
The method of financing public education in Georgia is governed by State law under the constraint of provisions in the Constitution of the State of Georgia. State aid to schools is determined by the Quality Basic Education (QBE) Act which allocates funds for all specific programs based on full-time equivalent (FTE) counts.

Two times during the school year, as designated by the State Board of Education, the enrollment by instructional program for each student shall be reported to the Georgia Department of Education. This enrollment report shall indicate the student's specific assigned program for each one-sixth of the school day on the designated reporting date.

The student count is used to determine the full-time equivalent (FTE) count. The FTE counts are multiplied by certain program weights established by State Law.

The FTE "program weight" and "base amount" established in the annual appropriations act are then used to determine the total funds needed for a Quality Based Education Program.

This Board and District shall comply with all rules and regulations as set forth by the State in order to receive the full entitlement of State funds for the operation of the schools in this system.

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Cherokee County Board of Education