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$212,328 increase for various standard statewide adjustments \$164,774 increase for educational support, supplies, and instructors 	(\$110,889) decrease due to: The removal of funding carried into FY 25 no longer needed for FY26

NEW ORLEANS CENTER FOR CREATIVE ARTS

Expenditure Comparison

Expenditure Category	FY 24 Actual Expenditures	FY 25 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/24	FY 26 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Budget to HB1		Change Actual Expenditures to HB1	
Personnel Services	\$ 7,529,114	\$ 7,243,524	\$ 7,533,481	\$ 289,957	4.0%	\$ 4,367	0.1%
Operating Expenses	1,247,083	1,816,410	1,764,066	(52,344)	(2.9%)	516,983	41.5%
Professional Services	93,828	108,965	124,560	15,595	14.3%	30,732	32.8%
Other Charges	726,905	697,684	742,760	45,076	6.5%	15,855	2.2%
Acquisitions/Repairs	271,299	192,058	160,000	(32,058)	(16.7%)	(111,299)	(41.0%)
Total	\$ 9,868,229	\$ 10,058,641	\$ 10,324,867	\$ 266,226	2.6%	\$ 456,638	4.6%

Significant expenditure funding changes compared to the FY 25 Existing Operating Budget

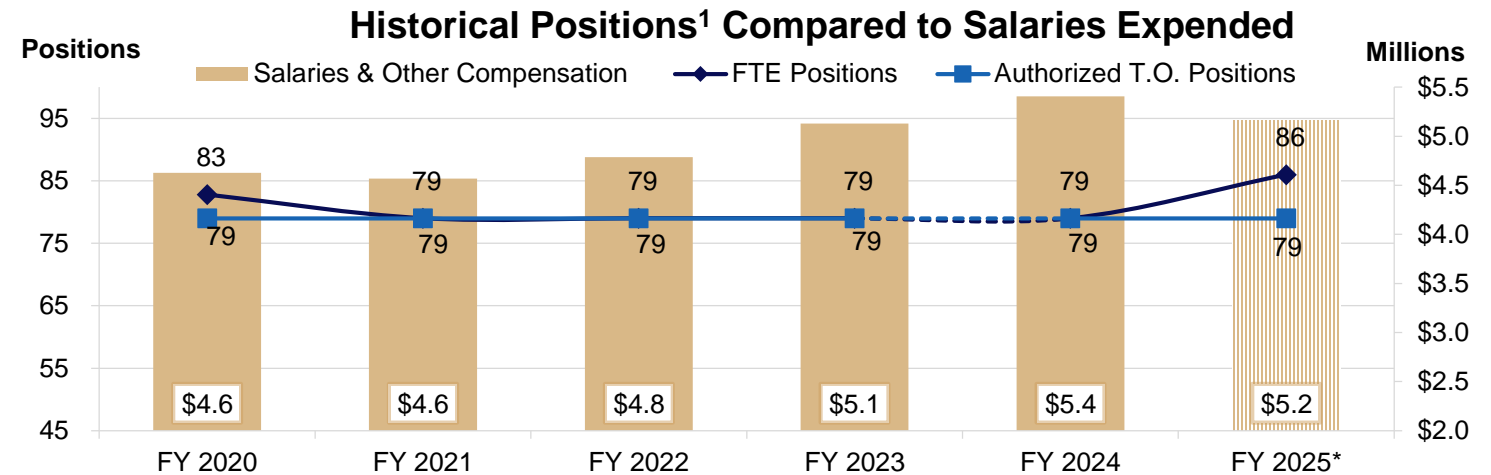
Personnel Services	Professional Services	Acquisitions/Repairs
<p>\$289,957 net increase due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$215,891 increase various standard statewide adjustments to salaries including attrition, benefits, and retirement changes \$74,066 increase for specialized part-time instructors 	<p>\$15,595 increase due to:</p> <p>Increase for educational support contracts for ACT preparation and occupational therapy services</p>	<p>(\$32,058) decrease due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (\$192,558) decrease for the removal of funding budgeted in FY 25 for elevator modernization \$160,000 increase for lighting purchases, and repairs to the roof, HVAC system, and sinks needed for FY 26 (\$1,500) decrease to remove funding for acquisitions carried into FY 25 no longer needed for FY 26

