

Pennsylvania School Funding Campaign

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Special Education Funding

Since its inception, the Pennsylvania School Funding Campaign (PSFC) has supported funding special education programs based upon the adequacy findings of the General Assembly's 2007 Costing-Out Study. In setting our strategy for the 2009 budget, we prioritized obtaining full second-year funding of the basic education formula but noted that we would continue to take advantage of opportunities to advocate for an adequacy-based approach to special education.

PSFC endorses establishment of an adequacy-based state funding formula of special education through legislation to be adopted this spring, with a multi-year phase-in beginning in 2009-10. The Campaign will support this position in its continuing work on school finance reform. As specific legislation is introduced and progresses through the General Assembly, we may need to review and comment on it.

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