LCFF Budget Overview for Parents

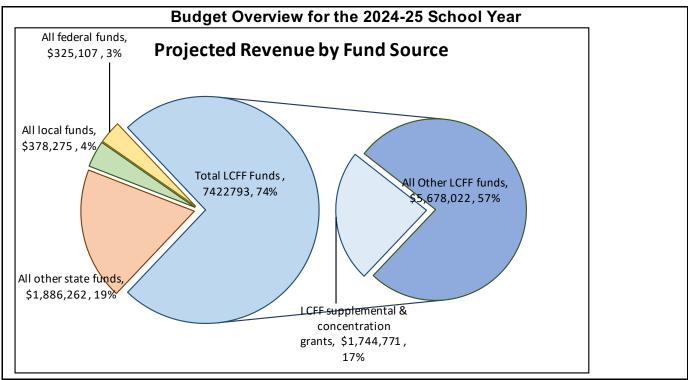
Local Educational Agency (LEA) Name: Environmental Charter High School - Lawndale

CDS Code: 19646911996438

School Year: 2024-25

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School districts receive funding from different sources: state funds under the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), other state funds, local funds, and federal funds. LCFF funds include a base level of funding for all LEAs and extra funding - called "supplemental and concentration" grants - to LEAs based on the enrollment of high needs students (foster youth, English learners, and low-income students).

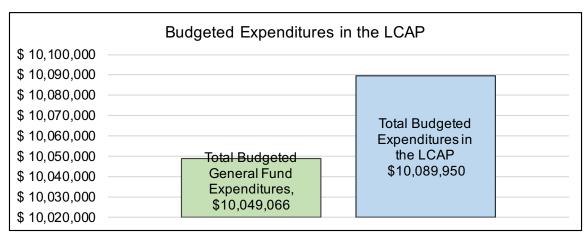


This chart shows the total general purpose revenue Environmental Charter High School - Lawndale expects to receive in the coming year from all sources.

The text description for the above chart is as follows: The total revenue projected for Environmental Charter High School - Lawndale is \$10,012,436.81, of which \$7,422,793.00 is Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), \$1,886,261.81 is other state funds, \$378,275.00 is local funds, and \$325,107.00 is federal funds. Of the \$7,422,793.00 in LCFF Funds, \$1,744,771.00 is generated based on the enrollment of high needs students (foster youth, English learner, and low-income students).

The LCFF gives school districts more flexibility in deciding how to use state funds. In exchange, school districts must work with parents, educators, students, and the community to develop a Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) that shows how they will use these funds to serve students.

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This chart provides a quick summary of how much Environmental Charter High School - Lawndale plans to spend for 2024-25. It shows how much of the total is tied to planned actions and services in the LCAP.

The text description of the above chart is as follows: Environmental Charter High School - Lawndale plans to spend \$10,049,065.70 for the 2024-25 school year. Of that amount, \$10,089,950.00 is tied to actions/services in the LCAP and \$-40,884.30 is not included in the LCAP. The budgeted expenditures that are not included in the LCAP will be used for the following:

All general fund expenditures were accounted for in the LCAP.

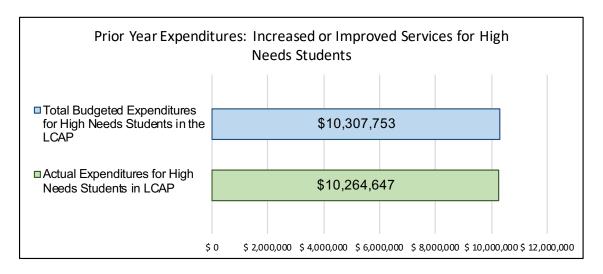
Increased or Improved Services for High Needs Students in the LCAP for the 2024-25 School Year

In 2024-25, Environmental Charter High School - Lawndale is projecting it will receive \$1,744,771.00 based on the enrollment of foster youth, English learner, and low-income students. Environmental Charter High School - Lawndale must describe how it intends to increase or improve services for high needs students in the LCAP. Environmental Charter High School - Lawndale plans to spend \$1,659,729.00 towards meeting this requirement, as described in the LCAP. The additional improved services described in the plan include the following:

Using other state funds, the school is funding a Math Specialist, a full-time social worker, college tutors, and after-school program staff, among other services, all of which are principally directed at improving services for

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Update on Increased or Improved Services for High Needs Students in 2023-24



This chart compares what Environmental Charter High School - Lawndale budgeted last year in the LCAP for actions and services that contribute to increasing or improving services for high needs students with what Environmental Charter High School - Lawndale estimates it has spent on actions and services that contribute to increasing or improving services for high needs students in the current year.

The text description of the above chart is as follows: In 2023-24, Environmental Charter High School - Lawndale's LCAP budgeted \$10,307,753.00 for planned actions to increase or improve services for high needs students. Environmental Charter High School - Lawndale actually spent \$10,264,647.44 for actions to increase or improve services for high needs students in 2023-24. The difference between the budgeted and actual expenditures of \$43,105.56 had the following impact on Environmental Charter High School - Lawndale's ability to increase or improve services for high needs students:

Nearly all funds (99.6%) for high needs students were spent in 2023-24. Accordingly, there was no substantial impact to actions and services for high needs students.

2023–24 Local Control and Accountability Plan Annual Update

The instructions for completing the 2023–24 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Annual Update follow the template.

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Goals and Actions

Goal

Goal #	Description
1	Improved Student Outcomes. We will improve outcomes for all students by improving instruction and programs.

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
CAASPP English Language Arts					
Percentage of students meeting standard Average Distance from Meeting Standard (DFS)	<u>2019</u> % Meeting: 71.3% DFS: +50	<u>2022</u> % Meeting: 68.2% DFS: +35.7	<u>2023</u> % Meeting: 87% DFS: +85	<u>2024</u> % Meeting: 76% DFS: +67.9	% Meeting: 70% DFS: +59

CAASPP Math Percentage of students meeting standard Average Distance from Meeting Standard (DFS)	<u>2019</u> % Proficient: 36.4% DFS: -35.1	<u>2022</u> % Proficient: 27.1% DFS: -70.4	2023 % Meeting: 42% DFS: -43	2024 % Meeting: 22% DFS: -58.9	% Proficient: 38% DFS: -26.1
Percentage of English Learners who make progress on ELPAC	<u>2018-2019</u> 64.7%	66.7%	70%	63.2%	67%
Percentage of students reclassified out of those who started the year as an English Learner	<u>2019-2020</u> 28.6%	39%	35%	21%	20%
Percentage of students who meet standard on state science test	<u>2018-2019</u> 13.9%	24%	24%	49%	20%
The percentage of pupils who have successfully completed courses that satisfy University of California (UC) or California State University (CSU) entrance requirements (a-g)	<u>2019-2020</u> 96.6%	92.8%	92.8%	99%	97%
Percentage of pupils who have completed CTE pathways	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Percentage of pupils who have completed both a-g and CTE pathways	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Percentage of pupils who pass AP exams with score of 3+	<u>2019-2020</u> 65.7%	44%	42%	tba	66.4%

Pupils prepared for college by the EAP - ELA	2019 32%	26%	48%	41%	32%
Pupils prepared for college by the EAP - Math	<u>2019</u> 15%	2%	11%	6%	18%
Senior Thesis Percentage of seniors who pass senior thesis by the second round of scoring.	<u>June 2021</u> 84%	78%	80%	99%	60%

Goal Analysis

An analysis of how this goal was carried out in the previous year.

A description of any substantive differences in planned actions and actual implementation of these actions.

Central to the goal to improve student learning outcomes is the cultivation of a robust literary and analytical foundation that engages students, explores diverse genres and perspectives, while also reflecting the complex realities of our world. Through a curated selection of novels, memoirs, plays, and poetry collections, learners have the opportunity to broaden their ELA horizons and gain insight into intersectionalities, as well as power dynamics. While leveraging Tier 1 instructional best practices, all students were encouraged to develop their critical thinking skills through writings, assignments, and other classroom discussions. Interdisciplinary projects also created opportunities for high schoolers to be innovative, creative, and collaborate with peers thereby fostering a sense of belonging and community. An advisory period built into the bell schedule allowed for multi-tiered interventions including differentiated learning, academic support, wellness services and counseling (when necessary). Additionally, through regular professional development and weekly meetings with the site's ELD team, Special Education Coordinator and Instructional Leadership Team, academic achievement was monitored and the data informed lesson planning to enhance student outcomes.

Furthermore, as research consistently shows a strong connection between academic achievement and student well-being and/or a sense of connectedness, the site is committed to improving the school's overall climate of care. Through a two-year CA Community School Partnership grant, ECHS-Lawndale has hired a dedicated social worker on campus to help implement MTSS, SEL and PBIS programs, along with the implementation of restorative justice practices for disciplinary issues. We have also added a new position, Dean of Student Culture, to help with these actions. Concurrently, as the community experienced a steady decline in covid cases, there were less health and safety disruptions, more consistent student attendance, and a decrease in staffing shortages, all leading to improved student growth.

An explanation of material differences between Budgeted Expenditures and Estimated Actual Expenditures and/or Planned Percentages of Improved Services and Estimated Actual Percentages of Improved Services.

There are a few variances between our budgeted expenditures and estimated actual expenditures. First, in an effort to ensure compliance and goal accountability while fostering inclusive and collaborative programs between General Education and Special Education staff, the site identified a need for two additional paraprofessionals. These positions, including salary and benefits, were not included in the initial budget therefore it resulted in higher actual expenditures. Second, ECHSL was able to reallocate some funds for an external consultant that was budgeted to improve services for English Learners (ELD) and Special Education (SpEd). Instead, the ECS Director of SpEd and ELD assumed responsibility for delivering services, monitoring progress, and implementing targeted interventions in-house. As a result the estimated actuals are lower. Finally, although ECHSL did not participate in the CDE's Special Education Monitoring Process, we did send site leaders, the Director of SpEd and ELD, along with other ECS administrators to the All Means All Training, which focused specifically on inclusive practices for students with disabilities.

An explanation of how effective or ineffective the specific actions were in making progress toward the goal during the three-year LCAP cycle.

Throughout the three-year LCAP cycle, our efforts to support students who are not meeting the standard in both ELA and Math has been the focal point of tailored instructional strategies particularly for students with disabilities, English language learners (ELL), and Black/African American students. While progress has been made, recent CAASPP data demonstrates that work remains to be done to increase

proficiency amongst our ELLs, students with disabilities, and our Latino/Hispanic learners. To address these disparities, we will continue to implement a range of targeted interventions through MTSS. This year in ELA, we prioritized Tier 1 vertical alignment and consistency across all classes, ensured grade-level rigor and instruction through common rubrics and rigorous assessments. Additionally, robust student work analysis allowed teachers to tailor instruction to individual student needs more effectively. A dedicated 9th grade intervention space provided struggling freshmen with targeted support in high-leverage reading and writing skills, setting them up for success in subsequent grades (Tier 2). Finally, through the utilization of the "Really Great Reading" platform, we enhanced phonics and decoding skills and addressed fundamental literacy needs for students requiring Tier 3 support.

Furthermore, by embedding WestEd's Reading Apprenticeship into professional development, beginning with a 3-day summer institute for all new teachers, ECHS-Lawndale continues to model this teaching framework for staff during their weekly meetings, as well as during regular check points with instructional coaches or key administrators.

In Math, the site focused on fortifying Tier 1 instruction across all classrooms, emphasizing critical thinking and problem-solving skills. Through common assessments that monitored student growth, we ensured that all students had access to rich content appropriate with their grade and learning level. For those who required additional support in Tier 2, tutoring and office hours were made available on campus and co-teaching teams adapted lessons to meet the needs outlined in individual IEPs. Tier 3 support offered through small groups or one-on-one instruction was integrated within the class structure, whenever possible, to provide the least restrictive environment. Additionally, a new Math Seminar course which relied heavily on discussion and practice to support current curriculum modules and/or skills provided intensive support for high schoolers at risk of not mastering grade-level content.

As a result of the aforementioned actions and the development of instructional/service plans, ECHS-Lawndale has streamlined processes that directly respond to the needs of learners in a more timely fashion. Site leaders reported a majority of their students engaging in collaborative conversations that were task or core-text based, as well as students who regularly participated in independent thinking or processing during classroom observations. When conducting visits to observe teaching and collect evidence of Tier 1 systems, site leaders also observed students documenting their process in writing or through verbal explanations, justifying answers, asking questions, and annotating their text. Finally, to improve academic growth amongst our students with disabilities, weekly department meetings, para-professional meetings, and 1:1 specialist meetings were scheduled to support an effective delivery model. A district-wide tracking system has also helped to ensure compliance in the delivery of processes, program/technical support, and other services.

Lastly, as part of our ongoing mission to educate underserved and low income students, ECHS-Lawndale offers pivotal support during the transition from middle to high school, and again from high school to college. On site, students receive college counseling and assistance when completing financial aid applications for their desired post-secondary institutions, resulting in an average of 98% gaining acceptance into a four year college. By working together with families and teachers to prepare students for the demands of a rigorous course load, the site fosters various skills, such as essay writing, public speaking, organization, research protocols and critical thinking, in order to ensure success in college or post-secondary training.

A description of any changes made to the planned goal, metrics, desired outcomes, or actions for the coming year that resulted from reflections on prior practice.

Expanding on the work ELA teachers have done this year, ECHS-Lawndale will continue to build curriculum that is vertically aligned, while leaning into common rubrics including data from IABs, NWEA and CAASPP scores, and end of unit assessments to ensure grade-level rigor

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and that standards are being met. Through a focus of "claim - evidence - analysis" the site can support the correlation between formative and summative assessments, and increase student ownership of their learning. Additionally, by enhancing Math classroom "look-fors," we can give students a multi-modality experience that protects independent think time, encourages collaboration, elevates student voice and provides an opportunity to both revise/synthesize thinking.

A report of the Total Estimated Actual Expenditures for last year's actions may be found in the Annual Update Table. A report of the Estimated Actual Percentages of Improved Services for last year's actions may be found in the Contributing Actions Annual Update Table.

Goals and Actions

Goal

Goal #	Description
2	Climate & Engagement: We will develop a caring school culture that supports student wellness, is responsive to stakeholder feedback, and ensures organizational sustainability

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Attendance	2020-2021** 95.3% Per the LCAP instructions, we are presenting the most recent data. We are basing our targets on pre-pandemic data that may turn out to be more relevant for a baseline. **rate as of 4/20/21	95%	94.8%	93.4%	97%

Chronic Absenteeism	2020-2121**				
School-wide	10.9% EL: 17.5%				
English Learners Students w/ Exceptionalities	SWE: 18.5%	11.5%	13.5%	21.4%	All 4%
	Wht: 11.1%	EL: 9.8%	EL: 16.2%	EL: 17.9%	EL 4.5%
	Per the LCAP instructions, we are presenting the most	SWE: 11.8%	SWE: 13.5%	SWE: 22% Wht: 41.7%	SWE 5%
	recent data. We are basing our targets on pre-pandemic data that may turn out to be more relevant for a baseline.	Wht: 5%	Wht: 15.8%		Wht 8.5%
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Drop Out Rates	<u>2018-19</u> 0.8%	0%	0%	0%	0%
High School Graduation Rates	<u>2019-2020</u> 96%				>=95%
	ELs: 92.9% SWE: group too small to report	93.1%	tba	98.3%	EL 95.9% SWE >=95%
	<u>2018-2019</u> 100%				
Suspension Rates	<u>2018-2019**</u> 2.6%				
	EL: 7.5%	1.5%	0.8%	.2% (1/502)	1.7%
	SWE: 4.3%	ELs: 4.7%	ELs: 0%	ELs: 0%	EL 6%
	B/AfA: 8.8%	SWE: 0%	SWE: 0%	SWE: 0%	SWE 2.7%
	**No suspensions in 20-21. Basing targets on in-person data from 18-19.	B/AfA: 0%	B/AfA: 0%	B/AfA: 0%	B/AfA 7.3%

Expulsion Rates	<u>2020-2021</u>				
	0%*	0%	0%	0%	0%
	*rate as of 4/20/21				
Parent input in decision-making % of parents who agree that the school allows, seeks, and welcomes their input.	<u>2019-2020</u> 92%	92%	88%	97%	≥90%
Parent participation in programs for UDPs Percentage of parents who participated in programs for unduplicated pupils.	2019-2020 96.7% participated in programs for unduplicated pupils. 100%	85% participated in programs for unduplicated pupils. 96% participated in programs for	76% participated in programs for unduplicated pupils. 81% participated in programs for	tba	>=90% >=90%
Percentage of parents who participated in programs for individuals with exceptional needs.	participated in programs for individuals with exceptional needs.	individuals with exceptional needs.	individuals with exceptional needs.		>=90%
Student Safety & Connectedness Percentage of students who agree or strongly agree that the school is safe on annual climate survey	<u>2019-20</u> 69%	71.1%	73.6%	80%	73%
Average level of agreement with connectedness questions on CA Healthy Kids Survey or similar climate survey	62%	66.2%	57.2%	60%	66%

Parent safety & connectedness					
Percentage of parents who agree or strongly agree that campus is a safe place for their child.	<u>2019-2020</u> 98%	98%	96%	99%	≥95%
Average percentage of parents who agree or strongly agree that school staff treat them with respect, take their concerns seriously, and are helpful to them.	<u>2018-2019</u> 95%	94%	96%	98%	≥95%
Staff safety & connectedness			68%*		
Average level of agreement with staff working environment and collegiality questions on CSSS or similar survey	2019-2020: 90%	74%	*For 2023, we used a different survey. This result is the average of the survey items most similar to the usual survey.	86%	>=95%

Goal Analysis

An analysis of how this goal was carried out in the previous year.

