

West Virginia Department of Education
 Improvement Package Summary FY 2019

Priority	Description	Amount
1)	<p>CTE Credentialing for Students</p> <p>To enhance the Governor's workforce initiatives by providing funding to county boards of education. Students enrolled in the simulated workplace program or AP courses who may not otherwise be able to afford the costs of industry recognized credentials and drug testing for CTE students and/or AP courses. Continuing</p>	\$ 600,000
2)	<p>System of Support and Accountability</p> <p>To implement a comprehensive system of support for schools and districts based on individual strengths and weaknesses. One-time</p>	250,000
3)	<p>WV Virtual Schools</p> <p>To expand the WV Virtual School program to offer more academic courses in critical shortage areas of math, science, world languages and AP courses. Continuing</p>	1,484,000
4)	<p>Innovation Zones</p> <p>To implement the Innovation in Education school designation and grant program in areas including but not limited to STEM, Community School Partnership, Entrepreneurship, Career Pathways and the Arts. This public charter-school like program provides a mechanism for schools to be more innovative while being held accountable for advancing student achievement. Continuing</p>	2,500,000
5)	<p>Communities in Schools</p> <p>Communities in Schools (CIS) works in partnership with the school system to develop community partnerships that bring resources into the schools and help remove barriers to student learning. CIS pays attention to the physical, social, psychological and academic needs of individual students which are critical components in reducing dropouts and increasing graduation rates. The department seeks to expand the work occurring in Greenbrier County Schools with CIS by implementing the program in McDowell, Wyoming and Berkeley initially then expanding state-wide in future years. Continuing</p>	400,000
	Subtotal State Funded Improvements	<u>\$ 5,234,000</u>