

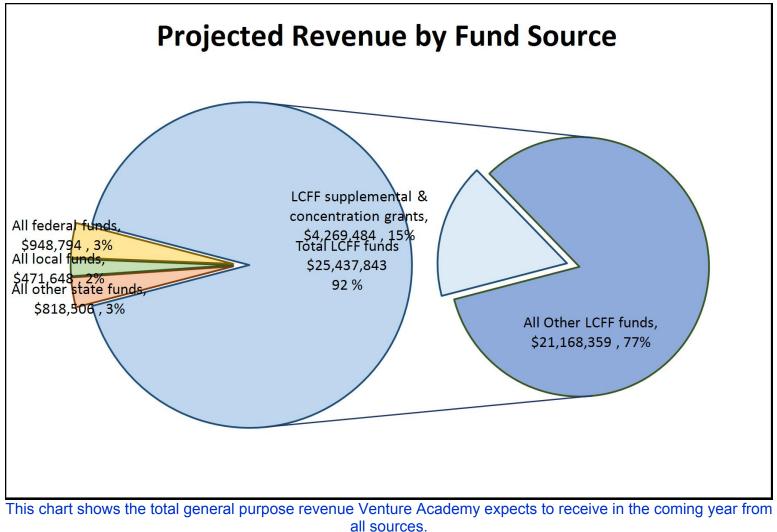
# **LCFF Budget Overview for Parents**

Local Educational Agency (LEA) Name: Venture Academy CDS Code: 39-10397-3930476 School Year: 2023-24 LEA contact information: Joni Hellstrom Division Director

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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).

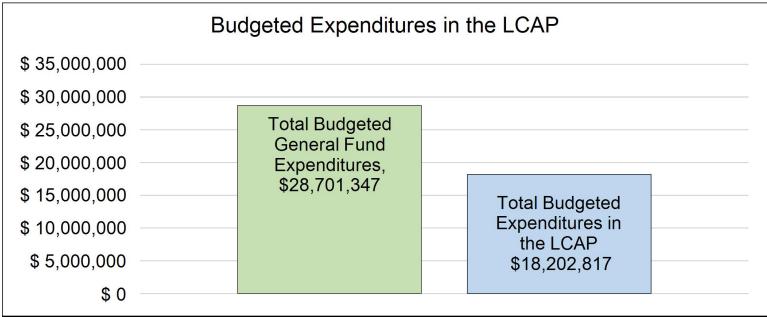
## **Budget Overview for the 2023-24 School Year**



The text description for the above chart is as follows: The total revenue projected for Venture Academy is \$27,676,791, of which \$25,437,843 is Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), \$818,506 is other state funds, \$471,648 is local funds, and \$948,794 is federal funds. Of the \$25,437,843 in LCFF Funds, \$4,269,484 is generated based on the enrollment of high needs students (foster youth, English learner, and low-income students).

## **LCFF Budget Overview for Parents**

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.



This chart provides a quick summary of how much Venture Academy plans to spend for 2023-24. 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: Venture Academy plans to spend \$28,701,347 for the 2023-24 school year. Of that amount, \$18,202,817 is tied to actions/services in the LCAP and \$10,498,530 is not included in the LCAP. The budgeted expenditures that are not included in the LCAP will be used for the following:

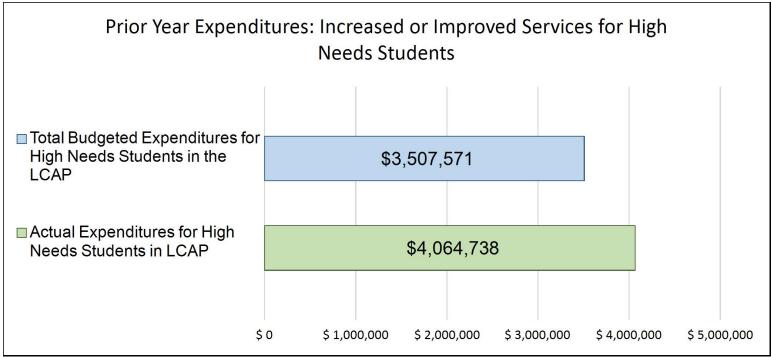
Other General Fund budget expenditures include those for cost of core services, overhead, restricted programs and Grants, some one-time and multi-year in nature allocated to the charter.

### Increased or Improved Services for High Needs Students in the LCAP for the 2023-24 School Year

In 2023-24, Venture Academy is projecting it will receive \$4,269,484 based on the enrollment of foster youth, English learner, and low-income students. Venture Academy must describe how it intends to increase or improve services for high needs students in the LCAP. Venture Academy plans to spend \$4,356,058 towards meeting this requirement, as described in the LCAP.

## **LCFF Budget Overview for Parents**

## Update on Increased or Improved Services for High Needs Students in 2022-23



This chart compares what Venture Academy budgeted last year in the LCAP for actions and services that contribute to increasing or improving services for high needs students with what Venture Academy 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 2022-23, Venture Academy's LCAP budgeted \$3,507,571 for planned actions to increase or improve services for high needs students. Venture Academy actually spent \$4,064,738 for actions to increase or improve services for high needs students in 2022-23.



# Local Control and Accountability Plan

The instructions for completing the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) follow the template.

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# Plan Summary [2023-24]

## **General Information**

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

Venture Academy Family of Schools is a WASC accredited charter school of choice authorized by the San Joaquin County Office of Education, located primarily in Stockton, California, with one satellite campus in Manteca, California. Venture Academy serves students from

Transitional Kindergarten through twelfth grade. The mission of Venture Academy Family of Schools is to awaken the imagination, passion, dreams and curiosity of K-12 students by providing rich, standards-based educational opportunities for those who seek innovative, unique approaches to learning. Venture Academy students will become literate, lifelong learners empowered to embrace challenge, think critically, play passionately, live responsibly, and imagine possibilities. Venture Academy provides rich, standards-based educational opportunities that contain innovative, various approaches to teaching and learning. This is reflected in the breadth, depth, and diversity of the school's curriculum and instructional methods, as well as in the variety of learning environments. Instructional materials, strategies, and activities at all grade levels are aligned to the CCSS.

Venture academy serves the greater population of California's Central Valley. The majority of students are coming from the cities of Stockton and Manteca, but students from all adjacent counties to San Joaquin are able to be in attendance. Students who enroll in Venture Academy may enroll in one of several academies, each with a unique focus. These programs (academies) and their focuses are developed and maintained through small teaching communities. Venture Academy students enrolled in any of the academies are allowed to participate in sports and extra-curricular activities as a student of Venture Academy Family of Schools.

Venture Academy also offers a variety of learning approaches from students attending school in-person four days per week, to home-based programs that are enhanced through a variety of classes and workshops offered to those enrolled. In the model where students attend school in-person four days per week, students are assigned to one of the school's academies staffed by credentialed teachers. Students receive regularly scheduled instruction, have opportunities to focus on areas of personal interest, and are held responsible for completing off campus educational assignments. All academies provide robust core curriculum, but bring a unique focus to learning that captivates and motivates students to explore, cultivate, develop, and more deeply dive into their interests.

When choosing a home-based program, parents become team teachers with credentialed VAFS teachers. Teachers provide an individualized academic plan, curriculum, and educational assessment of student work. Parents enrich this education plan with home and community projects and are encouraged to use the world as a classroom. Parents who choose this program for their children must be willing to provide the time to be partners in the education of their children. Students enrolled in a home-based academy may have the option to attend onsite classes and workshops. To address individual concerns, teachers may require students to attend specific classes. All students are expected to participate in state mandated assessments.

Below is local demographic data for Venture Academy from the 2022-23 School year:

Total enrollment: 1,634

Black or African American: 6.2% American Indian/Alaskan Native: 0.6% Asian: 2.3% Filipino: 1.6% Hispanic or Latino: 67.2% Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander: 0.4% White: 17.6% Two or more races: 3.9%

Female: 52.5% Male: 47.5% Non-Binary: 0.0%

English Learners: 15.8% Foster Youth: 0.4% Identified low-income: 66.4% Special Education students: 11%

## **Reflections: Successes**

A description of successes and/or progress based on a review of the California School Dashboard (Dashboard) and local data.

Some of the successes Venture Academy has had over the past year are:

1. Increased mental health services through hiring an additional counselor and a mental health clinician which allowed us to offer more mental health services to students. Students report

2. Increased professional learning for staff around the ELD standards and strategies. Redesignated English Learners are outperforming our English only students in ELA on the dashboard.

3. Focus on building CTE programs of interest to students by adding a Culinary Arts and a Medical pathway for increased students enrollment in CTE courses.

4. Contracted services to provide additional support to teachers in science instruction. Staff has reported more confidence in providing rigorous instruction in science.

5. Piloted a Tier 2 reading intervention program with 2nd through 4th grade students. All students are showing growth on our internal benchmark assessment.

6. Based on dashboard data, we have a higher graduation rate than the state average.

### **Reflections: Identified Need**

A description of any areas that need significant improvement based on a review of Dashboard and local data, including any areas of low performance and significant performance gaps among student groups on Dashboard indicators, and any steps taken to address those areas.

