



September 28, 2018

Re: 2019-20 Act 1 Index and Budget-Related Timelines

Dear Superintendent:

I am writing to inform you that the Pennsylvania Department of Education's (PDE) website has been updated with important information pertaining to Special Session Act 1 of 2006 (53 PS 6926).

PDE has calculated the base index for the 2019-20 fiscal year as 2.3 percent.

As defined in Section 302 of Act 1, for school districts with a market value/personal income aid ratio greater than 0.4000, an adjusted index has been calculated and posted on PDE's website at [www.education.pa.gov](http://www.education.pa.gov). From the top menu, select Policy and Funding then Property Taxes.

In addition, a timeline of events relating to the 2019-20 budget process has been created and is also available on PDE's website. This document lists important dates and required events occurring between September 2018 and December 2019.

By the end of October 2018, the Consolidated Financial Reporting System (CFRS) will be opened for reporting of either the 2019-20 Preliminary General Fund Budget or Resolution Not to Exceed Index. A separate notification e-mail will be sent following the opening of CFRS.

Questions should be directed to Jonathan Hollenbach or Valecia Pierce at either [ra-PropertyTax@pa.gov](mailto:ra-PropertyTax@pa.gov) or 717.787.5423, option 5.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Benjamin T. Hanft". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "B" and a stylized "H".

Benjamin T. Hanft, Chief  
Division of Subsidy Data and Administration

cc: Valecia Pierce, PDE  
Jonathan Hollenbach, PDE