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Governor's Proposed Budget 2023-24

Summary of Governor's Budget Proposals | [January 11, 2023](#)

Governor's Message

January 10, 2023

"I want to make this point up top: we're keeping our promises. I want folks to know that regardless of this modest shortfall, we'll continue to make unprecedented investments in transforming public education."

Governor's Message

When discussing Whole Child programs: "We're going to continue these commitments. These dollars are dollars we are investing, we are not backing off."



 **GOVERNOR'S BUDGET 2023-24**

TRANSFORMING PUBLIC EDUCATION

- **\$12.5 BILLION:** Learning recovery and learning loss mitigation
- **\$4.7 BILLION:** Children and youth behavioral health
- **\$4.1 BILLION:** Community schools
- **\$4 BILLION ONGOING:** Before / after school and summer school
- **\$3.6 BILLION:** Special education



January Overview

- Despite \$22.5 billion budget deficit, Proposition 98 nears all-time high (\$108 billion)
- Priorities include 8.13% COLA to LCFF and programs and protecting current Whole Child initiatives
- New initiatives include LCFF "equity multiplier" and expansion of literacy coaching
- Some existing programs reduced or delayed

January Overview

- The Governor's January budget initiates the 2023–24 budget cycle
- The state budget is a primary point of advocacy for the California County Superintendents
- Two upcoming "reactor group" sessions will inform the direction of our advocacy
 - 1/18, 8–10 a.m. (Zoom)
 - 1/19, 8–10 a.m. (Zoom)

8.13% COLA for LCFF, COEs, and Categorical Programs

- Applicable to all LEAs, including county offices of education
- To offset an anticipated decline to statewide LCFF apportionments due to attendance drops, the administration proposes to maintain current funding levels with an appropriation of approximately \$2 billion (a mix of one-time and ongoing Proposition 98 General Fund)
- LCFF includes new transportation funding due to 2022 Budget Act

LCFF "Equity Multiplier" & State Accountability Amendments

- LCFF add-on of \$300 million ongoing Proposition 98 General Fund
- LEA eligibility based on schools serving high concentrations of students eligible for free meals (90% for elementary and middle, 85% for HS)
- Must spend on services to eligible schools
- LEA must plan spending with parents and communities to address the underlying issues of educator credentialing/preparedness and student groups in the red or orange performance categories on Dashboard.



LCFF "Equity Multiplier" & State Accountability Amendments

- Forthcoming trailer bill language to amend the K-12 accountability and continuous improvement system through the LCAP process and refinements to the Statewide System of Support
 - LEAs must include specific goals, actions, funding in LCAP and LEA budget when a student group's performance is low
 - Parents and community to help evaluate effectiveness
 - New Equity Lead(s) to work with LEAs/schools generating Equity Multiplier funding to analyze programs and practices to identify barriers and opportunities for meeting the needs of all students



Transitional Kindergarten and State Preschool

- Transitional Kindergarten eligibility increase
- Funds provided to increase California State Preschool inclusivity
- Delayed implementation of the Full-Day Kindergarten Facilities Grant Program
- Adult-to-child ratios remain the same
- Proposition 98 to rebench



Behavioral Health



- Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative allocation delays
- California Advancing Innovation in Medi-Cal (CalAIM) demonstration project
- Opioid and fentanyl response

Literacy Programs

- Continued investments to improve achievement in literacy established beginning in 2019
- \$250 million one-time to augment the existing Literacy Coaches and Reading Specialists Grant Program
- \$1 million to create a Literacy Roadmap



Special Education policy changes:

- Limiting additional funding that Special Education Local Plan Areas are allowed to retain for non-direct student services before allocating special education base funding to their member LEAs
- Extending the moratorium on the creation of new single-district SELPAs by two years from June 30, 2024, to June 30, 2026
- Requiring the California Department of Education to post each SELPA's annual local plan, including their governance, budget and services plans, on its website for fiscal transparency

Educator Workforce

While the administration proposes no new investments to address educator workforce staff shortage, they restate their commitment to implementing prior investments



Arts & Cultural Enrichment

- The "Arts and Music in Schools—Funding Guarantee and Accountability Act" (Proposition 28)
- \$100 million to increase access to theatrical performances, museum visits and participation in extracurricular art enrichment activities for 12th grade students enrolled in public schools.
- Reduction of the Arts, Music, and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant by approximately \$1.2 billion Proposition 98 General Fund, citing the need for one-time costs cover the LCFF in 2022-23 and 2023-24.



Other...

- A reduction of \$100 million General Fund planned support in 2023-24 for the School Facility Program.
- Delay the planned implementation of Full-Day Kindergarten Facilities Grant Program by one year (\$550 million).
- \$30 million one-time Proposition 98 General Fund investment for the Charter Schools Facility Grant Program.
- \$15 million of the \$600 million one-time Proposition 98 General Fund (appropriated in the 2022 Budget Act to support school kitchen infrastructure) will be set-aside for the acquisition and installation of commercial dishwashers.
- \$2.5 million non-Proposition 98 General Fund and 15 positions to the CDE to increase capacity to meet state and federal data and accountability requirements, support data sharing with other agencies, and respond to emergent needs for data both internally and externally
- \$3.9 million ongoing Proposition 98 General Fund to the California College Guidance Initiative to support their college and career planning platform.
- \$750,000 ongoing Proposition 98 General Fund for the Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team to support professional development of local educational agencies' Chief Budget Officers.



Next Steps

- Advocate for county superintendents based on feedback from:
 - Budget reactor group sessions on 1/18 and 1/19
 - Discussions with membership
 - Committee feedback
- Association priorities 1 and 2
- Distribute letter by mid-February



Questions

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