

VIRGINIA GOVERNOR'S PROPOSED 2020-2022 BUDGET



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MORE DIRECT AFTERSCHOOL FUNDS

In his budget release Governor Northam states, "This budget increases the at-risk add-on by 50 percent—a \$140 million investment...This money will help school divisions offer additional support, such as dropout prevention programs, **AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS** and specialized instruction."

\$140 MIL



<https://www.governor.virginia.gov/newsroom/all-releases/2019/december/headline-849987-en.html>

STEM CAREER INVESTMENTS

**\$1
BIL**



AS INVESTMENT IN STEM CONTINUES, AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMING CAN CONTIUNE TO PREPARE YOUTH FOR FUTURE OPPORTUNTIES

Eleven universities are under agreements to boost Computer Science Degrees over the coming years. They will share a projected total of \$961.5 million in state funding over the next two decades, which will be awarded on an annual basis.

www.insidehighered.com/news/2019/11/08/virginia-pledges-1-billion-computer-science-degree-expansion

The budget includes the state share for a public-private partnership, U-Teach, at historically black colleges, Virginia State University and Norfolk State University. The program aims to bolster students of color to become future STEM educators.

<https://www.pilotonline.com/news/education/vp-nw-norfolk-state-northam-budget-20191216-7rfkgvcirjcmfbiixkups5csa-story.html>

EDUCATION SUPPORTS

\$145 MIL for teachers and support staff to receive a 3% pay raise.

\$99.3 MIL to hire more counselors.

\$808.5 MIL over two years to fund re-benchmarking for K-12.

\$95 MIL in new funding for early childhood education.



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COLLEGE AND CAREER

G3 PROGRAM—GET SKILLED, GET A JOB, GIVE BACK

G3 is the Governor's new workforce development plan, which aims to prepare Virginia's future workforce for high-demand jobs by improving access to training and higher education. Eligible post-high school students will have to enroll in one of five key pathways: technology, health care, public safety, early childhood education, and the skilled trades.

The budget includes \$45.4 million to increase funding for need-based financial aid for undergraduates at public colleges and universities and \$4K per student annually at private institutions.

\$72.5 MILLION PER YEAR FOR TUITION, FEES, & TEXTBOOK ASSISTANCE FOR LOW/MODERATE INCOME STUDENTS UNDER G3.

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WHAT HAPPENS NEXT? THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS

The figures in the proposed budget aren't set in stone yet.

After the Governor introduced the proposed biennial budget in December 2019, legislators held a series of public hearings around the state to receive feedback. During the current General Assembly Session (January 9 - March 2, 2020), legislators will amend the proposed budget bill to add, modify, endorse or delete items in the budget. Through the legislative process, eventually, one budget, agreed upon by the House and Senate will go to the Governor for his signature.

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

Stay tuned to VPOST communications for updates. (see our info below).

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