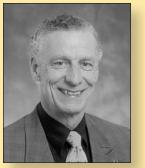
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# TENTATIVE BUDGET 2007-2008

## March 2007

Dear Colleagues:

On behalf of Questar III, the Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties Board of Cooperative Educational Services, it is our pleasure to invite school board members from Rensselaer, Columbia and Greene counties to our Annual Meeting on Wednesday, April 4, 5:45 p.m. This year we have the opportunity to provide students with an outstanding "real-life" experience of preparing and serving dinner in the newly remodeled Franklin Terrace Ballroom located at 126 Campbell Avenue in Troy.

The budget contained in this document is tentative, based on preliminary requests from school districts in late December. Final program and budget projections will depend upon final service requests from component school districts. In past years, the actual budget has been less than the preliminary plan.

Questar III holds an Annual Meeting in April to review its tentative operating plan, in accordance with state law. Once a budget is approved by component board members, Questar III must seek and receive fiscal and program approval from the New York State Education Department in order to provide the services listed in this booklet.

Questar III staff work closely with component school districts, communities and businesses to provide programs that serve the needs of your students, their families and communities. We are proud to offer quality services to support the efforts of school districts to help all students reach their greatest potential.

Sincerely,

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## THE RENSSELAER-COLUMBIA-GREENE COUNTIES BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

is one of 37 Boards of Cooperative Educational Services in New York State. (They incorporate all but 8 of the 704 school districts in the state.)

The Board of Cooperative Educational Services is closely identified with regional coordination of effort, knowledge and resources designed to strengthen New York State's public elementary, secondary and continuing education programs.

The Board of Cooperative Educational Services is the embodiment of shared planning, shared services and shared programs. The basic inspiration for it is the idea that providing for education and its support activities on a regional basis can deliver services more economically, efficiently and equitably than might be the case either in an individual school district or on a statewide scale. Services are an extension of the local school district and should not supplant district services. Each service operated by a Board of Cooperative Educational Services must be shared.

All services and programs (except administration and rent) must be requested, in writing, each year by component school districts. Prior to providing any service, the Board of Cooperative Educational Services must receive the approval of the

## ADMINISTRATION AND RENT (SEE PAGES 9-10)

Each district's share of the central administration budget and rent is based on the proportion that its students represent of all students among the Board of Cooperative Educational Services component districts in Rensselaer, Columbia and Greene counties. The pupil base used is called Resident Weighted Average Daily Attendance, or RWADA. The change in Board of Cooperative Educational Services administration and rent charges for an individual district from one year to the next is, therefore, a function of both the change in the Board of Cooperative Educational Services administration and rent budget, as well as the rate at which its student population is changing as compared to the other component school districts. The number and types of service programs purchased by a component are unrelated to distribution of administrative costs.

Commissioner of Education through the submission of a proposed programmatic and financial operating plan for each service, known formally as a COSER (Cooperative Service Request). Component school districts pay for only those services that they have requested. Every year, each local board has the option to increase, renew or cancel any service. Through this process, Boards of Education of component school districts, who are, in effect, the Board of Cooperative Educational Services' public, control approximately 89 percent of the BOCES budget.

The total Board of Cooperative Educational Services expenditure equals the sum of individual contracts between the school districts plus grants and federal projects. At the end of each school year, the Board of Cooperative Educational Services must return to its local districts any funds that it has collected and not expended in the delivery of services during that school year. It may not carry a fund balance from one year to another.

The Board of Cooperative Educational Services budget is divided into two major categories based on the manner in which charges to local districts are determined:

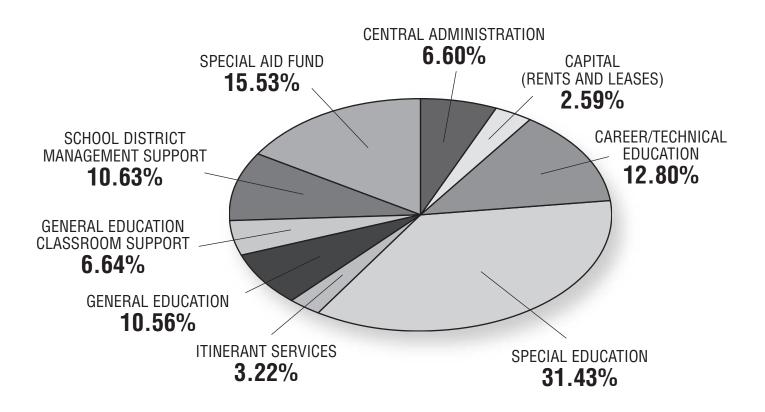
## SERVICES AND PROGRAMS (SEE PAGES 11-17)