After reviewing the Dashboard and local data, these are the areas of concern due to low performance and significant performance gaps among student groups:

- 1. High chronic absenteeism overall and also disproportionately high for students with disabilities
- 2. High suspension rates overall and also disproportionately high for African American students and students with disabilities
- 3. Very low math performance for all students

All students at Venture Academy are on an independent study contract, which means that attendance is based on work submitted. In order to address the chronic absenteeism for our students with disabilities, we plan to work with our general education teachers and resource teachers and parents to look at the causes for lack of work completion and create a plan to better support students with disabilities. We also plan to work with all students and parents at the beginning of the school year, and through our tiered reengagement process, to ensure there is an understanding that work completion is tied to attendance and plan ways to provide additional supports for students to complete their work.

In order to address our high rate of suspension for all students and our two student groups who are disproportionately high, we will be contracting with Leaving the Village, a company that specializes in Restorative practices to provide professional development for staff and ongoing support to the school in our efforts to add more restorative approaches to discipline.

In order to address the math and language arts performance, all teachers will be participating in the Unbound Ed training, which emphasizes how to fill learning gaps for students while still teaching grade level standards. The approach also includes an equity mindset and helping staff understand how to affirm and support students through their learning process. We will also be partnering with SJCOE to increase the math and language arts support for staff through the year to support the partnership with Unbound Ed.

Venture Academy will be using the LCAP as our Single Plan for Student Achievement. We are also using our LCAP as our Additional Targeted Support and Improvement plan to address the identified need of improving chronic absenteeism and suspension rates.

## LCAP Highlights

A brief overview of the LCAP, including any key features that should be emphasized.

Venture Academy Family of Schools has continued the two goals for the 2023-24 LCAP:

Goal #1: Students will demonstrate continuous progress toward mastery of a core body of knowledge that will prepare them for college and career.

Goal #2: Create, cultivate, and strengthen a safe, nurturing environment that supports learning.

These goals align with the mission of Venture Academy and are consistent with the goals identified for WASC and Venture Academy's Charter Agreement.

The LCAP contains a multitude of actions to support these goals, including, but not limited to:

- 1. Continuing to expand services for EL students.
- 2. Full support for a robust CTE Programs and various career pathway opportunities for students.
- 3. Addressing the on-going concerns of students performing below standards for their academic grade level.
- 4. Additional academic/emotional supports for high needs populations.

### **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.

Venture Academy is not eligible for comprehensive support and improvement.

### Support for Identified Schools

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

N/A

### Monitoring and Evaluating Effectiveness

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

N/A

## **Engaging Educational Partners**

A summary of the process used to engage educational partners and how this engagement was considered before finalizing the LCAP.

Venture Academy engaged educational partners, including administrators, teachers, support staff, parents, students, members of the local bargaining unit, and community members, throughout the development of the LCAP and in review of the action plans and goals.

Administrative Engagement: The administrative team worked together after the release of the Dashboard Data for a full day on 1/20/23 to analyze the data and discuss our current goals and action plans, in addition to brainstorming ideas for additional actions to take to address concerns found in the data.

Parent Engagement: Surveys were administered to parents in early April, seeking feedback on our goals. Survey responses were sent in both English and Spanish and collected responses were analyzed and used to assess school progress on the LCAP goals and planned actions. In-person parent meetings were also held on 1/11/23, 4/12/23, and 5/2/23 to discuss the services being provided. to students and the types of services and supports parents are hoping that the school would provide for students. These meetings were held in both English and Spanish.

Student Engagement: Student focus groups, which included a variety of students who represent each of our unduplicated pupil student groups, were held on 10/26/22, 11/1/22, 11/9/22, 11/17/22, 1/25/23, 3/29/23, 3/30/23, 4/5/23 to solicit student opinions and insights into the actions being implemented and suggestions for ways we can further meet their needs.

Staff Engagement: A staff survey was sent on 1/27/23 and in-person meetings were held with staff on 3/10/23, 3/24/23, and 4/28/23. Staff to look at our data as it relates to our goals and actions and discuss what stands out in our data and actions we should take to address concerns.

SELPA Engagement: Venture Academy administration met with the SELPA representative on 4/26/23 to receive feedback from our local SELPA.

PAC and ELAC Engagement: A draft of the LCAP was presented to the PAC and ELPAC on 5/2/23 for final feedback and input prior to moving forward with the public hearing.

Public Engagement: The 2023-24 LCAP was be posted to the school website on Monday, June 13th, 2023, for public review and feedback. The public hearing will be held at the Venture Academy Board Meeting on June 13th, 2023. The Venture Academy Board will be asked to approve the LCAP on June 20th, 2023.

#### A summary of the feedback provided by specific educational partners.

In general, the feedback from parents and students is positive in regards to what they feel is being provided by Venture Academy students. One common theme in the feedback from parents was an interest in the school offering tutoring to support their child's academic needs and more information/communication about their child's progress in school. One common theme in the feedback from students was an interest in more mental health services and offerings for students. The students also want us to work to reduce bullying, fighting, and drug use on campus. Staff feedback was also generally positive about the environment at Venture. Staff had concerns around recent discipline trends but were unsure of specific ways to address those concerns other than consistent enforcement of school rules and strict consequences. Staff also identified the academic needs for both math and language arts and were interested in offering more academic intervention opportunities for students, more support for English Learners, and more professional learning support on how to address the large learning gaps in the classroom.

A description of the aspects of the LCAP that were influenced by specific input from educational partners.

While the feedback from our educational partners aligned with the goals and actions already identified in the LCAP, the feedback has prompted us to look for ways to expand the services already outlined in the LCAP, such as building tutoring into the supports we are offering to our students who are struggling academically. In addition, we will also be using funds outside of the LCAP to provide a wellness center space for mental health support for students and additional mental health staff to support student needs. The intent is that increased mental health supports for students would decrease suspension rates.

# **Goals and Actions**

## Goal

Goal #	Description
1	Students will demonstrate continuous progress toward mastery of a core body of knowledge that will prepare them for college and career.

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

Venture Academy believes that a well rounded education serves all students and prepares them to become fair-minded critical thinkers. This comprehensive goal reflects the school's commitment to providing access to rich, standards-based instructional experiences that prepare all students for success, whether they pursue a post secondary pathway leading to a career in technical arts or an institution of higher learning. The proposed action steps provide a framework for progress towards this goal. The metrics below provide multiple means to measure progress. Venture Academy will offer a broad course of study, accessible to all students, that will prepare them for post secondary success. Venture Academy will recruit, hire and maintain a highly qualified staff and provide technology, curriculum and instructional materials to support this goal. Progress will be measured through review state assessment data, data from locally administered assessments and teacher designed and administered assessments.

### **Measuring and Reporting Results**

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Priority 1A: Percentage of	100%	98.8%	45.7%		100%
teachers appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in the subject area(s) and for they pupils they are teaching. (SARC)		2021-22	2021-22 DataQuest		
Priority 1B:Percentage	100%	100%	100%		100%
of pupils who have sufficient access to	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23		

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
standards aligned instructional materials (SARC)			SARC		
Priority 1C: Percentage of facilities maintained in "good" or "exemplary" repair status (FIT Report - SJCOE)	100% 2021	100% 2022	100% 2023 FIT Report, SARC		100%
Priority 2A: Self reflection rating on Questions 1 and 2 of the implementation of SBE Adopted Academic & Performance	Rating for Professional Learning for teaching to academic standards and curriculum frameworks.	Rating for Professional Learning for teaching to academic standards and curriculum frameworks.	Rating for Professional Learning for teaching to academic standards and curriculum frameworks.		Rating for Professional Learning for teaching to the academic standards and curriculum frameworks
Standards including how programs and services will enable ELs to access the CC academic content standards and ELD standards.	English Language Arts: 4 English Language Development: 3 Mathematics: 4 Next Generation Science Standards: 4 History/Social	English Language Arts: 4 English Language Development: 4 Mathematics: 4 Next Generation Science Standards: 4 History/Social	English Language Arts: 4 English Language Development: 4 Mathematics: 4 Next Generation Science Standards: 4 History/Social		English Language Arts: 5 English Language Development: 5 Mathematics: 5 Next Generation Science Standards: 5 History/Social
(Local Indicator, Priority 2 Reflection Tool) (As measured by Rating scale lowest to	Science: 4 Rating for Instructional Materials Aligned to academic standards	Science: 4	Science: 4 Rating for Instructional Materials Aligned to academic standards		Science: 5 Rating for Instructional Materials Aligned to academic standards

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
highest): 1 - Exploration and Research Phase, 2 - Beginning Development Phase, 3 - Initial Implementation, 4 - Full Implementation, 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability	and curriculum frameworks English Language Arts: 5 English Language Development: 5 Mathematics: 5 Next Generation Science Standards: 5 History/Social Science:5 2020-21	and curriculum frameworks English Language Arts: 5 English Language Development: 5 Mathematics: 5 Next Generation Science Standards: 5 History/Social Science:5 2021-22	and curriculum frameworks English Language Arts: 5 English Language Development: 5 Mathematics: 5 Next Generation Science Standards: 5 History/Social Science:5		and curriculum frameworks English Language Arts: 5 English Language Development: 5 Mathematics: 5 Next Generation Science Standards: 5 History/Social Science:5 2023-24
Priority 4A: Percentage of 3rd - 8th and 11th grade student CAASPP scores in Languages arts/Math in "standards not met"	29.54% - ELA 49.37% - Math (Baseline data for math initially reported 49.77%) 2018-19 CAASPP results	33.65% - ELA 56.94% - Math 2020-21 CAASPP results	40.54% - ELA 62.77% - Math 2022 CAASPP		25% 40%
Priority 4B: Percentage of Pupils who met A-G college entrance requirements for UC/CSU systems.	<ul> <li>22.47%</li> <li>(Basedline data was reported incorrectly at 25%)</li> <li>2020 CA School Dashboard - Additional Reports, College and Career Measures</li> </ul>	16.4% 2021 CA School Dashboard - Additional Reprots, Colleges and Career Measures	19% 2022 DataQuest		35%

