

More than 95% of NYS School Districts are projected to receive BOCES Aid in 2025-26

**BOCES Facilities Aid**

1. **Reimbursement for current year approved facility expenses**
2. **Expenses include construction, purchase, or lease**
3. **No min. aid ratio**

**BOCES Services Aid**

1. **Reimbursement for base year service costs less certain deductions**
2. **Not all services are eligible for aid**
3. **Approval for aid from SED**
4. **Min. aid ratio = 36%**

**BOCES Administrative Aid**

1. **Reimbursement for base year admin. costs less certain deductions**
2. **3 options for allocating costs among components**
3. **Min. aid ratio = 36%**

**BOCES Aid**

**General Facts**

* $1,310,650,911 billion of BOCES Aid was be paid out in 2024-25
* Big 5 City School Districts (Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Yonkers, and NYC) are not eligible to be members of BOCES (No BOCES Aid)
* 4 Districts have elected not to be a component of BOCES (No BOCES Aid): Albany, Hoosick Falls, Mamaroneck, and Newburgh

**Types of BOCES Aid**

**Aid Ratios, Claim Process and Aid Payments**

* Two ratios used in BOCES Aid – RWADA Aid Ratio and Millage Ratio
* Maximum BOCES Aid Ratio is 90%
* Aid ratios subject to change yearly
* BOCES submit aid claims on behalf of component districts
* Districts can see expenses and aid on SED Output Reports ([**https://stateaid.nysed.gov**](https://stateaid.nysed.gov))
* Aid is paid directly to the BOCES and then distributed to districts in February, June, and September

**Additional Information**

NY State Education Department 2024-25 State Aid Handbook:

<https://stateaid.nysed.gov/publications/handbooks/handbook_2425.pdf>



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**Examples of BOCES Services Aid**

**2024-25 BOCES AID**

RWADA Aid Ratio:

1. {.51 X 2021 FV/2022-23 RWADA}

 State Average

Millage Ratio:

 1 – {.0008/District Tax Rate\*}



* SED Approval Required for aid
* Some services are not eligible for

BOCES Aid such as expenses for

students with disabilities

* Not every dollar of BOCES service

expense is aidable. There are

deductions subtracted first such

as salaries greater than $30,000,

refunds of prior year expenses and other miscellaneous deductions

* Base-Year Approved service costs are distributed among component districts based on each district’s level of participation.

A district’s Component Aid Report by PSN (annual output report found on SED’s website at [**https://stateaid.nysed.gov**](https://stateaid.nysed.gov)) shows aidable, allowable costs, aid ratio and aid amount.

**Aid = 1 X 2**



* NYS calculates RWADA and Millage

Aid ratios for each district each year.

* These ratios use specific formulas and factors such as a district’s tax levy, property values and RWADA.
* For BOCES Services Aid, the minimum aid ratio is 36% and the maximum is 90%.

**District-Specific BOCES Aid Ratio**

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**Aidable, Allowable Expenses**

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