NEW ORLEANS CENTER FOR CREATIVE ARTS

Personnel Information

FY 2026 Recommended Positions

79	Total Authorized T.O. Positions (10 Classified, 69 Unclassified)
0	Authorized Other Charges Positions
0	Non-T.O. FTE Positions
0	Vacant Positions (December 30, 2024)



¹ FTE Source: Dept. of Civil Service Weekly Report on State Employment

* Existing Operating Budget on 12/1/24



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General Department Information



STUDENT ENROLLMENT

School	Program	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	6 Year Change
LSDVI	LA School for the Visually Impaired	129	117	103	94	52	59	55	(74)
	LA School for the Deaf	277	281	219	175	82	88	79	(198)
	LSVI Outreach	69	75	69	64	107	87	0	(69)
	LSD Outreach	75	85	90	102	186	176	185	110
	Total Students Served	550	558	481	435	427	410	319	(231)
LSMSA	Living and Learning Community	360	358	327	317	317	282	282	(43)
	Louisiana Virtual School (LVS)	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total Students Served	360	368	327	317	317	282	282	(78)
Thrive	Total Students Served	160	178	180	190	163	80	165	5
NOCCA	Academic Studio	239	235	241	238	225	225	223	(16)
	Non-Academic Studio	281	406	305	276	279	279	180	(101)
	Total Students Served	520	641	546	514	504	504	403	(117)
Total Students Served		1,590	1,745	1,534	1,456	1,411	1,276	1,169	(421)

LOUISIANA SCHOOL FOR MATH SCIENCE AND THE ARTS

Agency Overview



The Jimmy D. Long Sr. Louisiana School for Math, Science, and the Arts (LSMSA) provides an advanced curriculum program in a residential setting for 330 academically and artistically motivated high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors statewide

LSMSA is located in Natchitoches

Programs

LSMSA Virtual School

- A collaboration between the Louisiana Department of Education and LSMSA, the LSMSA Virtual School provides instructional services to public high schools throughout the state. The school provides online instruction in math, science, foreign languages, the humanities, and the arts

Living and Learning Community

- Operations is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the school with respect to administration, policy making, budgeting, personnel, admissions and recruiting, purchasing and maintenance
- Living/Learning Community provides instructional services to high school students, as well as residential, counseling, health and wellness services to residents
- Summer School provides extended school year for students

Agency Overview

Programs

Instruction

- Maintains all operations of the campus, provides high expectations in an academic setting, and maintains a nurturing residential setting

Act 672 of the 2016 Regular Session established Thrive Academy as an independent, residential public school in Baton Rouge for at-risk students in grades 6 through 12. Thrive Academy is a special school under the jurisdiction of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education. The school operated as a Type 1 charter school through East Baton Rouge Parish School Board until it became a state agency in FY 2017-18.



Thrive Academy provides at-risk students with an academically focused culture that is guided by high expectations and provides students with a learning experience that is challenging, rigorous, and student-focused

Thrive Academy is located in Baton Rouge



ÉCOLE POINTE AU CHIEN

Agency Overview

Programs

Instruction

Ecole Pointe-au-Chien is authorized by Act 454 of the 2022 Regular Legislative Session to provide a French immersion education program for the students of Terrebonne Parish between grades prekindergarten through fourth. As of Oct. 1, 2023, Ecole Pointe-au-Chien serves 9 Students



LA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION AUTHORITY

Agency Overview



The Louisiana Educational Television Authority (LETA) maintains a system of broadcast facilities to provide informative and educational programming for use in the homes and classrooms of Louisiana

