

Ohio Deaf and Blind Education Services

General Revenue Fund

GRF 226321 Operations

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
\$13,481,454	\$13,021,341	\$29,483,116	\$31,055,259	\$32,700,258	\$33,454,668
% change	-3.4%	126.4%	5.3%	5.3%	2.3%

Source: General Revenue Fund

Legal Basis: R.C. 3325.01, 3325.011, 3325.02; Section 391.10 of H.B. 96 of the 136th G.A. (originally established by H.B. 59 of the 130th G.A.)

Purpose: This line item provides the main source of operating support for Ohio Deaf and Blind Education Services (ODBES), including staff payroll and fringe benefits, maintenance of the school grounds and facilities, and equipment. H.B. 33 of the 135th G.A. created ODBES to serve as a single state agency to oversee the Ohio School for the Deaf (OSD) and the Ohio State School for the Blind (OSSB), which remain separate schools. Prior to FY 2024, each school received separate appropriations. This line item only supported operating expenses for OSSB while GRF line item 221321, Operations, supported such expenses for OSD.

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

4H80 226602 Blind School State Grants

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
\$150,579	\$83,480	\$65,948	\$209,956	\$350,000	\$350,000
% change	-44.6%	-21.0%	218.4%	66.7%	0.0%

Source: Dedicated Purpose Fund Group: Department of Education and Workforce career-technical education, parent mentor, and broadband connectivity grants, and other grants

Legal Basis: Section 391.10 of H.B. 96 of the 136th G.A. (originally established by Controlling Board on May 29, 1996)

Purpose: This line item is used for OSSB activities such as career-technical education, parent mentoring and support groups, broadband connectivity, and other purposes, depending on the grants received.

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Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

4M00 226400 Deaf School Educational Program Expenses

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
\$0	\$0	\$94,563	\$160,247	\$250,000	\$250,000
% change	N/A	N/A	69.5%	56.0%	0.0%

Source: Dedicated Purpose Fund Group: Donations, fundraising activities, fees charged for camps and workshops, vocational work program sales, athletic event ticket sales, and investment earnings

Legal Basis: R.C. 3325.16; Section 391.10 of H.B. 96 of the 136th G.A. (originally established by H.B. 33 of the 135th G.A.)

Purpose: This line item supports OSD educational programs, after-school activities, and expenses associated with student activities and clubs. Prior to FY 2024, these expenses were supported by Fund 4M00 line item 221601, Education Program Expenses, under a separate budget for OSD.

4M10 226401 Deaf School State Grants

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
\$0	\$0	\$110,775	\$117,200	\$25,000	\$25,000
% change	N/A	N/A	5.8%	-78.7%	0.0%

Source: Dedicated Purpose Fund Group: Department of Education and Workforce career-technical education, parent mentor, and broadband connectivity grants, and other grants

Legal Basis: Section 391.10 of H.B. 96 of the 136th G.A. (originally established by H.B. 33 of the 135th G.A.)

Purpose: This line item is used for OSD activities such as career-technical education, parent mentoring and support groups, broadband connectivity, and other purposes, depending on the grants received. According to ODBES, most of the programming for these activities will consolidated in Fund 4H80 line item 226602, Blind School State Grants, beginning in FY 2026. Prior to FY 2024, these expenses were supported by Fund 4M10 line item 221602, Education Reform Grants, under a separate budget for OSD.

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Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

4M50 226601 Blind School Educational Program Expenses

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
\$264,658	\$172,448	\$262,056	\$285,738	\$330,000	\$340,000
% change	-34.8%	52.0%	9.0%	15.5%	3.0%

Source: Dedicated Purpose Fund Group: Donations; fundraising activities; fees charged for camps, workshops, and summer work and learn cooperative programs; athletic event ticket sales; and investment earnings

Legal Basis: R.C. 3325.17; Section 391.10 of H.B. 96 of the 136th G.A. (originally established by H.B. 152 of the 120th G.A.)

Purpose: This line item supports OSSB educational programs, after-school activities, and expenses associated with student activities and clubs.

5H60 226402 Early Childhood Education

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
\$0	\$0	\$120	\$15,075	\$65,000	\$65,000
% change	N/A	N/A	12,462.5%	331.2%	0.0%

Source: Dedicated Purpose Fund Group: Fees for preschool summer day camps. Formerly, Fund 5H60 also received tuition fees charged for OSD preschool or daycare services for hearing siblings and hearing children of staff, though these services generally have not been available since 2008 due to insufficient teaching staff.

Legal Basis: Section 391.10 of H.B. 96 of the 136th G.A. (originally established by H.B. 33 of the 135th G.A.)

