



PROPOSED FEDERAL BUDGET FOR EDUCATION - FISCAL YEAR 2008
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Key points:

- The President’s proposed education budget for FFY 2008 was prepared before appropriations for FY 2007 were complete, so the Department of Education used an estimate for comparison purposes. Therefore, a more accurate comparison is to FY 2006, the last fiscal year for which final appropriations are available.
- Overall, the President’s proposal for discretionary education funding in FY 2008 (\$56.0 billion) is the same as his proposal in 2007 and a reduction from FY 2006 (\$56.6 billion).
- New programs/funding are *italicized*.
- Extensive budget information is on the USDE web site at:
<http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/budget08/summary/index.html>

Highlights:

Elementary and Secondary Programs:

Program	FY 2008 proposal	Increase/Decrease compared to FY 2006	Comment
Title I*	\$13.9 billion	+ \$1.2 b increase (9.4%)	Increase targeted for high school
<i>School Improvement Grants</i>	\$500 million new funding		Half the funds go to SEAs would go to help schools restructure and half goes to districts
American Competitiveness Initiative:			Funds could include university/school collaborations.
Advanced Placement program	\$122.2 million for	+ \$90 million increase	
<i>Adjunct Teacher Corps.</i>	<i>\$25 million</i>		
<i>Promise scholarships</i>	\$300 million new		Can be used for

<i>and opportunity scholarships</i>	funding		extended supplemental educational services and tutoring.
Striving Readers	\$100 million	+ \$68.4 million increase	Adolescent literacy.
Reading First*	\$1.018 Billion	- \$11 million decrease (.01%)	
Early Reading First	\$117 million	+ \$13 million increase (29%)	
Title II* – Teacher Quality State Grants	\$2.787 billion	- \$100 million (.03%)	Decrease diverted to Teacher Incentive Fund.
Title III* – English language Acquisition	\$622.2 million	+ \$2.2 million increase (.003%)	
Fund for Improvement of Education (FIE)	\$33.1 million	+ \$21.4 million increase (289%)	Increase targeted for National Security Language Initiative.
Special Education/IDEA state grants	\$10,491 billion	- \$92 million decrease (.008%)	Federal share of special education costs declining

Higher Education Programs:

<i>Advancing America Through Foreign Language Partnerships</i>	\$24 million		Competitive grants for partnerships between institutions of higher education and schools districts.
Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE)	\$22 million	Same as FY 06	

Research:

Institute for Education Sciences	\$594.3 million	+\$76 million increase	Increase is for NCES longitudinal study and NAEP activities related to 12 th grade assessments
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Proposed Program Terminations:

The following table shows the programs proposed for elimination or consolidation in the President's 2008 budget request. Termination of these 44 programs frees up approximately \$2.2 billion—based on 2007 levels.

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<u>Academies for American History and Civics</u>	\$2.0
<u>Advanced Credentialing</u>	16.7
<u>Alaska Native Education Equity</u>	33.9
<u>Alcohol Abuse Reduction</u>	32.4
<u>Arts in Education</u>	35.3
<u>Byrd Honors Scholarships</u>	40.6
<u>Civic Education</u>	29.1
<u>Close Up Fellowships</u>	1.5
<u>Comprehensive School Reform</u>	10.1
<u>Demonstration Projects for Students with Disabilities</u>	6.9
<u>Education for Native Hawaiians</u>	33.9
<u>Educational Technology State Grants</u>	273.1
<u>Elementary and Secondary School Counseling</u>	34.7
<u>Even Start</u>	111.6
<u>Excellence in Economic Education</u>	1.5
<u>Exchanges with Historic Whaling and Trading Partners</u>	8.9
<u>Federal Perkins Loans Cancellations</u>	65.5
<u>Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants</u>	770.6
<u>Foundations for Learning</u>	1.0
<u>Javits Gifted and Talented Education</u>	9.6
<u>Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnerships</u>	64.5
<u>Mental Health Integration in Schools</u>	4.9
<u>Mentoring</u>	19.0
<u>Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers</u>	2.3
<u>National Writing Project</u>	21.5
<u>Other Higher Education Programs</u>	2.9
<u>Parental Information and Resource Centers</u>	39.6
<u>Physical Education</u>	72.7
<u>Projects With Industry</u>	19.5
<u>Ready to Teach</u>	10.9
<u>Recreational Programs</u>	2.5
<u>School Dropout Prevention</u>	4.9
<u>School Leadership</u>	14.7
<u>Smaller Learning Communities</u>	90.4
<u>Star Schools</u>	14.9
<u>State Grants for Incarcerated Youth Offenders</u>	22.8
<u>State Grants for Innovative Programs</u>	99.2
<u>Strengthening Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions</u>	11.8
<u>Supported Employment State Grants</u>	29.7
<u>Teacher Quality Enhancement</u>	59.9
<u>Tech-Prep Education State Grants</u>	104.8
<u>Thurgood Marshall Legal Educational Opportunity Program</u>	2.9
<u>Women's Educational Equity</u>	2.9
Total	<hr/> \$2,237.8

* Federal funds reported used by schools that implement Reading Recovery.

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