



FEDERAL EDUCATION FUNDING HIGHLIGHTS
Fiscal Year 2006 Appropriations

On December 30, 2005, the President signed the FY 2006 Labor, Health and Human Services and Education appropriations bill. Overall, the U.S. Department of Education budget will decrease \$606 million. This marks the first time in a decade that federal funding for education has been cut. Furthermore, programs serving minority, poor and disabled students suffered even larger cuts in funding, including:

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>CUTS¹</u>
No Child Left Behind	-\$793,671,000
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act	-\$20,593,070
Office of Postsecondary Education	-\$165,646,600*

* Does not include student loan programs, which are proposed to be cut by over \$12 billion over the next five years.

NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND FUNDING

No Child Left Behind is separated into various program areas, most of which are further separated into individual programs. Following is a breakdown of seven of the larger program areas and cuts to some of their individual programs.

<u>Education for the Disadvantaged</u>	-\$216,539,000	
Major Program Cuts Include:	Even Start	-\$126,095,000
	Comprehensive School Reform Program	-\$197,424,000

Impact Aid **-\$15,409,000**

Indian Education **-\$1,199,000**

Office of English Language Acquisition **-\$6,758,000**

<u>Office of Innovation and Improvement</u>	-\$156,154,000
Major Program Cuts Include:	Fund for the Improvement of Education -\$245,446,000
	Parental Information and Resource Centers -\$2,286,000
	Star Schools Program -\$5,982,000

¹ Numbers do not reflect prior year's advances.

Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities -\$103,127,000

Major Program Cuts Include:	State Grants	-\$90,881,000
	Physical Education Program	-\$734,000
	Civic Education	-\$294,000

School Improvement Programs -\$311,093,000

Major Program Cuts Include:	Improving Teacher Quality	-\$29,166,000
	Education Technology (EETT)	-\$223,750,000
	Innovative Programs	-\$99,400,000
	Javits Gifted and Talented Programs	-\$1,426,000
	Rural and Low-Income Schools Program	-\$1,706,000

POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION AND STUDENT LOANS
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Office of Postsecondary Education -\$165,646,600

Major Program Cuts Include:	Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education	-\$140,119,000
	Federal TRIO Programs	-\$8,365,000
	Teacher Quality Enhancement	-\$8,442,000

Student Financial Assistance

Direct Student Loan Program	-\$808,543,000
Federal Family Education Loan	-\$5,937,593,000
<i>Pell Grants (Increased)</i>	<i>+\$680,233,000 (115,000 more loans available)</i>

The above numbers reflect major cuts only. The numbers do not necessarily add up since other programs may have been increased. Full details of the FY 2006 appropriation can be found at <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/news.html>

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