Budgets contain the funds to support the programs and services requested by school districts. Billing to those districts requesting programs or services is based on usage. Services make up approximately 91 percent of the total Board of Cooperative Educational Services budget. Programs may vary greatly, not only from BOCES to BOCES, but from year to year, depending upon the requests made by two or more components within a cooperative board's domain.

# **BUDGET SUMMARY 2007-2008**

	2007-2008
Central Administration	\$ 3,688,744
Capital (Rents and Leases)	1,447,500
Career/Technical Education	7,152,366
Special Education	17,564,017
Itinerant Services	1,801,376
General Education	5,901,338
General Education Classroom Support	3,712,914
School District Management Support	5,938,254
Special Aid Fund	8,676,992
Total	\$ 55,883,501

## **BUDGET SUMMARY 2007-2008**



The following is a description of the budget categories as they are presented on the budget pages in this document. These budget classifications are those that are prescribed by the New York State Department of Audit and Control for use by all Boards of Cooperative Educational Services.

## **Instructional Salaries**

This category includes salaries of Board of Cooperative Educational Services personnel who are employed in positions requiring certification by the State Education Department. These individuals are generally members of the New York State Teachers' Retirement System. Salaries of teachers, teacher assistants and administrators would be reported in this category.

## **Non-Instructional Salaries**

This category includes the salaries of Board of Cooperative Educational Services personnel who are employed in positions that do not require certification by the State Education Department. These positions generally are classified under the state and county Civil Service commissions, and these individuals are generally members of the New York State Employees' Retirement System. Salaries of clerks, secretaries, aides and custodians would be reported in this category. Also included in this category are certain positions which require licensing by the State Education Department, but which do not require certification (i.e., physical therapists).

## **Equipment**

This category includes costs for the purchase of equipment and furniture.

## **Supplies and Materials**

This category includes items such as textbooks, periodicals, paper, tests, records, tapes, films, cleaning supplies, small tools, lumber, metal, paint, hardware, uniforms, gasoline, lubricants, tires, automotive parts, etc.

## **Contractual Services**

Contractual and purchased services such as utilities, equipment repair, insurance, legal fees, independent auditors and accountants, other professional and technical services, rental of equipment, advertising, freight, postage and travel expenses are reported in this category.

## Payments to School Districts and Other BOCES

This classification is used to report expenses for services purchased from school districts and other Boards of Cooperative Educational Services, except for facility rentals.

## **Employee Benefits**

The amounts reported in each of the various categories presented represent the Board of Cooperative Educational Services' share of employee benefits. Included in this line are amounts budgeted for New York State retirement systems, social security, workers' compensation insurance, unemployment insurance and health insurance.

## Transfer Charges from Operation and Maintenance of Plant

The amount shown in this budget category for each service program represents the share of the total costs for the operation and maintenance of Board of Cooperative Educational Services facilities that has been prorated to the particular program.

## Transfer Charges from Other Service Programs

Costs reported in this category represent charges to a Board of Cooperative Educational Services service program for the use of other services provided by this Board of Cooperative Educational Services.

## **Transfer Credits from Other Service Programs**

The amounts reported in this category represent credits to a particular program, due to services provided by that program to other service programs in this Board of Cooperative Educational Services.

**NOTE:** Proposed 2007-2008 budget figures are tentative as they are based on preliminary requests from districts. Actual 2007-2008 budgets will be based on services requested by local districts in April 2007 and any additional requests for which they contract during the 2007-2008 school year.

