

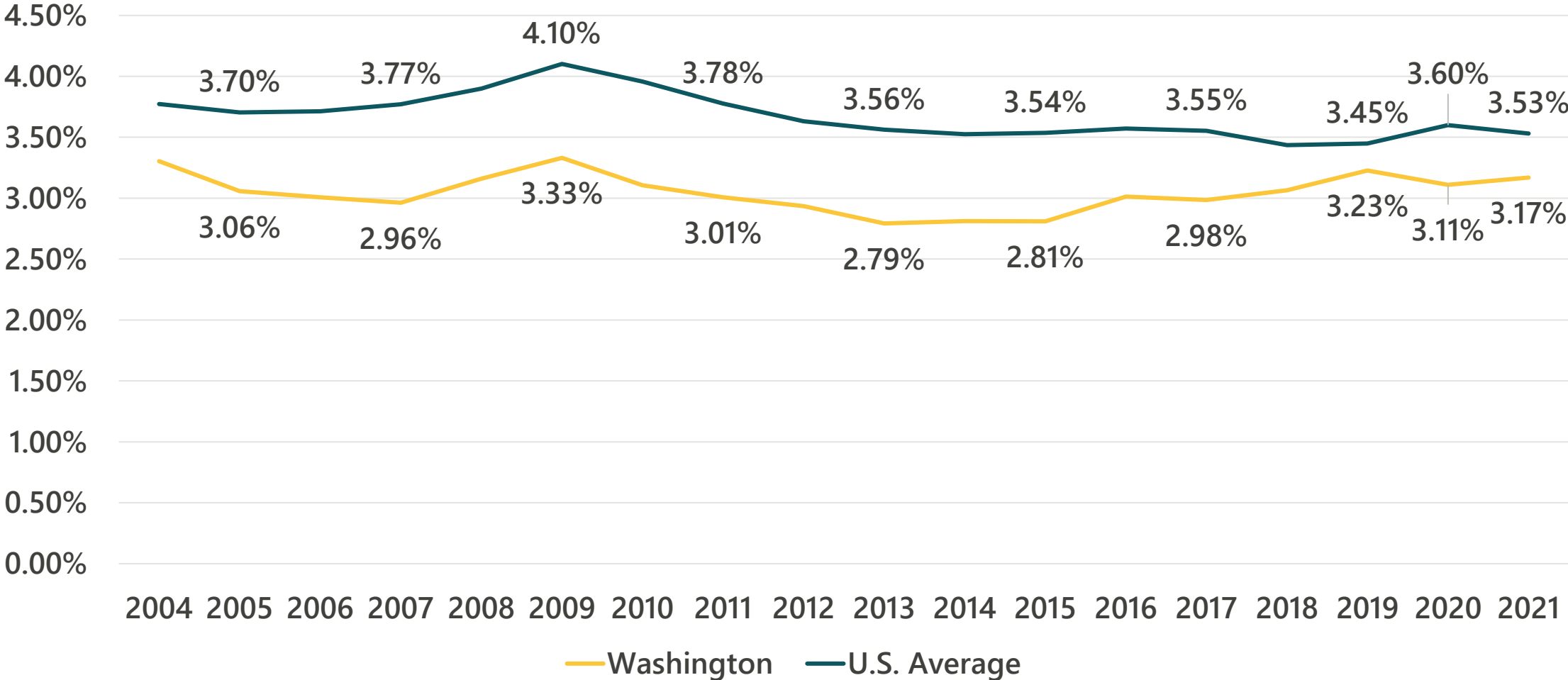
State Superintendent Chris Reykdal Press Conference



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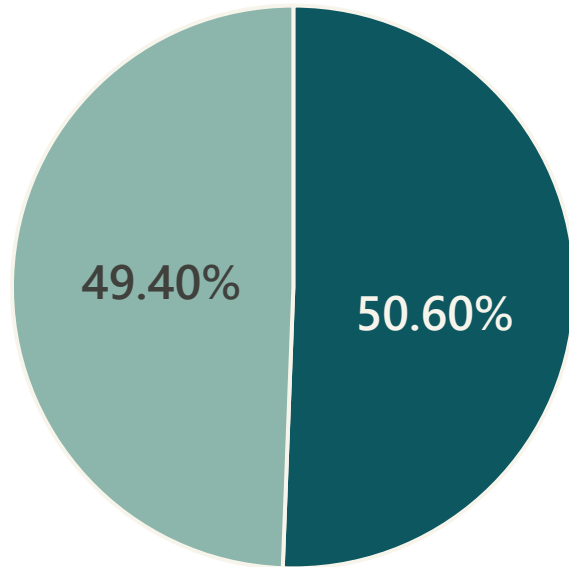
Investment in K–12 Education as a Percentage of Gross State Product