A description of any substantive differences in planned actions and actual implementation of these actions.

ECHS-Lawndale maintains a caring school culture that supports student wellness, is responsive to stakeholder feedback, and ensures organizational sustainability. However, over the past few years we recognize that virtual learning during Covid school closures impacted our students' connectedness and created increased feelings of isolation. We have also seen a higher volume of anxiety, peer pressure, questions related to gender identity, as well as attention-seeking behavior resulting in disciplinary issues. Additionally, our counselors and social workers have identified a direct correlation between those who are socially withdrawn and chronic absenteeism.

To navigate these issues we prioritized advisory time to develop positive relationships between students and a trusted adult on campus. We implemented an interdisciplinary curriculum that provided opportunities for collaboration and encouraged engagement. And we focused on strong partnerships with our families and staff to add another layer of support ensuring student success. Specifically, ECHSL actively engaged parents through Town Hall meetings, newsletters, two-way messaging platforms that provided targeted communication, and other on-campus events, all of which reinforce a supportive home-school connection. As a result, 99% of parents agree/strongly agree that the site allows input and welcomes their contributions, and 96% agree/strongly agree that we seek parent input before making important decisions. Equally important was the regular and consistent practice of staff meetings, professional development, surveys, listening tours, and an 'open door' policy with site administration to help align programming, practices, and policies for a thriving school culture.

During this academic year, the site remained focused on creating a learning environment where students feel safe sharing concerns and vulnerabilities. In conjunction with our strong advisory model that meets weekly to focus on topics ranging from academic pressures to substance abuse, the school hired a dedicated social worker to assist with SEL and PBIS programs, along with the implementation of restorative justice practices and other interventions as needed.

An explanation of material differences between Budgeted Expenditures and Estimated Actual Expenditures and/or Planned Percentages of Improved Services and Estimated Actual Percentages of Improved Services.

In order to increase stakeholder engagement, particularly amongst parents of low income students or English Language Learners, ECHSL regularly utilizes TalkingPoints, a 2-way communication platform. Unfortunately, in the original budget TalkingPoints was not included as a line item and accounts for the material difference between budgeted and estimated actual expenditures.

An explanation of how effective or ineffective the specific actions were in making progress toward the goal during the three-year LCAP cycle.

Throughout the year, ECHS-Lawndale has engaged in numerous activities to meet the needs of all students, including those who are experiencing a variety of social and emotional issues. Advisory and college prep workshops focused on vaping and substance use, as well as academic pressures, graduation plans, bullying/bystander effect, anxiety, depression, and consent, have provided opportunities to address mental health through an informed lens with staff trained on these specific issues. 'Student of the Quarter' celebrations also allowed the site to honor learners for their academic achievements, as well as community involvement, by creating platforms to share accolades with other classmates, families and ECS staff. This reinforces the notion that hard work and perseverance makes an impact when learning new skills. Finally, intersession projects where students are asked to take on real world challenges by working individually and collectively in

groups help further create a sense of community. Grade level questions, including "How can changing a space transfer and improve quality of life in my community (9th Grade)?" or "What can we do to make LA a more equitable, accessible, and sustainable place of the future (10th Grade)?" or "How will you use your political power to positively impact your community (11th Grade)?" or "How has ECHS-Lawndale contributed to your understanding of where you come from, who you are today and where you are going (12th Grade)?" foster collaboration and critical thinking skills while supporting learning environments for growth and development.

A description of any changes made to the planned goal, metrics, desired outcomes, or actions for the coming year that resulted from reflections on prior practice.

None at this time.

A report of the Total Estimated Actual Expenditures for last year's actions may be found in the Annual Update Table. A report of the Estimated Actual Percentages of Improved Services for last year's actions may be found in the Contributing Actions Annual Update Table.

Goals and Actions

Goal

Goal #	Description
3	Excellent Operations & Facilities . We will ensure operations and facilities are mission-aligned, meet the needs of our educational program and facilitate the achievement of student learning outcomes. With the support of the ECS Home Office, we will establish operations that support the smooth and compliant functioning of our school.

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Teachers: Fully credentialed & appropriately assigned Number of misassignments	<u>2020-2021</u> 3	1	2	5	0 misassignments
Instructional Materials: Percentage of students with access to standards-aligned instructional materials.	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
School Facilities in "Good Repair": Clean, safe, and functional as determined by Facility Inspection Tool (FIT) or other local instrument that meets same criteria	2020-2021 The facility received ratings of good on all inspected systems, and an overall rating of exemplary	Met	Met	Met	The facility will receive ratings of good on all inspected systems and an overall rating of exemplary.
Course Access	2020-21 All students have access to CCSS and CA ELD Standards-aligned curriculum and to the educational program as outlined in the charter petition.	100%	100%	100%	All students will have access to CCSS and CA ELD Standards-aligned curriculum and to the educational program as outlined in the charter petition.

Goal Analysis

An analysis of how this goal was carried out in the previous year.

A description of any substantive differences in planned actions and actual implementation of these actions.

It is imperative that our operations and facilities remain mission-aligned and continue to meet the needs of our educational programs. In order to ensure the achievement of all learning goals, the ECS Home Office, which includes human resources, accounting, financial/fund development, and data management, has developed policies, procedures and protocols for the ECHS-Lawndale leadership team to direct their focus on student outcomes. In addition to the regular use of Door Bloks in each classroom, gates were regularly monitored, and emergency drills were practiced throughout the year. ECS also updated its Network Safety Plan with protocols and communication templates should there be a health or safety issue on campus.

An explanation of material differences between Budgeted Expenditures and Estimated Actual Expenditures and/or Planned Percentages of Improved Services and Estimated Actual Percentages of Improved Services.

Much of the difference between ECHSL's budgeted expenditures and estimated actuals is the direct result of our child nutrition program. Per CA Ed Code, LEAs are required to provide 2 meals through the school day. In an effort to ensure that our learners were eating and were not left hungry, the site enhanced the food offerings available to all 9-12th graders enrolled in the school.

An explanation of how effective or ineffective the specific actions were in making progress toward the goal during the three-year LCAP cycle.

In an effort to ensure excellent operations, ECHSL audited the current condition of all campus facilities and reviewed infrastructure upgrades necessary for the proper implementation of our mission-aligned programming. While the site's estimated actual expenditures slightly exceeded those originally budgeted, requisite actions were taken to enhance compliance and goal accountability. As a result, student learning flourished, campus safety increased, and staff felt supported thereby making significant progress towards our goal.

A description of any changes made to the planned goal, metrics, desired outcomes, or actions for the coming year that resulted from reflections on prior practice.

None at this time.

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Local Control and Accountability Plan

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Plan Summary 2024-25

General Information

A description of the LEA, its schools, and its students in grades transitional kindergarten–12, as applicable to the LEA.

ECHS-Lawndale (ECHSL) is a free public charter school, authorized by the Lawndale Elementary School District, that serves students in 9th-12th grade from Lawndale, Gardena, Hawthorne, Inglewood and other neighboring communities. As one of four campuses that comprises the non-profit organization Environmental Charter Schools (ECS), our mission is to reimagine public education in low-income communities of color to prepare conscious, critical thinkers who are equipped to graduate from college and create a more equitable and sustainable world. With just over 480 students enrolled in the school, 76% are low income and qualify for free or reduced lunch, 4.6% are English learners, and approximately 10% are students with disabilities.

Since its opening in 2000, ECHSL has provided all students with an interdisciplinary curriculum that utilizes authentic assessments, as well as outdoor education and environmental experiential service learning opportunities to link academic content to real-life and professional careers beyond the classroom. Students are inspired to break down barriers that prevent them from growing at their highest potential and find meaning in education. Learners from this school are resilient, motivated to continue in their academic studies, prepared for college, and are driven to make a positive contribution in their community through leadership and civic engagement.

ECS Best Practices

ECHSL was founded on a best practices model that includes a small learning community, challenging core academics, interdisciplinary curriculum, authentic assessments, service learning projects, and strong partnerships with the local community. We believe that students learn better in an environment where there is ample support from teachers, parents, and others around them. We also hold all students to a high expectation by providing only a college preparatory path. In fact, students cannot receive D's and they must take the most rigorous course load available, including four years of math, history, and other core subjects. Everyone enrolled is expected to graduate having completed the A-G requirements needed for admission into the California State University (CSU) and University of California (UC) systems, and to apply to a four-year college. Furthermore, teachers use expeditions, problem-based learning, thematic interdisciplinary instruction, and service based instructional strategies to help students apply content standards to real world problems. These connections and instructional pedagogy are consistent with the development of students' higher order thinking skills.

College & Career

ECHSL provides a rigorous college preparatory program to all students in grades 9-12. Not only are classes demanding, but they place an emphasis on critical thinking, problem solving, and college readiness. Students are also required to complete college-level research projects, participate in a senior seminar class to review the college application and FAFSA process, visit universities (including those located in CA and out-of-state), attend networking events, talk with former ECHSL graduates at Alumni Day, and attend Career Day, as well as I Love My HBCU Day, in order to support our learners and their families during the transition to post-secondary life. On average, 96% of graduates are admitted to a four-year higher education institution.

Our Green Ambassador's Internship Program also provides students with a unique opportunity to learn about various career options available after they graduate high school. While serving as "junior consultants," participants work alongside other employees and have the opportunity to apply the knowledge they learned in the classroom in a real world context. This program has been incredibly successful and in previous years it has resulted in several students being offered jobs at the end of their internship, as well as the development of a CTE Climate Action Pathway where participants may earn up to 12 postsecondary credits. Although we did not have students participate in the program this reporting period, it is scheduled to return next school year.

Outdoor Education

ECHSL's outdoor education program promotes environmental awareness, interpersonal skills, group cohesion through team-building activities, landscape explorations, wilderness expeditions, and fun off campus adventures. All trips feature developmentally appropriate challenges and 100% of students in every grade level are encouraged to participate, free of charge. Underclassmen begin their experience with easier expeditions, which gradually scale in difficulty and scope as they mature. In previous years, participants have gone camping and hiking in locations such as the Pacific Crest Trail, Joshua Tree National Park, Catalina Island, the Santa Monica Mountains, Los Padres National Forest, Idyllwild, San Bernardino National Forest, Angeles National Forest, and Big Sur. And our 12th grade trip to Yosemite was recently awarded the CA Serves Grant through the CDE for its high quality academics, service learning, and civic engagement elements.

ECHSL prides itself on its work to address inequalities for all students and recognizes that there is a responsibility to proactively confront anti-blackness and racism, which undermine efforts to educate all learners. Through the creation of professional development focused on confronting anti-blackness, school leaders, teachers and staff examined teaching practices that disenfranchise some of the communities we serve. This training not only informs our work, it allows us to better address issues that impact communities of color and support achievement for all learners. As a result, this year we've seen some impressive gains and academic outcomes from our Black/African American students.

Climate of care and social and emotional wellness (SEW) also remains a top priority at ECHSL. To maintain a strong school culture that fosters supportive relationships with peers and a trusted adult on campus, advisory periods are built into the bell schedule and are used to teach skills, as well as behavioral norms that enhance self-esteem while alleviating depression, anxiety and stress. With the implementation of this holistic approach that educates the whole child, students' performance in reading, math, standardized tests and even grades have improved greatly. We also continue to collaborate with other ECS sites in order to develop effective, efficient, and inclusive structures that better serve our students with disabilities and our English Language Learners.

To further strengthen student achievement and the percentage of those who meet or exceed the standard, the site continues to actively refine the implementation of academics and educational programs. This includes building vertical alignment across all grades in curriculum and

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assessment, prioritizing literacy instruction to strengthen foundational skills, and creating dedicated intervention spaces to support those who are struggling and ultimately increase the percentage of learners who meet or exceed the standards.

Reflections: Annual Performance

A reflection on annual performance based on a review of the California School Dashboard (Dashboard) and local data.

During this reporting period, ECHSL students demonstrated tremendous academic success and continued to close achievement gaps. Over 96% of seniors graduated last year, 98% completed their A-G requirements necessary for admission into the California State University (CSU) and University of California (UC) systems, 61.7% were placed in the "prepared" level on the CA Dashboard college/career indicator, almost 68% of all learners took at least one Advanced Placement (AP) course, and approximately 10% are dually enrolled and completing a course at El Camino College.

Based on the CA School Dashboard and recent CAASPP testing data (results as of 5/31/24), ECHSL performed well in ELA. Our students achieved a 77% overall proficiency rate in ELA, which indicates that a majority of those enrolled in our school are meeting or exceeding the reading and writing standards. Although this is a slight decrease from last year's score (86% proficiency), our 11th grade students are still performing above state levels and doing better than pre-pandemic years (61% proficiency in 2017-2018 and 71% proficiency in 2019-2020). However, the most notable growth was seen by our Black/African American students who tested -98.5 points below standard last year and increased 107 points so they are now 100% proficient and 105.5 points above the standard. Unfortunately, we did not see those increases with other groups whose proficiency rates all dropped including English Language Learners (74% in 2022-23 >> 59% in 2023-24), students with disabilities (50% in 2022-23 >> 40% in 2023-24) and Hispanic/Latino students (86% in 2022-23 >> 76% in 2023-24). To address these achievement concerns, it will be important to review distance from standard data which demonstrate moderate performance drops as well: In 2022-23 our students with disabilities were -3.4 points from standard but in 2023-24 they are now -39.4 points away from the norm. Similarly, our English Language Learners were 43.4 points above the standard last year, but dropped 20.8 points, and our Hispanic/Latino students who were 85.2 points above standard, also dropped 15.9 points.

In Math, our proficiency rates also dropped from 41% last year to 22% this reporting period. While our English Language Learners' distance from standard remained almost the same as last year (-125), their overall performance dropped from 10% proficiency in 2022-23 to 4% now. Similarly, our Hispanic/Latino students' proficiency dropped 19% (40% in 2022-23 >> 21% in 2023-24) and their distance from standard also decreased from -47 points to -62.2 points. However, we did see growth and gap closure amongst some student groups. Students with disabilities were testing at 14% proficiency last year, but are now at 20% and their distance from standard also improved 13.8 points (-148.6 in 2022-23 >> -134.8 in 2023-24). And once again there was huge improvement seen by our Black/African American students who were at 0% proficiency last year and now are at 20%, and their distance from standard scores went from -148.5 >> -40.6 which is a 107.9 point increase.

When reviewing ELPAC data, 63.2% of test takers advanced at least 1 performance level, compared to 75% last year. It's important to note that while the percentage fell slightly, the current rate is in line with historic norms which are well above the state's rate. The school's ELA IAB results illustrated that 47% of students are testing above the standard and 39% are near the standard, while reclassification goals are approximately 18%. Furthermore, ECHS-Lawndale students continue to do well in all of their classes, with a high course passage rate in

English of 88% (Semester 1) and 89% (Semester 2) and in Math 85% (Semester 1) and 87% (Semester 2).

ECHS-Lawndale is committed to providing all students with the tools and resources they need to succeed. This includes laptops, access to the internet, accessible classroom materials, and other applicable program support. Furthermore, while the learning community has returned to a new normal post-pandemic, health and safety remains a top priority. The site continues to follow LADPH protocol and offers hand sanitizing/washing stations, face masks and Rapid-Antigens tests.

Throughout the past year, we reviewed academic achievement data to gauge student growth and were disappointed to see a decrease in both our ELA and Math proficiency rates. We also acknowledge that certain groups of students have not made as much progress as we had hoped. Based on our mission to reimagine public education, It is crucial to address these disparities and provide necessary support for all students. To continue improving overall ELA scores, ECHSL built vertical alignment into common rubrics ensuring grade level rigor and instruction across all courses. Tier 2 Interventions taught by English teachers, the ELD Coordinator, the Special Education Coordinator and the Department Chair targeted students who were struggling with literacy skills before they moved up a grade level. Tier 3 support utilized "Really Great Reading platform" specifically to focus on phonics and decoding skills and our English Department Chair regularly provided feedback to other educators through classroom observations or lesson planning support. As a result, our Black/African American Learners are well above standard, as are our Hispanic/Latino students. However, when analyzing recent ELA scores, we noticed that students with disabilities decreased 36 points and are now -39.4 points below the standard (compared to -3.4) indicating additional support is necessary.

Our dedication to continuous improvement and equity also drives our work to create an inclusive and supportive learning environment where every student thrives in Math. Accordingly, during the 2023-24 school year which is year 2 of the Reveal Math/McGraw Hill curriculum implementation, ECHSL implemented Tier 1 classroom "look-fors" which included protected independent think time, partner/small group collaboration, whole group discussion with elevated student voice and opportunities to revise/synthesize thinking. Teachers also utilized common assessments for lesson planning in order to match grade level standards and rigor necessary for skill mastery. While overall scores decreased 14.6 points (-44.3 in 2022-23 >> -58.9 in 2023-24), we saw performance stability amongst our English Language Learners(-124.4 >> -125) and huge growth from our Black/African American students (-148.5 >> -40.6), likely attributed to Tier 2 target tutoring/office hours for invited students and Tier 3 math seminars for those who are at risk of not mastering grade level courses. Based on recent scores though, we will continue to have co-teaching teams adapt and modify lessons to meet the individual learner's needs and target those who are still performing below the standard.

