



APPROVAL OF BUDGET REQUEST FUNDING FORMULA

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Item Type: Action (online vote)

Recommendation: Approve the funding proposal associated with the CCSESA budget request relating to Differentiated Assistance and the Statewide System of Support.

Background:

CCSESA's priority budget request for the Budget Act of 2022 is a dramatic increase in county office funding for Differentiated Assistance and the core operational funding that allow county offices to support their school districts and charter schools within the Statewide System of Support.

Notwithstanding the diversity of county office funding dynamics, this proposal will support all 58 counties at two separate levels. First, every county office will receive more resources for Differentiated Assistance (DA). DA is an add-on grant, which means each county receives the grant on top of any funding to which they are already entitled.

Second, every county office will receive more resources for core operational programs used to support districts. This happens in one of two ways. (A) Two-thirds of counties will receive an increase to their County Operations Grant sufficient to result in a net increase in funding to the COE. (B) The remaining county offices, which would have remained flat-funded for varying periods of time, will receive an ongoing add-on grant equivalent to a cost-of-living adjustment. To pay for these increases, the county office will either receive greater state aid or retain more local property taxes.

Throughout the development of the funding proposal below, CCSESA staff has solicited and integrated the feedback of county superintendents and their staff. Most recently, working groups within the Business and Administration Steering Committee (BASC) offered their expertise to refine the proposals and share data runs. Following the superintendents meeting on April 11, 2022, CCSESA and BASC co-hosted three well-attended collaboration sessions where we refined multiple aspects of the proposal.

What follows is a budget proposal that prioritizes the Statewide System of Support – a role embraced by county superintendents – in a sustainable, fair, and simple distribution across the 58 county offices of education.



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Budget Request Funding Elements

Part 1 DIFFERENTIATED ASSISTANCE			
Description		Counties	Amount
A.	Level 1 (base) funding of \$500,000 per county. Currently, a county office with at least two school districts receives \$200,000 (\$10.2 million).	58	\$18.8 million
B.	Level 1 (base) funding increased by proportion of countywide ADA and number of school districts. Currently, this augmentation does not exist.	58	\$72.2 million
C.	Level 2 (technical assistance) funding available to charter schools. Currently, Charter schools will begin qualifying for technical assistance in 2022, but with no Level 2 funding authorized	Unknown	Unknown
D.	Level 2 (technical assistance) funding based on the greater of the current year entitlement or three-year average. Currently, funding is based on the average of current year and prior two years.	Unknown	Unknown
E.	Cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) to Differentiated Assistance funding (5.33%). Currently, there is no statutory COLA.	58	\$3.8 million
		Subtotal	\$93.8 million
Part 2 STATEWIDE SYSTEM OF SUPPORT (BASELINE COE FUNDING)			
Description		Counties	Amount
A.	Augment existing County Operations Grant funding formula by increasing per-school district amount (by \$200,000) and per-ADA amount (by \$20). Currently, all counties receive a County Operations Grant as part of the LCFF entitlement. This affects all 58 counties, but 39 counties would experience immediate growth.	39	\$119 million
B.	Establish an add-on grant for county offices to collect COLA equal to their LCFF Target. Applicable to “hold-harmless”/“flat-funded” counties where the LCFF Target does not exceed the LCFF Floor and, if applicable, Minimum State Aid. Currently, these counties experience no growth in funding (all other factors remaining equal).	19	\$22 million
		Subtotal	\$141 million
		TOTAL	\$231 million

