

PROGRAM EXPENDITURES

The graph above represents the expenditures for each content area.

SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

School districts contract with ESU 2 to provide cooperative special education services for students. Program rates are based on the projected budget needs. As in prior years, an 8% fee is charged for administrative supervision of contracted ESU 2 personnel. The special education department director and consultants provide assistance to all ESU 2 school districts for federally and state funded programs.

This includes the ESU 2 Special Education Level III Advisory Program for students with behavioral issues. The ESU 2 Independent Program began serving students in August 2013. The total enrollment of Special Education Students:

2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
38.0	40.0	37.0	40.0

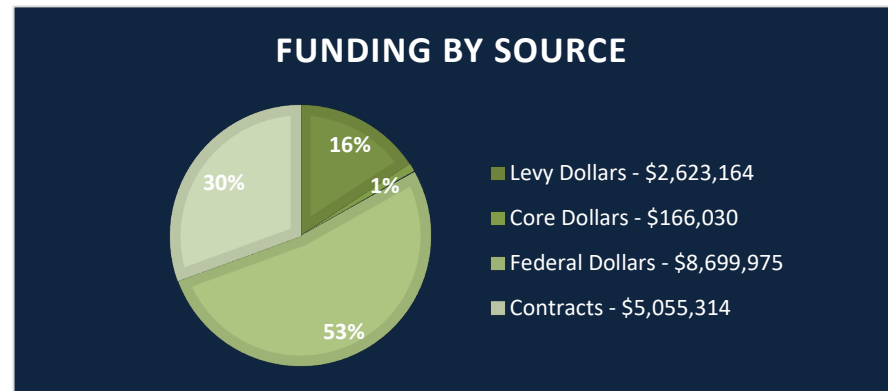
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The PD Team offers tailored learning opportunities for school districts. Opportunities for learning include curriculum, instruction, instructional technology, leadership, assessment, and much more. Team members plan and coordinate learning opportunities with individual school districts that take place onsite or offsite. The team's goal is to develop greater educator effectiveness with the ultimate result of higher student achievement.

FUNDING FOR PROGRAMS

ESUs operate under two budget constraints. A levy limit of 1.5¢ per \$100 of actual valuation guides revenue; and, an expenditure limit that states the current year's funds (defined as property taxes and state core funds) cannot exceed the prior year's budgeted restricted funds plus state determined growth.

The following graph represents anticipated budgeted receipts received from each funding source in 2020-21. The amount contracted to districts (\$5,055,314) depicts the greatest share of all the sources excluding Federal Grants. This amount is based heavily on services to districts, specifically special education services.



SPECIAL PROJECTS

ESU 2 manages consortium and cooperative programs, such as Title I, Perkins, Special Education, and Distance Education for area schools that choose to participate.



ESU 2 supports Pathways 2 Tomorrow. This consortium focuses on career and technical education for six participating districts. This consortium is funded by 0.056¢ per \$100 of actual valuation from each of the participating districts through a joint public agency. Six career pathways are currently being offered: Computer Science, Health Science, Education, Residential Construction, Welding, and CDL.

INNOVATIVE SUPPORT

To address the many non-educational needs of member schools, ESU 2 has innovatively begun supporting the social and emotional health needs with the use of Licensed Mental Health Practitioners, Community Navigators, and even student workers. Boasting services of a food bank, clothing gifts, and bookbag materials; schools and families now have a resource for all students in need.

TECHNOLOGY

ESU 2 boasts a state of the art data center to support the technical needs of not only our 16 districts, but also a consortium of ESU's (Northeast NE Network Consortium – ESUs 1, 2, 7, 8, 17). This data center allows for the hosting of servers for the ESU as well as all member schools, and government entities wishing to participate. It also allows for offsite back up for disaster recovery purposes to any participating member school or government entity. The Tech Department is always looking for new and innovative ways to provide cutting edge support and services to all members.

BOARD

The ESU 2 Board is comprised of eight representatives. Each term of office is four years and he/she serves without compensation. The Board meets once a month normally at 1:00 P.M. on the third Monday of the month. Meetings are held at the ESU 2 office. Names and districts of the current Board are:

<u>District</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
1	Matt Connealy	Member
2	Wayne Erickson	Member
3	Harlan Schrieber	Secretary
4	George Robertson	Vice President
5	Corrine Forbes	Member
6	Vern Gibson	President
7	Rich McGill	Member
8	Louise Nabb	Member

LEADERSHIP TEAM



ESU 2 has been leading member schools and others throughout the state for over 50 years. Current department heads include:

Dr. Ted DeTurk	Administrator
Dr. Caryn Zietlow	Professional Development
Dan Bombeck	Student Services
Cody Ernesti	Technology
Dr. Diane Wolfe	Special Projects

A cradle to career agency.



ANNUAL REPORT 2020-2021

SERVICE AREA

Educational Service Unit 2 provides educational services to 16 school districts that are located within the counties of Burt, Cuming, Dodge, and Saunders. Several ESU 2 member school districts extend into adjacent counties. As a result, portions of Butler, Cass, Colfax, Douglas, Lancaster, Sarpy, Seward, Stanton, Thurston, Washington, and Wayne counties are included in the ESU 2 service area.

*Nebraska Educational Service Unit 2 | 2320 N. Colorado Ave. | P.O. Box 649 |
Fremont, NE | 68026-0649 | P: 402-721-7710 | www.esu2.org*