While academic performance is a predominant focus at ECHSL, student wellness is also a priority. Through a CA Community Schools Partnership Grant, a social worker on site is able to track chronic absences and follow up directly with families whose student may be experiencing social or emotional issues. According to internal data, this year approximately 24% of students have chronically missing school, as compared to 13.5% in 2022-23. As with other schools in the surrounding area, absenteeism remains a concern amongst site leaders. To address disciplinary incidents and implement restorative practices with fidelity, counselors and the social worker are helping wrongdoers foster a sense of accountability, provide opportunities for reintegration in the learning community and continue to ensure a supportive learning environment for all. During set advisory periods, Social Emotional Learning (SEL) competencies are taught to help students manage their emotions, make responsible decisions, and set positive goals. These SEL practices also aim to boost self-esteem and mitigate the effects of depression, anxiety, stress, and social withdrawal, while positively impacting performance in reading, math, standardized tests, and overall grades.

Reflections: Technical Assistance

As applicable, a summary of the work underway as part of technical assistance.

Not Applicable.

Comprehensive Support and Improvement

An LEA with a school or schools eligible for comprehensive support and improvement must respond to the following prompts.

Schools Identified

A list of the schools in the LEA that are eligible for comprehensive support and improvement.

Not Applicable.

Support for Identified Schools

A description of how the LEA has or will support its eligible schools in developing comprehensive support and improvement plans.

Not Applicable.

Monitoring and Evaluating Effectiveness

A description of how the LEA will monitor and evaluate the plan to support student and school improvement.

Not Applicable.

Engaging Educational Partners

A summary of the process used to engage educational partners in the development of the LCAP.

School districts and county offices of education must, at a minimum, consult with teachers, principals, administrators, other school personnel, local bargaining units, parents, and students in the development of the LCAP.

Charter schools must, at a minimum, consult with teachers, principals, administrators, other school personnel, parents, and students in the development of the LCAP.

An LEA receiving Equity Multiplier funds must also consult with educational partners at schools generating Equity Multiplier funds in the development of the LCAP, specifically, in the development of the required focus goal for each applicable school.

Educational Partner(s)	Process for Engagement
Students	-Climate Survey: Students complete an abbreviated version of the the California Healthy Kids Survey -Advisory Survey: During advisory periods teachers ask questions about school connectedness, peer relations, and learning environment -Student bulletins

Parents

- -Survey: Parents are asked to complete the California School Climate, Health, and Learning Survey
- -Town Halls
- -Parent/Teacher conferences
- -School Site Council (Note: the SSC meets three times a year. SSC members review data, identify student needs, develop the School Plan for Student Achievement, and provide input on the LCAP)
- -English Learner Advisory committee (Note: at ELAC meetings parents of English Learners are invited to provide feedback on the English Language Development program and strategize on ways to improve attendance)
- -African American Partnership meetings with Parent Liaison (Note: the focus is to build awareness, education, and a new level of consciousness about being an African American student in today's society)
- -Coffee with the Principal
- -Parent Workshops to enhance community relationships and improve communication between families and school staff
- -Open Houses
- -Back to School Night
- -ECS Board Meetings
- -Community Events (Garden Days, Unity Fest, Spring Carnival, Dia De Los Muertos, Arts & Culture Festival, Kwanzaa Black Joy Festival, I love My HBCU Day)
- -Access to administration via email, phone, and in person

Staff

- -Weekly meetings with staff
- -Feedback questionnaires following staff meetings (Note: at the end of the weekly meeting, teachers and staff complete a feedback form. Information from these forms drives decisions about future professional development and the refinement of processes & procedures)
- -Listening tours with Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of Instruction
- -Regular meetings with the Assistant Principal, Dean, College Prep and Student Services Support Office Manager, Instructional Coaches, Community Liaison, Mental Health Team, Facilities (Campus Engineer) to solicit feedback on school operations and plan for future school events
- -Weekly meetings with the Mental health team (Counselor and Social worker) to solicit feedback and proactively address the needs of tier 2 and tier 3 behavioral concerns and/or families requiring additional support from the school
- -Weekly meetings with Weekly ELD and Special Education Coordinators to progress monitor the academic achievement of special populations as well as ensure compliance with the implementation of the requisite support
- -Meeting with the Office Manager to solicit feedback and monitor progress of compliance activities related to attendance
- -Meetings with Instructional Leadership Team (ILT, includes department chairs, instructional coaches, ELD and SPED coordinators) meetings to analyze feedback from teachers pertaining to professional development and student academic achievement. (Note: the ILT uses student achievement data and teacher feedback to adjust the scope and sequence of professional learning to respond to the needs of the stakeholder)
- -Cabinet meeting with fellow ECS principals, assistant principals, organization directors, and specialists to progress monitor charter implementation and adjust accordingly
- -Open Door Policy for Principal and Assistant Principal
- -Collaboration with staff at other ECS sites to produce "Unity Fest" a community event which celebrates Black/African American culture, history and partners
- -Confronting Anti-Blackness and Racism Teacher Inquiry group which lead to the new annual Kwanzaa event and I love my HBCU Event

A description of how the adopted LCAP was influenced by the feedback provided by educational partners.

ECHSL provides multiple in-person and virtual opportunities for students, families and staff to review and discuss upcoming school decisions, provide suggestions and feedback to administration, and debrief processes and procedures. Throughout the year, input is actively sought both

formally and informally, data is shared out, and recommendations are made to administration. Not only do stakeholders' perspectives and insights inform the identification of critical priorities as well as the allocation of resources, they also inform program implementation, create actionable goals, and help with accountability.

Students: Recent survey data collected from students indicates that 80% feel safe on campus and 73% believe there is a teacher or trusted adult on campus who cares about them. When asked about advisory period, which is built into the schedule and provides intentional check-in points with an educator on campus, 72% agree/strongly agree that their advisor makes them feel known and valued, 64% agree/strongly agree that their advisor helps them keep track of academic progress, and 66% agree/strongly agree that their advisor provides opportunities for wellness, including taking circles, reflection time, and outdoor activities.

Families: ECS believes that it is important to solicit regular feedback from our families in order to tailor instruction to better meet student needs, as well as to build collaboration to create a more positive and supportive learning environment. Accordingly, when asked about the school, an astounding 97% said they were likely/very likely to recommend ECHSL to a friend. 99% agree/strongly agree that the site allows input and welcomes parent contributions, and 96% agree/strongly agree that we seek parent input before making important decisions. Furthermore, 99% of parents agree/strongly agree that school staff take their concerns seriously, and 97% agree/strongly agree that ECHSL encourages them to be an active partner in their student's education.

Staff: As our teachers and classified employees are the designated frontline professionals who interact with our students on a daily basis, it is imperative to hear their insight about effective learning strategies, engagement activities, and areas for improvement. When asked, 81% agree/strongly agree that the site promotes personnel participation in decision making that affects school practices and policies, and 92% agree/strongly agree that ECHSL is a supportive and inviting place for staff to work. 91% agree/strongly agree that the campus is a safe place.

In conjunction with the pursuit of our organization-wide priorities, ECHSL regularly seeks input regarding the following priorities that have influenced our LCAP goals: (1) Planning for Critical Thinking; (2) Confronting Anti-Blackness and Racism; (3) Providing resources that support the tenet, "Every Child Is a Blessing"; (4) Aligning systems for effective and equitable learning; and (5) Wellness and engagement.

Planning for Critical Thinking (PCT) is both mission-aligned and supportive of teaching planning. To align best practices, constructive feedback from teachers helped site leaders evaluate what parts of PCT impacted student learning the most and various ways student-facing tasks could improve academic outcomes.

Our commitment to Confronting Anti-Blackness and Racism (CABR) remains the cornerstone of our effort to achieve equity in our schools. Initially, we collaborated with educational partners to provide comprehensive professional development to all ECS employees that focused on various ways to support the well-being of our Black/African American students. While we no longer offer the same multi-session programming, the principles learned during this educational series continue to inform our best practices. For example, the theories and texts used for current staff training are selected with CABR concepts in mind. Additionally, we analyze data in the aggregate, as well as for specific student groups, in order to develop action plans that address disparities in achievement outcomes. While our teaching model incorporates small learning communities to foster meaningful relationships with adults on campus, it also generates a positive climate of care that improves student

engagement. Finally, our commitment to CABR has led to the successful implementation of restorative practices that has resulted in lower suspension rates and zero expulsions.

To inform our actions, while rekindling a natural curiosity for learning, the site continues to align best practices while developing multi-tier systems of support to meet the needs of all learners where equity gaps exist. As a result, students feel supported, seen, heard, respected and celebrated for what they bring to campus each day.

Goals and Actions

Goal

Goal #	Description	Type of Goal
1	Improved Student Outcomes. We will improve outcomes for all students by improving instruction and	programs. Broad

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

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An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

The mission of ECS is to redefine public education in underprivileged communities of color, while preparing conscious, critical thinkers who are equipped to graduate from college and contribute to a more equitable and sustainable world. To fulfill this goal, ECHS-Lawndale (ECHSL) consistently implements a best-practice teaching model and strives to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of existing education programs. For example, through targeted initiatives, such as Reading Apprenticeship and math programs, we have witnessed improvements in student performance outcomes. Building upon this progress, we continue to administer necessary interventions that provide additional support to those students who require it.

During the past year, we introduced multi-tiered interventions to increase daily attendance rates, encourage student engagement, decrease disciplinary issues, develop social-emotional wellness, and reinforce academic skills. In addition to closing achievement gaps, our efforts also focused on supporting students from lower socioeconomic backgrounds, those with disabilities, kids who are currently placed in foster care or are experiencing homelessness, and learners where English is a second language. As a result of our goal to improve student outcomes through small class sizes, authentic assessments, and a best-practices teaching model, those enrolled at ECHSL are consistently exceeding academic benchmarks and demonstrating college-readiness. Our focus on individualized learning has also ensured that all learners are both challenged and supported. This year, the average ELA GPA stands at 2.6 (Semester 1) and 2.7 (Semester 2). Similarly the average Math GPA is at 2.5 (Semester 1) and 2.6 (Semester 2).

Research consistently shows a strong connection between student well-being, sense of connectedness, and academic achievement. Recognizing this, ECHSL is committed to improving our school climate and fostering student engagement as a key part of our second goal. The school was fortunate to have been awarded a two-year grant through the CA Community Partnership Program that allows us to have a dedicated social worker on campus who helps with SEL and PBIS programs, along with the implementation of restorative justice practices. We also added a new position, Dean of Student Culture, to continue building upon these restorative practices at school. Last school year, the site reported 66 referrals, of which 5 were Black/African American Students, and 6 resulted in suspensions. This year, to date, there are 62 referrals, of which 2 are Black/African American students, and 1 recorded suspension. Therefore, as we foster a holistic and educational experience that supports the whole child, we hope we can simultaneously elevate academic success.

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
1	CAASPP English Language Arts Average Distance from Meeting Standard (DFS)	Each cohort's average 8th Gr distance from met.			Cohort baseline + 9	
2	CAASPP Math Average Distance from Meeting Standard (DFS)	Each cohort's average 8th Gr distance from met.			Cohort baseline + 9	
3	CAST Science Average Distance from Meeting Standard (DFS)	Each cohort's average 8th Gr distance from met			Cohort baseline +12	
4	The percentage of pupils who have successfully completed courses that satisfy University of California (UC) or California State University (CSU) entrance requirements (a-g)	23-24: 99%			95% of students who are on the A-G pathway are on track to complete it.	
5	Percentage of pupils who have completed CTE pathways	0%			0%	
6	Percentage of pupils who have completed both a-g and CTE pathways	0%			0%	
7	Percentage of English Learners who make progress on ELPAC	2023 ELPI Status: 75%			65% or greater	

8	Per cohort, the percentage of students reclassified out of those who started at the site as an English Learner	Average reclassification rate for cohorts 2019 to 2023: 71%		75%	
9	Percentage of pupils who pass AP exams with score of 3+	2019-2023 Average: 47%		50%	
10	Pupils prepared for college by the EAP - ELA	Each cohort's percentage Standard Exceeded on 8th grade CAASPP ELA		Baseline + 3%	
11	Pupils prepared for college by the EAP - Math	Each cohort's percentage Standard Exceeded on 8th grade CAASPP Math		Baseline + 3%	

Goal Analysis for 2024-25

An analysis of how this goal was carried out in the previous year.

A description of overall implementation, including any substantive differences in planned actions and actual implementation of these actions, and any relevant challenges and successes experienced with implementation.

Not Applicable.

An explanation of material differences between Budgeted Expenditures and Estimated Actual Expenditures and/or Planned Percentages of Improved Services and Estimated Actual Percentages of Improved Services.

Not Applicable.

A description of the effectiveness or ineffectiveness of the specific actions to date in making progress toward the goal.

Not Applicable.

A description of any changes made to the planned goal, metrics, target outcomes, or actions for the coming year that resulted from reflections on prior practice.

Not Applicable.

A report of the Total Estimated Actual Expenditures for last year's actions may be found in the Annual Update Table. A report of the Estimated Actual Percentages of Improved Services for last year's actions may be found in the Contributing Actions Annual Update Table.

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Actions

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
1.a	ECS Certified	ECS personnel will provide support with analyzing and visualizing data, planning and delivering teacher and administrator professional development, curriculum selection, program evaluation and strategic planning.	\$219,463	N

		ECS will improve systems for supporting equity in student learning. As we return to the new normal of in-person learning, we will consider how our instructional best practices evolved during the global pandemic, through distance learning, and amid a collective social awakening. We will articulate and implement an inclusive multi-tiered system of support that ensures that all ECS students become conscious, critical thinkers who are equipped to graduate from college and create a more equitable and sustainable world.	\$253,638	Y
		We will articulate the highest leverage instructional best practices for students who are low-income, English learners and/or foster youth and, through our Teacher Development System, we will prepare our new teachers and provide student-centered coaching and professional development.		
		In year one, we will:		
		Determine which standards need to be prioritized to address the impact of the pandemic on student learning		
1.b	Multi-Tiered Sys of	Determine the role of teacher-created versus adopted curricula and assessments		
	Support/TDS	Audit our existing intervention systems		
		Articulate high leverage instructional best practices to serve as the bedrock for each of the three tiers of academic supports		
		Train and support teachers through a variety of professional development modalities		
		Monitor implementation of tiered supports		
		Develop organization-wide tools to make MTSS efficient and sustainable in Identifying students and providing appropriate interventions		
		Draft a 3 year vision for improving MTSS at ECS		
		Observe and gather data to evaluate efficacy of practices and to ensure implementation with fidelity		
		In years two and three we will continue to implement our teacher development system and integrate the systems and practices identified in year one to ensure our MTSS is coordinated, data-based, sustainable and supports equitable outcomes for students.		
1.d	English Language Development Program (ELD)	Collaborate with other ECS sites to create shared systems of compliance and accountability. Assign a full-time paraeducator to support 9th grade English learners	\$250,571	Y

1.e	ELD PD	Improve delivery of ELD services through targeted professional development for general education teachers on serving English Learners at our site	\$20,550	Υ
1.f	Special Ed Program	Collaborate with other ECS sites to create a shared system of compliance and accountability so department is prepared to step in to provide additional support for ELA and Math, or seamless substitution when an education specialist is absent.	\$694,165	N
1.g	Special Ed PD	Improve delivery of special education services through intensive and targeted professional development opportunities.	\$0	N
1.h	Literacy & Math Initiatives	Continue implementation of WestEd's Reading Apprenticeship across content areas with a focus on metacognition, text selection and classroom conditions. Continue implementation of adopted CCSS-aligned mathematics curricula, including the adoption of Reveal Math Curriculum to better support the balance of fluency, rigor and overall student success.	\$215,392	Y
1.j	College/Career Readiness	We will continue to provide our College/Career Readiness program, which helps low income students and English learners develop the skills needed to succeed in work and college. We will also review and refine this program, as informed by our 2020-21 workshops on Confronting Anti-Blackness & Racism. Based on this work, we intend to embed the development of each student's individual sense of purpose into advisory, counseling and College Prep/readiness classes.	\$491,255	Y

Goal

Goal #	Description	Type of Goal
2	Climate & Engagement: We will develop a caring school culture that supports student wellness, is responsive to stakeholder feedback, and ensures organizational sustainability	Broad

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

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An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

As a new normal post-pandemic has finally set in, ECHSL remains focused on our mission of reimagining public education in low income communities of color and to meet the evolving needs of all learners enrolled in the school. We recognize the virtual learning during Covid school closures impacted our students' connectedness and created increased feelings of isolation. Not only have we seen a higher volume of students dealing with anxiety, peer pressure, or questioning their gender identity, we are also seeing the negative consequences of attention-seeking behavior resulting in disciplinary issues. Additionally, our counselors and social workers are seeing the direct correlation between those who are socially withdrawn and chronic absenteeism. To navigate these issues we implemented a comprehensive approach to further develop a caring school culture that supports student wellness and is responsive to feedback.

ECHSL continues to prioritize positive relationships between students and their peers, as well as trusted adults on campus in order to create a learning environment that encourages engagement and regular participation. Our interdisciplinary curriculum also provides opportunities for student collaboration and partnerships beyond the classroom. As students work with one another, they not only build communication and relationship skills, they are fostering a strong school climate along with a sense of community.

