State Foundation Payment Letter
Fiscal Year 2026 April Community/STEM School Payment on April 14, 2026

General Information on State Foundation Payments

Foundation payments to community/STEM schools are calculated once a month. This letter, generated with each foundation payment, provides details about updated payments to these entities including deductions, adjustments and transfers. The scheduled payment dates for FY2026 are below:

July 14, 2025	January 15, 2026
August 13, 2025	February 13, 2026
September 15, 2025	March 13, 2026
October 15, 2025	April 14, 2026
November 14, 2025	May 14, 2026
December 12, 2025	June 12, 2026

Funding reflects the most current data available and includes **ALL** updates authorized by **Am. Sub. HB 96** (the current biennial budget).

Information Relevant to the April Payment

- Enrolled ADM and all categorical data (special education, English learners, CTE and economically disadvantaged students) is based on information compiled as of March 30, 2026.
- Funding base amounts were recalculated for community schools that opened in FY2021 or later in the April payment.
- The April payment included the second payment for dropout recovery E-schools that have elected to participate in the Hybrid Funding Program in FY2026. The Hybrid Funding Program is outlined in ORC 3317.22. These payments are made using JV97.
- FY2026 Transportation ridership data is used for calculation of transportation funding.
- The April payment included the fourth installment of the Quality Community School Support Fund payments for FY2026. The statewide appropriation for this is $115,000,000 for FY2026. Since the April payment exceeded this amount, it was prorated at 80.652153%. Payments for eligible community and STEM schools will be calculated and disbursed monthly for the remainder of the fiscal year. For questions about eligibility, please consult the Office of Community Schools.
- Disadvantaged Per Pupil Impact Aid (DPIA) is calculated using a formula that consists of 75% FY2025 Economically Disadvantaged (ED) Average Daily Membership (ADM) and 25% FY2026 Directly Certified students. Per HB 434, the weighted Economically Disadvantaged ADM cannot exceed the Enrolled ADM for a community school. In the case where the Weighted ED ADM exceeded the enrolled ADM, the Weighted ADM is constrained to the Enrolled ADM amount.
- Facilities funding was paid at $1,000 per FTE for brick-and-mortar community schools and $25 per FTE for e-schools. The total appropriation for facilities funding is $90,155,000. Since the April payment exceeded this amount, it was prorated at 98.04200719%.

Statement of Settlement

The Statement of Settlement shows the amount of funding by component paid monthly from SFPR and non-SFPR sources. Typically, the monthly amounts fluctuate based on data updates that occur during each payment period. On the statement of settlement, funds are generally paid out on a percentage basis or the remaining payments of the year basis.

The adjustments below are applied to the FY2026 April payment. These items are reflected on the statement of settlement with their respective journal voucher codes for proper accounting. This payment includes:

- JV09 College Credit Plus Current Year
- JV21 Community School Rural Transportation Grant
- JV31 FY25 Final #1 Community Schools
- JV32 FY24 Final #1 Community Schools
- JV34 FY25 Final #2 Community Schools
- JV71 Community School FTE Review
- JV93 OSS Sponsorship Fee
- JV96 Quality Community Schools Support
- JV97 Hybrid Funding Payments

Additional Resources

- FY27 Community School Funding Simulator
- A complete list and description of JV codes
- Community Schools Funding Components description
- College Credit Plus Deduction Reports
- Foundation Legacy Payment Reports (2002-2021)
- Foundation Payment Reports
- Monthly payment letters
- Payment Data Calendar
- Statewide Payment Reports in Excel Format

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