Student Support Personnel Aid Executive Summary FY 2024

Student Support Personnel Aid Entitlement is calculated by MDE according to 2024 MN statute 124d.901. The entitlement calculation is below.

Total Entitlement Student Support Personnel Aid	Perc of Aid	\$ 33,562,117.52
District/ Charter Entitlement	63%	\$ 21,282,117.52
Cooperative Entitlement	37%	\$ 12,280,000.00
Unexpended Aid Determined by UFARS Reporting	53%	\$ 17,798,034.90

The summary data below is provided by an analysis of UFARS (Uniform Financial Accounting and Reporting Standards). Audited data is submitted by districts to MDE to identify -- in detail -- their revenues and expenditures for the purpose of financial accountability.

Expenditures identified in the table below reflect data reported by districts, charters and cooperative *member* districts. Data reported by intermediate or cooperative services organizations is *not* used due to the pass-through nature of the funds.

In FY 2024:

- A total of 508 independent, special and charter school districts were eligible for Student Support Personnel Aid. 213, or 42%, report spending no aid. Of those 508:
 - 181 charter school districts were eligible for Student Support Personnel Aid. 95 (52%) report spending no aid.
 - o 327 independent and special school districts were eligible for aid. 118 (36%) report spending no aid.
- 40 intermediate or cooperative services organizations were eligible for aid. 20 (50%) are reported by member districts as spending no aid.

70 percent of the aid expended was used for the direct hiring of staff, 30 percent was used for contracting. Combined, licensed school counselors and licensed school social workers represent almost 50% of Student Support Personnel Aid expenditures (47.97%). See the table below for additional details.

		100%	70%	30%
Total Expenditures	100%	\$ 15,764,082.62	\$ 11,001,436.57	\$ 4,762,646.05
Description	Percent	Total	Direct Hire	Contract
School Nurse	10.44%	\$ 1,645,195.18	\$ 1,391,558.96	\$ 253,636.22
School Social Worker	22.31%	\$ 3,516,754.30	\$ 2,846,619.15	\$ 670,135.15
School Psychologist	3.85%	\$ 607,112.84	\$ 369,099.76	\$ 238,013.08
School Counselor	25.66%	\$ 4,044,500.06	\$ 4,044,500.06	\$ -
Alcohol and Chem Dep Counselor	1.25%	\$ 197,161.65	\$ 197,161.65	\$ -
Salary Adjustments	0.05%	\$ 8,347.63	\$ 8,347.63	\$ -
Services Purchased from Joint Powers	11.55%	\$ 1,821,167.17	\$ -	\$1,821,167.17
Salary purchased from other distrct	9.92%	\$ 1,564,480.19	\$ -	\$1,564,480.19
Benefits/ Benefits purchased from other districts	14.97%	\$ 2,359,363.60	\$ 2,144,149.36	\$ 215,214.24

In FY 2025, one cooperative organization identified as eligible in FY 2024 opted out of Student Support Personnel Aid and two cooperatives opted in, for a total of 41 cooperative organizations. Due to closings and mergers, of the 181 original charter district participants, 177 are eligible to receive Student Support Personnel Aid and 327 independent or special districts are eligible to receive the aid, for a total of 504 districts.

Expenditures for FY 2025 will not be available until January 2026 when UFARS reporting has been finalized.