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Priority 4C: Percentage of pupils who successfully complete CTE course sequences or programs of study; as measured by growth in percentage of students completing in pathways and earning high school diplomas.		10.1% Fall 2021 CA Dashboard, Transcript evlauations, College and Career Measures	11.6% 2022 CALPADS		17.5%
Priority 4D: Percentage of pupils who have successfully completed both types of courses described in 4B and 4C	0% Fall 2020 CA Dashboard. SIS Reports, Transcript Evaluations	2.6% Fall 2021 CA Dashbaord, SIS Reports,Transcript Evaluation	1.7% 2022 CALPADS		10%
Priority 4E: Percentage of pupils who make progress toward English proficiency as measured by the ELPAC	45.5% 2019-20 CA School Dashboard	Data not available due to suspension of state indicators of 2021 Dashboard 2020-21 CA School Dashboard	42.2% 2022 CA School Dashboard		70%
Priority 4F: Percentage of English Learners who were reclassified as English Proficient	3.8% 2019-20 SIS/ELPAC Reclas criteria	4.1% 2021-22 SIS/ELPAC Reclass criteria	4.1% 2022 CALPADS		8% or above

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Priority 4G: Percentage of pupils who pass an AP exam with a score of 3 or higher	40% 2019-20 AP Report (College Board)	29.3% 2021-22 AP Report (College Board)	35% 2022 AP Report		45%
Priority 4H: Percentage of pupils who demonstrate college preparedness by meeting and exceeding standard on the 11th grade CAASPP exam in English Language Arts and Math	51.95 % - ELA 11.26 % - Math (Baseline data was reported incorrectly, updated data reflects accurate data) 2018-19 CAASPP	43.39% - ELA 13.12% - Math 2020-21 CAASPP	39.44% - ELA 9.5% - Math 2022 CAASPP		55 % - ELA 24% - Mathematics
Priority 7A: Percentage of Pupils who have access to and are enrolled in a broad course of study	100% 2020-21 Course Catalog, Student 4 Year Plans	100% 2021-22 Course Catalog, Student 4 Year Plans	100% Course Catalog, Student 4 Year Plans		100%
Priority 8A: (Other pupil outcomes): #Number of students earning Seal of Bi- Literacy	28 SIS Report - Transcript Evaluation 2019-20	24 SIS Report - Transcript Evaluation 2020-21	17 2022 CALPADS		35

# Actions

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
1.1		Venture Academy students will be taught by a team of credentialed teachers and administrators and a well qualified clerical support staff.	\$10,399,623.00	No

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
1.2	Supporting Career Pathways	Venture Academy is committed to advancing various career pathway opportunities for students, through recruiting, hiring and maintaining credentialed teachers with experience in their fields, through providing necessary materials, experiences, and through supporting Career Technical Organizations (HOSA, Skills USA, FFA). This goal benefits EL students through hands on experience and exposure to rich, content related vocabulary.	\$1,434,482.00	Yes
1.3	Instructional Materials	Venture Academy will continue to provide instructional materials to support student learning, including, but not limited to: provision of general academic supplies; purchase of state adopted curriculum; purchase of supplemental on-line curriculum; additional literature to enrich instruction. Venture Academy will use STAR Renaissance to assess student learning to enable teachers to best design their instruction to meet student needs. Venture Academy will support AP testing by providing test material to low income students.	\$417,934.00	No
1.4	Professional Development	Venture Academy will provide professional development to staff to support teachers and students. The areas of focus for professional development will include, but will not be limited to, Social Emotional Learning, English Language Development, Universal Design For Learning, and interventions for high-needs students.	\$2,317.00	No
1.5	Academic Support for EL students	Venture Academy will support the success of EL students through maintaining the full time positions of the Language Development Leader. Venture Academy will partner with the SJCOE Educational Service Language and Literacy Department to review, analyze and improve the school's current instructional program provided to English Learners. Venture Academy will continue to recruit, hire and maintain teachers with appropriate ELD credentials. Venture Academy will offer summer school opportunities specifically for EL students and provide	\$366,441.00	Yes

ction #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
		tutors for both in-class and academic support. Venture Academy will support the Latinos in Action Program, a mentoring program for high school youth and will expand course offerings at the high school level to support EL students. The data/testing coordinator position will be maintained to oversee ELPAC testing and EL Proctors will be hired to conduct yearly ELPAC testing.		
1.6	Support for Students with Disabilities	Venture Academy will continue to support qualified instructional staff for students with disabilities and will hire an additional teacher. Venture Academy will maintain the full time speech and language therapist position and continue to contract for additional services as needed. Venture Academy will provide assessment materials and instructional materials to support students with disabilities.	\$1,338,773.00	No
1.7	School-wide AVID	Venture Academy will remain an AVID certified site and continue to implement AVID strategies designed to "close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success." Continued AVID Summer training for AVID teachers, as well as District Director trainings.	\$40,514.00	Yes
1.8	Technological Support to assist Student Learning	Venture Academy will ensure that low income students have access to working technology by providing additional devices for a 1:1 technology and maintaining a staff position to provide tech support.	\$153,713.00	No
1.9	Additional Technology to Support High Needs Students	Venture Academy students will have equitable access to academic work through available hot spots. Venture will maintain an additional tech support staff.	\$99,510.00	Yes
1.10	Nutrition Program	Venture Academy will continue to offer a nutritious breakfast to all students.	\$100,000.00	No

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
1.11	Additional Support for Nutrition Program	Venture Academy will maintain additional staff positions to support the school's nutrition program, primarily to benefit low income students.	\$404,781.00	Yes
1.12	Additional Instructional Materials for High Needs Students	Venture Academy will purchase additional instructional materials to support learning for high needs students.	\$9,550.00	Yes
1.13	College and Career Readiness	Venture Academy will advance college and career readiness for students by reviewing the high school master schedule to maximize opportunities for A-G, dual enrollment, and CTE Pathway completion, and by training teachers to oversee effective four year plans for high school students and provide support to students in those plans. Venture Academy will conduct college and career fairs for all grade levels. When available, Venture Academy will schedule field trips to college campuses.	\$185,235.00	Yes
1.14	Additional Academic Support	Students will receive science instruction/support at the elementary and middle school level through contracted support of the STEM Department through SJCOE. Contracted instructional time/activities, as well as science/lab materials for support content-rich, hands-on learning experiences that support language acquisition for EL students.	\$131,175.00	Yes
1.15	Additional Administrative Program Support	Venture Academy will expand its administrative team to provide oversight for a strong Multi-tiered Support System (MTSS) to support students, including English Learners, socio-economically disadvantaged students and foster youth.	\$173,615.00	Yes

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
1.16	Math Proficiency	Venture Academy will develop a TK-12 plan to improve Math proficiency for students, including collaboration with the SJCOE Education Services Department, dedicated time for teacher collaboration and maintaining additional teachers to provide Math support.	\$159,604.00	Yes
1.17	Facilities Maintenance	Venture Academy will maintain janitorial contracts to keep facilities in good condition.	\$472,500.00	No

## Goal Analysis [2022-23]

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.

Venture Academy was able to implement the majority of the actions as planned.

There were a few areas where we increased or offered additional support:

- 1. In addition to offering free breakfast to all students, we also offered free lunch for the first time to all students
- 2. We were able to offer 6 college field trips

3. We streamlined the career pathways being offered to meet the needs of our current students. We offered two new career pathways of high interest that are full this year and are already full next year based on student course selection. The two pathways are: Medical Pathway and Culinary Arts Pathway

4. We added art as a career pathway in our elementary and middle school programs by hiring a full-time teacher and using the artists in residence program

5. We have continued to offer a robust credit recovery program to help students make progress towards graduation. We have also continued to offer summer school targeted to our 3rd-8th grade students who are english learners.

There were a few areas where we were not able to implement the actions as planned:

1. Despite our best efforts in recruiting teachers, we had 4 vacancies during the school year and were not able to fill those vacancies. We held several rounds of interviews and offered the positions to several candidates, however, none of them accepted the positions.

2. While we send about 15 teachers every summer to AVID training, and our school is a certified AVID school, we struggled with enrollment in high school AVID courses. We still offered the courses and had students enrolled in them, however, the numbers were less than we would have liked.

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.

Action 1.3 - We spent \$248,032 over our budgeted amount because we audited our academic materials and purchased updated textbooks and curriculum. We normally purchase our curriculum and textbooks and materials at the end of the prior fiscal year for the upcoming year, however, this past year, we ordered them in the current fiscal year and then have ordered the materials and textbooks for the next fiscal year in this current year as well.

Action 1.5 - We spent \$60,413 over our budgeted amount because we added additional staff to offer more support to our EL students.

Action 1.6 - We spent \$173,935 under our budgeted amount because we had a resource teacher vacancy for the entire school year.

