

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
2008-09 Education Appropriations Funded by the
Educational Enhancement (Lottery) Trust Fund (EETF)

Relevant Authority

Article X, Section 15, Constitution of the State of Florida – Section 15 amended on November 4, 1986, authorizing state operated lottery.

Section 24.102, Florida Statutes (F.S.) – Implements constitutional amendment.

Section 24.121, F.S. – Governs allocation of revenues and expenditures of lottery funds.

Section 551.106, F.S. – Establishes a tax rate on slot machine revenues of 50 percent. These revenues are deposited in the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund (EETF).

Section 1010.70, F.S. (amended by Section 3, Chapter 2005-84, Laws of Florida (L.O.F.)) – Establishes that each fiscal year variable percentages of the gross revenue from lottery sales and other lottery revenue shall be deposited in the EETF.

Chapter 2006-52, L.O.F. – Provides that sales and use tax dealers who are entitled to a collection allowance as compensation for keeping prescribed records, filing timely returns, conducting proper accounting, and remitting taxes on time may elect to donate their collection allowance to the EETF.

Chapter 97-77, L.O.F. – Establishes the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program.

2008-09 Appropriations

2008-09 initial appropriations were affected by budget reductions made by the Legislature on January 14, 2009, the Governor's veto on January 27, 2009, and by the Legislative Budget Commission on September 10, 2008, and June 17, 2009. The following amounts are final adjusted appropriations:

Total EETF appropriations - \$1.477 billion

Public Schools - \$659.2 million (Note: Based on an average daily operating cost of \$94.4 million, annual lottery funds available to public schools would operate the public schools for fewer than four days.)

Community Colleges - \$124.8 million

Universities - \$219.4 million

Student Financial Aid - \$474.1 million

Programs Funded in part or whole by EETF (Lottery). Amounts cited are EETF funds only.

Public School System Programs:

Classrooms First and 1997 School Capital Outlay Bond Programs - \$166,934,217
Class Size Reduction Lottery Capital Outlay Program - \$155,000,000
Class Size Reduction - \$114,354,421
District Lottery and School Recognition - \$212,710,203
Excellent Teaching - \$3,000,000
Workforce Development - \$7,167,471

Community College Programs:

Community College Lottery Funds - \$124,770,300

University Programs:

Educational and General Activities - \$195,717,966
Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences - \$11,365,268
University of South Florida Medical Center - \$4,241,041
University of Florida Health Center - \$7,026,684
Florida State University Medical School - \$1,022,947

Student Financial Aid Programs:

Florida's Bright Futures Scholarship Program - \$435,275,538
First Generation in College Matching Grant Program - \$7,997,650
Other Student Financial Aid - \$30,869,664