Strong partnerships with our families and staff is also a key element for student success. ECHSL actively engages our parents through newsletters, targeted communication, conferences, and on-campus events, all of which reinforce a supportive home-school connection. Equally important is the regular and consistent practice of staff meetings, professional development, surveys, listening tours, and an 'open door' policy with site administration to ensure programs and practices are aligned to enhance a positive and thriving school culture.

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
12	Attendance	23-24: 93%			<u>≥</u> 90%	
13	Chronic Absenteeism	23-24: 21%			19.5%	
14	Drop Out Rates	23-24: 0%			0%	
15	High School Graduation Rates	23-24: 98.3%			≥95% will graduate* *defined as achieving the terminal level of their designated diploma pathway.	
16	Suspension Rates	23-24: .2%			<u><</u> .5%	
17	Expulsion Rates	23-24: 0%			0%	

18	Parent input in decision-making			
	% of parents who agree that the school allows, seeks, and welcomes their input.	23-24: 97%	≥90%	
19	Parent participation in programs for UDPs Percentage of parents who participate in parent conferences, ELAC and other activities aimed at engaging parents in school decision-making	22-23: 76%	≥90%	
20	Student Safety & Connectedness Percentage of students who say they felt Safe or Very Safe at school. Percentage of students who say they felt "Unsafe" or "Very unsafe" at school.	23-24 80% 4%	≥70% ≤2%	
21	Student Safety & Connectedness Average level of agreement with connectedness questions on CA Healthy Kids Survey or similar climate survey	60%	<u>≥</u> 65%	

Goal Analysis for 2024-25

An analysis of how this goal was carried out in the previous year.

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A description of overall implementation, including any substantive differences in planned actions and actual implementation of these actions, and any relevant challenges and successes experienced with implementation.

Not Applicable.

An explanation of material differences between Budgeted Expenditures and Estimated Actual Expenditures and/or Planned Percentages of Improved Services and Estimated Actual Percentages of Improved Services.

Not Applicable.

A description of the effectiveness or ineffectiveness of the specific actions to date in making progress toward the goal.

Not Applicable.

A description of any changes made to the planned goal, metrics, target outcomes, or actions for the coming year that resulted from reflections on prior practice.

Not Applicable.

A report of the Total Estimated Actual Expenditures for last year's actions may be found in the Annual Update Table. A report of the Estimated Actual Percentages of Improved Services for last year's actions may be found in the Contributing Actions Annual Update Table.

Actions

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
2.a	Partnerships/Outdoor Education	Quality outdoor education experiences, service learning and community service and action relies upon community partnerships. ECS and school-site leadership will develop and sustain partnerships in order to increase engagement of unduplicated pupils, so they are able to access resources, experience, and expertise related to their educational/career plans. Overnight field trips and day field trips will contribute to wellness and healing efforts as they will allow students to experience open space, wilderness, a sense of belonging in outdoor environments, and community building outside of school. Substantial evidence supports the value of outdoor education programs for promoting healthy adolescent development (Cason & Gillis, 1994; Dillon et al., 2006; Hattie, Marsh, Neill, & Richards, 1997; Norton & Watt, 2013).	\$297,424	Y

2.b		We will continue our commitment to Confronting Anti-Blackness & Racism in order to seek systemic ways to support the wellness of our Black students.	\$371,004	Y
	CABR- MTSS (SEL)	Building upon the professional development series required of all employees, in conjunction with our previous work with Dr. Kenjus Watson and Dr. Tiffani Marie, we continue to reimagine our advisory program, implement community circles and restorative practices, while providing training, systems and resources that support the tenet, "Every Child Is a Blessing". Our Best Practice model that incorporates small learning communities centers meaningful relationships with adults as a critical element needed for student engagement and learning. In advisory, these relationships act as a Tier 1 support for social emotional & academic needs, where every student belongs and can engage in healing. Due to the fact that our teachers' expertise in developing small learning communities and providing social emotional learning varies, we utilize theories and texts selected with CABR concepts in mind to guide staff trainings, identify resources and tools that address disparities in achievement outcomes, and develop the capacity of teachers to provide an advisory program that fulfills our vision. Tools and strategies from advisory can be incorporated in classes across content areas. Practicing building community in advisory will also increase teachers' capacity to implement Universal Design for Learning and Reading Apprenticeship in academic settings.		
		We continue to improve Tier 3 social emotional support by creating a new position for a trained social worker, who can provide targeted interventions for student engagement and restorative practices that is currently provided by our counselors, enabling the counselors to spend more time supporting students in Tier 2.		
2.c	Parent Engagement	Leverage new parent engagement strategies, like online Town halls and Pupusas with the Principal, to expand parent involvement in decision-making and increase participation and sense of connection of parents of low-income students and English learners.	\$49,439	Y

2.d	Student Engagement	We will develop programming, community partners, enrichment, and mentoring programs piloting these strategies with our highest needs students to improve attendance and decrease chronic absenteeism. Over the past few years Chronic Absenteeism has disproportionately impacted low-income students with exceptionalities and English learners. To improve student engagement we will engage with our community to develop a better understanding about how to strengthen our service learning program.	\$76,415	Y
2.e	After School Program	We will provide a robust afterschool program to supplement the educational program and increase student engagement and sense of connectedness. Regular participation in high-quality afterschool programs is linked to significant gains in standardized test scores and work habits as well as reductions in behavior problems for low-come students.	\$151,208	Y

Goal

(Goal #	Description	Type of Goal
	3	Excellent Operations & Facilities . We will ensure operations and facilities are mission-aligned, meet the needs of our educational program and facilitate the achievement of student learning outcomes. With the support of the ECS Home Office, we will establish operations that support the smooth and compliant functioning of our school.	Broad

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

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An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

In order to achieve successful student learning outcomes, operations and facilities continue to support the educational programs in place at ECHSL. With assistance from the ECS Home Office, we have established effective protocols and policies that maintain compliance and help the site efficiently function day-to-day.

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
22	Teachers: Fully credentialed & appropriately assigned Number of misassignments	23-24: 5			0	
23	Instructional Materials: Percentage of students with access to standards-aligned instructional materials.	23-24: 100%			100%	
24	School Facilities in "Good Repair": Clean, safe, and functional as determined by Facility Inspection Tool (FIT) or other local instrument that meets same criteria	23-24: The facility received ratings of Good on all inspected systems, and an overall rating of Exemplary			The facility will receive ratings of good on all inspected systems and an overall rating of exemplary.	
25	Course Access	23-24: All students have access to CCSS and CA ELD Standards-aligned curriculum and to the educational program as outlined in the charter petition.			100% of students have access to CCSS and CA ELD Standards-aligned curriculum and to the educational program as outlined in the charter petition.	

Goal Analysis for 2024-25

An analysis of how this goal was carried out in the previous year.

A description of overall implementation, including any substantive differences in planned actions and actual implementation of these actions, and any relevant challenges and successes experienced with implementation.

Not Applicable.

An explanation of material differences between Budgeted Expenditures and Estimated Actual Expenditures and/or Planned Percentages of Improved Services and Estimated Actual Percentages of Improved Services.

Not Applicable.

A description of the effectiveness or ineffectiveness of the specific actions to date in making progress toward the goal.

Not Applicable.

A description of any changes made to the planned goal, metrics, target outcomes, or actions for the coming year that resulted from reflections on prior practice.

Not Applicable.

A report of the Total Estimated Actual Expenditures for last year's actions may be found in the Annual Update Table. A report of the Estimated Actual Percentages of Improved Services for last year's actions may be found in the Contributing Actions Annual Update Table.

Actions

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing		
3.a	Employees for Ed. Program	School will employ certificated employees necessary to implement educational programs.	\$2,535,273	N		
3.b	Employees for Operations	School will employ staff necessary for school operations and facilities to ensure student safety and support implementation of educational program	\$408,028	N		
3.c	Insurance/Benefits	nsurance/Benefits School will maintain required insurance and will offer competitive employee benefits packages.				
3.d	Curriculum	School will purchase books, materials and supplies to ensure smooth operations and effective implementation of educational programs. Students will be provided with free and reduced lunch.	\$320,027	N		
3.e	Professional Services	School will leverage professional services and other ongoing operating expenses to ensure smooth operations and effective implementation of educational programs. Action encompasses budget series 5000, including professional services such as attorneys and auditors and expenses such as copier rentals, tech support, and district oversight.	\$1,643,164	N		
3.f	Capital Improvements	School site will make capital improvements as required to ensure student safety and support implementation of educational programs. Over the next three years we plan to continue collaborating with LESD to make improvements to facilities. Our proposed improvements include adding a shade structure, replacing older windows, ADA upgrades for paths of travel and restrooms, replacing modular classrooms, and repairing covered walkways.		N		
3.g	CMO Classified	ECS personnel will provide the school with human resources, accounting, financial and facilities support to ensure smooth operations. ECS personnel will also support the school's implementation of standards and work to secure additional resources needed to implement educational programs.	\$402,877	N		

Increased or Improved Services for Foster Youth, English Learners, and Low-Income Students for 2024-25

Total Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants	Projected Additional 15 percent LCFF Concentration Grant
\$1,744,771	\$197,681

Required Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the LCAP Year

	Projected Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year	LCFF Carryover — Percentage	LCFF Carryover — Dollar	Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year
(30.729%	2.060%	\$112,010	32.789%

The Budgeted Expenditures for Actions identified as Contributing may be found in the Contributing Actions Table.

Required Descriptions

LEA-wide and Schoolwide Actions

For each action being provided to an entire LEA or school, provide an explanation of (1) the unique identified need(s) of the unduplicated student group(s) for whom the action is principally directed, (2) how the action is designed to address the identified need(s) and why it is being provided on an LEA or schoolwide basis, and (3) the metric(s) used to measure the effectiveness of the action in improving outcomes for the unduplicated student group(s).

Goal and Action #(s)	How the Action(s) Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
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Goal 1 Action b Action h Action j

After assessing the needs, of our low income students and English language as a result of the pandemic there was a higher proportion of these students who were not passing their courses (ELA and Math) than we've seen in previous years.

In order to address this condition, we will improve instruction via our teacher development system (Action 1.b), our literacy and math initiatives (Action 1.h), and Confronting Anti-Blackness & Racism (Action 1.i). Through our Teacher Development System, including professional development, classroom observations, and regular meetings with Instructional Leadership Teams, we will articulate the highest leverage instructional best practices for students who are low-income, English learners and/or foster youth, while preparing our new teachers with student-centered coaching and related mentorship from site administration.

Via our Literacy & Math Initiatives (Action 1.h), we will conditions and circumstances continue implementing MTSS, along with WestEd's Reading Apprenticeship, we are focusing on metacognition across all content areas, text selection and learners, we determined that classroom conditions, building vertical alignment and common rubrics to ensure grade level rigor, while also aligning with our organizational-wide priority "planning for critical thinking." In addition to the continued implementation of adopted CCSS-aligned mathematics curricula, to support learning we have implemented "Look-Fors" which include protected independent think time, small group collaboration, group discussion, and opportunities to synthesize thinking in order to better support the balance of fluency, rigor and overall student success.

> To increase the effectiveness and sustainability of academic interventions, we will increase resources and refine the functioning of our Multi-Tiered systems of support (Action 1.b) for both ELA and Math courses. These targeted supports to ensure that all ECS students become conscious, critical thinkers who are equipped to graduate from college and create a more equitable and sustainable world.

In year one, we will:

supports

Determine which standards need to be prioritized to address the impact of the pandemic on student learning

Determine the role of teacher-created versus adopted curricula and assessments

Audit our existing intervention systems Articulate high leverage instructional best practices to serve as the bedrock for each of the three tiers of academic

Train and support teachers through a variety of professional development modalities

Monitor implementation of tiered supports

Develop organization-wide tools to make MTSS efficient and sustainable in identifying students and providing appropriate interventions

Draft a 3 year vision for improving MTSS at ECS

Observe and gather data to evaluate efficacy of practices and to ensure implementation with fidelity

In years two and three we will continue to implement our teacher development system and integrate the systems and practices identified in year one to ensure our MTSS is coordinated, data-based, sustainable and supports equitable outcomes for students.

We also discovered that a lower percentage of our English Language Learners entered and completed college, in comparison to other student groups, including our low income students who have a lower rate of college completion than students statewide. In order to address these conditions, we will provide all learners with our College/Career Readiness program and we will refine the program as informed by our ongoing work supporting Confronting Anti-Blackness & Racism (Action 1.j).

These actions are being provided on an LEA-wide basis and we expect that all students whose academic achievement has declined post-pandemic will benefit from these supports. However, because of ECS' targeted actions implemented to meet the news associated with specific students, EL and low-income students are able to achieve high GPAs and course passage rates in ELA and Math. Additionally, we expect that other academic measures (specifically NWEA and CAASPP scores) for our low-income students and English learners will increase as well.

After assessing the needs, of our low income students and our English Language Goal 2 experienced lower Action a Action b attendance rates and higher rates of chronic absenteeism. Action c Action d Action e increased from 13.5% in the previous year to 24% in the current year. Similar trends were observed for English Learner and low-income student groups.

To proactively address this condition, we hired a social worker, through a CA Community Schools Partnership Grant, to help track chronic absences and follow up directly with families whose students were regularly absent. We also provided outdoor education and service learning opportunities to our students (Action 2.a), free of charge, reimagined advisory to increase engagement, school connectedness and provide opportunities for c conditions and circumstances social emotional and academic support (Action 2b).

and our English Language learners, we understand that post-pandemic many schools experienced lower attendance rates and higher rates of chronic absenteeism. Overall, chronic absenteeism increased from 13.5% in the previous year to 24% in the current year. Similar trends

We will continue to leverage successful parent engagement strategies, while expanding parent involvement in the decision making process (2.c). In an effort to build a more inclusive learning environment for low-income students and English language learners (Action 2.d), we are continuing to develop programming, work with community partners, offer enrichment opportunities (like a robust afterschool program), and create mentoring programs to increase student engagement and sense of connectedness. (Action 2.e).

These actions are being provided on an LEA-wide basis and we expect that all students with less than a 95% attendance rate will benefit. The actions also meet needs most associated with those who experience chronic stress, anxiety, feelings of isolation, and are currently experiencing a socio-economically disadvantaged status; however, we expect that the attendance rate for our low-income students will increase significantly more than the average attendance rate of other student groups.

We will closely monitor progress to increase the attendance rate of our low-income students, as well as all students.

We will also regularly review parent participation rates through our Parent Engagement Tracker tool.

Through surveys and School Site Council, we will also seek feedback from students, parents, and staff about attendance and chronic absenteeism issues.

Limited Actions

For each action being solely provided to one or more unduplicated student group(s), provide an explanation of (1) the unique identified need(s) of the unduplicated student group(s) being served, (2) how the action is designed to address the identified need(s), and (3) how the effectiveness of the action in improving outcomes for the unduplicated student group(s) will be measured.

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) are Designed to Address Need(s)	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
Goal 1 Action d Action e	Our Interdisciplinary Benchmark and ELPAC test scores indicate our EL students often struggle with the writing substrand of the written language claims and achieve lower ELA scores on CAASPP tests.	Learners upon school entry, we will continue to assign a full-time paraeducator to support 9th grade English learners.	We will monitor progress in increasing our percentage of English Learners who make progress on ELPAC. We will also review, for each cohort, the percentage of students reclassified out of those who started at the site as an English Learner.

For any limited action contributing to meeting the increased or improved services requirement that is associated with a Planned Percentage of Improved Services in the Contributing Summary Table rather than an expenditure of LCFF funds, describe the methodology that was used to determine the contribution of the action towards the proportional percentage, as applicable.

Not Applicable.

Additional Concentration Grant Funding

A description of the plan for how the additional concentration grant add-on funding identified above will be used to increase the number of staff providing direct services to students at schools that have a high concentration (above 55 percent) of foster youth, English learners, and low-income students, as applicable.

Concentration funds will be used for the retention of critical positions for educational service at ECHS-L: college preparation teachers. These funds will be used cover the salary expenses for this role. Without these funds, ECHS-L would not be able to retain the current number of teachers in this subject matter.

Staff-to-student ratios by type of school and concentration of unduplicated students	ischools with a stillgent concentration of 55 hercent of less	Schools with a student concentration of greater than 55 percent
Staff-to-student ratio of classified staff providing direct services to students	Not Applicable–single school LEA.	Not Applicable–single school LEA.
Staff-to-student ratio of certificated staff providing direct services to students	Not Applicable–single school LEA.	Not Applicable–single school LEA.

