**FY 2024 Gifted Group B Add-on Funding (**[**Laws 2021, Chapter 404**](https://www.azleg.gov/legtext/55Leg/1R/laws/0404.pdf)**)**01/18/2024

School Finance has calculated initial add-on payments for gifted students in accordance with [Laws 2021, Chapter 404](https://www.azleg.gov/legtext/55Leg/1R/laws/0404.pdf). The additional ADM and funding for each district and charter are published on the School Finance website and amounts will be added as adjustments to the base support level in BSA55 reports. In the future, the gifted add-on weight is planned to be fully implemented in ADE student data and payment systems to appear in the BSA55 report along with other add-on funding, but the timeline is not yet known.

Below is a brief summary of this funding and the FY 2024 payment calculation process:

* [Laws 2021, Chapter 404](https://www.azleg.gov/legtext/55Leg/1R/laws/0404.pdf) created a new Group B add-on weight for students with qualifying gifted needs.
* Arizona Department of Education student data and payment systems will not be updated to incorporate the new weight into the payment calculation process in FY 2024.
* For FY 2022, School Finance identified all students reported with qualifying needs and totaled the regular Average Daily Membership (ADM) generated by these students at schools for which the qualifying needs were reported. The same process will be used in FY 2024.
* The total unweighted gifted ADM for each district was multiplied by the 0.007 gifted add-on weight, base level, TEI, and funding percentages for full-time and part-time Arizona Online Instruction (AOI), where applicable, to determine the amount of the add-on payment for each district and charter.
* The total funding for each district and charter will appear as an adjustment to the base support level in BSA55 reports.
* Initial calculations were based on data collected on 12/15/2023 (Execution ID 42092) and add-on payment amounts will be revised once in the spring and again in the July 2024 to reflect final FY 2024 data after statewide recalculation.
* Related reports/data validation:
  + The gifted ADM and funding calculation for each district and charter is published on the School Finance website.
  + District-level variables used in the payment calculation, such as the base level and TEI, match the amounts in FY 2024 BSA55 reports.
  + Student-level data used to determine the total gifted add-on ADM for each district and charter is available in the GIFT11 and ADM15 reports in AzEDS. The total add-on ADM for each district and charter equals the total regular ADM for students for which qualifying giftedness needs were reported at the districts’ or charters’ schools.
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