



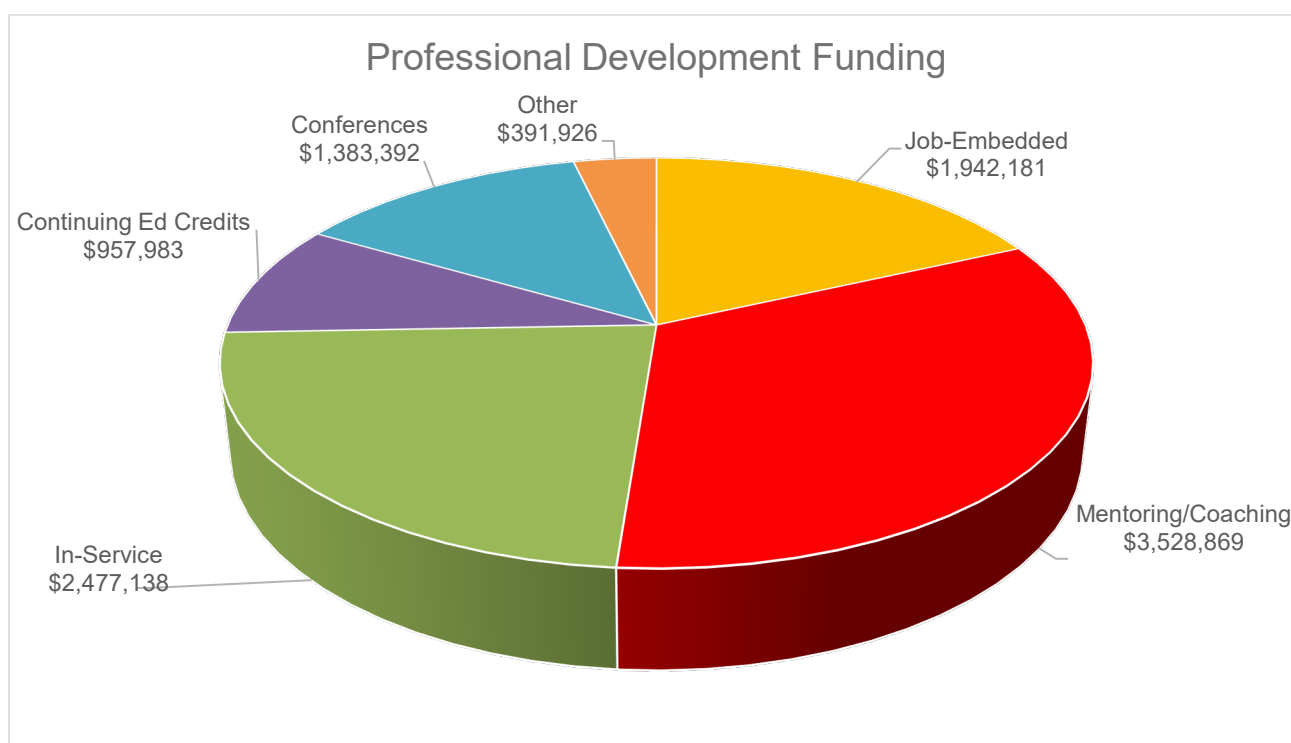
Idaho State Department of Education

Reports

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDING – FLOW-THROUGH (\$10,850,000)

LEA Professional Development Reporting

Information collected from LEAs regarding professional development expenditures, based on the distribution outlined in HO385, is represented in the following chart.