2024-25 Total Planned Expenditures Table

LCAP Year (Input)	nput) Base Grant Concentration Grants (Input Dollar Amount) (Input Dollar Amount)	Concentration Grants	3. Projected Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year (2 divided by 1)	LCFF Carryover — Percentage (Input Percentage from Prior Year)	Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year (3 + Carryover %)		
2024-25	\$ 5	5,678,022	\$	1,744,771	30.729%	2.060%	32.789%

Totals	LCFF Funds	LCFF Funds Other State Funds		Local Funds	Federal Funds		Total Funds		T	Total Personnel		Total Non-personnel	
Totals	\$ 7,656	6,435	\$ 2,127,662	\$ -	\$	305,853	\$	10,089,950.00	\$	6,831,903	\$	3,258,047	

Goal#	Action#	Action Title	Student Group(s)	Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?	Scope	Unduplicated Student Group(s)	Location	Time Span	Total Pe	Total Personnel		LCFF Funds	Other State Funds	Local Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Planned Percentage of Improved Services
1	1.a	ECS Certificated	All	No					\$	- 9				\$ -		,	
1	1.b	Multi-Tier Sys of Support/TDS	All	Yes	LEA-wide	All	All	Ongoing	\$	216,659							
1	1.d	ELD Program	English Learners	Yes	Limited	English Learners		Ongoing	\$	250,571		\$ 148,27					0.000%
1	1.e	ELD PD	English Learners	Yes	Limited	English Learners	All	Ongoing	\$	20,550		\$ 20,55					
1	1.f	Special Ed Program	Students with Exceptionalities	No					\$	613,893		\$ 104,21					
1	1.g	Special Ed PD	Students with Exceptionalities	No					\$	- \$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ - 9	-	0.000%
1	1.h	Literacy & Math Initiatives	All	Yes	LEA-wide	All	All	Ongoing	\$	203,892	11,500	\$ 149,63	\$ \$ 64,259	\$ -	\$ 1,500	215,392	0.000%
1	1.j	College/Career Readiness	All	Yes	LEA-wide	All	All	Ongoing	\$	- 9	491,255	\$ 477,95	\$ 13,300	\$ -	\$ - \$	491,255	0.000%
1	2.a	Partnerships/Outdoor Education	All	Yes	LEA-wide	All	All	Ongoing	\$	32,200	265,224	\$ 297,42	-	\$ -	\$ - \$	297,424	0.000%
1	2.b	CABR- MTSS (SEL)	All	Yes	LEA-wide	All	All	Ongoing	\$	371,004	-	\$ 137,40	\$ 121,303	\$ -	\$ 112,300 \$	371,004	0.000%
1	2.c	Parent Engagement	All	Yes	LEA-wide	All	All	Ongoing	\$	46,907	2,532	\$ 49,43	\$ -	\$ -	\$ - \$	49,439	0.000%
2	2.d	Student Engagement	All	Yes	LEA-wide	All	All	Ongoing	\$	63,840	12,575	\$ 74,41	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ - \$	76,415	0.000%
2	2.e	Afterschool program	All	Yes	LEA-wide	All	All	Ongoing	\$	133,708	17,500	\$ 61,500	\$ 89,708	\$ -	\$ - \$	151,208	0.000%
2	3.a	Employees for Educational Program	All	No					\$	2,535,272	-	\$ 2,270,189	\$ 265,083	\$ -	\$ - \$	2,535,272	0.000%
2	3.b	Employees for Operations	All	No					\$	408,028	-	\$ 337,05	\$ 37,786	\$ -	\$ 33,187	408,028	0.000%
2	3.c	Insurance/Benefits	All	No					\$	1,532,502	7,55	\$ 1,494,717	\$ 45,342	\$ -	- 5	1,540,059	0.000%
2	3.d	Curriculum	All	No					\$	- \$	320,026	\$ 196,97	\$ 84,625	\$ -	\$ 38,424 \$	320,026	0.000%
2	3.e	Professional Services	All	No					\$	- \$	1,643,164	\$ 1,374,092	\$ 261,427	\$ -	\$ 7,645	1,643,164	0.000%
3	3.f	Capital Improvements	All	No					\$	- \$	150,000	\$ -	\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ - \$	150,000	0.000%
3	3.g	Home Office Classified	All	No					\$	402,877	-	\$ -	\$ 402,877	\$ -	\$ - \$	402,877	0.000%

2024-25 Contributing Actions Table

1	. Projected LCFF Base Grant	Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants	Projected Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year (2 divided by 1)	LCFF Carryover — Percentage (Percentage from Prior Year)	Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year (3 + Carryover %)	4. T	Fotal Planned Contributing Expenditures (LCFF Funds)	5. I otal Planned Percentage of Improved Services	Planned Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year (4 divided by 1, plus 5)	Totals by Type	Tota	I LCFF Funds
\$	5,678,022	\$ 1,744,771	30.729%	2.060%	32.789%	\$	1,659,729	0.000%	29.231%	Total:	\$	1,659,729
										LEA-wide Total:	\$	1,490,905
										Limited Total:	\$	168,824
										Schoolwide Total:	\$	

Goal#	Action#	Action Title	Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?	Scope	Unduplicated Student Group(s)	Location	Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds)	Percentage of
1	1.b	Multi-Tier Sys of Support/TDS	Yes	LEA-wide	All	All	\$ 243,138	0.000%
1	1.d	ELD Program	Yes	Limited	English Learners	All	\$ 148,274	0.000%
1	1.e	ELD PD	Yes	Limited	English Learners	All	\$ 20,550	0.000%
1	1.h	Literacy & Math Initiatives	Yes	LEA-wide	All	All	\$ 149,633	0.000%
1	1.j	College/Career Readiness	Yes	LEA-wide	All	All	\$ 477,955	0.000%
1	2.a	Partnerships/Outdoor Education	Yes	LEA-wide	All	All	\$ 297,424	0.000%
1	2.b	CABR- MTSS (SEL)	Yes	LEA-wide	All	All	\$ 137,401	0.000%
1	2.c	Parent Engagement	Yes	LEA-wide	All	All	\$ 49,439	0.000%
2	2.d	Student Engagement	Yes	LEA-wide	All	All	\$ 74,415	0.000%
2	2.e	Afterschool program	Yes	LEA-wide	All	All	\$ 61,500	0.000%

2023–24 Annual Update Table

Totals:	Last Year's Total Planned Expenditures (Total Funds)	Total Estimated Actual Expenditures (Total Funds)
Totals:	\$ 10,307,753.00	\$ 10,264,647.44

Last Year's Goal #	Last Year's Action #	Prior Action/Service Title	Contributed to Increased or Improved Services?	t Year's Planned Expenditures (Total Funds)	Estimated Actual Expenditures (Input Total Funds)
1	1.a	ECS Certificated	No	\$ 260,107	\$269,416
1	1.b	Multi-Tier Sys of Support/TDS	Yes	\$ 595,885	\$595,134
1	1.d	ELD Program	Yes	\$ 157,275	\$205,243
1	1.e	ELD PD	Yes	\$ 42,650	\$25,227
1	1.f	Special Ed Program	No	\$ 702,378	\$557,921
1	1.g	Special Ed PD	No	\$ 18,294	\$0
1	1.h	Literacy & Math Initiatives	Yes	\$ 360,412	\$327,058
1	1.j	College/Career Readiness	Yes	\$ 422,645	\$420,112
1	2.a	Partnerships/Outdoor Education	Yes	\$ 300,364	\$299,916
1	2.b	CABR- MTSS (SEL)	Yes	\$ 363,943	\$358,664
1	2.c	Parent Engagement	Yes	\$ 46,030	\$56,030
2	2.d	Student Engagement	No	\$ 83,340	\$83,340
2	2.e	Afterschool program	Yes	\$ 131,288	\$126,804
2	3.a	Employees for Educational Program	No	\$ 2,492,687	\$2,509,500
2	3.b	Employees for Operations	No	\$ 274,371	\$326,492
2	3.c	Insurance/Benefits	No	\$ 1,433,991	\$1,504,257
2	3.d	Curriculum	No	\$ 342,954	\$382,396
2	3.e	Professional Services	No	\$ 1,651,109	\$1,610,481
3	3.f	Capital Improvements	No	\$ 150,000	\$150,000
3	3.g	Home Office Classified	No	\$ 478,030	\$456,658

2023–24 Contributing Actions Annual Update Table

6. Estimated Actual LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants (Input Dollar Amount)	4. Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (LCFF Funds)	7. Total Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds)	Difference Between Planned and Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (Subtract 7 from 4)	5. Total Planned Percentage of Improved Services (%)	8. Total Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (%)	Difference Between Planned and Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (Subtract 5 from 8)
\$ 1,710,002	\$ 1,928,301	\$ 1,653,872	\$ 274,429	0.00%	0.00%	0.00% - No Difference

Last Year's Goal #	Last Year's Action#	Prior Action/Service Title	Contributed to Increased or Improved Services?	Last Year's Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds)	Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (Input LCFF Funds)		Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (Input Percentage)
1	1.b	Multi-Tier Sys of Support/TDS	Yes	\$ 585,385	\$ 513,180	0.00%	0.00%
1	1.d	ELD Program	Yes	\$ 56,825	\$ 34,695	0.00%	0.00%
1	1.e	ELD PD	Yes	\$ 42,650	\$ 41,878	0.00%	0.00%
1	1.h	Literacy & Math Initiatives	Yes	\$ 266,153	\$ 96,111	0.00%	0.00%
1	1.j	College/Career Readiness	Yes	\$ 406,345	\$ 377,846	0.00%	0.00%
1	2.a	Partnerships/Outdoor Education	Yes	\$ 300,364	\$ 244,364	0.00%	0.00%
1	2.b	CABR- MTSS (SEL)	Yes	\$ 139,291	\$ 214,311	0.00%	0.00%
1	2.c	Parent Engagement	Yes		\$ 2,487	0.00%	0.00%
2	2.e	Afterschool program	Yes	\$ 131,288	\$ 129,000	0.00%	0.00%

2023–24 LCFF Carryover Table

9. Estimated Actual LCFF Base Grant (Input Dollar Amount)	6. Estimated Actual LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants		10. Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Current School Year (6 divided by 9 + Carryover %)	7. Total Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds)	8. Total Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (%)	11. Estimated Actual Percentage of Increased or Improved Services (7 divided by 9, plus 8)	12. LCFF Carryover — Dollar Amount (Subtract 11 from 10 and multiply by 9)	13. LCFF Carryover — Percentage (12 divided by 9)
\$ 5,425,305	\$ 1,710,002	1.03%	32.55%	\$ 1,653,872	0.00%	30.48%	\$ 112,010.64	2.06%

Instructions

For additional questions or technical assistance related to the completion of the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) template, please contact the local county office of education (COE), or the California Department of Education's (CDE's) Local Agency Systems Support Office, by phone at 916-319-0809 or by email at LCFF@cde.ca.gov.

Complete the prompts as instructed for each goal included in the 2023–24 LCAP. Duplicate the tables as needed. The 2023–24 LCAP Annual Update must be included with the 2024–25 LCAP.

Goals and Actions

Goal(s)

Description:

Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.

Measuring and Reporting Results

Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.

Metric:

Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.

Baseline:

Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.

Year 1 Outcome:

Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.

Year 2 Outcome:

Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.

Year 3 Outcome:

 When completing the 2023–24 LCAP Annual Update, enter the most recent data available. Indicate the school year to which the data applies.

Desired Outcome for 2023-24:

Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.

Timeline for completing the "**Measuring and Reporting Results**" part of the Goal. 2023–24 Local Control and Accountability Plan Annual Update Instructions Page **1** of **3**

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for Year 3 (2023–24)
Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.	Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.	Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.	Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.	Enter information in this box when completing the 2023–24 LCAP Annual Update.	Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.

Goal Analysis

Using actual annual measurable outcome data, including data from the Dashboard, analyze whether the planned actions were effective in achieving the goal. Respond to the prompts as instructed.

A description of any substantive differences in planned actions and actual implementation of these actions.

• Describe the overall implementation of the actions to achieve the articulated goal. Include a discussion of relevant challenges and successes experienced with the implementation process. This must include any instance where the LEA did not implement a planned action or implemented a planned action in a manner that differs substantively from how it was described in the adopted LCAP.

An explanation of material differences between Budgeted Expenditures and Estimated Actual Expenditures and/or Planned Percentages of Improved Services and Estimated Actual Percentages of Improved Services.

• Explain material differences between Budgeted Expenditures and Estimated Actual Expenditures and between the Planned Percentages of Improved Services and Estimated Actual Percentages of Improved Services, as applicable. Minor variances in expenditures or percentages do not need to be addressed, and a dollar-for-dollar accounting is not required.

An explanation of how effective or ineffective the specific actions were in making progress toward the goal during the three-year LCAP cycle.

- Describe the effectiveness or ineffectiveness of the specific actions in making progress toward the goal during the three-year LCAP
 cycle. "Effectiveness" means the degree to which the actions were successful in producing the desired result and "ineffectiveness"
 means that the actions did not produce any significant or desired result.
 - o In some cases, not all actions in a goal will be intended to improve performance on all of the metrics associated with the goal.
 - When responding to this prompt, LEAs may assess the effectiveness of a single action or group of actions within the goal in the context of performance on a single metric or group of specific metrics within the goal that are applicable to the action(s). Grouping actions with metrics will allow for more robust analysis of whether the strategy the LEA is using to impact a specified set of metrics is working and increase transparency for educational partners. LEAs are encouraged to use such an approach when goals include multiple actions and metrics that are not closely associated.

o Beginning with the development of the 2024–25 LCAP, the LEA must change actions that have not proven effective over a three-year period.

A description of any changes made to the planned goal, metrics, desired outcomes, or actions for the coming year that resulted from reflections on prior practice.

- Describe any changes made to this goal, expected outcomes, metrics, or actions to achieve this goal as a result of this analysis and analysis of the data provided in the Dashboard or other local data, as applicable.
 - o As noted above, beginning with the development of the 2024–25 LCAP, the LEA must change actions that have not proven effective over a three-year period. For actions that have been identified as ineffective, the LEA must identify the ineffective action and must include a description of the following:
 - The reasons for the ineffectiveness, and
 - How changes to the action will result in a new or strengthened approach.

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Plan Summary

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Increased or Improved Services for Foster Youth, English Learners, and Low-Income Students

For additional questions or technical assistance related to the completion of the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) template, please contact the local county office of education (COE), or the California Department of Education's (CDE's) Local Agency Systems Support Office, by phone at 916-319-0809 or by email at LCFF@cde.ca.gov.

Introduction and Instructions

The Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) requires local educational agencies (LEAs) to engage their local educational partners in an annual planning process to evaluate their progress within eight state priority areas encompassing all statutory metrics (COEs have 10 state priorities). LEAs document the results of this planning process in the LCAP using the template adopted by the State Board of Education.

The LCAP development process serves three distinct, but related functions:

- Comprehensive Strategic Planning: The process of developing and annually updating the LCAP supports comprehensive strategic planning, particularly to address and reduce disparities in opportunities and outcomes between student groups indicated by the California School Dashboard (California Education Code [EC] Section 52064[e][1]). Strategic planning that is comprehensive connects budgetary decisions to teaching and learning performance data. LEAs should continually evaluate the hard choices they make about the use of limited resources to meet student and community needs to ensure opportunities and outcomes are improved for all students.
- Meaningful Engagement of Educational Partners: The LCAP development process should result in an LCAP that reflects decisions
 made through meaningful engagement (EC Section 52064[e][1]). Local educational partners possess valuable perspectives and insights
 about an LEA's programs and services. Effective strategic planning will incorporate these perspectives and insights in order to identify
 potential goals and actions to be included in the LCAP.
- Accountability and Compliance: The LCAP serves an important accountability function because the nature of some LCAP template
 sections require LEAs to show that they have complied with various requirements specified in the LCFF statutes and regulations, most
 notably:
 - o Demonstrating that LEAs are increasing or improving services for foster youth, English learners, including long-term English learners, and low-income students in proportion to the amount of additional funding those students generate under LCFF (*EC* Section 52064[b][4-6]).

- o Establishing goals, supported by actions and related expenditures, that address the statutory priority areas and statutory metrics (*EC* sections 52064[b][1] and [2]).
 - NOTE: As specified in EC Section 62064(b)(1), the LCAP must provide a description of the annual goals, for all pupils and each subgroup of pupils identified pursuant to EC Section 52052, to be achieved for each of the state priorities. Beginning in 2023–24, EC Section 52052 identifies long-term English learners as a separate and distinct pupil subgroup with a numerical significance at 15 students.
- o Annually reviewing and updating the LCAP to reflect progress toward the goals (EC Section 52064[b][7]).
- o Ensuring that all increases attributable to supplemental and concentration grant calculations, including concentration grant add-on funding and/or LCFF carryover, are reflected in the LCAP (*EC* sections 52064[b][6], [8], and [11]).

The LCAP template, like each LEA's final adopted LCAP, is a document, not a process. LEAs must use the template to memorialize the outcome of their LCAP development process, which must: (a) reflect comprehensive strategic planning, particularly to address and reduce disparities in opportunities and outcomes between student groups indicated by the California School Dashboard (Dashboard), (b) through meaningful engagement with educational partners that (c) meets legal requirements, as reflected in the final adopted LCAP. The sections included within the LCAP template do not and cannot reflect the full development process, just as the LCAP template itself is not intended as a tool for engaging educational partners.

If a county superintendent of schools has jurisdiction over a single school district, the county board of education and the governing board of the school district may adopt and file for review and approval a single LCAP consistent with the requirements in *EC* sections 52060, 52062, 52066, 52068, and 52070. The LCAP must clearly articulate to which entity's budget (school district or county superintendent of schools) all budgeted and actual expenditures are aligned.

The revised LCAP template for the 2024–25, 2025–26, and 2026–27 school years reflects statutory changes made through Senate Bill 114 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review), Chapter 48, Statutes of 2023.

At its most basic, the adopted LCAP should attempt to distill not just what the LEA is doing for students in transitional kindergarten through grade twelve (TK–12), but also allow educational partners to understand why, and whether those strategies are leading to improved opportunities and outcomes for students. LEAs are strongly encouraged to use language and a level of detail in their adopted LCAPs intended to be meaningful and accessible for the LEA's diverse educational partners and the broader public.

In developing and finalizing the LCAP for adoption, LEAs are encouraged to keep the following overarching frame at the forefront of the strategic planning and educational partner engagement functions:

Given present performance across the state priorities and on indicators in the Dashboard, how is the LEA using its budgetary resources to respond to TK–12 student and community needs, and address any performance gaps, including by meeting its obligation to increase or improve services for foster youth, English learners, and low-income students?

