## The Governor's Budget Proposal for Broward County For Fiscal Year 2016 - 2017

The Governor released his budget proposal for the 2016 - 2017 fiscal year on November 23, 2015. Key financial highlights for Broward schools are as follows:

	This Year	Next Year	Difference
# of Students	267,113	269,151	2,038
(in thousands)			
State	\$992,076	\$994,203	\$2,127
Local	\$896,876	\$938,514	\$41,638
TOTAL	\$1,888,952	\$1,932,717	\$43,765
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Per Pupil	\$7,072	\$7,181	\$109

The Governor's proposal includes increases to both State and Local funds. However, 95% of the increase comes from local taxes. State aid funding is increased by approximately \$2 million; the Required Local Effort and Discretionary Millage are increased by \$42 million. This is a total proposed increase of \$44 million (or \$109 per pupil). This increase includes student growth of 2,038 (approximately \$15 million). Therefore, the net increase is approximately \$29 million. Included in this amount is a \$10 million categorical funding for the 300 Lowest Performing Schools.

Some of the increases are highlighted in the following:

- Base Student Allocation \$22 million
- ESE Guaranteed Allocation \$2 million
- Supplemental Academic Instruction \$1 million

The Legislature will ultimately adopt its budget, and submit it to the Governor for his approval.