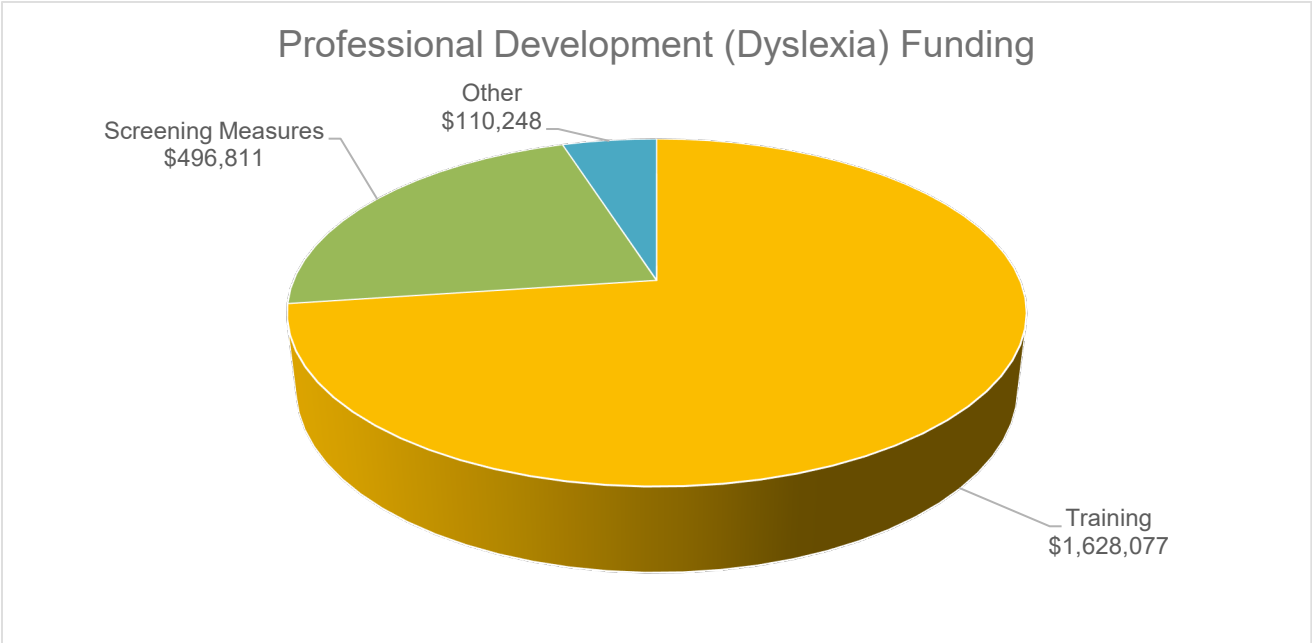


Effectiveness and impact measures are at the discretion of each district. As was noted last year, reporting suggests similar areas including an increase in positive school climate and culture, student growth on assessments, rise in teacher satisfaction on surveys, and increase in teachers meeting their goals as represented through evaluations.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (DYSLEXIA) FUNDING – FLOW-THROUGH (\$2,900,000)

LEA Professional Development (Dyslexia) Expenditures

In FY24 flow-through funding for Dyslexia support and training increased from \$1,500,000 to \$2,900,000. Based on reporting from individual LEAs, the majority of the allocated money (\$1,628,077) was used to provide training to educators. LEA spending in the category of Screening Measures tripled from last years reporting. The category of Other (\$110,248) remained unchanged, and it was most frequently reported the resources of materials were the purchased and provided.



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROVIDED BY THE SDE (\$4,500,000)

Professional development funds support resources in the State Department of Education in the superintendent's central services budget. Funds distributed to districts and charter schools are to be used to support professional development activities for educators and staff to improve student learning and can be used for educator mentoring and collaboration.

IDAHO SMART PROGRAM, DYSLEXIA SUPPORT, AND LITERACY SUMMITS (\$1,644,383)

Idaho Striving to Meet Achievement in Reading Together (SMART) is a multi-year cohort program to train K-3 educators to provide instruction and intervention rooted in the science of reading. Through SMART, the State Department of Education has full-time coaches in all six educational regions supporting educators. Participants in the program receive facilitated learning utilizing Dr. Louisa Moats' *Speech to Print* text, guided implementation of evidence-based practices, materials to use in the classroom, and coaching to sustain changes in their delivery of instruction and intervention.

At the close of the 2023-2024 school year more than 800 educators had taken part in at least one year of the two-year program. The monies allocated to this program, \$1,529,873, fund 16 coaches, provide materials for all participants, and allow for regional in-person training multiple times throughout the year. Year-over-year, the program continues to grow across the state. Also of note, the practices taught, in alignment with the science of reading, are the same evidence-based strategies that are essential for supporting students with characteristics of Dyslexia.

In the Spring, the SDE hosted four Literacy Summits throughout the state. Registration was open to all Idaho teachers and reached over 300 participants. The day-long training included high quality resources, instruction from a leading literacy expert, and on-going support through a book study.

