

# 2023-2025 STATE BUDGET

## Meeting the Needs of Wisconsin Students, Educators, Schools & Libraries



### Historic Investment in Education

The 2023-25 budget proposal Gov. Tony Evers unveiled on Feb. 15, 2023, makes a historic investment of over \$2.6 billion in K-12 education.

Wisconsin students, educators, and schools will be better supported with additional funding and resources for mental health, nutrition, special education, growing and strengthening the educator workforce, establishing strong foundations of learning, and more.



### Creating Predictable & Sustainable Funding

Wisconsin public schools have received minimal increases in spending authority since the annual per-pupil adjustments were decoupled from inflation nearly 15 years ago. At a time when public schools are experiencing rising costs and increased student needs, Gov. Evers' budget provides the largest per-pupil adjustments in state history: \$350 in 2023-24 and by \$650 in 2024-25. By increasing the low revenue ceiling to \$10,450 per member in FY24 and to \$11,200 in FY25, Gov. Evers' budget supports all Wisconsin students.



### Increasing Categorical Aid to Schools

Gov. Evers' budget invests in our students and fully funds a Per-Pupil Categorical Aid payment to school districts of \$766 in FY24 and of \$811 in FY25, providing additional flexibility to school districts as they navigate challenges created by increased costs and student needs.



### Strengthening Wisconsin's Public Libraries & Lifelong Learning

With Wisconsin public libraries experiencing increased budgeting challenges, Gov. Evers' budget provides \$14 million to support the operations and maintenance of public library services in Wisconsin. The budget also creates a new funding allocation to support public library digital archiving efforts through Recollection Wisconsin and fully funds BadgerLink and Newsline for the Blind databases, furthering state support in resources for lifelong learning.