# **CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION**

	Adjusted COSER Budget 2006-2007	Proposed Budget 2007-2008
Administrative Salaries	\$ 223,226	\$ 187,866
Non-Instructional Salaries	825,912	820,861
Equipment	16,100	20,800
Supplies and Materials	56,860	53,980
Contractual Services	496,711	573,990
Payments to School Districts and Other BOCES	5,000	—
Health Insurance	202,947	185,141
N.Y.S. Employees Retirement	176,317	188,983
Social Security	76,657	75,950
Unemployment Insurance	15,423	14,253
Workers' Compensation	9,254	8,552
Post Retirement Benefits	749,400	892,000
Transfer Charges from Operation and Maintenance	155,396	131,254
Transfer Charges from Other Services	455,250	535,114
Total	\$ 3,464,453	\$ 3,688,744

The BOCES Administrative budget supports the management, coordination and leadership provided by the BOCES Board and Central Administration, which includes the District Superintendent and the Office of Business Administration, Payroll/Personnel, Board Clerk, Treasurer, Internal Claims Auditor and clerical support for these functions. Education law requires that post retirement benefits for BOCES retirees be contained within the Administrative budget rather than service budgets. This budget also contains funding to support Questar III activities associated with the new learning standards and the BOCES Certification Office.

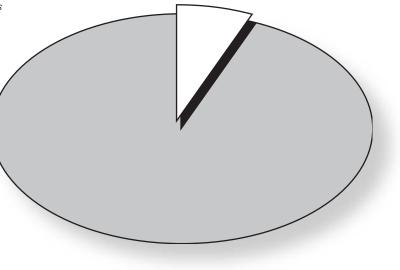
The BOCES Reform Legislation of 1993 requires the presentation of the Central Administration budget as separate from the Capital Budget (rents and leases). The legislation limits the salary of the District Superintendent and mandates the separate reporting of District Superintendent salary and benefits as follows:

### State of New York portion of salary and fringe

District Superintendent Salary \$43,499 Federal Insurance Corporation of America \$8,323

#### BOCES portion of salary and fringe

District Superintendent Salary \$113,620 New York State Teacher Retirement \$15,712 Disability Insurance \$697 Health & Dental Insurance Less Employee Contribution \$15,657 Workers' Compensation Insurance \$1,414 Unemployment Insurance \$2,357 CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION 6.60%



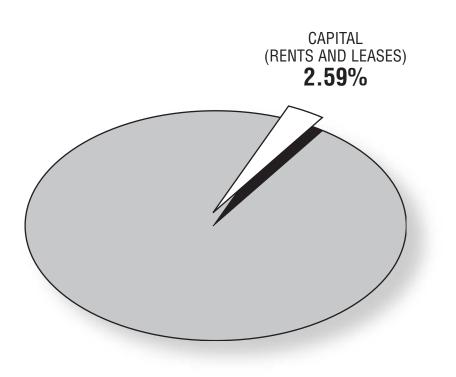
# CAPITAL (RENTS AND LEASES)

To Support Budgeted Shared Services

	Adjusted COSER Budget 2006-2007		Proposed Budge 2007-2001	
Classroom Rentals:				
School Year*	\$	338,671	\$	533,879
Summer Programs*	\$	8,400	\$	8,400
Leases Other Programs* **	\$	992,929	\$	531,630
Capital Fund	\$	275,000	\$	373,591
Total	\$	1,615,000	\$	1,447,500

\* This line represents amounts paid to local school districts for rental of district classrooms to serve the educational programs.

\*\* These rentals are supported by federal, state and county funds.



## **CAREER/TECHNICAL EDUCATION**

	usted COSER et 2006-2007	Prop	osed Budget 2007-2008
Instructional Salaries	\$ 2,906,996	\$	3,097,796
Non-Instructional Salaries	548,653		512,905
Equipment	197,729		228,062
Supplies and Materials	402,549		540,946
Contractual Services	638,537		774,427
Payments to School Districts and Other BOCES	92,920		97,566
Health Insurance	920,059		868,097
N.Y.S. Retirement	345,816		363,461
Social Security	263,919		282,184
Unemployment Insurance	48,333		56,839
Workers' Compensation	31,245		33,723
Transfer Charges from Operation and Maintenance	943,539		1,034,059
Transfer Charges from Other Services	464,441		476,051
Transfer Credits from Other Services	(1,262,925)		(1,213,750)
Total	\$ 6,541,811	\$	7,152,366

Program budgets are constructed based upon the initial projections from school districts and are subject to change based upon final requests.