LETA is located in Baton Rouge

Programs

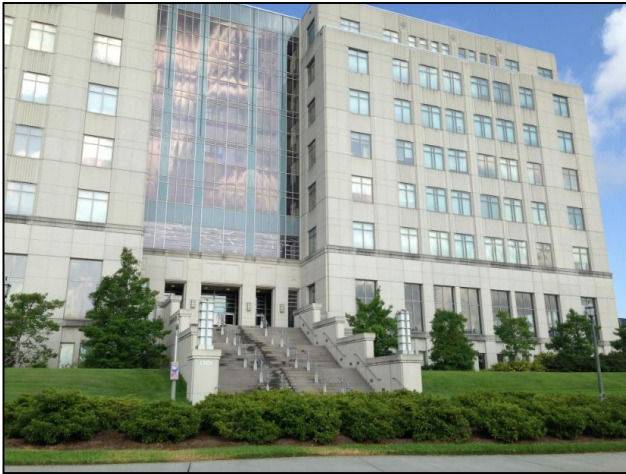
Broadcasting

Includes the following statewide public media activities:

- Provides distance learning, video streaming, online access and other educational formats through the use of broadcast
- Provides educational and cultural content, training, and staff development for the general public and other state agencies
- Provides vital emergency information to all citizens of Louisiana during natural disasters and other times of crisis

BOARD OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

Agency Overview



The Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) provides leadership and creates policies for education, and administers the Louisiana Quality Education Support Fund 8(g) program.

BESE is located in Baton Rouge

Programs

Administration

- Provides administrative support to the 11 elected and appointed board members, and assists the Board in carrying out its constitutional and statutory duties to supervise and control public elementary and secondary schools
- **Louisiana Charter School Startup Loan Fund** Authorized by R.S. 17:4001, provides no-interest loans to assist certain charter schools with initial startup funding and funding for the administrative and legal costs

Louisiana Quality Education Support Fund

- Annually allocates proceeds from the Louisiana Quality Education Support Fund 8(g) for elementary and secondary educational purposes. This program includes expenses associated with the administration, management, and evaluation of funds, as well as the actual allocation to recipients

NEW ORLEANS CENTER FOR CREATIVE ARTS

Agency Overview



NOCCA provides professional arts training, coaching, and performance opportunities for high school students who aspire to be creative artists