Action 1.7 - We spent \$26,714 over our budgeted amount because we increased the compensation for our AVID coordinator and increased the number of teachers who will be attending AVID training in June.

Action 1.10 - We spent \$282,393 under our budgeted amount because we added an additional lunch program and have accounted for the cost of lunch in action 1.11. We based the budget off the prior year when we were offering breakfast to students and then at lunch time they could take a second breakfast. Now we offer a full lunch to students and there is not a need for a second breakfast so the amount spent on breakfast was reduced.

Action 1.11 - We spent \$126,619 over our budgeted amount because we were originally going to put part of the cost of the free lunch offered to students in our ESSER plan, but decided to claim the entire cost in our LCAP budget. This was also the first year we offered free lunch to our students, and the budgeted amount for the cost of the food was just an estimate and the student need ended up being greater than the estimated amount.

Action 1.12 - We spent \$6,594 over our budgeted amount because we purchased more EL materials than we had estimated. We completed an audit of our EL program and realized we needed new and updated curriculum and materials that aligned for K-5.

Action 1.13 - We spent \$118,631 over our budgeted amount because we added staff to support students taking dual enrollment classes for better preparation for college and career readiness.

Action 1.16 - We spent \$34,911 over our budgeted amount because we added additional staff to support math instruction and provide smaller math classes.

Action 1.17 - We spent \$75,000 over our budgeted amount because the janitorial company through which we contract services increased their rates.

An explanation of how effective the specific actions were in making progress toward the goal.

The CDE has claimed that the data on the 2022 Dashboard is now our new baseline data and that this is a reset year due to the lack of data available during COVID and the effects of the COVID closures on student outcomes. While the dashboard does not show much progress in our measures of student outcomes, the actions in this goal contributed to the following successes:

Action 1.5: Increased professional development around the ELD standards and additional supports to EL students, like designated summer school, have contributed to increased use of strategies with our EL students.

Action 1.13: A focus on college and career readiness has contributed to an increased A-G completion rate and to a higher enrollment of high school students in CTE programs.

Action 1.14: A focus on providing science professional development and support to teachers has led to teachers feeling more confident in being able to provide NGSS aligned science lessons to students.

Action 1.15: Increased support to our MTSS efforts has resulted in the implementation of Tier 2 literacy tutoring for students, which students show improvement in reading on our internal benchmark assessments.

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.

We amended the wording of action 1.5 from having specific dates for services to ongoing services as we are carrying out those action items year to year.

We amended the wording of action 1.13 to include access to dual enrollment as one of our college and career readiness plans for students. We also added in the wording that teachers would provide support to students in their 4-year plans, which include support for students in their A-G courses, dual enrollment courses, and CTE courses.

We also updated all the timespans for each action to reflect that the actions are ongoing services for students.

We updated the wording in Action 1.15 to remove the phrase "students with exceptional needs" and replaced it with foster youth.

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. Table.

# **Goals and Actions**

## Goal

Goal #	Description
2	Create, cultivate and strengthen a safe, nurturing environment that supports learning.

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

This comprehensive goal reflects Venture Academy's commitment to promoting the health and well being of all students and the recognition that students learn best in an environment in which they feel emotionally and physically safe. The proposed actions provide a framework for progress towards this goal. The metrics below provide multiple means to measure progress. Venture Academy will support this goal through recruiting, hiring and maintaining a highly qualified team of counselors and health professionals. Venture Academy will promote pupil engagement through a rich menu of extra-curricular activities. The campus safety team will ensure a secure school environment. Progress towards this goal will be measured by school attendance data, participation data, California Healthy Kids Survey and locally administered school climate surveys.

### **Measuring and Reporting Results**

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Priority 3A: Efforts to seek parent input in decision making for the school district and each school site; Area (1): Percentage of Advisory Council Seats filled.	Area (1): 100% Area (2): Rate the LEA's progress in developing multiple opportunities for the LEA and sites to engage in 2-way communication between families and educators using	Area (1): 100% Area (2): Rate the LEA's progress in developing multiple opportunities for the LEA and sites to engage in 2-way communication between families and educators using	Area (1): 100% Area (2): Rate the LEA's progress in developing multiple opportunities for the LEA and sites to engage in 2-way communication between families and educators using		Area (1): 100% Area (2): Rate the LEA's progress in developing multiple opportunities for the LEA and sites to engage in 2-way communication between families and educators using
	language that is	language that is	language that is		language that is

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Area (2): Local Indicator, Priority 3 Reflection Tool Rating Scale (Lowest to highest): 1- Exploring and Research Phase; 2 - Beginning Development; 3 - Initial Implementation; 4-Full Implementation; 5 -Full Implementation and Sustainability	understandable and accessible to families. 3 - Initial Implementation	understandable and accessible to families. 3 - Initial Implementation	understandable and accessible to families. 3 - Initial Implementation		understandable and accessible to families. 5 - Full Implementation
Priority 5A: School attendance rates - the percentage of students attending school daily on average.	90% SIS, Attendance Reports 2020-21	96.55% (as of April 25th, 2022) SIS, Attendance Reports 2021-22	95.96% (as of April, 2022) SIS, ADA Attendance Reports 2022-23		95%
Priority 5B: Percentage of K-12 students identified as chronically absent- pupils who are absent from school 10% or more for the total number of school days enrolled.	2.3% SIS, CALPADS 2020-21	3.1% SIS, CALPADS, Dataquest 2021-22	11.9% Dataquest 2022		1.5%
Priority 5C: Middle school dropout rate - the percentage of	0% Class of 2020, SIS	0%	0%		0 %

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
pupils in grades 7 - 8 who stop coming to school and who do not enroll in another school.		Class of 2021, SIS, Dataquest	Class of 2022, SIS, Dataquest		
Priority 5D: High school dropout rate - the percentage of students in grades 9 - 12 who stop coming to school and who do not enroll in another school.	3% Class of 2020, SIS, CALPADS	3.4% Class of 2020, SIS, CALPADS	3.65% Class of 2022, SIS, CALPADS		2 %
Priority 5E: High school graduation rates - the percentage of pupils in a four-year cohort who meet VAFS Graduation requirements		81.7% Fall 2021 CA School Dashboard	96.7% 2022 CA School Dashboard		90%
Priority 6A: Pupil suspension rate - the percentage of pupils who are suspended at least once during the academic year.	1.3% 2019-20 DataQuest	1% 2020-21 DataQuest	4.7% 2022 CA School Dashboard		1%
Priority 6B: Pupil expulsion rate - the percentage of pupils who are expelled from the district during the academic year.	1% 2019-20 DataQuest	0% 2020-21 Dataquest/SIS	0.77% 2021-22 SIS		1.0%

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Priority 6C: Percentage of pupil, parent and student responding on surveys regarding school safety and school connectedness	40% 2020-21 Surveys	37% 2021-22 Surveys	34% student responses 2021-22 Surveys		50%

## Actions

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
2.1	Student Mental Health and Well Being	Venture Academy will support the health and well -being of students through maintaining a team of credentialed school counselors, full time school psychologist and full time nurse. Venture Academy counselors will provide individual and conduct counseling groups.	\$829,850.00	No
2.2	Outreach and Support for High Needs Students	Venture Academy will support an additional counselor position and a counselor technician position to ensure accessibility to counseling services and to promote pupil engagement, principally focused towards high needs students.	\$299,713.00	Yes
2.3	School-wide Communication	Venture Academy will purchase and implement use of Powerschool Student Information System and will maintain automated phone messaging system to promote clear and ongoing communication with students and families. All school-wide messages will be provided in English and Spanish.	\$62,000.00	No

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
2.4	School Safety Team	Venture Academy will maintain full time Campus Safety Technicians positions to provide supervision, support and intervention as needed to support the safe environment of the school.	\$376,317.00	Yes
2.5	Extracurricular Activities	Venture Academy will promote pupil engagement, principally directed towards high needs students, through supporting personnel who will organize and promote extracurricular activities, including Physical Education teachers promoting extracurricular athletic activities at the K-8 grades.	\$739,670.00	Yes
2.6	Pupil Engagement and Parent Participation for EL students.	Venture Academy will schedule regular meetings for parents of EL students and provide translation at all meetings. Venture Academy will celebrate the successes of EL students, including the Seal of Bi- literacy, reading milestones for elementary students and reclassification as English proficient.	\$5,000.00	Yes
2.7	Parent participation	Venture Academy will promote participation in the Advisory School Council and conduct various forums to seek parent feedback. As conditions allow, parents will be encouraged to attend school events and participate on various committees.	\$500.00	No

### Goal Analysis [2022-23]

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.

Venture Academy was able to implement the majority of the actions as planned.

There were a few areas where we increased or offered additional support:

1. We were able to hire the additional outreach counselor, we hired a second school psychologist, and we have brought on additional nurse technician support for the school nurse.

2. Through the school safety team efforts, we offered a training to all staff on active shooter protocols. We also updated all of the emergency backpacks with updated supplies and information

3. We increased the extra curricular offerings by adding additional middle school teams and additional JV teams. We also increased out-ofclassroom educational experiences by supporting field trips at all grade levels. We have added enrichment summer school learning opportunities for elementary and middle school students

4. We held monthly EL parent meetings to discuss needs and create solutions to support EL students

5. With the COVID protocols being lifted, we were able to welcome parents back into the classroom as volunteers and as volunteers on field trips

Our challenge in implementing the action 2.3 was that the parent communication platform chosen and used did not meet our needs as anticipated

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.

