

**2006-07 Safe Schools Appropriation  
Conference Report on House Bill 5001**

The Legislature appropriates Safe Schools funds as a part of the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) in the annual Appropriations Act. FEFP funds go directly to school districts according to a formula based on the number of full-time equivalent students and additional factors that may be specified by proviso. For 2006-07, the Legislature added “suicide prevention programs” to those activities that are authorized for the Safe Schools Appropriation. The law governing how these funds are to be allocated and used for 2006-07 reads as follows *[formatting added]*:

From funds in Specific Appropriation 91, \$75,350,000 is provided for Safe Schools activities and shall be allocated as follows:

\$50,000 shall be distributed to each district, and the remaining balance shall be allocated as follows:

- two-thirds based on the latest official Florida Crime Index provided by the Department of Law Enforcement and
- one-third based on each district's share of the state's total unweighted student enrollment.

Safe Schools activities include:

1. after school programs for middle school students;
2. other improvements to enhance the learning environment, including implementation of conflict resolution strategies;
3. alternative school programs for adjudicated youth;
4. suicide prevention programs; and
5. other improvements to make the school a safe place to learn.

Each district shall determine, based on a review of its existing programs and priorities, how much of its total allocation to use for each authorized Safe Schools activity.

-----Proviso Language, Specific Appropriation 91, pages 23-24,  
Chapter 2006-25, Laws of Florida  
[http://election.dos.state.fl.us/laws/06laws/ch\\_2006-025.pdf](http://election.dos.state.fl.us/laws/06laws/ch_2006-025.pdf)