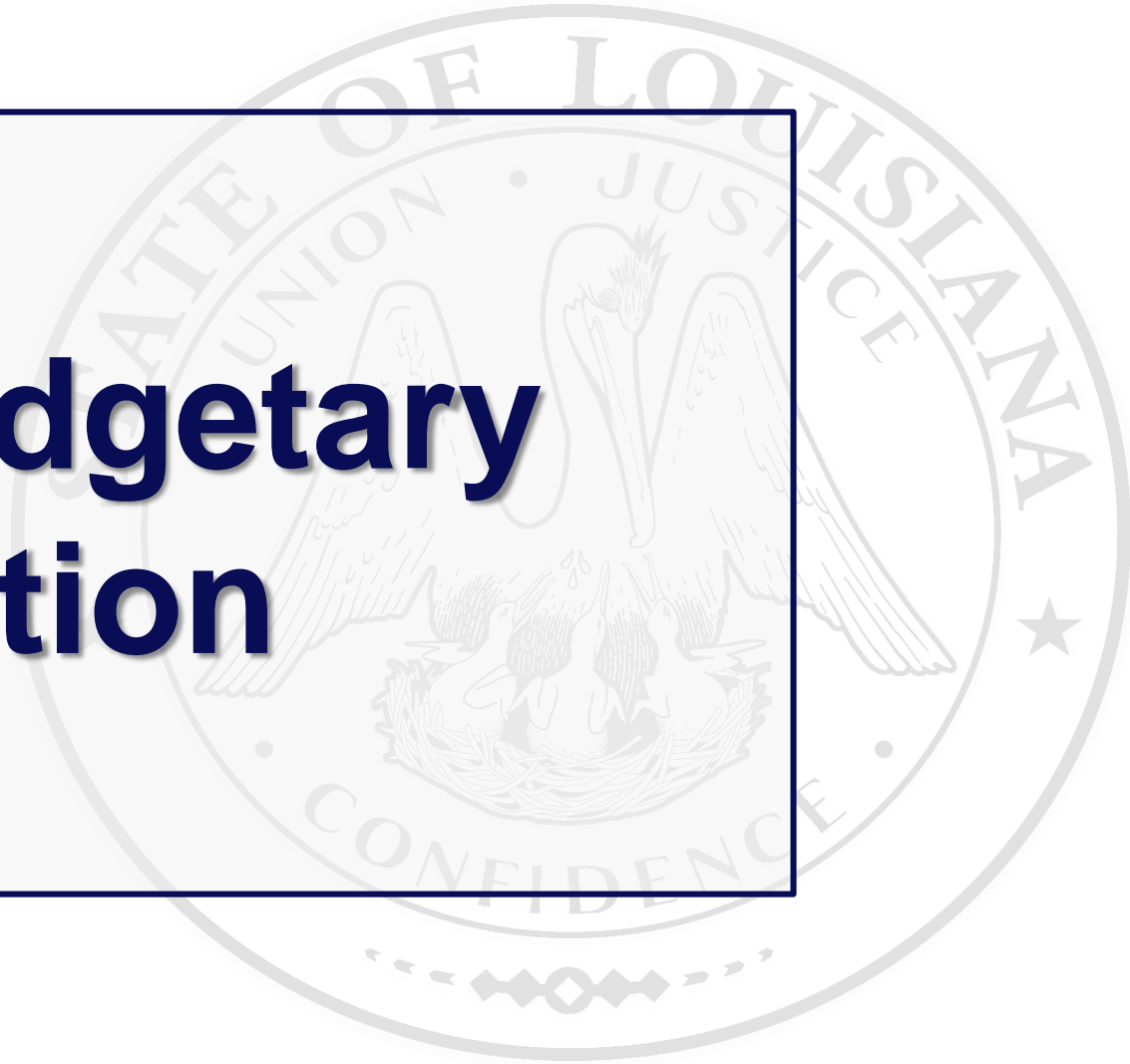
NOCCA is located in New Orleans

Programs

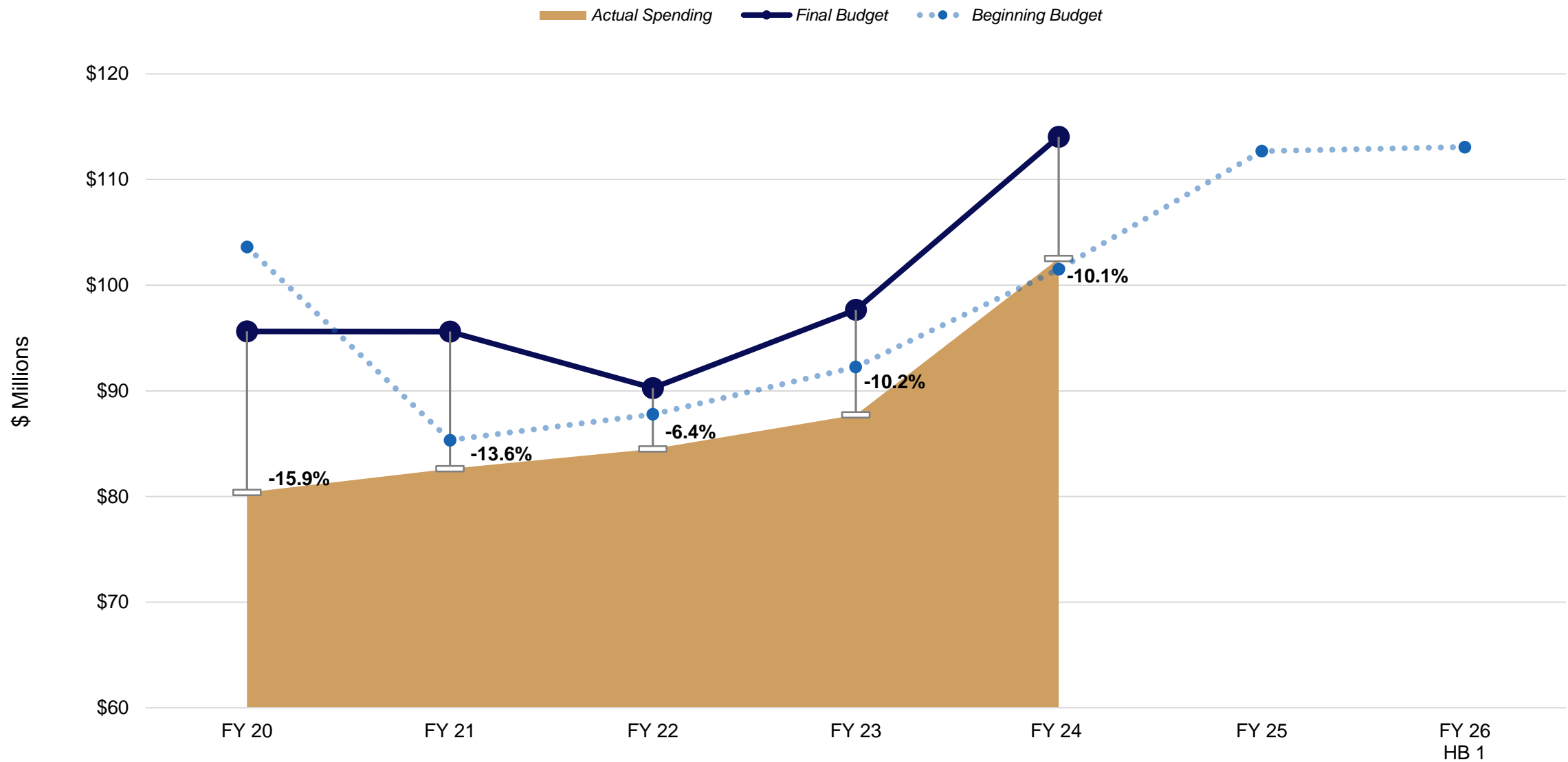
Instruction Program

- Administration and Operations – Provides services necessary to operate NOCCA effectively, including leadership, fiscal and human resources, admissions, counseling and guidance, and facility services
- Arts Instruction – Provides pre-professional arts training in areas such as classical instrumental, creative writing, culinary arts, dance, drama, jazz, media arts, musical theatre, theatre design, visual arts, and vocal
- Academic Studio – Provides a full-day, diploma-granting, college-preparatory high school program

General Budgetary Information



HISTORICAL BUDGET



FY 25 EXISTING OPERATING BUDGET

The FY 2024-25 Existing Operating Budget (EOB) was frozen on December 1, 2024. This point-in-time reference is used in both the Executive Budget and the General Appropriations Bill.

Means of Finance	Appropriation		Mid-Year Adjustments		Existing Operating Budget
General Fund	\$	64,420,329	\$	2,167,850	\$ 66,588,179
Interagency Transfers		18,722,731		888,182	19,610,913
Self-generated Revenue		3,912,805		0	3,912,805
Statutory Dedications		22,582,611		0	22,582,611
Federal		0		0	0
Total	\$	109,638,476	\$	3,056,032	\$ 112,694,508

<i>Mid-year Adjustments Summary</i>				
July	August	September	October	November
No change	\$2.9 M Various means of finance carried into FY 25 from the prior fiscal year for program expenses and contracts	\$153,080 Interagency Transfers at Thrive Academy from the Department of Education for the school lunch program and acquisitions and major repairs	No change	No change