Action 2.1 - We spent \$83,357 over our budgeted amount because of the negotiated salary increase for this school year.

Action 2.5 - We spent \$114,738 over our budgeted amount because we provided more teams for students this year, such as additional middle school teams and JV/Freshmen level teams, added more K-8 PE teachers, and increased the number of staff supporting student extra-curricular activities.

An explanation of how effective the specific actions were in making progress toward the goal.

The CDE has claimed that the data on the 2022 Dashboard is now our new baseline data and that this is a reset year due to the lack of data available during COVID and the effects of the COVID closures on student outcomes. While the dashboard does not show much progress in our measures of student outcomes, the actions in this goal contributed to the following successes:

Action 2.1: There has been an increase in the mental health services being provided to students through individual counseling, group couseling, and social/emotional lessons provided by counselors in the classrooms.

Action 2.2: The increase in support of high needs students has increased the graduation rate.

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

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.

# Increased or Improved Services for Foster Youth, English Learners, and Low-Income Students [2023-24]

Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants	Projected Additional LCFF Concentration Grant (15 percent)
\$4,269,484.00	\$344,639

#### 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
20.27%	0.00%	\$0.00	20.27%

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

### **Required Descriptions**

For each action being provided to an entire school, or across the entire school district or county office of education (COE), an explanation of (1) how the needs of foster youth, English learners, and low-income students were considered first, and (2) how these actions are effective in meeting the goals for these students.

Review of the 2022 California School Dashboard shows achievement gaps for our English learners and our low-income students. 28.6% of our English learners decreased at least one English Language Proficiency (ELP) level and 29.1% of our English learners maintained their ELP level, which means that over half of our English learners did not make progress in English proficiency in the 2021/2022 school year. 42.2% of our English learners are making progress towards English language proficiency. When looking at the CAASPP data from the 2022 administration of the exam, our English learners scored 97 points below standard in ELA and the English only students scored 46.7 points below standard. In math, our English learners scored 149 points below standard and our English only students scored 106 points below standard. Our English learners are underperforming in both ELA and Math.

In analyzing the CAASPP data for our low-income students, they are not disproportionately lower than other student groups on campus in ELA proficiency, however, they did score low at 56.9 points below standard. A similar occurrence exists with our CAASPP data for Math proficiency. Our low-income students were not disproportionately lower than other student groups, however, they did score very low at 153.6 points below standard.

The number of foster youth enrolled at Venture is too low for the CA School Dashboard to capture data, however, having a low number of students allows for the foster youth liason to know their needs on an individual level and those needs are considered first along with the

needs of our English learners and our low-income students. The goals formalized in 2021-22 continue to be valid and Venture Academy is working towards closing the identified gaps.

The following actions under Goal 1 are designed to address and close these achievement gaps:

- Action 2 allocates resources to support a strong team of teachers for our Career Pathways and provide materials to support CTE pathways. Research shows that enrollment in CTE pathways can have a positive effect on academic performance of low income students. In addition, CTE courses integrate language that supports the acquisition of academic vocabulary, thus supporting EL students.
- Action 7 continues the support for the school-wide AVID Program, whose explicit mission is to "close the achievement gap by
  preparing all students for college readiness and success." Student participation in AVID has grown, and teachers report a
  correlation between AVID enrollment and improved student grades.
- Action 9 ensures that socioeconomically disadvantaged students have equitable access to appropriate technology and internet to support their learning by providing devices, hot-spots and supporting additional technology support personnel.
- Action 11 ensures that all students have access to a nutritious lunch in the middle of their day. Research shows that having
  nutritious meals during the school day increase student attention and engagement in the learning environment. While this action
  supports all students, it specifically supports our low-income and our foster students who may not have access to nutritious food to
  bring to school each day.
- Action 12 specifically supports our English learners by providing additional instructional materials to English learners to assist with language supports across content areas.
- Action 13 expands students awareness and access to courses and experiences that increase their preparedness for college and career after high school. Providing access to college trips and specific academic advising to encourage students to take coursework to prepare them for college supports our English learners, foster youth, and low-income students as they need additional support to see that they can attend college and help them achieve in their courses to be prepared for college and career.
- Action 14 allocates additional resources to better support high needs students by increasing the opportunity for hands-on learning experiences which assists with engagement in school and real-world connections to learning. This action also allocates library resources for elementary students, essential for the reinforcement of academic language for English learners.
- Action 15 expands the administrative team to ensure oversight for an effective Multi-tiered Support System, primarily directed towards supporting high needs students.
- Action 16 supports additional Math instructors to decrease class sizes and increase student accessibility for the appropriate level of Math and allocates resources for partnership with the SJCOE Student Education Services Department to provide additional Math support for teachers. This supports our English learners, foster youth, and low-income students as their math proficiency is very low.

When looking at the 2022 California School Dashboard for our low-income students, it shows that 19.8% of our low-income students are chronically absent, which is the second highest student group for chronic absenteeism. 15.9% of English learners were chronically absent, and while they fell in the middle of student groups who were chronically absent, absence from school negatively impacts our English learners who are farther behind academically than their English only peers. In addition, both the English learners and the low-income student group had a high rate of suspension with 4.6% of English learners being suspended at least one day and 5.4% of low-income students being suspended at least one day.

To address this disparity and to promote pupil engagement, the LCAP contains the following actions under Goal 2:

- Action 2 maintains an additional counselor and counselor tech position to provide outreach and support, principally directed to high needs students. Counselors report a high degree of engagement with students at all grade levels. Documentation from SST meetings show the value of counselor intervention and support.
- Action 4 supports the positions of multiple campus security technicians, which supports our high needs students as the campus security technicians work with students who are absent and who are disengaged with school by monitoring the campus and encouraging appropriate behavior and building relationships and checking in on students regularly who have been struggling.
- Action 5 continues the position of personnel to support extracurricular activities. Participation in the athletic program has grown, and students have excelled in the school's Mock Trial Team and CTSOs. The correlation between student participation in extracurricular activities and student engagement supports continuing this action step.

A description of how services for foster youth, English learners, and low-income students are being increased or improved by the percentage required.

Venture Academy will support the success of EL students through maintaining the full time positions of the Language Development Leader, increasing administrative support of the EL program, increasing professional development for teachers in supporting EL students, and improving services by providing updated and aligned ELD curriculum and after-school tutoring for EL students. The school will continue to recruit, hire and maintain teachers with appropriate ELD credentials. Venture Academy will continue to increase EL services through offering summer school opportunities specifically for EL students. The data/testing coordinator position will be maintained to oversee ELPAC testing. Venture Academy will schedule regular meetings for parents of EL students and provide translation at all meetings. Venture Academy will celebrate the successes of EL students, including the Seal of Bi-literacy, reading milestones for elementary students and reclassification as English proficient.

- Action 1.5 allocates resources to support EL students through a Language Development Leader, high quality materials, tutoring, and professional development for teachers to increase their support of language acquisition for EL students in the classroom.
- Action 2.6 provides supports to parents of our English learners by holding regular meetings to keep parents informed and connected to school, providing translation to parents for any meeting the school holds, and providing materials to parents that are translated.

These actions, in addition to the actions described above, meet the minimum percentage requirement for increased or improved services for Foster Youth, English Learners and Low-Income students

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.

Venture Academy used the 15% concentration grant add-on funding to support low-income, foster youth, and English learner students in the following:

K-8th grade PE Teacher Salary (Action 2.5) to support K-8th grade extra-curricular and sports activities to help maintain student engagement.

CTE Teacher Salary (Action 1.2) to encourage pathway development and a variety of career pathway options.

CTE Teacher Salary (Action 1.2) to encourage pathway development and a variety of career pathway options.

Staff-to-student ratios by type of school and concentration of unduplicated students	· ·	Schools with a student concentration of greater than 55 percent
Staff-to-student ratio of classified staff providing direct services to students		N/A
Staff-to-student ratio of certificated staff providing direct services to students		N/A

### 2023-24 Total Expenditures Table

Tot	als	LCFF Funds		State nds	Local Fund	ds Federal Fu	nds	Total Funds	Total Personnel	Total Non- personnel	
Tot	als	\$17,699,012.00				\$503,805.	00	\$18,202,817.00	\$16,368,893.00	\$1,833,924.00	
Goal	Action #	Action 1	<b>Fitle</b>	Studer	nt Group(s)	LCFF Funds	Ot	her State Funds	Local Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds
1	1.1	Qualified Sch	ool Staff	All		\$10,234,985.00				\$164,638.00	\$10,399,623.00
1	1.2	Supporting C Pathways	areer	English Foster Low Ind		\$1,411,409.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$23,073.00	\$1,434,482.00
1	1.3	Instructional I	Materials	All		\$417,934.00					\$417,934.00
1	1.4	Professional Development	:	All		\$2,317.00					\$2,317.00
1	1.5	Academic Su EL students	pport for	English	Learners	\$339,824.00				\$26,617.00	\$366,441.00
1	1.6	Support for S with Disabiliti		Studen Disabiliti		\$1,338,773.00					\$1,338,773.00
1	1.7	School-wide	AVID	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income		\$40,514.00					\$40,514.00
1	1.8	Technologica Support to as Student Lear	sist	All		\$153,713.00					\$153,713.00
1	1.9	Additional Technology to Support High Students		English Foster Low Inc		\$99,510.00					\$99,510.00
1	1.10	Nutrition Proc	gram	All		\$100,000.00					\$100,000.00
1	1.11	Additional Su Nutrition Proc		English Foster Low Inc		\$404,781.00					\$404,781.00

