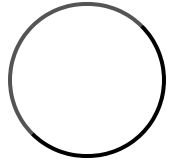


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# Resources to Protect School Medicaid & Student Health

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*Healthy Schools Campaign is committed to protecting Medicaid funding that supports children's health and well-being. Please share the resources below with your networks. We*

*will update this page as more information becomes available.*

Medicaid funding is essential for school-based health services — and for state and school district budgets overall. In 2023, Medicaid supported approximately \$7.5 billion in school health services.

Congress is **considering changes to Medicaid financing** that could result in significant cuts. These cuts would have an immediate ripple effect on students and schools.

**State budget gaps:** State budget shortfalls would force school districts to compete for more limited state dollars, and force states to cut other parts of K-12 budgets.

**District budget gaps:** Cuts in Medicaid funding would require districts to divert funds from other educational programs to cover services mandated under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

**Tax increases:** Many districts rely on Medicaid reimbursement to cover personnel costs for special education programs. A loss in Medicaid dollars could lead to deficits that require property tax increases or new levies.

With limited available funds, students will experience reduced access to health services, health staffing and critical health supplies.

*Added March 2025: HSC's report "**How Medicaid Cuts Will Harm Students and Schools**" presents the findings of a nationwide survey of over 1,400 school district leaders on the impact Medicaid cuts would have on school health services, student resources and district funding. National policy experts and school district*

representatives [joined HSC for a webinar](#) discussing the survey results and future actions.

### **Learn More: How Medicaid Supports Schools and Students**

[Protect School Medicaid: Talking Points for Advocates](#) - HSC

[School Medicaid Information Toolkit](#) - AASA

[How Medicaid Supports Student Success](#) - Georgetown Center for Children and Families and Healthy Schools Campaign

[HSC Documents Medicaid Funding Boost for School Health Services](#) - Healthy Schools Campaign

[Medicaid's Role in Small Towns and Rural Areas](#) - Georgetown Center for Children and Families

[Financial Impact of Expanding School Medicaid Services](#) - Healthy Schools Campaign

### **Learn More: Proposed Cuts to Medicaid & Responses**

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