

North Carolina State Board of Education  
Bi-Annual Planning and Work Session  
Small Group Presentation on Comprehensive Remedial Plan  
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On January 21, 2020 the WestEd's report, *Sound Basic Education for All: An action Plan for North Carolina*, was used to sign a negotiated agreement in addressing the affirmed decision of the 1997 Supreme Court regarding every child's right to a sound basic education. From this negotiated agreement the first part of an eight year action plan was developed, further delineating goals through 2030. The following information details the primary portions of this action plan. Consequently, the COVID-19 pandemic had a tremendous impact on the State's ability to implement the first phase of the action plan. As a result the report recognized that while all children were significantly impacted, Black, Latino, Native, and low income children bore the brunt of the trauma. As a result, the response by the State sought to mitigate this impact by investing over \$200 million of COVID relief funds for school nutrition, summer learning, extended services for children with disabilities, computer and electronic device purchases, and funding internet connectivity.

**Comprehensive Remedial Plan**

The Comprehensive Remedial Plan is centered on seven action steps with a granular depiction and funding for 2021:

- I. Qualified and Well-Prepared Teacher in Every Classroom: Cost \$237,700,000
- II. Qualified and Well-Prepared Principal in Every School: Cost \$0
- III. A Finance System that Provides Adequate, Equitable, and Efficient Resources: Cost \$144,876,975
- IV. An Assessment and Accountability System that Reliably Assesses Multiple Measures of Student Performance: Cost \$0
- V. An Assistance and Turnaround Function that Provides Necessary Support to Low-Performing Schools and Districts: Cost \$4,375,000
- VI. A System of Early Education that Provides Access to High-Quality Prekindergarten and Other Early Childhood Learning Opportunities: Cost \$35,650,000
- VII. Alignment of High School to Postsecondary and Career Expectations for All Students: Cost \$4,388,635

Total Costs: \$426,990,610 (Amounts do not include additional funding needed, and \$0 indicates no cost for 2021)

**Actions and 2030 Goals**

The seven key areas are guided by specific action steps that will lead North Carolina towards attaining the goals set for 2030. The identified action steps, when undertaken, will allow the State to meet the negotiated mandates of the Comprehensive Remedial Plan. (See Appendix of Joint Report to the Court on Sound Basic Education for All: Fiscal Year 2021 Action Plan for North Carolina)