Goal	Action #	Action Title	Student Group(s)	LCFF Funds	Other State Funds	Local Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds
1	1.12	Additional Instructional Materials for High Needs Students	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	\$9,550.00				\$9,550.00
1	1.13	College and Career Readiness	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	\$185,235.00				\$185,235.00
1	1.14	Additional Academic Support	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	\$131,175.00				\$131,175.00
1	1.15	Additional Administrative Program Support	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	\$173,615.00				\$173,615.00
1	1.16	Math Proficiency	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	\$159,604.00				\$159,604.00
1	1.17	Facilities Maintenance	All	\$472,500.00				\$472,500.00
2	2.1	Student Mental Health and Well Being	All	\$560,232.00			\$269,618.00	\$829,850.00
2	2.2	Outreach and Support for High Needs Students	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	\$279,854.00			\$19,859.00	\$299,713.00
2	2.3	School-wide Communication	All	\$62,000.00				\$62,000.00
2	2.4	School Safety Team	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	\$376,317.00				\$376,317.00
2	2.5	Extracurricular Activities	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	\$739,670.00				\$739,670.00
2	2.6	Pupil Engagement and Parent Participation for EL students.	English Learners	\$5,000.00				\$5,000.00
2	2.7	Parent participation	All	\$500.00				\$500.00

### 2023-24 Contributing Actions Table

1. Projected LCFF Base Grant	2. Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants	3. 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. Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (LCFF Funds)	5. Total 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	Total LCFF Funds
\$21,059,426.0 0	\$4,269,484.00	20.27%	0.00%	20.27%	\$4,356,058.00	0.00%	20.68 %	Total:	\$4,356,058.00
								LEA-wide Total:	\$4,011,234.00
								Limited Total:	\$344,824.00
								Schoolwide Total:	\$0.00

Goal	Action #	Action Title	Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?	Scope	Unduplicated Student Group(s)	Location	Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds)	Planned Percentage of Improved Services (%)
1	1.2	Supporting Career Pathways	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$1,411,409.00	
1	1.5	Academic Support for EL students	Yes	Limited to Unduplicated Student Group(s)	English Learners	All Schools	\$339,824.00	
1	1.7	School-wide AVID	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$40,514.00	
1	1.9	Additional Technology to Support High Needs Students	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$99,510.00	
1	1.11	Additional Support for Nutrition Program	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$404,781.00	
1	1.12	Additional Instructional Materials for High Needs Students	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$9,550.00	

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Goal	Action #	Action Title	Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?	Scope	Unduplicated Student Group(s)	Location	Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds)	Planned Percentage of Improved Services (%)
1	1.13	College and Career Readiness	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$185,235.00	
1	1.14	Additional Academic Support	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$131,175.00	
1	1.15	Additional Administrative Program Support	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$173,615.00	
1	1.16	Math Proficiency	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$159,604.00	
2	2.2	Outreach and Support for High Needs Students	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$279,854.00	
2	2.4	School Safety Team	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$376,317.00	
2	2.5	Extracurricular Activities	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$739,670.00	
2	2.6	Pupil Engagement and Parent Participation for EL students.	Yes	Limited to Unduplicated Student Group(s)	English Learners	All Schools	\$5,000.00	

### 2022-23 Annual Update Table

Totals	Last Year's Total Planned Expenditures (Total Funds)	Total Estimated Expenditures (Total Funds)
Totals	\$15,732,259.00	\$16,241,164.00

Last Year's Goal #	Last Year's Action #	Prior Action/Service Title	Contributed to Increased or Improved Services?	Last Year's Planned Expenditures (Total Funds)	Estimated Actual Expenditures (Input Total Funds)
1	1.1	Qualified School Staff	No	\$9,113,590.00	\$9,112,312
1	1.2	Supporting Career Pathways	Yes	\$1,438,028.00	\$1,463,799
1	1.3	Instructional Materials	No	\$150,000.00	\$398,032
1	1.4	Professional Development	No	\$7,000.00	\$2,007
1	1.5	Academic Support for EL students	Yes	\$293,200.00	\$353,613
1	1.6	Support for Students with Disabilities	No	\$1,178,166.00	\$1,004,231
1	1.7	School-wide AVID	Yes	\$40,000.00	\$66,714
1	1.8	Technological Support to assist Student Learning	No	\$140,028.00	\$138,408.00
1	1.9	Additional Technology to Support High Needs Students	Yes	\$88,094.00	\$78,686.00
1	1.10	Nutrition Program	No	\$375,000.00	\$92,607.00

Last Year's Goal #	Last Year's Action #	Prior Action/Service Title	Contributed to Increased or Improved Services?	Last Year's Planned Expenditures (Total Funds)	Estimated Actual Expenditures (Input Total Funds)
1	1.11	Additional Support for Nutrition Program	Yes	\$211,455.00	\$338,074
1	1.12	Additional Instructional Materials for High Needs Students	Yes	\$2,500.00	\$9,094.00
1	1.13	College and Career Readiness	Yes	\$10,000.00	\$128,631
1	1.14	Additional Academic Support	Yes	\$74,000.00	\$78,609
1	1.15	Additional Administrative Program Support	Yes	\$151,277.00	\$164,599.00
1	1.16	Math Proficiency	Yes	\$139,539.00	\$174,450
1	1.17	Facilities Maintenance	No	\$375,000.00	\$450,000
2	2.1	Student Mental Health and Well Being	No	\$748,205.00	\$831,562.00
2	2.2	Outreach and Support for High Needs Students	Yes	\$258,518.00	\$260,095.00
2	2.3	School-wide Communication	No	\$52,260.00	\$61,029.00
2	2.4	School Safety Team	Yes	\$379,040.00	\$412,926
2	2.5	Extracurricular Activities	Yes	\$501,859.00	\$616,597

Last Year's Goal #	Last Year's Action #	Prior Action/Service Title	Contributed to Increased or Improved Services?	Last Year's Planned Expenditures (Total Funds)	Estimated Actual Expenditures (Input Total Funds)
2	2.6	Pupil Engagement and Parent Participation for EL students.	Yes	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
2	2.7	Parent participation	No	\$500.00	\$89.00

### 2022-23 Contributing Actions Annual Update Table

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\$4,036	,842.00	\$3,507,571.00	\$4,064,73	38.00	(\$557,167.	00)	0.00%		0.00%	0.00%	
Last Year's Goal #	Last Year's Action #	Prior Action/Ser	vice Title	Incre	buting to eased or d Services?	Exper Cor Actio	ear's Planned nditures for ntributing ons (LCFF Funds)	E	stimated Actual xpenditures for Contributing Actions put LCFF Funds)	Planned Percentage of Improved Services	Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (Input Percentage)
1	1.2	Supporting Career I	Pathways		Yes	\$1,4	04,306.00		\$1,441,421		
1	1.5	Academic Support f students	for EL		Yes	\$26	60,212.00		\$308,282		
1	1.7	School-wide AVID			Yes	\$4	0,000.00		\$66,714		
1	1.9	Additional Technology to Support High Needs Students			Yes	\$8	8,094.00		\$78,686.00		
1	1.11	Additional Support f Program	for Nutrition		Yes	\$21	1,455.00		\$338,074		
1	1.12	Additional Instruction Materials for High N Students	-		Yes	\$2	2,500.00		\$9,094.00		
1	1.13	College and Career	Readiness		Yes	\$1	0,000.00		\$128,631		
1	1.14	Additional Academic Support			Yes	\$7 <sub>1</sub>	4,000.00		\$78,609		
1	1.15	Additional Administrative Program Support			Yes	\$15	51,277.00		\$164,599		
1	1.16	Math Proficiency			Yes	\$13	39,539.00		\$174,450		
2	2.2	Outreach and Supp Needs Students	ort for High		Yes	\$24	10,289.00		\$241,655		

Last Year's Goal #	Last Year's Action #	Prior Action/Service Title	Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?	Last Year's Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds)	Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (Input LCFF Funds)	Planned Percentage of Improved Services	Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (Input Percentage)
2	2.4	School Safety Team	Yes	\$379,040.00	\$412,926		
2	2.5	Extracurricular Activities	Yes	\$501,859.00	\$616,597		
2	2.6	Pupil Engagement and Parent Participation for EL students.	Yes	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00		

### 2022-23 LCFF Carryover Table

9. Estimated Actual LCFF Base Grant (Input Dollar Amount)	6. Estimated Actual LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants	LCFF Carryover — Percentage (Percentage from Prior Year)	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)
\$19,870,262.00	\$4,036,842.00	0.00%	20.32%	\$4,064,738.00	0.00%	20.46%	\$0.00	0.00%

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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 <u>lcff@cde.ca.gov</u>.

# **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 (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 aspects of the LCAP template require LEAs to show that they have complied with various requirements specified in the LCFF statutes and regulations, most notably:
  - Demonstrating that LEAs are increasing or improving services for foster youth, 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]).
  - Establishing goals, supported by actions and related expenditures, that address the statutory priority areas and statutory metrics (*EC* sections 52064[b][1] and [2]).
  - Annually reviewing and updating the LCAP to reflect progress toward the goals (*EC* Section 52064[b][7]).

