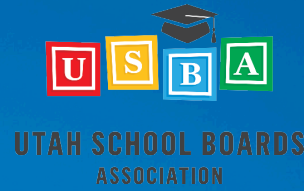


2024

# Joint Legislative Priorities



Utah Association of School Business Officials

## Prioritized Funding Requests

### **Weighted Pupil Unit Funding Increase (13.5%/\$567 Million)**

Increase the value of the WPU by 13.5% (\$567M) to include –

- 8% (\$336M) for LEA flexibility to address employee compensation, program expansion, LEA operational needs, and innovation, in addition to the inflationary factor.
- 4% (\$168M) for inflationary factor (Utah Code 53F-2-208).
- 1.5% (\$63M) if the legislature eliminates general and curricular fees.

### **Retiree Re-employment (\$42 Million)**

Allocate \$42M and allow retired educators, state employees, fire fighters, and public safety officers the opportunity to immediately return to work upon retiring without penalty.

### **Inflationary Adjustment**

Provide for an inflationary adjustment to the certified revenue in the tax rate process.

*Adopted by the Delegate Assembly on August 26, 2023*

# Targeted Investments

- Increase funding for special education and at-risk students.
- Support RESA service and support enhancements for rural education.
- Increase funding for required Transportation.
- Create a plan to utilize the funds in the Economic Stabilization Account.
- Study Impact Fees for local school districts to build schools.

*The Joint Legislative Committee (JLC) of the Utah School Boards Association, Utah School Superintendents Association, and Utah Association of School Business Officials believes that families are the key to our success as a society and public education provides opportunity for all students.*

*Locally elected school boards have partnered with families, educators, and other elected leaders since 1890 to ensure that all students receive a quality education. We must continue to invest in our public education system. The JLC values and appreciates the support we receive from our legislative partners and looks forward to working together to reach our vision for Utah students and families.*

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