LEAs are encouraged to focus on a set of metrics and actions which, based on research, experience, and input gathered from educational partners, the LEA believes will have the biggest impact on behalf of its TK–12 students.

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These instructions address the requirements for each section of the LCAP, but may include information about effective practices when developing the LCAP and completing the LCAP document. Additionally, the beginning of each template section includes information emphasizing the purpose that section serves.

Plan Summary

Purpose

A well-developed Plan Summary section provides a meaningful context for the LCAP. This section provides information about an LEA's community as well as relevant information about student needs and performance. In order to present a meaningful context for the rest of the LCAP, the content of this section should be clearly and meaningfully related to the content included throughout each subsequent section of the LCAP.

Requirements and Instructions

General Information

A description of the LEA, its schools, and its students in grades transitional kindergarten–12, as applicable to the LEA.

Briefly describe the LEA, its schools, and its students in grades TK-12, as applicable to the LEA.

- For example, information about an LEA in terms of geography, enrollment, employment, the number and size of specific schools, recent community challenges, and other such information the LEA may wish to include can enable a reader to more fully understand the LEA's LCAP.
- As part of this response, identify all schools within the LEA receiving Equity Multiplier funding.

Reflections: Annual Performance

A reflection on annual performance based on a review of the California School Dashboard (Dashboard) and local data.

Reflect on the LEA's annual performance on the Dashboard and local data. This may include both successes and challenges identified by the LEA during the development process.

LEAs are encouraged to highlight how they are addressing the identified needs of student groups, and/or schools within the LCAP as part of this response.

As part of this response, the LEA must identify the following, which will remain unchanged during the three-year LCAP cycle:

- Any school within the LEA that received the lowest performance level on one or more state indicators on the 2023 Dashboard;
- Any student group within the LEA that received the lowest performance level on one or more state indicators on the 2023 Dashboard;
 and/or

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 Any student group within a school within the LEA that received the lowest performance level on one or more state indicators on the 2023 Dashboard.

Reflections: Technical Assistance

As applicable, a summary of the work underway as part of technical assistance.

Annually identify the reason(s) the LEA is eligible for or has requested technical assistance consistent with *EC* sections 47607.3, 52071, 52071.5, 52072, or 52072.5, and provide a summary of the work underway as part of receiving technical assistance. The most common form of this technical assistance is frequently referred to as Differentiated Assistance, however this also includes LEAs that have requested technical assistance from their COE.

• If the LEA is not eligible for or receiving technical assistance, the LEA may respond to this prompt as "Not Applicable."

Comprehensive Support and Improvement

An LEA with a school or schools identified for comprehensive support and improvement (CSI) under the Every Student Succeeds Act must respond to the following prompts:

Schools Identified

A list of the schools in the LEA that are eligible for comprehensive support and improvement.

Identify the schools within the LEA that have been identified for CSI.

Support for Identified Schools

A description of how the LEA has or will support its eligible schools in developing comprehensive support and improvement plans.

 Describe how the LEA has or will support the identified schools in developing CSI plans that included a school-level needs assessment, evidence-based interventions, and the identification of any resource inequities to be addressed through the implementation of the CSI plan.

Monitoring and Evaluating Effectiveness

A description of how the LEA will monitor and evaluate the plan to support student and school improvement.

 Describe how the LEA will monitor and evaluate the implementation and effectiveness of the CSI plan to support student and school improvement.

Engaging Educational Partners

Purpose

Significant and purposeful engagement of parents, students, educators, and other educational partners, including those representing the student groups identified by LCFF, is critical to the development of the LCAP and the budget process. Consistent with statute, such engagement should support comprehensive strategic planning, particularly to address and reduce disparities in opportunities and outcomes between student groups indicated by the Dashboard, accountability, and improvement across the state priorities and locally identified priorities (*EC* Section 52064[e][1]). Engagement of educational partners is an ongoing, annual process.

This section is designed to reflect how the engagement of educational partners influenced the decisions reflected in the adopted LCAP. The goal is to allow educational partners that participated in the LCAP development process and the broader public to understand how the LEA engaged educational partners and the impact of that engagement. LEAs are encouraged to keep this goal in the forefront when completing this section.

Requirements

School districts and COEs: *EC* sections <u>52060(g)</u> (California Legislative Information) and <u>52066(g)</u> (California Legislative Information) specify the educational partners that must be consulted when developing the LCAP:

- Teachers,
- Principals,
- Administrators,
- Other school personnel,
- Local bargaining units of the LEA,
- Parents, and
- Students

A school district or COE receiving Equity Multiplier funds must also consult with educational partners at schools generating Equity Multiplier funds in the development of the LCAP, specifically, in the development of the required focus goal for each applicable school.

Before adopting the LCAP, school districts and COEs must share it with the applicable committees, as identified below under Requirements and Instructions. The superintendent is required by statute to respond in writing to the comments received from these committees. School districts and COEs must also consult with the special education local plan area administrator(s) when developing the LCAP.

Charter schools: *EC* Section <u>47606.5(d)</u> (California Legislative Information) requires that the following educational partners be consulted with when developing the LCAP:

- Teachers.
- Principals,
- Administrators,
- Other school personnel,
- Parents, and

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Students

A charter school receiving Equity Multiplier funds must also consult with educational partners at the school generating Equity Multiplier funds in the development of the LCAP, specifically, in the development of the required focus goal for the school.

The LCAP should also be shared with, and LEAs should request input from, schoolsite-level advisory groups, as applicable (e.g., schoolsite councils, English Learner Advisory Councils, student advisory groups, etc.), to facilitate alignment between schoolsite and district-level goals. Information and resources that support effective engagement, define student consultation, and provide the requirements for advisory group composition, can be found under Resources on the CDE's LCAP webpage.

Before the governing board/body of an LEA considers the adoption of the LCAP, the LEA must meet the following legal requirements:

- For school districts, see Education Code Section 52062 (California Legislative Information);
 - o **Note**: Charter schools using the LCAP as the School Plan for Student Achievement must meet the requirements of *EC* Section 52062(a).
- For COEs, see Education Code Section 52068 (California Legislative Information); and
- For charter schools, see Education Code Section 47606.5 (California Legislative Information).
- **NOTE:** As a reminder, the superintendent of a school district or COE must respond, in writing, to comments received by the applicable committees identified in the *Education Code* sections listed above. This includes the parent advisory committee and may include the English learner parent advisory committee and, as of July 1, 2024, the student advisory committee, as applicable.

Instructions

Respond to the prompts as follows:

A summary of the process used to engage educational partners in the development of the LCAP.

School districts and county offices of education must, at a minimum, consult with teachers, principals, administrators, other school personnel, local bargaining units, parents, and students in the development of the LCAP.

Charter schools must, at a minimum, consult with teachers, principals, administrators, other school personnel, parents, and students in the development of the LCAP.

An LEA receiving Equity Multiplier funds must also consult with educational partners at schools generating Equity Multiplier funds in the development of the LCAP, specifically, in the development of the required focus goal for each applicable school.

Complete the table as follows:

Educational Partners

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Identify the applicable educational partner(s) or group(s) that were engaged in the development of the LCAP.

Process for Engagement

Describe the engagement process used by the LEA to involve the identified educational partner(s) in the development of the LCAP. At a minimum, the LEA must describe how it met its obligation to consult with all statutorily required educational partners, as applicable to the type of LEA.

- A sufficient response to this prompt must include general information about the timeline of the process and meetings or other engagement strategies with educational partners. A response may also include information about an LEA's philosophical approach to engaging its educational partners.
- An LEA receiving Equity Multiplier funds must also include a summary of how it consulted with educational partners at schools
 generating Equity Multiplier funds in the development of the LCAP, specifically, in the development of the required focus goal for each
 applicable school.

A description of how the adopted LCAP was influenced by the feedback provided by educational partners.

Describe any goals, metrics, actions, or budgeted expenditures in the LCAP that were influenced by or developed in response to the educational partner feedback.

- A sufficient response to this prompt will provide educational partners and the public with clear, specific information about how the engagement process influenced the development of the LCAP. This may include a description of how the LEA prioritized requests of educational partners within the context of the budgetary resources available or otherwise prioritized areas of focus within the LCAP.
- An LEA receiving Equity Multiplier funds must include a description of how the consultation with educational partners at schools generating Equity Multiplier funds influenced the development of the adopted LCAP.
- For the purposes of this prompt, this may also include, but is not necessarily limited to:
 - Inclusion of a goal or decision to pursue a Focus Goal (as described below)
 - Inclusion of metrics other than the statutorily required metrics
 - Determination of the target outcome on one or more metrics
 - Inclusion of performance by one or more student groups in the Measuring and Reporting Results subsection
 - Inclusion of action(s) or a group of actions
 - Elimination of action(s) or group of actions
 - Changes to the level of proposed expenditures for one or more actions
 - Inclusion of action(s) as contributing to increased or improved services for unduplicated students
 - Analysis of effectiveness of the specific actions to achieve the goal
 - Analysis of material differences in expenditures
 - Analysis of changes made to a goal for the ensuing LCAP year based on the annual update process
 - Analysis of challenges or successes in the implementation of actions

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Goals and Actions

Purpose

Well-developed goals will clearly communicate to educational partners what the LEA plans to accomplish, what the LEA plans to do in order to accomplish the goal, and how the LEA will know when it has accomplished the goal. A goal statement, associated metrics and expected outcomes, and the actions included in the goal must be in alignment. The explanation for why the LEA included a goal is an opportunity for LEAs to clearly communicate to educational partners and the public why, among the various strengths and areas for improvement highlighted by performance data and strategies and actions that could be pursued, the LEA decided to pursue this goal, and the related metrics, expected outcomes, actions, and expenditures.

A well-developed goal can be focused on the performance relative to a metric or metrics for all students, a specific student group(s), narrowing performance gaps, or implementing programs or strategies expected to impact outcomes. LEAs should assess the performance of their student groups when developing goals and the related actions to achieve such goals.

Requirements and Instructions

LEAs should prioritize the goals, specific actions, and related expenditures included within the LCAP within one or more state priorities. LEAs must consider performance on the state and local indicators, including their locally collected and reported data for the local indicators that are included in the Dashboard, in determining whether and how to prioritize its goals within the LCAP. As previously stated, strategic planning that is comprehensive connects budgetary decisions to teaching and learning performance data. LEAs should continually evaluate the hard choices they make about the use of limited resources to meet student and community needs to ensure opportunities and outcomes are improved for all students, and to address and reduce disparities in opportunities and outcomes between student groups indicated by the Dashboard.

In order to support prioritization of goals, the LCAP template provides LEAs with the option of developing three different kinds of goals:

- Focus Goal: A Focus Goal is relatively more concentrated in scope and may focus on a fewer number of metrics to measure improvement. A Focus Goal statement will be time bound and make clear how the goal is to be measured.
 - o All Equity Multiplier goals must be developed as focus goals. For additional information, see Required Focus Goal(s) for LEAs Receiving Equity Multiplier Funding below.
- Broad Goal: A Broad Goal is relatively less concentrated in its scope and may focus on improving performance across a wide range of metrics.
- Maintenance of Progress Goal: A Maintenance of Progress Goal includes actions that may be ongoing without significant changes and allows an LEA to track performance on any metrics not addressed in the other goals of the LCAP.

Requirement to Address the LCFF State Priorities

At a minimum, the LCAP must address all LCFF priorities and associated metrics articulated in *EC* sections 52060(d) and 52066(d), as applicable to the LEA. The <u>LCFF State Priorities Summary</u> provides a summary of *EC* sections 52060(d) and 52066(d) to aid in the development of the LCAP.

Respond to the following prompts, as applicable:

Focus Goal(s)

Description

The description provided for a Focus Goal must be specific, measurable, and time bound.

- An LEA develops a Focus Goal to address areas of need that may require or benefit from a more specific and data intensive approach.
- The Focus Goal can explicitly reference the metric(s) by which achievement of the goal will be measured and the time frame according to which the LEA expects to achieve the goal.

Type of Goal

Identify the type of goal being implemented as a Focus Goal.

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

Identify each of the state priorities that this goal is intended to address.

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

Explain why the LEA has chosen to prioritize this goal.

- An explanation must be based on Dashboard data or other locally collected data.
- LEAs must describe how the LEA identified this goal for focused attention, including relevant consultation with educational partners.
- LEAs are encouraged to promote transparency and understanding around the decision to pursue a focus goal.

Required Focus Goal(s) for LEAs Receiving Equity Multiplier Funding

Description

LEAs receiving Equity Multiplier funding must include one or more focus goals for each school generating Equity Multiplier funding. In addition to addressing the focus goal requirements described above, LEAs must adhere to the following requirements.

Focus goals for Equity Multiplier schoolsites must address the following:

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- (A) All student groups that have the lowest performance level on one or more state indicators on the Dashboard, and
- (B) Any underlying issues in the credentialing, subject matter preparation, and retention of the school's educators, if applicable.
- Focus Goals for each and every Equity Multiplier schoolsite must identify specific metrics for each identified student group, as applicable.
- An LEA may create a single goal for multiple Equity Multiplier schoolsites if those schoolsites have the same student group(s) performing
 at the lowest performance level on one or more state indicators on the Dashboard or, experience similar issues in the credentialing,
 subject matter preparation, and retention of the school's educators.
 - o When creating a single goal for multiple Equity Multiplier schoolsites, the goal must identify the student groups and the performance levels on the Dashboard that the Focus Goal is addressing; or,
 - o The common issues the schoolsites are experiencing in credentialing, subject matter preparation, and retention of the school's educators, if applicable.

Type of Goal

Identify the type of goal being implemented as an Equity Multiplier Focus Goal.

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

Identify each of the state priorities that this goal is intended to address.

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

Explain why the LEA has chosen to prioritize this goal.

- An explanation must be based on Dashboard data or other locally collected data.
- LEAs must describe how the LEA identified this goal for focused attention, including relevant consultation with educational partners.
- LEAs are encouraged to promote transparency and understanding around the decision to pursue a focus goal.
- In addition to this information, the LEA must also identify:
 - The school or schools to which the goal applies

LEAs are encouraged to approach an Equity Multiplier goal from a wholistic standpoint, considering how the goal might maximize student outcomes through the use of LCFF and other funding in addition to Equity Multiplier funds.

- Equity Multiplier funds must be used to supplement, not supplant, funding provided to Equity Multiplier schoolsites for purposes of the LCFF, the Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELO-P), the Literacy Coaches and Reading Specialists (LCRS) Grant Program, and/or the California Community Schools Partnership Program (CCSPP).
- This means that Equity Multiplier funds must not be used to replace funding that an Equity Multiplier schoolsite would otherwise
 receive to implement LEA-wide actions identified in the LCAP or that an Equity Multiplier schoolsite would otherwise receive to
 implement provisions of the ELO-P, the LCRS, and/or the CCSPP.

Note: *EC* Section <u>42238.024(b)(1)</u> (California Legislative Information) requires that Equity Multiplier funds be used for the provision of evidence-based services and supports for students. Evidence-based services and supports are based on objective evidence that has informed the design of the service or support and/or guides the modification of those services and supports. Evidence-based supports and strategies are most commonly based on educational research and/or metrics of LEA, school, and/or student performance.

Broad Goal

Description

Describe what the LEA plans to achieve through the actions included in the goal.

- The description of a broad goal will be clearly aligned with the expected measurable outcomes included for the goal.
- The goal description organizes the actions and expected outcomes in a cohesive and consistent manner.
- A goal description is specific enough to be measurable in either quantitative or qualitative terms. A broad goal is not as specific as a
 focus goal. While it is specific enough to be measurable, there are many different metrics for measuring progress toward the goal.

Type of Goal

Identify the type of goal being implemented as a Broad Goal.

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

Identify each of the state priorities that this goal is intended to address.

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

Explain why the LEA developed this goal and how the actions and metrics grouped together will help achieve the goal.

Maintenance of Progress Goal

Description

Describe how the LEA intends to maintain the progress made in the LCFF State Priorities not addressed by the other goals in the LCAP.

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- Use this type of goal to address the state priorities and applicable metrics not addressed within the other goals in the LCAP.
- The state priorities and metrics to be addressed in this section are those for which the LEA, in consultation with educational partners, has determined to maintain actions and monitor progress while focusing implementation efforts on the actions covered by other goals in the LCAP.

Type of Goal

Identify the type of goal being implemented as a Maintenance of Progress Goal.

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

Identify each of the state priorities that this goal is intended to address.

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

Explain how the actions will sustain the progress exemplified by the related metrics.

Measuring and Reporting Results:

For each LCAP year, identify the metric(s) that the LEA will use to track progress toward the expected outcomes.

- LEAs must identify metrics for specific student groups, as appropriate, including expected outcomes that address and reduce disparities in outcomes between student groups.
- The metrics may be quantitative or qualitative; but at minimum, an LEA's LCAP must include goals that are measured using all of the applicable metrics for the related state priorities, in each LCAP year, as applicable to the type of LEA.
- To the extent a state priority does not specify one or more metrics (e.g., implementation of state academic content and performance standards), the LEA must identify a metric to use within the LCAP. For these state priorities, LEAs are encouraged to use metrics based on or reported through the relevant local indicator self-reflection tools within the Dashboard.
- Required metrics for LEA-wide actions: For each action identified as 1) contributing towards the requirement to increase or improve services for foster youth, English learners, including long-term English learners, and low-income students and 2) being provided on an LEA-wide basis, the LEA must identify one or more metrics to monitor the effectiveness of the action and its budgeted expenditures.
 - o These required metrics may be identified within the action description or the first prompt in the increased or improved services section, however the description must clearly identify the metric(s) being used to monitor the effectiveness of the action and the action(s) that the metric(s) apply to.
- Required metrics for Equity Multiplier goals: For each Equity Multiplier goal, the LEA must identify:

- o The specific metrics for each identified student group at each specific schoolsite, as applicable, to measure the progress toward the goal, and/or
- o The specific metrics used to measure progress in meeting the goal related to credentialing, subject matter preparation, or educator retention at each specific schoolsite.

