

**To: Members of the State Board of  
Education and Early Development**

**March 11, 2026**

**From: Dr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner**

**Agenda Item: 11**

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**◆ ISSUE**

The board will be provided an update on the Department of Education & Early Development's (DEED) FY2027 operating and capital budgets.

The board will receive an update on legislation affecting education and the department.

**◆ BACKGROUND**

- Eleilia Preston, Legislative Liaison, will provide an update to the board regarding key education legislation.
- AS 14.07.150 gives the Commissioner of Education & Early Development the responsibility and authority for preparing and executing the budget, subject to the approval of the State Board of Education & Early Development. The development of the education budget is part of the annual executive budget process.
- The FY2027 Governor's Amended budget was released on February 19, 2026
- The total FY2027 operating budget (all fund sources) is \$1,831,828,800 billion and reflects a total decrease of \$11,920,700 million (-0.6%) when compared to the FY2026 Management Plan.
- The agency and program operations portion of the FY2027 operating budget (all fund sources) is \$410,167,900 million and reflects a total increase of \$5,313,500 million (1.3% when compared to the FY2026 Management Plan.
- Dawn Hannasch, Administrative Services Director, will provide key highlights of the Governor's Amended FY2027 department budget to the board.

**◆ OPTIONS**

This is an information update. No action is required.