

Board Policy

Revenues

Since a BOCES has no taxing authority, it receives its financial support almost entirely from the districts to which it provides services but also receives funds from special, State, and Federal funds.

Support from Local Districts

When a local district subscribes to an Eastern Suffolk BOCES service, it agrees to pay a tuition or service fee based on the estimated cost of providing the service. At the end of the year, the exact cost is determined -- if the cost exceeds estimated expenditures, the district receives a refund; if the cost was underestimated, the participating district is billed for additional charges.

In addition, each district is required by law to make payments to support general administrative services, rental of facilities, and debt service. These are apportioned among local districts in accordance with a formula and procedures established by law.

Support from the State/Federal Governments

The District Superintendent, Chief Operating Officer, or designee shall seek State and Federal aid and/or other funds to the greatest extent possible in financing ESBOCES programs, provided such funds are not to be used for partisan political purposes such as lobbying activities, the production of publications, or the production of any other materials intended for influencing legislation. Aid applications shall be reported to the Board at regularly scheduled Board meetings.

References:

- [NYS Education Law §1950\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- Compliance Supplement for Single Audit of State and Local Governments (revised September 1990) supplementing OMB Circular A-128
- [Board Policy 4440 - Accountability for ESBOCES Funds](#)