Complete the table as follows:

Metric

Enter the metric number.

Metric

 Identify the standard of measure being used to determine progress towards the goal and/or to measure the effectiveness of one or more actions associated with the goal.

Baseline

- Enter the baseline when completing the LCAP for 2024–25.
 - o Use the most recent data associated with the metric available at the time of adoption of the LCAP for the first year of the three-year plan. LEAs may use data as reported on the 2023 Dashboard for the baseline of a metric only if that data represents the most recent available data (e.g., high school graduation rate).
 - o Using the most recent data available may involve reviewing data the LEA is preparing for submission to the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) or data that the LEA has recently submitted to CALPADS.
 - o Indicate the school year to which the baseline data applies.
 - o The baseline data must remain unchanged throughout the three-year LCAP.
 - This requirement is not intended to prevent LEAs from revising the baseline data if it is necessary to do so. For example, if an LEA identifies that its data collection practices for a particular metric are leading to inaccurate data and revises its practice to obtain accurate data, it would also be appropriate for the LEA to revise the baseline data to align with the more accurate data process and report its results using the accurate data.
 - If an LEA chooses to revise its baseline data, then, at a minimum, it must clearly identify the change as part of its response to the description of changes prompt in the Goal Analysis for the goal. LEAs are also strongly encouraged to involve their educational partners in the decision of whether or not to revise a baseline and to communicate the proposed change to their educational partners.

o Note for Charter Schools: Charter schools developing a one- or two-year LCAP may identify a new baseline each year, as applicable.

Year 1 Outcome

- When completing the LCAP for 2025–26, enter the most recent data available. Indicate the school year to which the data applies.
 - o Note for Charter Schools: Charter schools developing a one-year LCAP may provide the Year 1 Outcome when completing the LCAP for both 2025–26 and 2026–27 or may provide the Year 1 Outcome for 2025–26 and provide the Year 2 Outcome for 2026–27.

Year 2 Outcome

- When completing the LCAP for 2026–27, enter the most recent data available. Indicate the school year to which the data applies.
 - o Note for Charter Schools: Charter schools developing a one-year LCAP may identify the Year 2 Outcome as not applicable when completing the LCAP for 2026–27 or may provide the Year 2 Outcome for 2026–27.

Target for Year 3 Outcome

- When completing the first year of the LCAP, enter the target outcome for the relevant metric the LEA expects to achieve by the end of the three-year LCAP cycle.
 - o Note for Charter Schools: Charter schools developing a one- or two-year LCAP may identify a Target for Year 1 or Target for Year 2, as applicable.

Current Difference from Baseline

- When completing the LCAP for 2025–26 and 2026–27, enter the current difference between the baseline and the yearly outcome, as applicable.
 - o Note for Charter Schools: Charter schools developing a one- or two-year LCAP will identify the current difference between the baseline and the yearly outcome for Year 1 and/or the current difference between the baseline and the yearly outcome for Year 2, as applicable.

Timeline for school districts and COEs for completing the "Measuring and Reporting Results" part of the Goal.

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
Enter information in this box when completing the LCAP for 2024–25 or when adding a new metric.	Enter information in this box when completing the LCAP for 2024–25 or when adding a new metric.	Enter information in this box when completing the LCAP for 2025–26. Leave blank until then.	Enter information in this box when completing the LCAP for 2026–27. Leave blank until then.	Enter information in this box when completing the LCAP for 2024–25 or when adding a new metric.	Enter information in this box when completing the LCAP for 2025–26 and 2026–27. Leave blank until then.

Goal Analysis:

Enter the LCAP Year.

Using actual annual measurable outcome data, including data from the Dashboard, analyze whether the planned actions were effective towards achieving the goal. "Effective" means the degree to which the planned actions were successful in producing the target result. Respond to the prompts as instructed.

Note: When completing the 2024–25 LCAP, use the 2023–24 Local Control and Accountability Plan Annual Update template to complete the Goal Analysis and identify the Goal Analysis prompts in the 2024–25 LCAP as "Not Applicable."

A description of overall implementation, including any substantive differences in planned actions and actual implementation of these actions, and any relevant challenges and successes experienced with implementation.

- Describe the overall implementation of the actions to achieve the articulated goal, including relevant challenges and successes experienced with implementation.
 - Include a discussion of relevant challenges and successes experienced with the implementation process.
 - This discussion must include any instance where the LEA did not implement a planned action or implemented a planned action in a manner that differs substantively from how it was described in the adopted LCAP.

An explanation of material differences between Budgeted Expenditures and Estimated Actual Expenditures and/or Planned Percentages of Improved Services and Estimated Actual Percentages of Improved Services.

Explain material differences between Budgeted Expenditures and Estimated Actual Expenditures and between the Planned Percentages
of Improved Services and Estimated Actual Percentages of Improved Services, as applicable. Minor variances in expenditures or
percentages do not need to be addressed, and a dollar-for-dollar accounting is not required.

A description of the effectiveness or ineffectiveness of the specific actions to date in making progress toward the goal.

- Describe the effectiveness or ineffectiveness of the specific actions to date in making progress toward the goal. "Effectiveness" means
 the degree to which the actions were successful in producing the target result and "ineffectiveness" means that the actions did not
 produce any significant or targeted result.
 - o In some cases, not all actions in a goal will be intended to improve performance on all of the metrics associated with the goal.
 - When responding to this prompt, LEAs may assess the effectiveness of a single action or group of actions within the goal in the context of performance on a single metric or group of specific metrics within the goal that are applicable to the action(s). Grouping actions with metrics will allow for more robust analysis of whether the strategy the LEA is using to impact a specified set of metrics is working and increase transparency for educational partners. LEAs are encouraged to use such an approach when goals include multiple actions and metrics that are not closely associated.
 - o Beginning with the development of the 2024–25 LCAP, the LEA must change actions that have not proven effective over a three-year period.

A description of any changes made to the planned goal, metrics, target outcomes, or actions for the coming year that resulted from reflections on prior practice.

- Describe any changes made to this goal, expected outcomes, metrics, or actions to achieve this goal as a result of this analysis and analysis of the data provided in the Dashboard or other local data, as applicable.
 - o As noted above, beginning with the development of the 2024–25 LCAP, the LEA must change actions that have not proven effective over a three-year period. For actions that have been identified as ineffective, the LEA must identify the ineffective action and must include a description of the following:
 - The reasons for the ineffectiveness, and
 - How changes to the action will result in a new or strengthened approach.

Actions:

Complete the table as follows. Add additional rows as necessary.

Action

Enter the action number.

Title

• Provide a short title for the action. This title will also appear in the action tables.

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Description

- Provide a brief description of the action.
 - o For actions that contribute to meeting the increased or improved services requirement, the LEA may include an explanation of how each action is principally directed towards and effective in meeting the LEA's goals for unduplicated students, as described in the instructions for the Increased or Improved Services for Foster Youth, English Learners, and Low-Income Students section.
 - o As previously noted, for each action identified as 1) contributing towards the requirement to increase or improve services for foster youth, English learners, including long-term English learners, and low-income students and 2) being provided on an LEA-wide basis, the LEA must identify one or more metrics to monitor the effectiveness of the action and its budgeted expenditures.
 - o These required metrics may be identified within the action description or the first prompt in the increased or improved services section; however, the description must clearly identify the metric(s) being used to monitor the effectiveness of the action and the action(s) that the metric(s) apply to.

Total Funds

• Enter the total amount of expenditures associated with this action. Budgeted expenditures from specific fund sources will be provided in the action tables.

Contributing

- Indicate whether the action contributes to meeting the increased or improved services requirement as described in the Increased or Improved Services section using a "Y" for Yes or an "N" for No.
 - o **Note:** for each such contributing action, the LEA will need to provide additional information in the Increased or Improved Services section to address the requirements in *California Code of Regulations*, Title 5 [5 *CCR*] Section 15496 in the Increased or Improved Services section of the LCAP.

Actions for Foster Youth: School districts, COEs, and charter schools that have a numerically significant foster youth student subgroup are encouraged to include specific actions in the LCAP designed to meet needs specific to foster youth students.

Required Actions

- LEAs with 30 or more English learners and/or 15 or more long-term English learners must include specific actions in the LCAP related to, at a minimum:
 - Language acquisition programs, as defined in EC Section 306, provided to students, and
 - o Professional development for teachers.

- o If an LEA has both 30 or more English learners and 15 or more long-term English learners, the LEA must include actions for both English learners and long-term English learners.
- LEAs eligible for technical assistance pursuant to *EC* sections 47607.3, 52071, 52071.5, 52072, or 52072.5, must include specific actions within the LCAP related to its implementation of the work underway as part of technical assistance. The most common form of this technical assistance is frequently referred to as Differentiated Assistance.
- LEAs that have Red Dashboard indicators for (1) a school within the LEA, (2) a student group within the LEA, and/or (3) a student group within any school within the LEA must include one or more specific actions within the LCAP:
 - o The specific action(s) must be directed towards the identified student group(s) and/or school(s) and must address the identified state indicator(s) for which the student group or school received the lowest performance level on the 2023 Dashboard. Each student group and/or school that receives the lowest performance level on the 2023 Dashboard must be addressed by one or more actions.
 - o These required actions will be effective for the three-year LCAP cycle.

Increased or Improved Services for Foster Youth, English Learners, and Low-Income Students

Purpose

A well-written Increased or Improved Services section provides educational partners with a comprehensive description, within a single dedicated section, of how an LEA plans to increase or improve services for its unduplicated students as defined in *EC* Section 42238.02 in grades TK–12 as compared to all students in grades TK–12, as applicable, and how LEA-wide or schoolwide actions identified for this purpose meet regulatory requirements. Descriptions provided should include sufficient detail yet be sufficiently succinct to promote a broader understanding of educational partners to facilitate their ability to provide input. An LEA's description in this section must align with the actions included in the Goals and Actions section as contributing.

Please Note: For the purpose of meeting the Increased or Improved Services requirement and consistent with *EC* Section 42238.02, long-term English learners are included in the English learner student group.

Statutory Requirements

An LEA is required to demonstrate in its LCAP how it is increasing or improving services for its students who are foster youth, English learners, and/or low-income, collectively referred to as unduplicated students, as compared to the services provided to all students in proportion to the increase in funding it receives based on the number and concentration of unduplicated students in the LEA (*EC* Section 42238.07[a][1], *EC* Section 52064[b][8][B]; 5 *CCR* Section 15496[a]). This proportionality percentage is also known as the "minimum proportionality percentage" or "MPP." The manner in which an LEA demonstrates it is meeting its MPP is two-fold: (1) through the expenditure of LCFF funds or through the

identification of a Planned Percentage of Improved Services as documented in the Contributing Actions Table, and (2) through the explanations provided in the Increased or Improved Services for Foster Youth, English Learners, and Low-Income Students section.

To improve services means to grow services in quality and to increase services means to grow services in quantity. Services are increased or improved by those actions in the LCAP that are identified in the Goals and Actions section as contributing to the increased or improved services requirement, whether they are provided across the entire LEA (LEA-wide action), provided to an entire school (Schoolwide action), or solely provided to one or more unduplicated student group(s) (Limited action).

Therefore, for any action contributing to meet the increased or improved services requirement, the LEA must include an explanation of:

- How the action is increasing or improving services for the unduplicated student group(s) (Identified Needs and Action Design), and
- How the action meets the LEA's goals for its unduplicated pupils in the state and any local priority areas (Measurement of Effectiveness).

LEA-wide and Schoolwide Actions

In addition to the above required explanations, LEAs must provide a justification for why an LEA-wide or Schoolwide action is being provided to all students and how the action is intended to improve outcomes for unduplicated student group(s) as compared to all students.

- Conclusory statements that a service will help achieve an expected outcome for the goal, without an explicit connection or further explanation as to how, are not sufficient.
- Further, simply stating that an LEA has a high enrollment percentage of a specific student group or groups does not meet the increased or improved services standard because enrolling students is not the same as serving students.

For School Districts Only

Actions provided on an **LEA-wide** basis at **school districts with an unduplicated pupil percentage of less than 55 percent** must also include a description of how the actions are the most effective use of the funds to meet the district's goals for its unduplicated pupils in the state and any local priority areas. The description must provide the basis for this determination, including any alternatives considered, supporting research, experience, or educational theory.

Actions provided on a **Schoolwide** basis for **schools with less than 40 percent enrollment of unduplicated pupils** must also include a description of how these actions are the most effective use of the funds to meet the district's goals for its unduplicated pupils in the state and any local priority areas. The description must provide the basis for this determination, including any alternatives considered, supporting research, experience, or educational theory.

Requirements and Instructions

Complete the tables as follows:

Total Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants

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 Specify the amount of LCFF supplemental and concentration grant funds the LEA estimates it will receive in the coming year based on the number and concentration of foster youth, English learner, and low-income students. This amount includes the Additional 15 percent LCFF Concentration Grant.

Projected Additional 15 percent LCFF Concentration Grant

• Specify the amount of additional LCFF concentration grant add-on funding, as described in *EC* Section 42238.02, that the LEA estimates it will receive in the coming year.

Projected Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year

• Specify the estimated percentage by which services for unduplicated pupils must be increased or improved as compared to the services provided to all students in the LCAP year as calculated pursuant to 5 CCR Section 15496(a)(7).

LCFF Carryover — Percentage

• Specify the LCFF Carryover — Percentage identified in the LCFF Carryover Table. If a carryover percentage is not identified in the LCFF Carryover Table, specify a percentage of zero (0.00%).

LCFF Carryover — Dollar

• Specify the LCFF Carryover — Dollar amount identified in the LCFF Carryover Table. If a carryover amount is not identified in the LCFF Carryover Table, specify an amount of zero (\$0).

Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year

Add the Projected Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year and the Proportional LCFF Required
Carryover Percentage and specify the percentage. This is the LEA's percentage by which services for unduplicated pupils must be
increased or improved as compared to the services provided to all students in the LCAP year, as calculated pursuant to 5 CCR Section
15496(a)(7).

Required Descriptions:

LEA-wide and Schoolwide Actions

For each action being provided to an entire LEA or school, provide an explanation of (1) the unique identified need(s) of the unduplicated student group(s) for whom the action is principally directed, (2) how the action is designed to address the identified need(s) and why it is being provided on an LEA or schoolwide basis, and (3) the metric(s) used to measure the effectiveness of the action in improving outcomes for the unduplicated student group(s).

If the LEA has provided this required description in the Action Descriptions, state as such within the table.

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Complete the table as follows:

Identified Need(s)

Provide an explanation of the unique identified need(s) of the LEA's unduplicated student group(s) for whom the action is principally directed.

An LEA demonstrates how an action is principally directed towards an unduplicated student group(s) when the LEA explains the need(s), condition(s), or circumstance(s) of the unduplicated student group(s) identified through a needs assessment and how the action addresses them. A meaningful needs assessment includes, at a minimum, analysis of applicable student achievement data and educational partner feedback.

How the Action(s) are Designed to Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis

Provide an explanation of how the action as designed will address the unique identified need(s) of the LEA's unduplicated student group(s) for whom the action is principally directed and the rationale for why the action is being provided on an LEA-wide or schoolwide basis.

- As stated above, conclusory statements that a service will help achieve an expected outcome for the goal, without an explicit connection or further explanation as to how, are not sufficient.
- Further, simply stating that an LEA has a high enrollment percentage of a specific student group or groups does not meet the increased or improved services standard because enrolling students is not the same as serving students.

Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness

Identify the metric(s) being used to measure the progress and effectiveness of the action(s).

Note for COEs and Charter Schools: In the case of COEs and charter schools, schoolwide and LEA-wide are considered to be synonymous.

Limited Actions

For each action being solely provided to one or more unduplicated student group(s), provide an explanation of (1) the unique identified need(s) of the unduplicated student group(s) being served, (2) how the action is designed to address the identified need(s), and (3) how the effectiveness of the action in improving outcomes for the unduplicated student group(s) will be measured.

If the LEA has provided the required descriptions in the Action Descriptions, state as such.

Complete the table as follows:

Identified Need(s)

Provide an explanation of the unique need(s) of the unduplicated student group(s) being served identified through the LEA's needs assessment. A meaningful needs assessment includes, at a minimum, analysis of applicable student achievement data and educational partner feedback.

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How the Action(s) are Designed to Address Need(s)

Provide an explanation of how the action is designed to address the unique identified need(s) of the unduplicated student group(s) being served.

Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness

Identify the metric(s) being used to measure the progress and effectiveness of the action(s).

For any limited action contributing to meeting the increased or improved services requirement that is associated with a Planned Percentage of Improved Services in the Contributing Summary Table rather than an expenditure of LCFF funds, describe the methodology that was used to determine the contribution of the action towards the proportional percentage, as applicable.