SCIENCE SUPPORT AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (\$618,132)

Idaho Science Coaches and Professional Development (\$528,240)

The Idaho Science Coaches are experienced science teachers contracted by the SDE to provide customized professional development services as requested by districts, schools, and teachers. Coaches provide professional development in a variety of forms to meet the needs of teachers throughout the state. During the 2022-2023 school year, eight coaches worked throughout all

six educational regions in Idaho. They provided embedded coaching in the classroom and customized support. The Idaho Science Coaches also create and distribute a monthly newsletter, sharing announcements and links to resources, reaching more than 5000 people per month.

Course offerings include:

- Nine-week online courses, supporting teachers in implementing the standards in their own classrooms;
- Four-week courses on integrating Science and English Language Arts in K-5;
- Six-week courses focused on using phenomena to shape instruction;
- and a six-week course on how administrators and instructional coaches can support science.

Throughout the year, districts and schools shared a need for help aligning curriculum to Idaho Content Standards, supporting new teachers and those on alternate certificates, and identifying or creating resources that meet the needs of Idaho learners. Through this feedback, the SDE will be creating specific opportunities to support these areas of need in the coming year.

[Think Make Create \(TMC\) Trailers Partnership \(\\$50,400\)](#)

The SDE partners with Think Make Create Trailers to promote science opportunities both inside and outside of the classroom. Funds from the SDE provide supplies for a portion of the 25 trailers. Additionally, SDE funds support training for educators to integrate the Idaho Science Content Standards with the TMC curriculum.

[Bring Idaho Alive Partnership with the Museum of Idaho \(\\$39,492\)](#)

SDE contracts with the Museum of Idaho to provide a class based on Idaho geology, weather, animals, archaeology, and plants. Educators are provided with free kits for use in their classroom and trained to use the materials effectively. Participants also have the opportunity to learn from Idaho experts in each of the fields of study.

MATHEMATICS (\$603,568)

Additional Regional Math Center Support (\$530,779)

The SDE support of mathematics throughout the state through the four Regional Math Centers (RMCs) exceeds the allocation provided through the Math Initiative. Professional Development funding is utilized increase the support available to Idaho schools. (See the Math Initiative Report for a comprehensive summary of the work completed during FY24.)

SDE Mathematics Support (\$72,789)

The SDE provides direct support, training materials, and professional development opportunities and partners with organizations to offer high quality PD to Idaho teachers.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITIES (\$540,047)

SDE implemented support for the establishment and implementation of best practices of Professional Learning Communities (PLCs). Participants receive monthly in-person coaching with an SDE PLC coach, funding to attend high-quality professional development, an implementation toolkit of resources and materials, and engagement in a network of cohort participants. Schools seeking support exceeded the funding allocated to this project in FY24.

GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION, ARTS AND HUMANITIES, PE AND HEALTH (\$193,331)

Gifted and Talented Education

(Please note, funding for Gifted and Talented education was previously held back and not restored. There is currently no flowthrough money to support the required assessment and identification of students or implementation of programming for identified students.) Professional development funds are used to provide four part time facilitators throughout the state as well as several professional development opportunities throughout the year.

Arts, Humanities, World Language, PE, and Health Professional Development

The SDE supports partnerships with multiple organizations and associations to co-sponsor opportunities for education PD and networking.

ADDITIONAL SDE SUPPORT ACTIVITIES (\$481,596)

In support of all Idaho educators, it is necessary to provide support and opportunities in a variety of contents, grade bands, and areas. These additional funds allow for the following:

- PD opportunities for Social Studies and Secondary ELA;
- In-person Content Standards review with representation from each educational region;
- Essential Standards creation and support;
- PD support materials in Math, Science, and ELA;
- regional facilitators for Informational Technology;
- supplies for instructional technology training;
- training and supplies for mentoring;
- standards booklets (upon request);
- and training for coordinators.

SUMMARY

Program or Project	Total
Idaho SMART Program, Dyslexia Support, and Literacy Summits	\$1,655,383
Science Support and Professional Development	\$618,132
Mathematics	\$603,568
Professional Learning Communities	\$540,047
Gifted and Talented, Arts, Humanities, PE, and Health PD	\$193,331
Additional SDE Support Activities	\$481,596
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