## Here's how much Georgia owes Dalton Public Schools

Georgia schools continue to face budget cuts, and the 2021-2022 school year marks the 18th year out of the last 20 of underfunding K-12 education. Below you'll see just how much funding each student is missing out on **this year alone**.



\$167.23

Opportunity Weight

Georgia is one of only eight states that does not provide additional funding in the school funding formula to support students living in poverty. This amount is the money provided to each district if the formula included an Opportunity Weight.

\$162.98

Transportation

State support for transportation has stagnated, even as the number of students grows. If the state paid half of school district transportation costs, as it has in the past, this is the additional money that would be provided.

\$250.15

State Budget Cuts

For 18 of the last 20 years, the state has made specific cuts to the Quality Basic Education (QBE) formula that dictates state funding for each public school.

\$580.36

Funding Lost Per Student This Year

\$4,291,188

Total Funding Lost in 2021-2022 School Year

## That funding could pay for: (4) (4) (4) (5) (6) (6) (6) (7) (8) (8) (9) (15 Buses