

Modified Supplemental Amount At-Risk & Dropout Prevention Application for 2025-26

Cedar Falls Board of Education
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every student
EVERY DAY

Application Purpose

Plan to meet all students where they are, work together towards graduation, and teach students the skills they need to be successful in life.

Review how we plan spend our supplemental At-Risk and Dropout Prevention funds.

Serve as many students as possible with the funding sources we have.

Glossary

At-Risk Student: Any identified student needing additional supports who is not meeting or not expected to meet the established goals of the educational program (academic, social-emotional, career and/or vocational).

At-risk students include but are not limited to the following categories:

- homeless youth
- dropouts
- returning dropouts
- potential dropouts.

Glossary

Returning Dropout: Any resident student in grades 7-12 who left school and is now returning.

Potential Dropout: Any resident student who demonstrates poor school adjustment as indicated by two or more of the following:

- High rate of absenteeism, truancy, or frequent tardiness;
- Limited or no extra-curricular participation or lack of identification with school;
- Discipline issues resulting in suspension/exclusion;
- Poor grades including, but not limited to, failing in one or more subjects; or
- Low achievement in reading or math which reflects 2 or more years below grade level.

Proposed Dropout Funding for 2025-26

Mental Health Services

\$149,870

- Contracted services with Black Hawk Grundy Mental Health
- 3.8 FTE of school based therapists
 - 5 Therapists (2 full time, 3 part time)
 - **Students Served in 2023-24 School Year**
 - 190 students
 - 2,954 therapy sessions

Proposed Dropout Funding for 2025-26

Alternative Programs & Intervention Center **\$395,320**

- 2 Teachers
- 1 School Counselor
- 0.5 Coordinator
- Online Curriculum
- **Students Served in 2023-24 School Year**
 - Alternative Program Served: 54
 - Alternative Program Graduated: 26
 - Intervention Center Served: 123

Proposed Dropout Funding cont'd

Academic Supports

\$730,150

- 3 Secondary At-Risk Teachers
- Elementary Reading Teachers (portion of 8 teachers)
- Summer Reading Program
- **Students Served in 2023-24 School Year**
 - Secondary At-Risk Programs: 200 students
 - Elementary Reading Programs: 400 students
 - Elementary Summer Reading: 200 students

Proposed Dropout Funding cont'd

Elementary Skills, Credit Recovery & ECHOES **\$150,244**

- Secondary After School Programs & Facilitators (2)
- Elementary Student Success Coaches (2)

- **Students Served in 2023-24 School Year**
 - Junior High After School Program (ECHOES): 100 students/week
 - High School After School Program: 250 students per year
 - Elementary Coaches: 100 students

Total Dropout Funding

\$1,425,584

Proposed At-Risk Funding for 2025-26

School Resource Officers

\$75,000

- Contracted Service with City of Cedar Falls

Student Support Services

\$98,505

- 0.5 FTE coordinator salary & benefits
- Elementary Student Success Coach (1)
- ECHOES & BOOST support staff & supplies
- Secretary for Educational Support Center (ESC)

Total At-Risk Funding

\$173,505

Budget Summary

Total Budget	\$1,599,089
Less Projected At-Risk Funds for FY21	\$173,505
Less Carryover Funds	\$0
Less 25% from General Fund (as required)	\$356,396
Total Request for 2025-26	\$1,069,188

Modified Allowable Growth Annual Comparison

	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26
Dropout & At-Risk Total Budget	\$1,360,134	\$1,419,517	\$1,452,208	\$1,514,779	\$1,571,526	\$1,599,089
Less General Use Programming	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Less Carryover Funds - Dropout	\$0	\$0	\$46,025	\$0	\$0	\$0
Less Carryover Funds - At-Risk	\$0	\$0	\$48,973	\$0	\$0	\$0
Less Projected At- Risk Funding	\$128,293	\$137,626	\$143,073	\$150,761	\$165,362	\$173,505
Sub-Total	\$1,231,841	\$1,281,891	\$1,214,137	\$1,364,018	\$1,406,164	\$1,425,584
Less 25% funded via General Fund	\$307,960	\$320,473	\$303,534	\$341,005	\$351,541	\$356,396
Mod. Allowable Growth Amount	\$923,881	\$961,418	\$910,603	\$1,023,013	\$1,054,623	\$1,069,188
Tax Rate per \$1000/assessed value	\$0.44271	\$0.46214	\$0.43771	\$0.45414	\$0.46188	\$0.44571