

FY 2026-27 Planning Allotments FAQ

State Planning Allotments for the FY 2026-27 school year will be released on DART on February 27, 2026. Federal Planning Allotments will follow later this spring.

How are these Planning Allotments different from previous years?

These allotments represent the floor of funding if the state continues to operate under a continuing resolution in FY 2026-27. That is, the allotments are the maximum amount of funds that DPI will have in the State Public School Fund if no state budget is passed. As a result, some of the allotments are prorated at a lower percentage than would be expected if a state budget passes.

Will these Planning Allotments be the total we will receive for FY 2026-27?

These allotments are what DPI can allocate in July 2026 if no state budget passes by that time. If a state budget passes before June 30, 2026, the initial allotments in July 2026 will include any additional funds in that budget. If a state budget, or a mini budget, passes after that time, the allotments section will allot any additional funds within 10 business days after the budget action become law.

How were the Planning Allotments prorated?

Each PRC was calculated based on the underlying funding formula (for LEAs) and a per-pupil share for charter schools and lab schools. Then the total funding under the continuation budget was used to calculate a proration percentage, which was applied equally to each public-school unit's allotment. Not all PRCs were prorated, if the funds under the continuation budget were sufficient to fully fund next year's formula amount, that allotment was not prorated.

Which allotments were prorated at what percentage?

The following allotments were prorated at the following percentages. If an initial PRC does not appear on this list, the planning allotment is 100% of the formula amount for FY 2026-27:

PRC	Allotment	Proration Percentage at Planning
0002	Central Office Administration	90.84%
0013	Career Technical Education (CTE) Months of Employment (MOE)	97.90%
0024	Disadvantaged Student Supplemental Funding (DSSF)	99.99%
0031	Low Wealth Supplemental Funding	94.20%
0032	Children with Disabilities/Exceptional Children	98.95%
0054	Limited English Proficiency (LEP)	99.74%
0056	Transportation of Pupils	97.00%
0069	At-Risk Student Services	99.87%

Is this truly the floor of funding for FY 2026-27?

This is the floor of funding under current budget amounts. If a state budget were to pass that included proactive cuts for any of these allotments, the cuts would reduce the budget below the planning allotments. Otherwise, the planning allotments should represent the floor of funding.

Do we expect something similar to happen with federal allotments?

No. Federal programs are forward funded, and the funding for Grant Year 2027 recently became law. Most of the federal programs have been funded at flat amounts nationally, so we expect that most federal PRCs will be funded for Grant Year 2027 at or slightly below the Grant Year 2026 per-pupil amounts. Federal planning allotments will be released later this spring.

For questions concerning planning allotments, please email allotments@dpi.nc.gov.