Source: School Finance Indicators Database

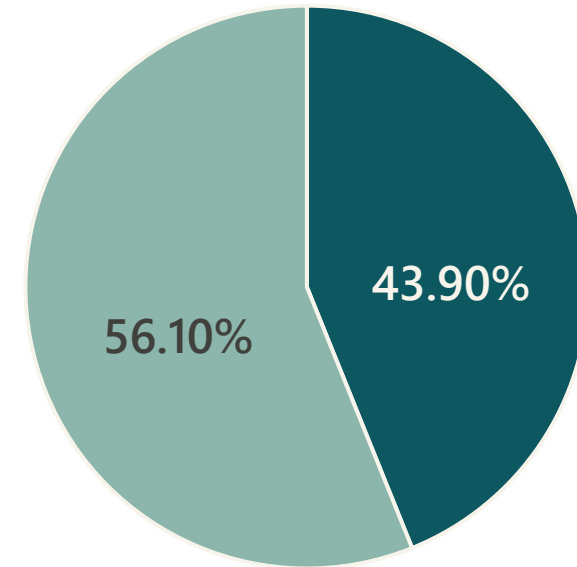
State Operating Budget Investments: 2019 and 2025

2017-19 Biennium




■ Public Schools ■ Other State Investments

2023-25 Biennium



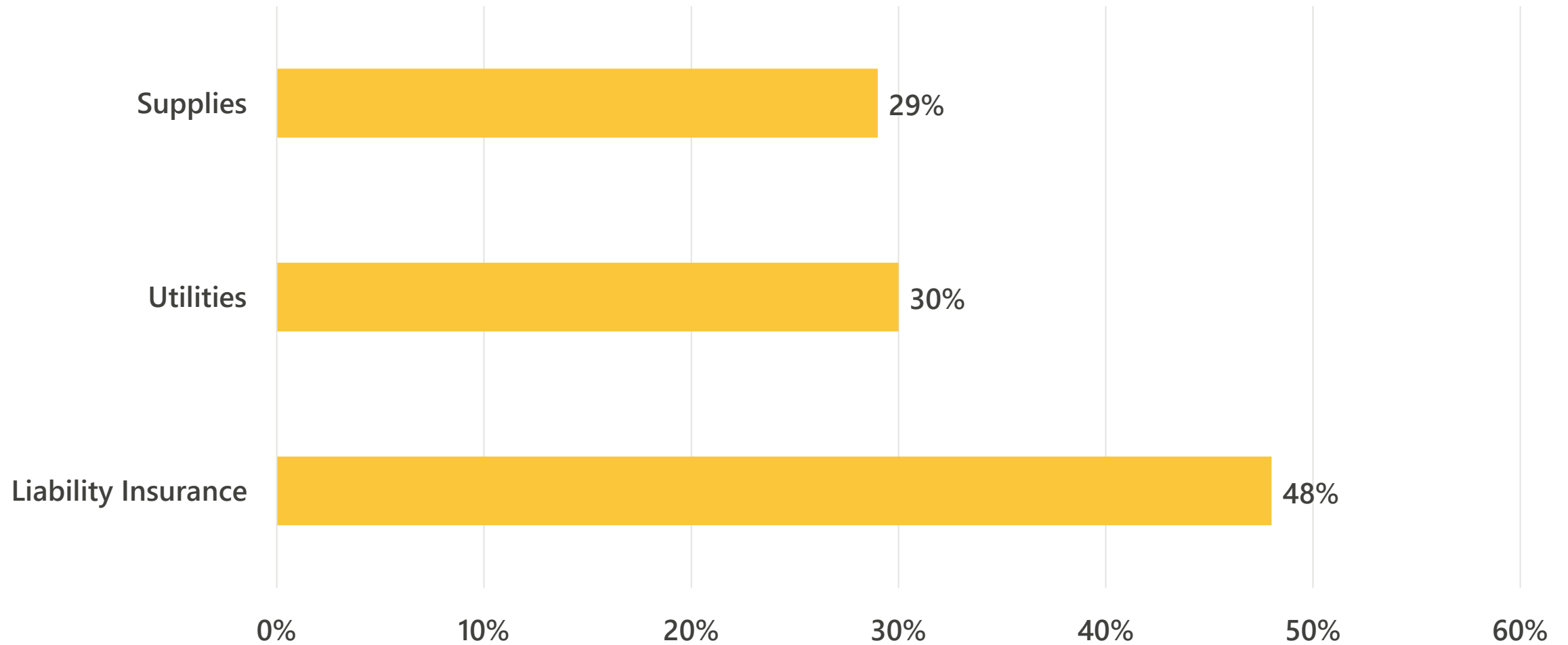
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A young girl with a backpack and a woman smiling at each other in front of a school bus. The girl is on the left, wearing a green backpack and a light-colored top. The woman is on the right, wearing glasses and a light-colored top. They are both looking at each other and smiling. The background is a yellow school bus with a sign that says "STEP" and "ARCHE".