- For each action with an identified Planned Percentage of Improved Services, identify the goal and action number and describe the methodology that was used.
- When identifying a Planned Percentage of Improved Services, the LEA must describe the methodology that it used to determine the
 contribution of the action towards the proportional percentage. The percentage of improved services for an action corresponds to the
 amount of LCFF funding that the LEA estimates it would expend to implement the action if it were funded.
- For example, an LEA determines that there is a need to analyze data to ensure that instructional aides and expanded learning providers know what targeted supports to provide to students who are foster youth. The LEA could implement this action by hiring additional staff to collect and analyze data and to coordinate supports for students, which, based on the LEA's current pay scale, the LEA estimates would cost \$165,000. Instead, the LEA chooses to utilize a portion of existing staff time to analyze data relating to students who are foster youth. This analysis will then be shared with site principals who will use the data to coordinate services provided by instructional assistants and expanded learning providers to target support to students. In this example, the LEA would divide the estimated cost of \$165,000 by the amount of LCFF Funding identified in the Total Planned Expenditures Table and then convert the quotient to a percentage. This percentage is the Planned Percentage of Improved Services for the action.

Additional Concentration Grant Funding

A description of the plan for how the additional concentration grant add-on funding identified above will be used to increase the number of staff providing direct services to students at schools that have a high concentration (above 55 percent) of foster youth, English learners, and low-income students, as applicable.

An LEA that receives the additional concentration grant add-on described in *EC* Section 42238.02 is required to demonstrate how it is using these funds to increase the number of staff who provide direct services to students at schools with an enrollment of unduplicated students that is greater than 55 percent as compared to the number of staff who provide direct services to students at schools with an enrollment of unduplicated students that is equal to or less than 55 percent. The staff who provide direct services to students must be certificated staff and/or classified staff employed by the LEA; classified staff includes custodial staff.

Provide the following descriptions, as applicable to the LEA:

- An LEA that does not receive a concentration grant or the concentration grant add-on must indicate that a response to this prompt is not applicable.
- Identify the goal and action numbers of the actions in the LCAP that the LEA is implementing to meet the requirement to increase the number of staff who provide direct services to students at schools with an enrollment of unduplicated students that is greater than 55 percent.
- An LEA that does not have comparison schools from which to describe how it is using the concentration grant add-on funds, such as a single-school LEA or an LEA that only has schools with an enrollment of unduplicated students that is greater than 55 percent, must describe how it is using the funds to increase the number of credentialed staff, classified staff, or both, including custodial staff, who provide direct services to students at selected schools and the criteria used to determine which schools require additional staffing support.
- In the event that an additional concentration grant add-on is not sufficient to increase staff providing direct services to students at a school with an enrollment of unduplicated students that is greater than 55 percent, the LEA must describe how it is using the funds to retain staff providing direct services to students at a school with an enrollment of unduplicated students that is greater than 55 percent.

Complete the table as follows:

- Provide the staff-to-student ratio of classified staff providing direct services to students with a concentration of unduplicated students that is 55 percent or less and the staff-to-student ratio of classified staff providing direct services to students at schools with a concentration of unduplicated students that is greater than 55 percent, as applicable to the LEA.
 - o The LEA may group its schools by grade span (Elementary, Middle/Junior High, and High Schools), as applicable to the LEA.
 - o The staff-to-student ratio must be based on the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) staff and the number of enrolled students as counted on the first Wednesday in October of each year.
- Provide the staff-to-student ratio of certificated staff providing direct services to students at schools with a concentration of unduplicated students that is 55 percent or less and the staff-to-student ratio of certificated staff providing direct services to students at schools with a concentration of unduplicated students that is greater than 55 percent, as applicable to the LEA.
 - o The LEA may group its schools by grade span (Elementary, Middle/Junior High, and High Schools), as applicable to the LEA.
 - o The staff-to-student ratio must be based on the number of FTE staff and the number of enrolled students as counted on the first Wednesday in October of each year.

Action Tables

Complete the Total Planned Expenditures Table for each action in the LCAP. The information entered into this table will automatically populate the other Action Tables. Information is only entered into the Total Planned Expenditures Table, the Annual Update Table, the Contributing Actions Annual Update Table, and the LCFF Carryover Table. The word "input" has been added to column headers to aid in identifying the column(s) where information will be entered. Information is not entered on the remaining Action tables.

The following tables are required to be included as part of the LCAP adopted by the local governing board or governing body:

- Table 1: Total Planned Expenditures Table (for the coming LCAP Year)
- Table 2: Contributing Actions Table (for the coming LCAP Year)
- Table 3: Annual Update Table (for the current LCAP Year)
- Table 4: Contributing Actions Annual Update Table (for the current LCAP Year)
- Table 5: LCFF Carryover Table (for the current LCAP Year)

Note: The coming LCAP Year is the year that is being planned for, while the current LCAP year is the current year of implementation. For example, when developing the 2024–25 LCAP, 2024–25 will be the coming LCAP Year and 2023–24 will be the current LCAP Year.

Total Planned Expenditures Table

In the Total Planned Expenditures Table, input the following information for each action in the LCAP for that applicable LCAP year:

- LCAP Year: Identify the applicable LCAP Year.
- 1. Projected LCFF Base Grant: Provide the total amount estimated LCFF entitlement for the coming school year, excluding the supplemental and concentration grants and the add-ons for the Targeted Instructional Improvement Block Grant program, the former Home-to-School Transportation program, and the Small School District Transportation program, pursuant to 5 CCR Section 15496(a)(8). Note that the LCFF Base Grant for purposes of the LCAP also includes the Necessary Small Schools and Economic Recovery Target allowances for school districts, and County Operations Grant for COEs.

See *EC* sections 2574 (for COEs) and 42238.02 (for school districts and charter schools), as applicable, for LCFF entitlement calculations.

- 2. Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants: Provide the total amount of LCFF supplemental and concentration grants estimated on the basis of the number and concentration of unduplicated students for the coming school year.
- 3. Projected Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year: This percentage will not be entered; it is calculated based on the Projected LCFF Base Grant and the Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants, pursuant to 5 CCR Section 15496(a)(8). This is the percentage by which services for unduplicated pupils must be increased or improved as compared to the services provided to all students in the coming LCAP year.

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- LCFF Carryover Percentage: Specify the LCFF Carryover Percentage identified in the LCFF Carryover Table from the prior LCAP year. If a carryover percentage is not identified in the LCFF Carryover Table, specify a percentage of zero (0.00%).
- Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year: This percentage will not be entered; it is calculated based on the Projected Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year and the LCFF Carryover Percentage.
 This is the percentage by which the LEA must increase or improve services for unduplicated pupils as compared to the services provided to all students in the coming LCAP year.
- Goal #: Enter the LCAP Goal number for the action.
- Action #: Enter the action's number as indicated in the LCAP Goal.
- Action Title: Provide a title of the action.
- **Student Group(s)**: Indicate the student group or groups who will be the primary beneficiary of the action by entering "All," or by entering a specific student group or groups.
- Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?: Type "Yes" if the action is included as contributing to meeting the increased or improved services requirement; OR, type "No" if the action is **not** included as contributing to meeting the increased or improved services requirement.
- If "Yes" is entered into the Contributing column, then complete the following columns:
 - Scope: The scope of an action may be LEA-wide (i.e., districtwide, countywide, or charterwide), schoolwide, or limited. An action that is LEA-wide in scope upgrades the entire educational program of the LEA. An action that is schoolwide in scope upgrades the entire educational program of a single school. An action that is limited in its scope is an action that serves only one or more unduplicated student groups.
 - Unduplicated Student Group(s): Regardless of scope, contributing actions serve one or more unduplicated student groups.
 Indicate one or more unduplicated student groups for whom services are being increased or improved as compared to what all students receive.
 - Location: Identify the location where the action will be provided. If the action is provided to all schools within the LEA, the LEA must indicate "All Schools." If the action is provided to specific schools within the LEA or specific grade spans only, the LEA must enter "Specific Schools" or "Specific Grade Spans." Identify the individual school or a subset of schools or grade spans (e.g., all high schools or grades transitional kindergarten through grade five), as appropriate.
- **Time Span**: Enter "ongoing" if the action will be implemented for an indeterminate period of time. Otherwise, indicate the span of time for which the action will be implemented. For example, an LEA might enter "1 Year," or "2 Years," or "6 Months."
- **Total Personnel**: Enter the total amount of personnel expenditures utilized to implement this action.

- **Total Non-Personnel**: This amount will be automatically calculated based on information provided in the Total Personnel column and the Total Funds column.
- **LCFF Funds**: Enter the total amount of LCFF funds utilized to implement this action, if any. LCFF funds include all funds that make up an LEA's total LCFF target (i.e., base grant, grade span adjustment, supplemental grant, concentration grant, Targeted Instructional Improvement Block Grant, and Home-To-School Transportation).
 - Note: For an action to contribute towards meeting the increased or improved services requirement, it must include some measure
 of LCFF funding. The action may also include funding from other sources, however the extent to which an action contributes to
 meeting the increased or improved services requirement is based on the LCFF funding being used to implement the action.
- Other State Funds: Enter the total amount of Other State Funds utilized to implement this action, if any.
 - Note: Equity Multiplier funds must be included in the "Other State Funds" category, not in the "LCFF Funds" category. As a reminder, Equity Multiplier funds must be used to supplement, not supplant, funding provided to Equity Multiplier schoolsites for purposes of the LCFF, the ELO-P, the LCRS, and/or the CCSPP. This means that Equity Multiplier funds must not be used to replace funding that an Equity Multiplier schoolsite would otherwise receive to implement LEA-wide actions identified in the LEA's LCAP or that an Equity Multiplier schoolsite would otherwise receive to implement provisions of the ELO-P, the LCRS, and/or the CCSPP.
- Local Funds: Enter the total amount of Local Funds utilized to implement this action, if any.
- Federal Funds: Enter the total amount of Federal Funds utilized to implement this action, if any.
- Total Funds: This amount is automatically calculated based on amounts entered in the previous four columns.
- **Planned Percentage of Improved Services**: For any action identified as contributing, being provided on a Limited basis to unduplicated students, and that does not have funding associated with the action, enter the planned quality improvement anticipated for the action as a percentage rounded to the nearest hundredth (0.00%). A limited action is an action that only serves foster youth, English learners, and/or low-income students.
 - As noted in the instructions for the Increased or Improved Services section, when identifying a Planned Percentage of Improved Services, the LEA must describe the methodology that it used to determine the contribution of the action towards the proportional percentage. The percentage of improved services for an action corresponds to the amount of LCFF funding that the LEA estimates it would expend to implement the action if it were funded.
 - For example, an LEA determines that there is a need to analyze data to ensure that instructional aides and expanded learning providers know what targeted supports to provide to students who are foster youth. The LEA could implement this action by hiring additional staff to collect and analyze data and to coordinate supports for students, which, based on the LEA's current pay scale, the LEA estimates would cost \$165,000. Instead, the LEA chooses to utilize a portion of existing staff time to analyze data relating to students who are foster youth. This analysis will then be shared with site principals who will use the data to coordinate services

provided by instructional assistants and expanded learning providers to target support to students. In this example, the LEA would divide the estimated cost of \$165,000 by the amount of LCFF Funding identified in the Data Entry Table and then convert the quotient to a percentage. This percentage is the Planned Percentage of Improved Services for the action.

Contributing Actions Table

As noted above, information will not be entered in the Contributing Actions Table; however, the 'Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?' column will need to be checked to ensure that only actions with a "Yes" are displaying. If actions with a "No" are displayed or if actions that are contributing are not displaying in the column, use the drop-down menu in the column header to filter only the "Yes" responses.

Annual Update Table

In the Annual Update Table, provide the following information for each action in the LCAP for the relevant LCAP year:

• Estimated Actual Expenditures: Enter the total estimated actual expenditures to implement this action, if any.

Contributing Actions Annual Update Table

In the Contributing Actions Annual Update Table, check the 'Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?' column to ensure that only actions with a "Yes" are displaying. If actions with a "No" are displayed or if actions that are contributing are not displaying in the column, use the drop-down menu in the column header to filter only the "Yes" responses. Provide the following information for each contributing action in the LCAP for the relevant LCAP year:

- 6. Estimated Actual LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants: Provide the total amount of LCFF supplemental and concentration grants estimated based on the number and concentration of unduplicated students in the current school year.
- Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions: Enter the total estimated actual expenditure of LCFF funds used to implement this action, if any.
- Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services: For any action identified as contributing, being provided on a Limited basis only to unduplicated students, and that does not have funding associated with the action, enter the total estimated actual quality improvement anticipated for the action as a percentage rounded to the nearest hundredth (0.00%).
 - o Building on the example provided above for calculating the Planned Percentage of Improved Services, the LEA in the example implements the action. As part of the annual update process, the LEA reviews implementation and student outcome data and determines that the action was implemented with fidelity and that outcomes for foster youth students improved. The LEA reviews the original estimated cost for the action and determines that had it hired additional staff to collect and analyze data and to coordinate supports for students that estimated actual cost would have been \$169,500 due to a cost of living adjustment. The LEA would divide the estimated actual cost of \$169,500 by the amount of LCFF Funding identified in the Data Entry Table and then convert the quotient to a percentage. This percentage is the Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services for the action.

LCFF Carryover Table

- 9. Estimated Actual LCFF Base Grant: Provide the total amount of estimated LCFF Target Entitlement for the current school year, excluding the supplemental and concentration grants and the add-ons for the Targeted Instructional Improvement Block Grant program, the former Home-to-School Transportation program, and the Small School District Transportation program, pursuant to 5 CCR Section 15496(a)(8). Note that the LCFF Base Grant for purposes of the LCAP also includes the Necessary Small Schools and Economic Recovery Target allowances for school districts, and County Operations Grant for COEs. See EC sections 2574 (for COEs) and 42238.02 (for school districts and charter schools), as applicable, for LCFF entitlement calculations.
- 10. Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Current School Year: This percentage will not be entered. The percentage is calculated based on the amounts of the Estimated Actual LCFF Base Grant (9) and the Estimated Actual LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants (6), pursuant to 5 CCR Section 15496(a)(8), plus the LCFF Carryover Percentage from the prior year. This is the percentage by which services for unduplicated pupils must be increased or improved as compared to the services provided to all students in the current LCAP year.

Calculations in the Action Tables

To reduce the duplication of effort of LEAs, the Action Tables include functionality such as pre-population of fields and cells based on the information provided in the Data Entry Table, the Annual Update Summary Table, and the Contributing Actions Table. For transparency, the functionality and calculations used are provided below.

Contributing Actions Table

- 4. Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (LCFF Funds)
 - o This amount is the total of the Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds) column.
- 5. Total Planned Percentage of Improved Services
 - o This percentage is the total of the Planned Percentage of Improved Services column.
- Planned Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the coming school year (4 divided by 1, plus 5)
 - o This percentage is calculated by dividing the Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (4) by the Projected LCFF Base Grant (1), converting the quotient to a percentage, and adding it to the Total Planned Percentage of Improved Services (5).

Contributing Actions Annual Update Table

Pursuant to *EC* Section 42238.07(c)(2), if the Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (4) is less than the Estimated Actual LCFF Supplemental and Concentration Grants (6), the LEA is required to calculate the difference between the Total Planned Percentage of Improved Services (5) and the Total Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (7). If the Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (4) is equal to or greater

than the Estimated Actual LCFF Supplemental and Concentration Grants (6), the Difference Between Planned and Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services will display "Not Required."

• 6. Estimated Actual LCFF Supplemental and Concentration Grants

o This is the total amount of LCFF supplemental and concentration grants the LEA estimates it will actually receive based on of the number and concentration of unduplicated students in the current school year.

• 4. Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (LCFF Funds)

This amount is the total of the Last Year's Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds).

• 7. Total Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions

o This amount is the total of the Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds).

• Difference Between Planned and Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (Subtract 7 from 4)

o This amount is the Total Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (7) subtracted from the Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (4).

• 5. Total Planned Percentage of Improved Services (%)

o This amount is the total of the Planned Percentage of Improved Services column.

• 8. Total Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (%)

o This amount is the total of the Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services column.

Difference Between Planned and Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (Subtract 5 from 8)

o This amount is the Total Planned Percentage of Improved Services (5) subtracted from the Total Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (8).

LCFF Carryover Table

- 10. Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Current School Year (6 divided by 9 plus Carryover %)
 - o This percentage is the Estimated Actual LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants (6) divided by the Estimated Actual LCFF Base Grant (9) plus the LCFF Carryover Percentage from the prior year.
- 11. Estimated Actual Percentage of Increased or Improved Services (7 divided by 9, plus 8)

o This percentage is the Total Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (7) divided by the LCFF Funding (9), then converting the quotient to a percentage and adding the Total Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (8).

• 12. LCFF Carryover — Dollar Amount LCFF Carryover (Subtract 11 from 10 and multiply by 9)

o If the Estimated Actual Percentage of Increased or Improved Services (11) is less than the Estimated Actual Percentage to Increase or Improve Services (10), the LEA is required to carry over LCFF funds.

The amount of LCFF funds is calculated by subtracting the Estimated Actual Percentage to Increase or Improve Services (11) from the Estimated Actual Percentage of Increased or Improved Services (10) and then multiplying by the Estimated Actual LCFF Base Grant (9). This amount is the amount of LCFF funds that is required to be carried over to the coming year.

• 13. LCFF Carryover — Percentage (12 divided by 9)

o This percentage is the unmet portion of the Percentage to Increase or Improve Services that the LEA must carry over into the coming LCAP year. The percentage is calculated by dividing the LCFF Carryover (12) by the LCFF Funding (9).

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