

**PURPOSE**

This funding provides for the effective and efficient administration of **school jurisdictions**.

**CONDITIONS**

- Revised**
1. Funding for system administration is based on a percentage of the funding a **school jurisdiction** receives from Alberta Learning for:
    - a) the instruction of students in **ECS** to grade 12; and
    - b) student transportation and boarding.
- New**
- Although Plant Operations and Maintenance funding is now the responsibility of Alberta Infrastructure, an estimate of this funding will be used in the calculation of System Administration funding. The estimate of Plant Operations and Maintenance funding will be based on the 2001-2002 allocation plus 3% and adjusted for funded enrolment changes. Final funded enrolment adjustments will be made to this estimate in June 2003.
2. The percentage used in the calculation of system administration funding, is based on a total FTE student count for Grades 1 to 12 not including home education students and adult students. **School jurisdictions:**
    - a) with fewer than 2000 FTE students receive 6 percent;
    - b) with more than 6000 FTE students receive 4 percent; and
    - c) with between 2000 and 6000 FTE students receive between 6 and 4 percent on a sliding scale.
- Revised**
3. The following are not included in the calculation of system administration funding:
    - Technology Integration Funding
    - Regional Consortia Funding
    - Alberta Initiative for School Improvement
    - Student Health Initiative Funding
    - Teacher Salary Enhancement Funding
    - SuperNet Funding
  4. **School jurisdictions** completely funded by Alberta Learning with a mandate to educate resident students or educate students with constitutional rights, are guaranteed a minimum of \$300,000 administration funding. Charter schools are guaranteed a minimum of \$50,000 in administration funding.

**REQUIREMENTS****Revised**

1. A **school jurisdiction** is not required to apply for board governance and system administration funding; Alberta Learning determines a **school jurisdiction's** eligible funding using information on student enrolments; funding that Alberta Learning provides for instruction and student transportation; and an estimate of plant operations and maintenance funding as described in Condition #1.

**CONSIDERATIONS****Revised**

1. System administration funding is calculated as follows:

$$\text{System administration funding} = \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{Instruction} \\ \text{Block} \\ \text{funding} \\ \text{ECS -12} \end{array} + \begin{array}{l} \text{Estimate of plant} \\ \text{operations and} \\ \text{maintenance} \\ \text{funding} \end{array} + \begin{array}{l} \text{Student} \\ \text{transportation} \\ \text{funding} \end{array} \right) \times \begin{array}{l} \text{Percent} \\ \text{based on} \\ \text{enrolment} \end{array}$$

Using this formula, system administration funding for a sample **school jurisdiction** would be calculated as follows:

Instruction block funding (ECS to 12)	\$14,000,000
Plant operations and maintenance funding (estimated)	\$1,700,000
Student transportation funding	\$1,500,000

Calculation:

Percentage = 5.25% (using sliding scale) based on 3500 FTEs

$$\begin{aligned} \text{System administration funding} &= (\$14,000,000 + \$1,700,000 + \$1,500,000) \times .0525 \\ &= \$17,200,000 \times .0525 \\ &= \$903,000 \end{aligned}$$