Constitutionally Required Basic Education

- Special Education
- Student Transportation
- Maintenance, Supplies, and Operating Costs

Increase in School District Spending from 2019–20 to 2022–23





Transforming Student Learning & Well-Being

- Student Mental & Behavioral Health
- Targeted Support for High Poverty Schools
- Retaining our Talented Educator Workforce
- Removing Barriers to Learning
- School District Financial Health



Targeted Community Investments

- Graduation & Academic Supports
- Student Mental & Behavioral Health
- Postsecondary Pathways & Career Goals

6.69 percentage point increase
in 9th graders on-track for
graduation

63% college enrollment rate
for students identified as low-
income

92% of Imagination Library
families reporting kindergarten
readiness

25,000 youth participating in
group mental health activities
last year



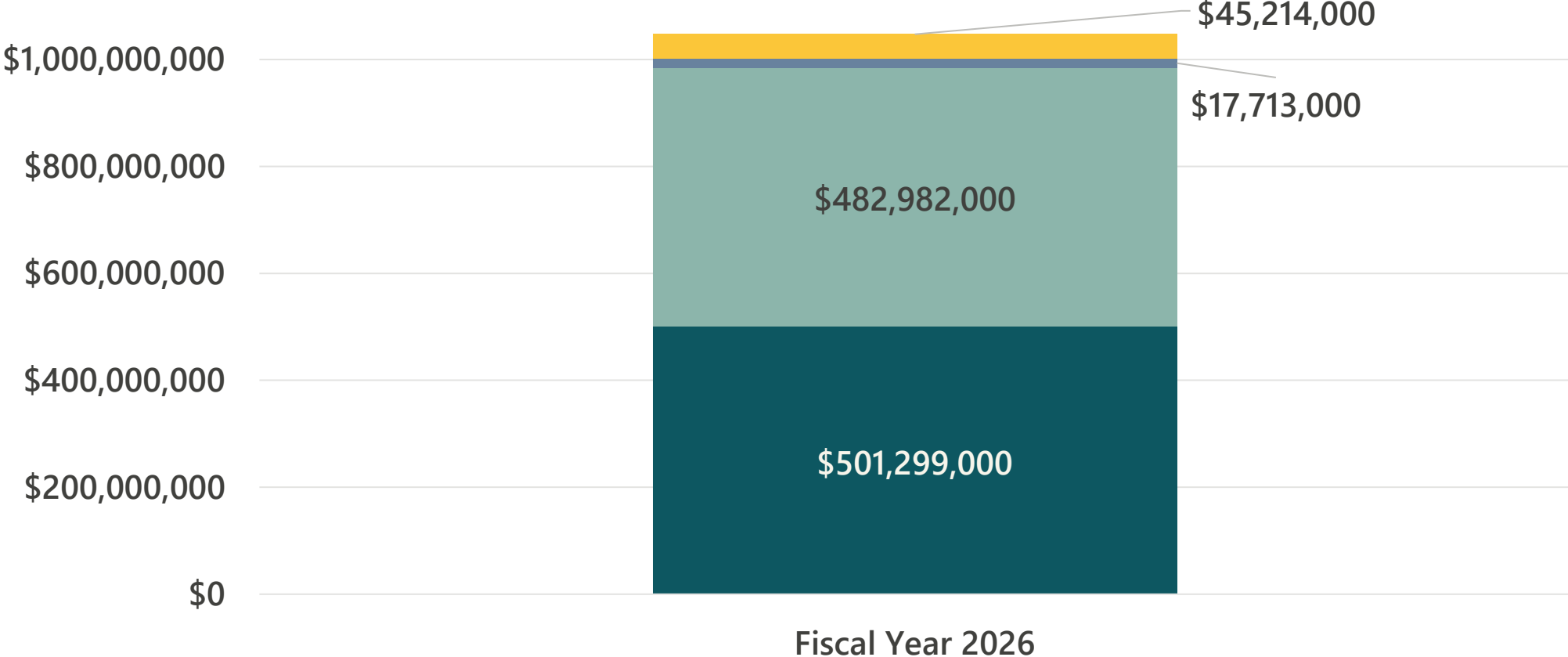
1,800 educators trained on the
Holocaust and genocide
awareness last year