Budget Request Distributional Effects



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	Part 1A, 1B	Part 2A	Part 2B	
County	DA Level 1 (Base) Increase	County Operations Grant Increase	COLA Add-on for Flat- Funded COEs	Total New COE Funding
Alameda Co. Office of Education	2,292,038	3,255,296	0	5,547,334
Alpine Co. Office of Education	538,469	201,806	0	740,276
Amador Co. Office of Education	561,707	0	96,573	658,279
Butte Co. Office of Education	965,049	1,789,610	0	2,754,659
Calaveras Co. Office of Education	482,665	621,163	0	1,103,828
Colusa Co. Office of Education	481,017	889,353	0	1,370,370
Contra Costa Co. Office of Education	2,022,612	0	1,153,564	3,176,176
Del Norte Co. Office of Education	561,706	0	95,014	656,720
El Dorado Co. Office of Education	1,056,853	3,571,231	0	4,628,083
Fresno Co. Office of Education	2,723,003	0	1,626,290	4,349,293
Glenn Co. Office of Education	641,248	72,271	0	713,519
Humboldt Co. Office of Education	1,579,948	6,520,481	0	8,100,429
Imperial Co. Office of Education	1,119,743	3,846,939	0	4,966,682
Inyo Co. Office of Education	547,203	0	165,415	712,618
Kern Co. Office of Education	3,201,738	12,709,105	0	15,910,843
Kings Co. Office of Education	967,234	3,129,247	0	4,096,481
Lake Co. Office of Education	584,252	1,923	0	586,175
Lassen Co. Office of Education	701,261	1,965,859	0	2,667,120
Los Angeles Co. Office of Education	11,331,105	0	6,408,327	17,739,431
Madera County Superintendent of Schools	827,207	2,363,933	0	3,191,140
Marin Co. Office of Education	1,137,913	1,829,673	0	2,967,586
Mariposa Co. Office of Education	548,493	35,960	0	584,453
Mendocino Co. Office of Education	830,411	0	347,342	1,177,753
Merced Co. Office of Education	1,408,376	262,904	0	1,671,280
Modoc Co. Office of Education	421,729	624,547	0	1,046,276
Mono Co. Office of Education	385,281	0	84,054	469,335
Monterey Co. Office of Education	1,659,455	4,815,282	0	6,474,737
Napa Co. Office of Education	605,073	0	308,207	913,280
Nevada Co. Office of Education	704,019	1,991,152	0	2,695,171
Orange Co. Office of Education	4,162,432	14,079,174	0	18,241,606
Placer Co. Office of Education	1,362,882	2,629,108	0	3,991,990
Plumas Co. Office of Education	548,321	0	66,175	614,496
Riverside Co. Office of Education	3,688,038	0	2,124,412	5,812,451
Sacramento Co. Office of Education	2,247,822	0	1,317,281	3,565,103
San Benito Co. Office of Education	789,325	2,420,086	0	3,209,410
San Bernardino Co. Office of Education	3,930,086	7,181,387	0	11,111,473
San Diego Co. Office of Education	4,818,319	0	3,247,393	8,065,711
San Francisco Co. Office of Education	875,376	1,002,721	0	1,878,097



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San Joaquin Co. Office of Education	1,738,958	5,549,960	0	7,288,917
San Luis Obispo Co. Office of Education	878,809	2,605,481	0	3,484,291
San Mateo Co. Office of Education	1,710,205	0	1,016,905	2,727,110
Santa Barbara Co. Office of Education	1,466,081	1,419,156	0	2,885,238
Santa Clara Co. Office of Education	2,971,001	1,070,738	0	4,041,739
Santa Cruz Co. Office of Education	950,079	0	993,857	1,943,936
Shasta Co. Office of Education	1,402,843	5,472,178	0	6,875,021
Sierra Co. Office of Education	540,277	207,277	0	747,554
Siskiyou Co. Office of Education	1,282,916	5,109,267	0	6,392,183
Solano Co. Office of Education	889,537	0	518,600	1,408,138
Sonoma Co. Office of Education	2,207,658	267,717	0	2,475,375
Stanislaus Co. Office of Education	1,882,424	0	1,092,795	2,975,218
Sutter Co. Office of Education	904,854	0	399,169	1,304,023
Tehama Co. Office of Education	856,118	2,114,584	0	2,970,702
Trinity Co. Office of Education	649,935	1,827,489	0	2,477,425
Tulare Co. Office of Education	2,548,028	10,474,726	0	13,022,755
Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools	750,651	2,303,056	0	3,053,708
Ventura Co. Office of Education	1,812,667	0	1,154,543	2,967,210
Yolo Co. Office of Education	668,908	1,543,326	0	2,212,234
Yuba Co. Office of Education	578,640	1,270,164	0	1,848,804
TOTAL	90,000,000	119,045,330	22,215,915	231,261,245

Attachments:

Attachment A: [Budget Request Fact Sheet \(March 17, 2022\)](#)

Attachment B: [Presentation to County Superintendents of Proposed Funding \(April 11, 2022\)](#)