#### Career/Technical Education Programs

Academy for Information Technology I & II Automotive Technologies I & II Aviation I & II Business Information Systems I & II Chassis Repair CNA - Certified Nurse Assistant Construction Technologies I & II Cosmetology I & II Criminal Justice I & II Culinary Arts I & II Early Childhood Education I & II Heating, Air Conditioning, Refrigeration I & II Licensed Practical Nursing I & II Mechanical Technologies Vehicle Body Welding/Metal Fabrication I Welding/Machine Tool II

#### Center-based Programs for Students withNew Visions Programs

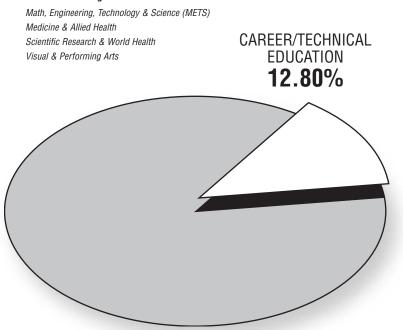
Special Needs Auto Services I & II Building Trades Food and Nutrition Introduction to Employment Natural Hairstyling

#### District-based Programs for Career/Technical Education Students

Work Experience Coordinator

District-based Programs for Special Education Students

Job Coaching Services



# SPECIAL EDUCATION

	Adjusted COSER Budget 2006-2007	Proposed Budget 2007-2008
Instructional Salaries	\$ 6,943,817	\$ 6,812,697
Non-Instructional Salaries	1,245,638	1,372,880
Equipment	80,537	105,171
Supplies and Materials	221,834	241,643
Contractual Services	366,858	441,794
Payments to School Districts and Other BOCES	2,946,540	2,981,425
Health Insurance	2,615,082	2,313,476
N.Y.S. Retirement	808,966	834,127
Social Security	625,708	660,462
Unemployment Insurance	122,639	129,403
Workers' Compensation	73,645	77,639
Transfer Charges from Operation and Maintenance	713,000	771,527
Transfer Charges from Other Services	854,505	821,773
Transfer Credits from Other Services		
Total	\$ 17,618,769	\$ 17,564,017

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#### SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Classroom Programs Academy Learning Program: Challenge Intensive Academy PACE Achieving Individual Milestones (AIM) AIM with Classroom LPN Challenge Program Challenge Program w/Career Studies (CORE) Crossroads Day Treatment Program Individual Learning Programs (ILP) Individual Learning Program with Career Studies (CORE) Pupils Achieving Community Experience (PACE) PACE Intensive PACE with Career Studies (CORE) Therapeutic Youth Program

### **RELATED SERVICES**

Applied Behavioral Analysis Individual LPN Individual Teacher Assistant Music Therapy Occupational Therapy Physical Therapy School Social Worker e Intensive (CORE) eer Studies (CORE) (ce (PACE) Speech and Language Pathologist Teacher of the Blind/Visually Impaired Teacher of the Deaf EVALUATION SERVICES English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Evaluation

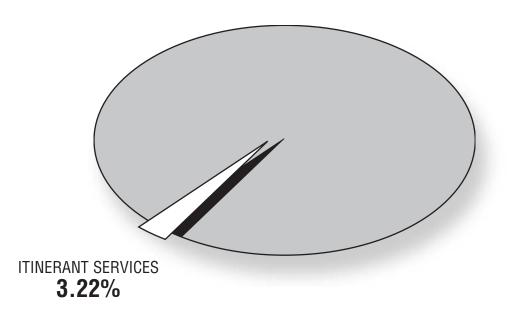
# **ITINERANT SERVICES**

	Adjusted COSER Budget 2006-2007	Proposed Budget 2007-2008
Instructional Salaries	\$ 609,994	\$ 650,856
Non-Instructional Salaries	39,961	20,149
Equipment	—	—
Supplies and Materials	3,529	3,131
Contractual Services	26,217	35,442
Payments to School Districts and Other BOCES	721,105	757,156
Health Insurance	161,430	162,810
N.Y.S. Retirement	64,756	67,103
Social Security	49,574	51,332
Unemployment Insurance	9,722	10,064
Workers' Compensation	5,832	6,039
Transfer Charges from Operation and Maintenance		_
Transfer Charges from Other Services	31,338	37,294
Transfer Credits from Other Services	—	—
Total	\$ 1,723,458	\$ 1,801,376