Purpose: This line item is used as a reserve for special projects or emergencies associated with early childhood education services due to minimal ongoing fee revenue collected from preschool summer day camp programs. Revenue to Fund 5H60 generally has been under \$10,000 annually since FY 2017. Beginning in FY 2024, this line item replaces Fund 5H60 line item 221609, Even Start Fees and Gifts, which was appropriated under a separate budget for OSD.

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Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

5NJ0 226622 Employee Food Service Charges

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
\$7,169	\$10,411	\$20,476	\$21,416	\$22,467	\$23,141
% change	45.2%	96.7%	4.6%	4.9%	3.0%

- Source:** Dedicated Purpose Fund Group: Receipts from employees who make purchases from OSD and OSSB food service programs. Prior to FY 2024, Fund 5NJ0 was supported by receipts from OSSB employees only.
- Legal Basis:** R.C. 3325.13; Section 391.10 of H.B. 96 of the 136th G.A. (originally established by H.B. 59 of the 130th G.A.)
- Purpose:** This line item is used to offset a portion of the payroll costs for a kitchen manager position for OSD and OSSB. The line item is used to comply with U.S. Department of Agriculture regulations for the National School Lunch Program that require the schools to separately account for the fees paid by staff for meals. Prior to FY 2024, each school received separate appropriations. This line item supported OSSB's share of the kitchen manager costs while Fund 5NK0 line item 221610, Food Service Program, supported OSD's share.

Federal Fund Group

3100 226626 Blind School Federal Grants

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
\$968,449	\$890,966	\$963,274	\$922,575	\$1,099,000	\$1,099,000
% change	-8.0%	8.1%	-4.2%	19.1%	0.0%

- Source:** Federal Fund Group: FAL 10.553, School Breakfast Program; FAL 10.555, National School Lunch Program; FAL 84.027, Part B Special Education Grants to States; FAL 84.181, Special Education - Grants for Infants and Families; FAL 84.287, 21st Century Community Learning Centers; 84.425C, Education Stabilization Fund - Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund
- Legal Basis:** Section 391.10 of H.B. 96 of the 136th G.A. (originally established by Controlling Board on September 22, 1956)
- Purpose:** This line item is used to spend the proceeds of various federal grants for OSSB. The grants support special education and related services, child nutrition, afterschool programs that offer academic enrichment services, early intervention services for infants and toddlers, and other activities.

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Federal Fund Group

3110 226403 Deaf School Federal Grants

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
\$0	\$0	\$245,408	\$498,639	\$574,000	\$574,000
% change	N/A	N/A	103.2%	15.1%	0.0%

Source: Federal Fund Group: FAL 10.553, School Breakfast Program; FAL 10.555, National School Lunch Program; FAL 84.027, Part B Special Education Grants to States; FAL 84.287, 21st Century Community Learning Centers; FAL 84.425C, Education Stabilization Fund - Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund

Legal Basis: Section 391.10 of H.B. 96 of the 136th G.A. (originally established by H.B. 33 of the 135th G.A.)

Purpose: This line item is used to spend the proceeds of various federal grants for OSD. The grants support special education and related services, child nutrition, afterschool programs that offer academic enrichment services, and other activities. Prior to FY 2024, these expenses were supported by Fund 3110 line item 221625, Federal Grants, under a separate budget for OSD.

3DT0 226621 Ohio Transition Collaborative

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
\$19,549	\$109,103	\$118,390	\$244,699	\$230,000	\$230,000
% change	458.1%	8.5%	106.7%	-6.0%	0.0%

Source: Federal Fund Group: FAL 84.126, Vocational Rehabilitation Grants to States (transferred from the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency)

Legal Basis: Section 391.10 of H.B. 96 of the 136th G.A. (originally established by the Controlling Board on July 27, 2009)

Purpose: This line item mainly supports the payroll and other operating costs of OSSB's Employment, Development, Growth, and Education (EDGE) Program. According to OSSB, the program allows high school seniors to defer graduation for one year to remain at OSSB to receive job readiness training and improve social, communication, and adult living skills, with the goal of achieving greater independence upon completion of the program. OSSB partners with the students' resident school districts and the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency to operate the program.

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Federal Fund Group

3P50 226643 Medicaid Professional Services Reimbursement

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
\$15,841	\$85,438	\$152,010	\$200,443	\$459,500	\$459,500
% change	439.3%	77.9%	31.9%	129.2%	0.0%

Source: Federal Fund Group: FAL 93.778, Medical Assistance Program

Legal Basis: Section 391.10 of H.B. 96 of the 136th G.A. (originally established by Controlling Board on February 9, 1998)

Purpose: This line item supports the personnel and other related costs incurred to provide support services and specialized care for Medicaid-eligible students. Prior to FY 2024, OSD and OSSB received separate appropriations. This line item supported OSSB's costs while Fund 3R00 line item 221684, Medicaid Professional Services Reimbursement, supported OSD's costs.