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 should: (a) reflect comprehensive strategic planning (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 2021–22, 2022–23, and 2023–24 school years reflects statutory changes made through Assembly Bill 1840 (Committee on Budget), Chapter 243, Statutes of 2018. These statutory changes enhance transparency regarding expenditures on actions included in the LCAP, including actions that contribute to meeting the requirement to increase or improve services for foster youth, English learners, and low-income students, and to streamline the information presented within the LCAP to make adopted LCAPs more accessible for educational partners and the public.

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 California School Dashboard (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 that the LEA believes, based on input gathered from educational partners, research, and experience, will have the biggest impact on behalf of its TK–12 students.

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 itself. Additionally, information is included at the beginning of each section emphasizing the purpose that each section serves.

# Plan Summary Purpose

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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 provide a meaningful context for the rest of the LCAP, the content of this section should be clearly and meaningfully related to the content included in the subsequent sections of the LCAP.

### **Requirements and Instructions**

*General Information* – 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, or employment, the number and size of specific schools, recent community challenges, and other such information as an LEA wishes to include can enable a reader to more fully understand an LEA's LCAP.

**Reflections:** Successes – Based on a review of performance on the state indicators and local performance indicators included in the Dashboard, progress toward LCAP goals, local self-assessment tools, input from educational partners, and any other information, what progress is the LEA most proud of and how does the LEA plan to maintain or build upon that success? This may include identifying specific examples of how past increases or improvements in services for foster youth, English learners, and low-income students have led to improve performance for these students.

**Reflections:** Identified Need – Referring to the Dashboard, identify: (a) any state indicator for which overall performance was in the "Red" or "Orange" performance category or any local indicator where the LEA received a "Not Met" or "Not Met for Two or More Years" rating AND (b) any state indicator for which performance for any student group was two or more performance levels below the "all student" performance. What steps is the LEA planning to take to address these areas of low performance and performance gaps? An LEA that is required to include a goal to address one or more consistently low-performing student groups or low-performing schools must identify that it is required to include this goal and must also identify the applicable student group(s) and/or school(s). Other needs may be identified using locally collected data including data collected to inform the self-reflection tools and reporting local indicators on the Dashboard.

LCAP Highlights – Identify and briefly summarize the key features of this year's LCAP.

*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: Identify the schools within the LEA that have been identified for CSI.
- Support for Identified Schools: 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: 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, 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 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.

Statute and regulations specify the educational partners that school districts and COEs must consult when developing the LCAP: teachers, principals, administrators, other school personnel, local bargaining units of the LEA, parents, and students. Before adopting the LCAP, school districts and COEs must share it with the Parent Advisory Committee and, if applicable, to its English Learner Parent Advisory Committee. 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.

Statute requires charter schools to consult with teachers, principals, administrators, other school personnel, parents, and students in developing the LCAP. 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 and actions.

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 following web page of the CDE's website: <u>https://www.cde.ca.gov/re/lc/</u>.

### **Requirements and Instructions**

Below is an excerpt from the 2018–19 *Guide for Annual Audits of K–12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting*, which is provided to highlight the legal requirements for engagement of educational partners in the LCAP development process:

### Local Control and Accountability Plan:

For county offices of education and school districts only, verify the LEA:

- a) Presented the local control and accountability plan to the parent advisory committee in accordance with Education Code section 52062(a)(1) or 52068(a)(1), as appropriate.
- b) If applicable, presented the local control and accountability plan to the English learner parent advisory committee, in accordance with Education Code section 52062(a)(2) or 52068(a)(2), as appropriate.

- c) Notified members of the public of the opportunity to submit comments regarding specific actions and expenditures proposed to be included in the local control and accountability plan in accordance with Education Code section 52062(a)(3) or 52068(a)(3), as appropriate.
- d) Held at least one public hearing in accordance with Education Code section 52062(b)(1) or 52068(b)(1), as appropriate.
- e) Adopted the local control and accountability plan in a public meeting in accordance with Education Code section 52062(b)(2) or 52068(b)(2), as appropriate.

**Prompt 1**: "A summary of the process used to engage educational partners and how this engagement was considered before finalizing the LCAP."

Describe the engagement process used by the LEA to involve educational partners in the development of the LCAP, including, at a minimum, describing how the LEA 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.

Prompt 2: "A summary of the feedback provided by specific educational partners."

Describe and summarize the feedback provided by specific educational partners. A sufficient response to this prompt will indicate ideas, trends, or inputs that emerged from an analysis of the feedback received from educational partners.

Prompt 3: "A description of the aspects of the LCAP that were influenced by specific input from educational partners."

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. The response must describe aspects of the LCAP that were influenced by or developed in response to the educational partner feedback described in response to Prompt 2. 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. For the purposes of this prompt, "aspects" of an LCAP that may have been influenced by educational partner input can include, but are 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 desired 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 services
- Determination of effectiveness of the specific actions to achieve the goal
- Determination of material differences in expenditures
- Determination of changes made to a goal for the ensuing LCAP year based on the annual update process
- Determination of challenges or successes in the implementation of actions

# **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 should 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 should 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.

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.
- 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.

At a minimum, the LCAP must address all LCFF priorities and associated metrics.

### Focus Goal(s)

**Goal 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.

**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.

#### **Broad Goal**

**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.

**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

**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. 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.

Explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal: Explain how the actions will sustain the progress exemplified by the related metrics.

#### **Required Goals**

In general, LEAs have flexibility in determining what goals to include in the LCAP and what those goals will address; however, beginning with the development of the 2022–23 LCAP, LEAs that meet certain criteria are required to include a specific goal in their LCAP.

**Consistently low-performing student group(s) criteria:** An LEA is eligible for Differentiated Assistance for three or more consecutive years based on the performance of the same student group or groups in the Dashboard. A list of the LEAs required to include a goal in the LCAP based on student group performance, and the student group(s) that lead to identification, may be found on the CDE's Local Control Funding Formula web page at <a href="https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/lc/">https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/lc/</a>.

Consistently low-performing student group(s) goal requirement: An LEA meeting the consistently low-performing student group(s) criteria must include a goal in its LCAP focused on improving the performance of the student group or groups that led to the LEA's eligibility for Differentiated 2023-24 Local Control and Accountability Plan for Venture Academy
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Assistance. This goal must include metrics, outcomes, actions, and expenditures specific to addressing the needs of, and improving outcomes for, this student group or groups. An LEA required to address multiple student groups is not required to have a goal to address each student group; however, each student group must be specifically addressed in the goal. This requirement may not be met by combining this required goal with another goal.

- **Goal Description:** Describe the outcomes the LEA plans to achieve to address the needs of, and improve outcomes for, the student group or groups that led to the LEA's eligibility for Differentiated Assistance.
- Explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal: Explain why the LEA is required to develop this goal, including identifying the student group(s) that lead to the LEA being required to develop this goal, how the actions and associated metrics included in this goal differ from previous efforts to improve outcomes for the student group(s), and why the LEA believes the actions, metrics, and expenditures included in this goal will help achieve the outcomes identified in the goal description.

Low-performing school(s) criteria: The following criteria only applies to a school district or COE with two or more schools; it does not apply to a single-school district. A school district or COE has one or more schools that, for two consecutive years, received the two lowest performance levels on all but one of the state indicators for which the school(s) receive performance levels in the Dashboard and the performance of the "All Students" student group for the LEA is at least one performance level higher in all of those indicators. A list of the LEAs required to include a goal in the LCAP based on school performance, and the school(s) that lead to identification, may be found on the CDE's Local Control Funding Formula web page at <a href="https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/lc/">https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/lc/</a>.

- Low-performing school(s) goal requirement: A school district or COE meeting the low-performing school(s) criteria must include a goal in its LCAP focusing on addressing the disparities in performance between the school(s) and the LEA as a whole. This goal must include metrics, outcomes, actions, and expenditures specific to addressing the needs of, and improving outcomes for, the students enrolled at the low-performing school or schools. An LEA required to address multiple schools is not required to have a goal to address each school; however, each school must be specifically addressed in the goal. This requirement may not be met by combining this goal with another goal.
- **Goal Description:** Describe what outcomes the LEA plans to achieve to address the disparities in performance between the students enrolled at the low-performing school(s) and the students enrolled at the LEA as a whole.
- Explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal: Explain why the LEA is required to develop this goal, including identifying the schools(s) that lead to the LEA being required to develop this goal; how the actions and associated metrics included in this goal differ from previous efforts to improve outcomes for the school(s); and why the LEA believes the actions, metrics, and expenditures included in this goal will help achieve the outcomes for students enrolled at the low-performing school or schools identified in the goal description.

#### 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 are encouraged to identify metrics for specific student groups, as appropriate, including expected outcomes that would reflect narrowing of any existing performance gaps.

Include in the baseline column the most recent data associated with this 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 2019 Dashboard for the baseline of a metric only if that data represents the most recent available (e.g., high school graduation rate).

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. Because final 2020–21 outcomes on some metrics may not be computable at the time the 2021–24 LCAP is adopted (e.g., graduation rate, suspension rate), the most recent data available may include a point in time calculation taken each year on the same date for comparability purposes.

The baseline data shall remain unchanged throughout the three-year LCAP.