625,000 IT exams and
credentials to students and
educators to date

70,000 students participating in
outdoor learning last year

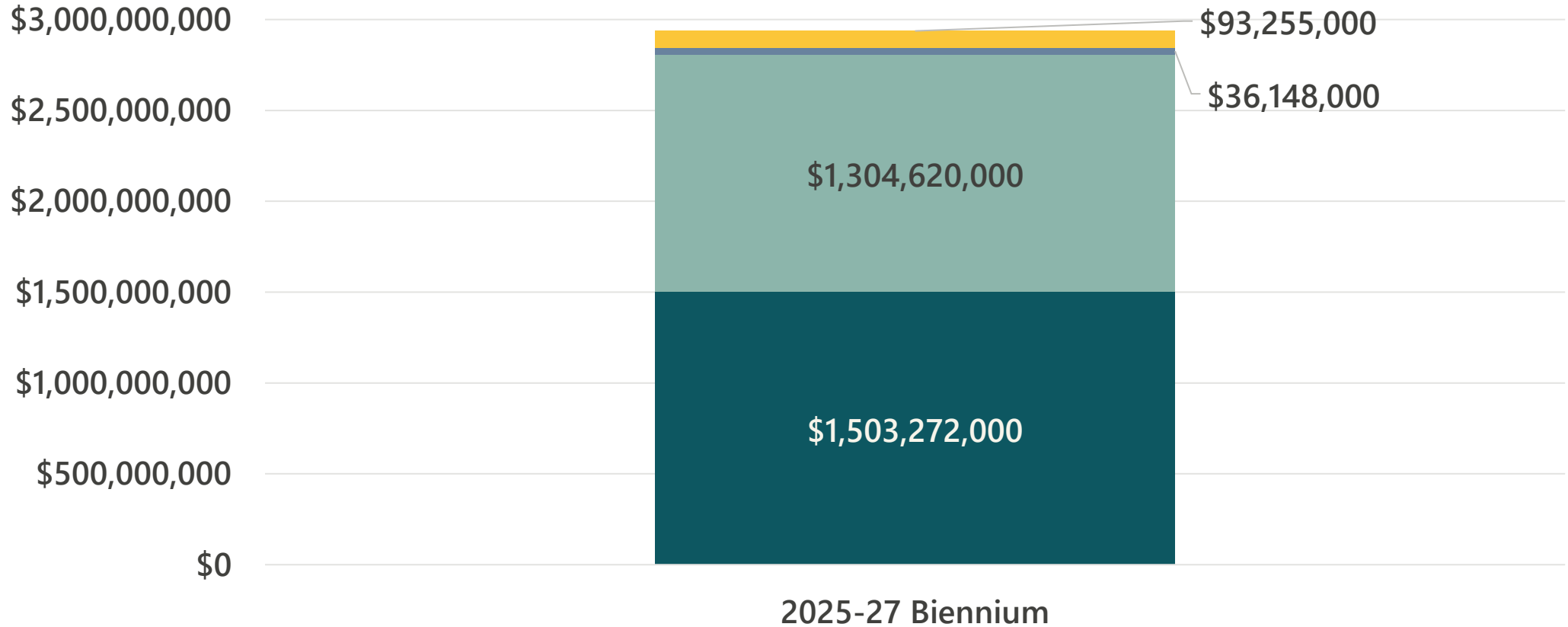


Fiscal Year 2026 Proposed Investments



- Constitutional Basic Education
- Legislatively Directed Enhancements
- Transforming Learning & Well-Being
- Targeted Community Investments

2025–27 Biennium Proposed Investments



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