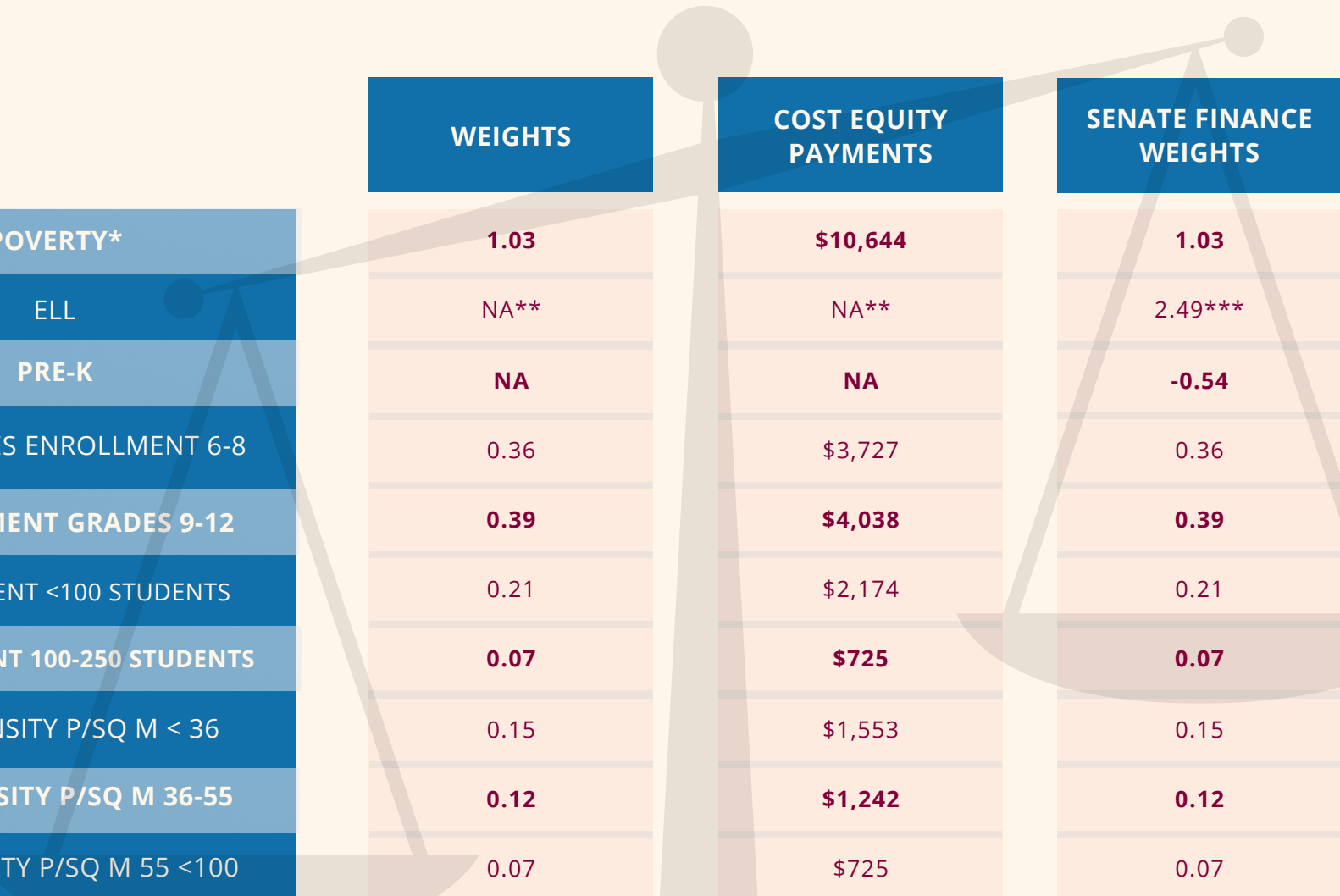


Pupil Weighting Task Force Recommendations



	WEIGHTS	COST EQUITY PAYMENTS	SENATE FINANCE WEIGHTS
POVERTY*	1.03	\$10,644	1.03
ELL	NA**	NA**	2.49***
PRE-K	NA	NA	-0.54
MID GRADES ENROLLMENT 6-8	0.36	\$3,727	0.36
ENROLLMENT GRADES 9-12	0.39	\$4,038	0.39
ENROLLMENT <100 STUDENTS	0.21	\$2,174	0.21
ENROLLMENT 100-250 STUDENTS	0.07	\$725	0.07
POP DENSITY P/SQ M < 36	0.15	\$1,553	0.15
POP DENSITY P/SQ M 36-55	0.12	\$1,242	0.12
POP DENSITY P/SQ M 55 <100	0.07	\$725	0.07

*** “The Task Force recommends taking the interim step of measuring poverty by FRL enrollment (for both weighting and cost equity proposals) while moving to a Universal Income Declaration form for all school districts. Universal Income Declaration forms are currently used instead of FRL applications in several districts around the State that offer universal school lunch programs. Unlike FRL paperwork, these forms can be required under federal law and ask ALL families in a district to identify their income bracket. This significantly lowers stigma and results in more accurate counts of eligibility throughout a school system.”**

**** Task Force Recommendation - English Language Learners:**

A base grant of \$25,000 for each school district that reports at least one ELL student, plus a per-pupil grant of \$5,000 per ELL student. Each of these amounts would be adjusted annually by the state and local government price index, which is largely based on wage and benefits increases, the cost-drivers for most education Spending.

***** Senate Finance requested recommendation of Senate Education on ELL: Senate Education recommends a 2.49 pupil weight for all ELL students in all school districts and provide mini-grants (\$25,000-\$50,000 range) to school districts with 25 or fewer ELL students, in addition to the weight, to ensure that they have sufficient resources to hire at least a part-time ELL teacher.**

