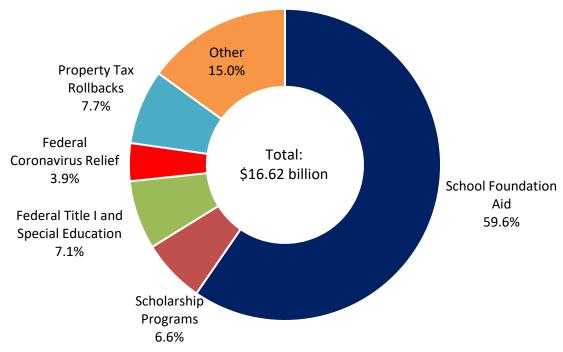
School foundation aid made up over half of DEW's spending in FY 2025





Sources: Ohio Administrative Knowledge System; Department of Education and Workforce

- School foundation aid: \$9.90 billion (59.6%)
 - Largest source of state support for public school operations
 - Funded by the GRF (\$8.38 billion) and lottery and sports gaming profits (\$1.52 billion)
- Scholarship programs: \$1.09 billion (6.6%)
 - Provides state scholarships for students to attend private schools
- Federal Title I and special education: \$1.18 billion (7.1%)
 - Supports students who are disadvantaged or have disabilities
- Federal coronavirus relief: \$652.3 million (3.9%)
- Property tax rollbacks: \$1.28 billion (7.7%)
 - Reimburses school districts for property tax relief under the 10% and 2.5% property tax rollback programs and homestead exemption program
- The GRF accounts for most of DEW's spending
 - GRF: \$11.85 billion (71.3%)
 - Federal: \$2.97 billion (17.9%)
 - Lottery and sports gaming profits: \$1.71 billion (10.3%)
- Nearly all of DEW's budget goes to outside entities
 - Subsidies to schools and other entities: \$16.26 billion (97.9%)
 - Operating expenses: \$184.2 million (1.1%), excluding spending on contracts for (a) state testing, (b) oversight and delivery of federal coronavirus relief funds for private schools and tutoring, and (c) ACE education savings accounts

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