



New Report Questions State Funding Formula for CARES Act School District Relief

The progressive Pennsylvania Budget and Policy Center report underscores criticism of school district funding inequities

- **PBPC reviewed \$174 million of CARES Act funding allocated by the state to PA's 500 school districts.**
- **Each district received a fixed amount with additional money given based on daily attendance.**
- **The Basic Education Funding (BEF) formula, which takes into account factors like poverty, was not used.**
- **The study found the poorest quartile of districts received \$36 million compared to \$90 million they would have received using the BEF.**



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