

# Settlement for Detroit Literacy Lawsuit Eyes Nearly \$100M in Funding

“A historic settlement reached between the state and Detroit students calls for \$94.5 million in future literacy funding, a \$280,000 payout among seven plaintiffs and the creation of two Detroit task forces to help ensure a quality education for students,” reports Jennifer Chambers and Beth LeBlanc in *The Detroit News*.

“News of the agreement came after the Detroit students were locked in a nearly four-year legal battle with the state for better school and learning conditions. The lawsuit was brought by seven students who argued they were deprived access to literacy because of a lack of books, teachers and poor building conditions.:

“Despite the state’s position to defend itself against the students’ accusations of inequality over literacy access, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer said Thursday she has maintained that every student, no matter where they come from, has a birthright to a quality public education.”

*Read the article.*