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### **ITINERANT SERVICES**

Adaptive Physical Education Bilingual Education (ESOL) Communications Coordinator Consultant Teacher Occupational Therapy Orientation & Mobility Physical Education Teacher Physical Therapy School Psychologist School Social Worker Speech and Language Therapist Teacher of the Blind/Visually Impaired Teacher of the Deaf Transition Coordinator

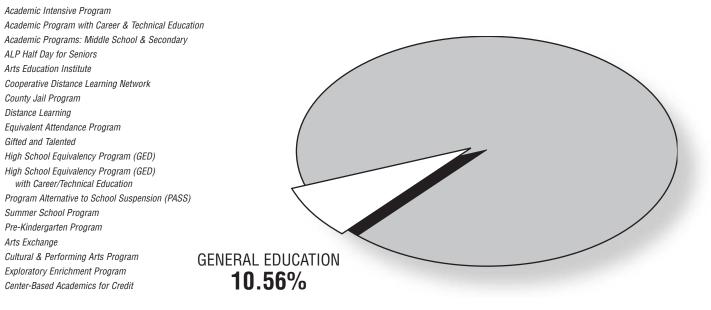


# **GENERAL EDUCATION**

	•	usted COSER et 2006-2007	Prop	osed Budget 2007-2008
Instructional Salaries	\$	1,470,878	\$	2,289,767
Non-Instructional Salaries		284,347		364,454
Equipment		259,922		187,538
Supplies and Materials		150,614		141,082
Contractual Services		790,198		793,401
Payments to School Districts and Other BOCES		15,405		111,977
Health Insurance		530,388		473,509
N.Y.S. Retirement		206,060		267,755
Social Security		158,258		201,761
Unemployment Insurance		31,035		39,143
Workers' Compensation		18,623		23,280
Transfer Charges from Operation and Maintenance		192,921		146,580
Transfer Charges from Other Services		1,046,712		980,527
Transfer Credits from Other Services		(111,550)		(119,436)
Total	\$	5,043,811	\$	5,901,338

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#### **GENERAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES**

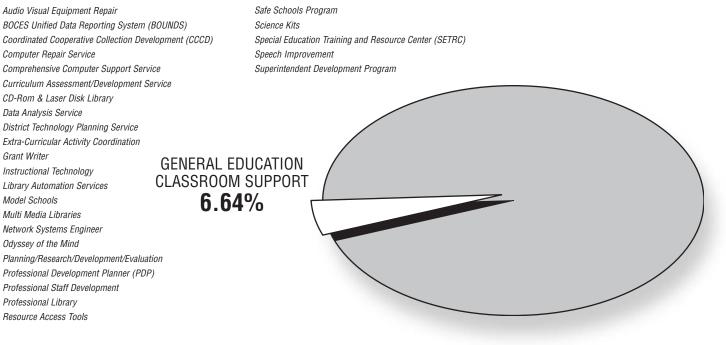


## **GENERAL EDUCATION CLASSROOM SUPPORT**

	-	usted COSER et 2006-2007	Prop	osed Budget 2007-2008
Instructional Salaries	\$	512,712	\$	623,028
Non-Instructional Salaries		247,508		318,692
Equipment		874,200		1,210,000
Supplies and Materials		67,746		54,501
Contractual Services		385,768		342,201
Payments to School Districts and Other BOCES		919,725		955,194
Health Insurance		127,769		185,024
N.Y.S. Retirement		79,846		94,171
Social Security		61,962		72,044
Unemployment Insurance		12,116		16,515
Workers' Compensation		7,240		9,969
Transfer Charges from Operation and Maintenance		98,346		90,950
Transfer Charges from Other Services		49,779		58,189
Transfer Credits from Other Services		(263,586)		(317,564)
Total	\$	3,181,131	\$	3,712,914

