

FEDERAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

NEA Funding Request

(dollars in billions)



Special Note: NEA's request is compared to FY 2008 appropriations and, essentially, ignores the President's budget request for FY 2009, other than to assume that the President's elimination of 47 programs and cuts to 16 others would be restored and then provided with real increases to compensate for level funding for many programs the past few years.

Federal Education Program	FY 2008 /a	FY 2009 NEA Request	Change	
			Dollars	Percent
Special Education Grants to States (IDEA Part B-611) /b	10.9	13.2	2.3	20.6%
Grants to Local Educational Agencies (ESEA I-A) /c	13.9	16.7	2.8	20.2%
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants (ESEA II-A) /d	2.9	3.2	0.2	8.2%
Federal Pell Grants (HEA IV-A-1) /e	16.5	19.5	3.1	18.6%
All Other U.S. Department of Education Programs /f	14.9	15.9	1.0	6.5%
Total Discretionary Funds, U.S. Department of Education	59.2	68.5	9.3	15.8%
Head Start (HSA, section 639) /g	6.9	7.7	0.8	11.2%

/a Source: U.S. Department of Education.

/b Reflects the investment required in FY 2009 to reach a federal share of 20 percent of the excess cost of educating children with disabilities from 17 percent in FY 2008.

/c The first year's downpayment on doubling funding over the next five years.

/d At a minimum, to meet the level originally authorized in FY 2002.

/e Reflects program costs to reach a maximum grant award of \$5,100 in FY 2009 from \$4,731 in FY 2008 (including mandatory funds).

/f Includes major federal education programs, such as 21st Century Community Learning Centers, Rural Education, English Language Acquisition State Grants, Career and Technical Education State Grants, campus-based student aid programs, and the separately authorized School Improvement Grants program under ESEA Title I.

/g Reflects the authorization for fiscal year 2009.