

Gov. Walker: Visits Sevastopol School District to highlight the historic K-12 investments included in budget proposal

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STURGEON BAY – Governor Scott Walker traveled to Sturgeon Bay today to discuss the historic K-12 and rural school investments included in his biennial budget proposal with Sevastopol School District students, teachers, and staff. The governor’s proposal [lifts K-12 investment to \\$11.5 billion over two years, an all-time high](#) and includes \$649 million in new state aids for all K-12 schools in the state.

“It’s great to be here today in the Sevastopol School District to discuss the positive impact our K-12 budget proposal will have on the community,” Governor Walker said. “I even had the chance to meet with the Sevastopol Destination Imagination Team, which took the initiative to develop Project Outreach, a free school store serving underprivileged kids. These students are working to make their school a better place to learn and their communities a better place to live. They, and their fellow students throughout the state, are the future of Wisconsin. Our budget proposal works to provide them with the best education possible by putting \$11.5 billion into K-12 education.”

The Sevastopol School District is estimated to receive more than \$1.3 million in funding from the state under Governor Walker’s biennial budget, including:

- **An increase of \$341,864 in Per Pupil Aid.** Governor Walker’s budget proposal increases per-pupil funding by \$200 per pupil in Fiscal Year 2018 and \$204 per pupil in Fiscal Year 2019 – the largest increase since the 2005-2007 biennium.
- **An increase of \$128,866 in Sparsity Aid.** Sparsity Aid provides \$300 per pupil of additional funding to small rural districts that have less than 745 pupils and a population density of fewer than 10 pupils per square mile of district attendance. Governor Walker’s budget proposal also creates a \$100 per pupil tier of Sparsity Aid funding for districts with 746-1000 pupils, which provides additional stability for school districts that hover around the 745 buffer.

The Sevastopol School District may also be eligible for further funding under Governor Walker’s budget proposal, such as mental health grants, energy efficiency incentives, and special needs grants.

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