

Thank you for your continued support of the health, safety & success of our 4201 School students

The 4201 School's FY 2022-2023 State Budget Request Includes:

Continue State Support and Resources

Our 10 member schools serving blind, deaf, and severely physically disabled students across New York State, requests that the State Legislature approve sustained financial support that is included in the Executive Budget.

The 4201 Schools Association requests an increase commensurate with Foundation Aid and other special education sector schools, approximately \$5.8 million.

Invest in our Workforce

Salaries for the specially qualified staff at our 10 member schools consistently lag behind those in public schools.

The 4201 Schools Association requests a new initiative to increase salaries for our teachers and professional staff.

We request \$30 million over three years to incrementally increase salaries to better align with public school districts.

Establishment of Fiscal Reserve Funds

The Association requests Fiscal Reserve Funds be established to allow our 10 member schools to prepare for variances or contingencies for:

- Emergencies,
- Planning, or
- Adapting to student needs throughout the school year.

The recent pandemic has highlighted the need to give school leaders tools to adapt flexibly, quickly and in the best interests of their students while maintaining fiscal stewardship of their operations.

Reliable Transportation

Transportation for our students must be consistent and reliable, specifically for our schools in the greater NYC area. Schools have been informed two years in a row that they would not be provided bus transportation on the start of their calendar year, which is provided to the DOE months in advance. We ask for the Legislature's help again, to ensure this does not happen for a third year in a row.



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