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Schools taking a look at aid numbers

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SOUTHERN TIER, N.Y. -- Schools in the Southern Tier are taking a second look at the numbers.

According to Senator Libous' office, schools in Broome, Tioga and Chenango counties will receive a total increase of \$27.6 million over last year's school aid amounts.

The Owego-Apalachin School District will be receiving an increase of more than a million dollars. Superintendent Bill Russell says the increases in state aid are good sign for the future.

"I think it's terrific. We've been through nearly four or five years of sharply declining state aid. It started to recover last year. This year, it's a big boost. And I'm very hopeful, as I told my board when I presented our budget proposal last week, this marks a real turn around in the fortunes of public schools in New York State as the economy overall begins to recover," Russell said.

The Union-Endicott School District will also receive a \$2.4 million grant in addition to its state aid to help make up for the revenue lost from the Huron campus reassessment.

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