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#### **GENERAL EDUCATION CLASSROOM SUPPORT AND SERVICES**

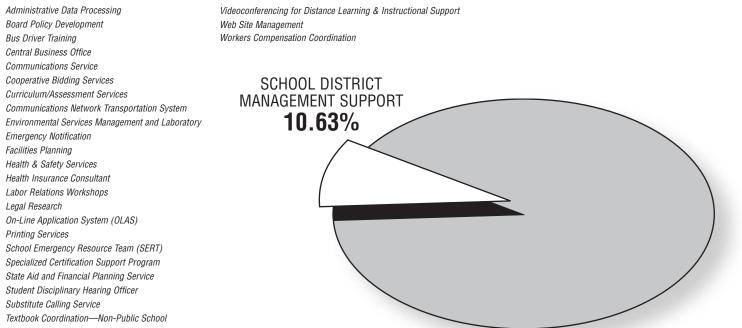


## SCHOOL DISTRICT MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

	Adjusted COSER Budget 2006-2007		Prop	osed Budget 2007-2008
Instructional Salaries	\$	690,131	\$	657,613
Non-Instructional Salaries		680,395		861,143
Equipment		52,675		29,660
Supplies and Materials		281,626		302,845
Contractual Services		597,888		647,311
Payments to School Districts and Other BOCES		2,431,794		2,553,336
Health Insurance		270,714		292,721
N.Y.S. Retirement		130,205		150,719
Social Security		102,369		115,300
Unemployment Insurance		20,132		23,055
Workers' Compensation		12,852		15,553
Transfer Charges from Operation and Maintenance		84,303		123,780
Transfer Charges from Other Services		295,802		363,067
Transfer Credits from Other Services		(177,171)		(197,849)
Total	\$	5,473,715	\$	5,938,254

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#### SCHOOL DISTRICT MANAGEMENT SUPPORT AND SERVICES



## SPECIAL AID FUND

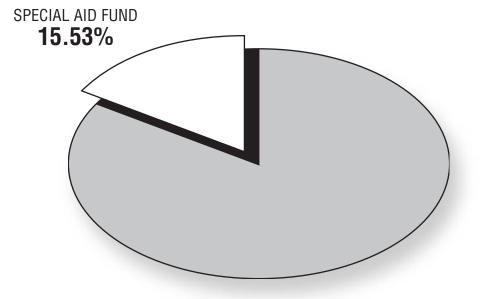
	Adjusted COSER Budget 2006-2007	Proposed Budget 2007-2008
Instructional Salaries	\$ 3,593,824	\$ 3,135,682
Non-Instructional Salaries	1,074,708	1,260,604
Equipment	114,811	79,650
Supplies and Materials	227,665	203,296
Contractual Services	2,516,624	2,251,069
Payments to School Districts and Other BOCES	359,906	64,004
Health Insurance	801,084	774,982
N.Y.S. Retirement	455,538	414,477
Social Security	358,698	337,797
Unemployment Insurance	70,337	66,435
Workers' Compensation	78,022	88,996
Total	\$ 9,651,217	\$ 8,676,992

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#### **SPECIAL AID FUND PROJECTS**

Apprenticeship Training Basic Literacy Bilingual/ESL Staff Academy for Raising Standards (BESARS) Bilingual Technical Assistance Center Career & Technical Education Resource Center Employment Preparation Education Experimental Pre-Kindergarten Program Handicapped Summer School Learn and Serve America Legislative Grants Licensed Practical Nursing No Child Left Behind Occupational Training Program/Welfare Investment Act (WIA) Pre-School Initiative Questar III/Hudson Mohawk Regional School Support Center Reading First Title IB Rensselaer County Out of School Youth Rensselaer County Service Navigator School Library System School Library System Aid for Automation School Support Services Service Intervention to Reduce Suspension & Expulsion (SIRSE) Special Education Training and Resouce Center (SETRC) Teacher Training Center

Vocational Education Services for Individuals with Disabilities (VESID) Vocational Education Act/Vocational and Applied Technical Education Workforce Investment Board/Act