Complete the table as follows:

- Metric: Indicate how progress is being measured using a metric.
- **Baseline**: Enter the baseline when completing the LCAP for 2021–22. As described above, the baseline is the most recent data associated with a metric. Indicate the school year to which the data applies, consistent with the instructions above.
- Year 1 Outcome: When completing the LCAP for 2022–23, enter the most recent data available. Indicate the school year to which the data applies, consistent with the instructions above.
- Year 2 Outcome: When completing the LCAP for 2023–24, enter the most recent data available. Indicate the school year to which the data applies, consistent with the instructions above.
- Year 3 Outcome: When completing the LCAP for 2024–25, enter the most recent data available. Indicate the school year to which the data applies, consistent with the instructions above. The 2024–25 LCAP will be the first year in the next three-year cycle. Completing this column will be part of the Annual Update for that year.
- **Desired Outcome for 2023–24**: When completing the first year of the LCAP, enter the desired outcome for the relevant metric the LEA expects to achieve by the end of the 2023–24 LCAP year.

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

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for Year 3 (2023–24)
Enter information in this box when completing the LCAP for <b>2021–</b> <b>22</b> .	Enter information in this box when completing the LCAP for <b>2021–</b> <b>22</b> .	Enter information in this box when completing the LCAP for <b>2022–</b> <b>23</b> . Leave blank until then.	Enter information in this box when completing the LCAP for <b>2023–</b> <b>24</b> . Leave blank until then.	Enter information in this box when completing the LCAP for <b>2024–</b> <b>25</b> . Leave blank until then.	Enter information in this box when completing the LCAP for <b>2021–</b> <b>22</b> or when adding a new metric.

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 self-reflection tool for local indicators within the Dashboard.

**Actions**: Enter the action number. Provide a short title for the action. This title will also appear in the action tables. Provide a description of the action. Enter the total amount of expenditures associated with this action. Budgeted expenditures from specific fund sources will be provided in the summary tables. Indicate whether the action contributes to meeting the increase or improved services requirement as described in the Increased or Improved Services section using a "Y" for Yes or an "N" for No. (**Note:** for each such action offered on an LEA-wide or schoolwide basis, the LEA will need to provide additional information in the Increased or Improved Summary Section to address the requirements in *California Code of Regulations*, Title 5 [5 *CCR*] Section 15496(b) in the Increased or Improved Services Section of the LCAP).

Actions for English Learners: School districts, COEs, and charter schools that have a numerically significant English learner student subgroup must include specific actions in the LCAP related to, at a minimum, the language acquisition programs, as defined in *EC* Section 306, provided to students and professional development activities specific to English learners.

*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.

#### Goal Analysis:

Enter the LCAP Year.

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.

- 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.
- 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.
- Describe the effectiveness of the specific actions to achieve the articulated goal as measured by the LEA. 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.
- 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.

# 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 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.

# **Requirements and Instructions**

**Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants**: 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 low income, foster youth, and English learner students.

**Projected Additional LCFF Concentration Grant (15 percent):** 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 LEAs 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:**

For each action being provided to an entire school, or across the entire school district or COE, an explanation of (1) how the needs of foster youth, English learners, and low-income students were considered first, and (2) how these actions are effective in meeting the goals for these students.

For each action included in the Goals and Actions section as contributing to the increased or improved services requirement for unduplicated pupils and provided on an LEA-wide or schoolwide basis, the LEA must include an explanation consistent with 5 *CCR* Section 15496(b). For any such actions continued into the 2021–24 LCAP from the 2017–2020 LCAP, the LEA must determine whether or not the action was effective as expected, and this determination must reflect evidence of outcome data or actual implementation to date.

**Principally Directed and Effective:** An LEA demonstrates how an action is principally directed towards and effective in meeting the LEA's goals for unduplicated students when the LEA explains how:

- It considers the needs, conditions, or circumstances of its unduplicated pupils;
- The action, or aspect(s) of the action (including, for example, its design, content, methods, or location), is based on these considerations; and
- The action is intended to help achieve an expected measurable outcome of the associated goal.

As such, the response provided in this section may rely on a needs assessment of unduplicated 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 increase or improve services standard because enrolling students is not the same as serving students.

For example, if an LEA determines that low-income students have a significantly lower attendance rate than the attendance rate for all students, it might justify LEA-wide or schoolwide actions to address this area of need in the following way:

After assessing the needs, conditions, and circumstances of our low-income students, we learned that the attendance rate of our low-income students is 7 percent lower than the attendance rate for all students. (Needs, Conditions, Circumstances [Principally Directed])

In order to address this condition of our low-income students, we will develop and implement a new attendance program that is designed to address some of the major causes of absenteeism, including lack of reliable transportation and food, as well as a school climate that does not emphasize the importance of attendance. Goal N, Actions X, Y, and Z provide additional transportation and nutritional resources as well as a districtwide educational campaign on the benefits of high attendance rates. (Contributing Action[s])

These actions are being provided on an LEA-wide basis and we expect/hope that all students with less than a 100 percent attendance rate will benefit. However, because of the significantly lower attendance rate of low-income students, and because the actions meet needs most associated with the chronic stresses and experiences of a socio-economically disadvantaged status, we expect that the attendance rate for our low-income students will increase significantly more than the average attendance rate of all other students. (Measurable Outcomes [Effective In])

**COEs and Charter Schools**: Describe how actions included as contributing to meeting the increased or improved services requirement on an LEA-wide basis are principally directed to and effective in meeting its goals for unduplicated pupils in the state and any local priorities as described above. In the case of COEs and charter schools, schoolwide and LEA-wide are considered to be synonymous.

### For School Districts Only:

### Actions Provided on an LEA-Wide Basis:

**Unduplicated Percentage > 55 percent:** For school districts with an unduplicated pupil percentage of 55 percent or more, describe how these actions are principally directed to and effective in meeting its goals for unduplicated pupils in the state and any local priorities as described above.

**Unduplicated Percentage < 55 percent:** For school districts with an unduplicated pupil percentage of less than 55 percent, describe how these actions are principally directed to and effective in meeting its goals for unduplicated pupils in the state and any local priorities. Also describe how the actions **are the most effective use of the funds** to meet these goals for its unduplicated pupils. Provide the basis for this determination, including any alternatives considered, supporting research, experience, or educational theory.

### Actions Provided on a Schoolwide Basis:

School Districts must identify in the description those actions being funded and provided on a schoolwide basis, and include the required description supporting the use of the funds on a schoolwide basis.

For schools with 40 percent or more enrollment of unduplicated pupils: Describe how these actions are principally directed to and effective in meeting its goals for its unduplicated pupils in the state and any local priorities.

For school districts expending funds on a schoolwide basis at a school with less than 40 percent enrollment of unduplicated pupils: Describe how these actions are principally directed to and how the actions are the most effective use of the funds to meet its goals for foster youth, English learners, and low-income students in the state and any local priorities.

# A description of how services for foster youth, English learners, and low-income students are being increased or improved by the percentage required.

Consistent with the requirements of 5 *CCR* Section 15496, describe how services provided for unduplicated pupils are increased or improved by at least the percentage calculated as compared to the services provided for all students in the LCAP year. 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 included in the Goals and Actions section as contributing to the increased or improved services requirement, whether they are provided on an LEA-wide or schoolwide basis or provided on a limited basis to unduplicated students. A limited action is an action that only serves foster youth, English learners, and/or low-income students. This description must address how these action(s) are expected to result in the required proportional increase or improvement in services for unduplicated pupils as compared to the services the LEA provides to all students for the relevant LCAP year.

For any 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. See the instructions for determining the Planned Percentage of Improved Services for information on calculating the Percentage of Improved Services.

# 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 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. The LEA may group its schools by grade span (Elementary, Middle/Junior High, and High Schools), as applicable to the LEA. 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. The LEA may group its schools by grade span (Elementary, Middle/Junior High, and High Schools), as applicable to the LEA. 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 Data Entry 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 Data Entry Table, the Annual Update Table, the Contributing Actions Annual Update Table, and the LCFF Carryover Table. With the exception of the Data Entry 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 2022–23 LCAP, 2022–23 will be the coming LCAP Year and 2021–22 will be the current LCAP Year.

# **Data Entry Table**

The Data Entry Table may be included in the LCAP as adopted by the local governing board or governing body, but is not required to be included. In the Data Entry 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 of LCFF funding the LEA estimates it will receive for the coming school year, excluding the supplemental and concentration grants and the add-ons for the Targeted Instructional Improvement Grant Program and the Home to School Transportation Program, pursuant to 5 *CCR* Section 15496(a)(8).

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

- 2. Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants: Provide the total amount of LCFF supplemental and concentration
  grants the LEA estimates it will receive 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.
- 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; OR, type "No" if the action is **not** included as contributing to meeting the increased or improved services.
- 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.
- 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 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 Service 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 the LEA estimates it will actually receive based on of 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%).
  - 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 LCFF funding the LEA estimates it will receive for the current school year, excluding the supplemental and concentration grants and the add-ons for the Targeted Instructional Improvement Grant Program and the Home to School Transportation Program, pursuant to 5 *CCR* Section 15496(a)(8).

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)
  - This amount is the total of the Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds) column
- 5. Total Planned Percentage of Improved Services
  - 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)
  - 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
  - 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
  - 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)
  - 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 (%)
  - 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)
  - 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 + Carryover %)
  - 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)
  - 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)
  - 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)
  - 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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