

FUNDING FORMULA FOR LOUISIANA'S PUBLIC POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS

AUTHORITY:

The funding formula for Louisiana's public post secondary institutions has been adopted by the Board of Regents in accordance with **Article VIII, Section 5(D)(4) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974**, which mandates the Board of Regents "...to formulate and make timely revision of a master plan for higher education. At a minimum, the plan shall include a formula for the equitable distribution of funds to the institutions of higher education."

INTRODUCTION:

The Board of Regents established the Task Force on Formula Funding for Public Universities and Community Colleges to provide guidance in the development of a funding plan for Louisiana's public institutions. The Task Force supported an operational funding plan consisting of three major components:

I. CORE FUNDING

A new funding formula which provides the basic operational needs for community colleges and four-year institutions with separate funding formulas/plans for the Louisiana Technical College, health science centers, veterinary medicine, law, agriculture research, and extension services.

II. QUALITY/CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS AND STATE PRIORITIES

Strategic investments for programs including workforce and economic development.

III. PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE INITIATIVES

Performance incentive funding is designed to reward institutions for high performance and to provide incentives for institutional improvement.