

Public Feedback from Across Tennessee



A new approach would transition Tennessee to student-based funding.

This approach allocates a base amount of funding per student, with additional funding to support individual student needs. Student-based funding allows the state to fund each student for success.



Input from Tennesseans has shaped the new funding formula. Through emails, townhalls, letters and social media activity, thousands of people across the state have weighed in on what they would want prioritized in a student-based funding formula.



A steering committee and 18 subcommittees reviewed public input and recommended a path forward.

Parents, students, teachers district and school leaders, higher education partners, elected officials, business leaders, education stakeholders and members of the public from across Tennessee all participated in the subcommittee process.



Governor Bill Lee used the committees' insights to formulate a proposal for the General Assembly.

Now Tennessee's elected representatives will consider the proposal, weigh in and make a final decision this legislative session.



Transparency was key from the start. Tennesseans can find **online recordings** of town hall meetings with Commissioner Schwinn as well as subcommittee meetings. Public comments received by the Department of Education are also publicly available.

