

## Rural and Northern Education Funding

As part of its plan to strengthen rural and northern education, the Ministry of Education announced on June 28, 2017 (Memo 2017: B09) a Rural and Northern Education Funding (RNEF) supplement of \$20 million to enhance the Grants for Student Needs (GSN). The funding allows school boards to improve education for students in rural communities. Each board must publicly report how these funds are used and which schools receive RNEF support.

For 2024-2025, Algoma District School Board had \$586,698 in available deferred revenue and received an in-year allocation of \$260,522 for a total amount of RNEF funding available for use of \$847,220.

In 2024-2025, \$847,220 of the board's RNEF Funding was used to support the following schools:

<b>Elementary Schools</b>	<b>Total</b>
Blind River Public School	\$112,975
Echo Bay Public School	\$ 60,401
Greenwood Public School	\$ 42,999
Hornepayne Public School	\$ 50,225
Mountain View Public School	\$ 36,745
R M Moore Public School	\$ 89,758
Sir James Dunn Public School	\$ 25,994
Tarentorus Public School	\$120,849
Thessalon Public School	\$ 93,950

<b>Secondary Schools</b>	<b>Total</b>
Central Algoma Secondary School	\$ 74,486
Michipicoten High School	\$ 52,122
W.C. Eaket Secondary School	\$ 86,716

RNEF funds were allocated to cover operational expenses, increases to technology requirements and transportation for rural schools. The operational expenses included snowplowing, increased heating, and essential maintenance.

View the Ministry Memo 2017: B09 at the link below.

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