# 2005-2006 ACTUAL SUMMARY

	Central	pital (Rents and Leases)	Services and Special Aid
Instructional Salaries	\$ 237,157		\$ 17,140,642
Non-Instructional Salaries	720,173		4,218,110
Equipment	20,555		1,361,936
Supplies and Materials	32,377		1,221,546
Contractual Services	347,185		5,008,606
Rental of Facilities	_	\$ 1,075,133	276,217
Payments to School Districts and Other BOCES	3,786		6,121,205
Health Insurance	181,254		4,709,018
NYS Retirements	208,832		1,705,659
Social Security	62,312		1,599,427
Unemployment Insurance	14,360		319,943
Workers' Compensation	8,616		211,730
Post Retirement Benefits	741,280		—
Transfer to Capital		\$ 243,390	—
Transfer Charges from Operation and Maintenance	96,184		1,585,569
Transfer Charges from Other Services	355,287		10,053,694
Transfer Credits from Other Services	_		(12,090,734)
Total	\$ 3,029,358	\$ 1,318,523	\$ 43,442,568

# REPORT CARD DATA

## ADULT EDUCATION

A team working with the U.S. DOE and the American Institute for Research has developed a report card rubric for Adult Education Providers. The report card generates a single score which places each agency in one of four quartiles. See chart below.

Program Year 2004-05	Ach agency in one of four quartiles. See chart below. Adult Education					Questar III	
First Quartile	0 – .99		unacceptable				
Second Quartile		1.99		marginal			
Third Quartile		2.99		acceptable		2.1	
Fourth Quartile	3 - 4		exemplary				
CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (Questar III June 200	)5)	Questa Cou			star III entage	Statewide Averages	
All Secondary CTE Programs					·	•	
Total Number Completed		188	3				
Completed and Passed Regents Exams		159	9	84.57%		79.92%	
Completed and had Course Average of 75% or	r higher	160	)	85.	11%	81.64%	
Completed and Attained a HS Diploma or Equiv		177	7	94.	15%	96.24%	
Completed and whose status is Known		167	7				
Completed and were Successfully Place*		152	2	97.	36%	96.28%	
*Attend Post Secondary Educational Institution, Employed or are	in the Military						
ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION (Questar III June 2005)				MS	1/2 day	/ Full Day	
Number of students who returned to a school dis	strict progra	m		8	1	30	
Number of students who remained in the BOCES				0	1	68	
Left the program and did not enter another distric		G (drop	outs)		5	16	
Received high school diplomas		、 ·	,		10	14	
Received high school equivalency diplomas					10	0	
STUDENTS PROVIDED SPECIAL CLASS PROGRAMS	June 200	)5					
Regents Diploma (regular)	3						
Local Diploma	2						
Individualized Education Program Diploma	7						
SPECIAL EDUCATION					Av	erage Cost/	
Class Enrollments			2004-	05		Program	
6:1:1			18		\$	36,233	
6:1:2			160		\$	38,449	
4:1:2*			8		\$	54,789	
8:1:2			120		\$	27,760	
*Placement less restrictive than residential	-	Total	306		Ŧ	,	

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT 2005-2006

BOCES provided training for a minimum of one or more full instructional days in the following areas:

	NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS						
	Districts	Teachers	<b>Principals</b>	<b>Paraprofessionals</b>	Other		
Learning Standards (ELA, MST etc.)	24	510	—	—			
Data Management and Analysis	17	300	70	—	—		
Integrating Technology into							
Curriculum and Instruction	30	793	2	50	47		
Career and Technical Education	1	19	—	—			
Instructional Strategies	31	301	3	—			
Parent Training	5	—	—	—	76		
Special Education Issues	11	233	4	144	75		
Leadership Training	19	23	30	—	6		
Special Education Training							
Resource Center (SETRC)	24	363	145	—	304		
Other	29	612	17	623	206		

# TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

BOCES provides technology services to district and BOCES staff and students.

	Districts	Professionals Teachers Administrators	Students
Distance Learning	8	278	652
Instructional Computing	12	697	—
Computer Repair	4	3,200	—
Library Automation/Software	5	17	9,511
LAN Installation/Support	7	432	8,870
Distributed Process Technicians	4	55	7,605
Guidance Information	12	44	13,300
Administrative Computer Services	23	212	_
Administrative Training	11	60	—



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