

## Consolidated Budgets: Frequently Asked Questions

### ***How is my consolidated budget calculated?***

Each school receives a base allocation in addition to an additional amount for each student. The per-student allocation is based on total ADM, which includes Pre-K and full-weighted Kindergarten, and all other students including Special Education classrooms.

- PK-8 Schools receive an \$8,000 base and an additional \$76/student
- High Schools receive a \$40,000 base and an additional \$78/student

### ***Have consolidated budget allocations changed from last year?***

Yes. While the per-school allocations remain the same, the per student rates have decreased, in an effort to decrease costs. Schools with increasing enrollment, however, may see an increase in their consolidated budgets.

### ***Can I convert consolidated budget dollars into FTE?***

Yes, but with caution. Remember that this is your operating budget and it has to last the full year; appropriate consolidated budget conversion should be no more than small fractions of an FTE. The typical range is between 0.05 and 0.15 licensed equivalent FTE. Use the link in the resources section of this page to access the Consolidated Budget to FTE Conversion Form.

### ***Does my consolidated budget contain funds for Special Ed Learning Centers?***

No. There is no longer a separate allocation by school for Learning Center (formerly Resource Center) supplies. The Special Education department now manages these funds. Contact Robin Malone, at x63297, for more information.

### ***Does my consolidated budget contain funds for Talented and Gifted (TAG) programs?***

No. All TAG funds are held in the central TAG Department budget. Contact the TAG Department, at x63358, for more information.