## **LCFF Budget Overview for Parents**

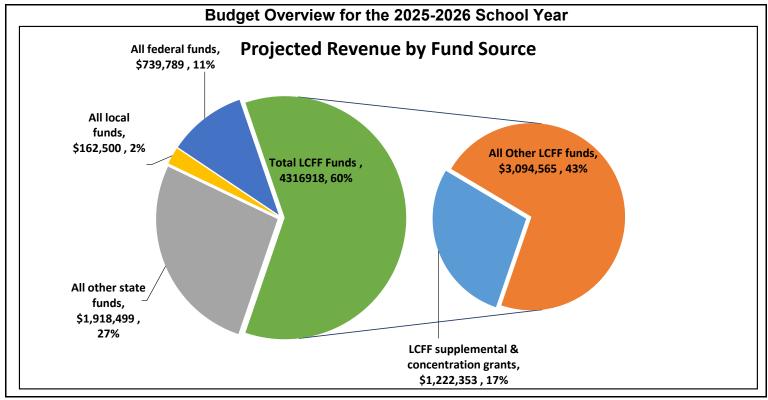
Local Educational Agency (LEA) Name: Para Los Niños Middle Charter School

CDS Code: 19 64733 0117846

School Year: 2025-2026

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

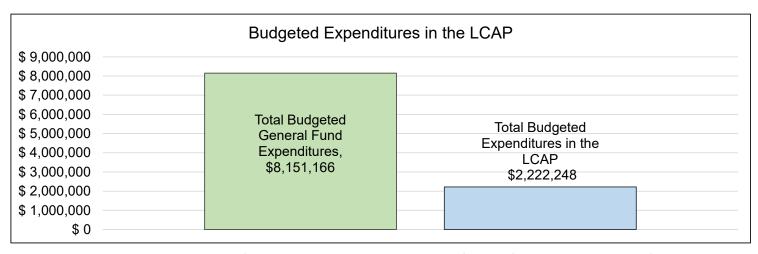


This chart shows the total general purpose revenue Para Los Niños Middle Charter School expects to receive in the coming year from all sources.

The text description for the above chart is as follows: The total revenue projected for Para Los Niños Middle Charter School is \$7,137,706.00, of which \$4,316,918.00 is Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), \$1,918,499.00 is other state funds, \$162,500.00 is local funds, and \$739,789.00 is federal funds. Of the \$4,316,918.00 in LCFF Funds, \$1,222,353.00 is generated based on the enrollment of high needs students (foster youth, English learner, and low-income students).

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

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This chart provides a quick summary of how much Para Los Niños Middle Charter School plans to spend for 2025-2026. 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: Para Los Niños Middle Charter School plans to spend \$8,151,166.00 for the 2025-2026 school year. Of that amount, \$2,222,247.96 is tied to actions/services in the LCAP and \$5,928,918.04 is not included in the LCAP. The budgeted expenditures that are not included in the LCAP will be used for the following:

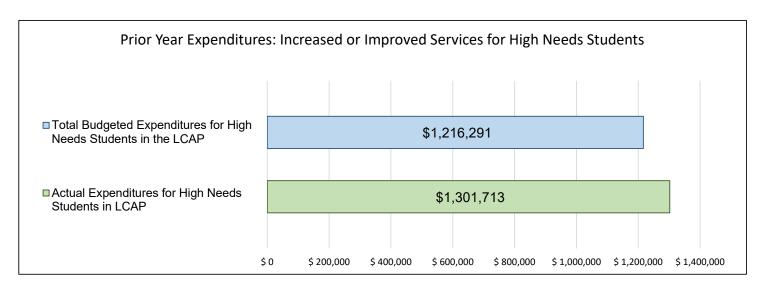
Facilities, insurance, equipment, and legal costs, as well as teacher, staff, and administrative salaries.

Increased or Improved Services for High Needs Students in the LCAP for the 2025-2026 School Year

In 2025-2026, Para Los Niños Middle Charter School is projecting it will receive \$1,222,353.00 based on the enrollment of foster youth, English learner, and low-income students. Para Los Niños Middle Charter School must describe how it intends to increase or improve services for high needs students in the LCAP. Para Los Niños Middle Charter School plans to spend \$1,336,231.00 towards meeting this requirement, as described in the LCAP.

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Update on Increased or Improved Services for High Needs Students in 2024-2025



This chart compares what Para Los Niños Middle Charter School budgeted last year in the LCAP for actions and services that contribute to increasing or improving services for high needs students with what Para Los Niños Middle Charter School 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 2024-2025, Para Los Niños Middle Charter School's LCAP budgeted \$1,216,291.00 for planned actions to increase or improve services for high needs students. Para Los Niños Middle Charter School actually spent \$1,301,713.00 for actions to increase or improve services for high needs students in 2024-2025.

# **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 2025-2026**

### **General Information**

A description of the LEA, its schools, and its students in grades transitional kindergarten–12, as applicable to the LEA. LEAs may also provide information about their strategic plan, vision, etc.

#### **MISSION**

The mission of the Para Los Niños Charter Middle School is to help children in grades 6-8 and their families succeed in school and in life. In keeping with the vision for Para Los Niños as an organization, our school is a center for urban education providing students and their families with all the support and tools necessary to ensure academic success.

Para Los Niños Charter Middle School (PLN CMS) is located in the heart of industrial downtown Los Angeles. The school sits on the edges of the Fashion, Flower and Fruit and Produce districts of downtown, in the heart of Skid Row. The middle school is co-located with LAUSD's 9th street elementary school. PLN CMS was generated from a demand to provide a quality middle school education to students and families, many of whom are unhoused. Our school serves families that commute from all across Los Angeles County to work and operate their businesses downtown, families that live in historic South-Central Los Angeles, East Los Angeles and the Pico Union District. In addition, we serve the most at-promise families that are living temporarily at the missions and transitional housing in Skid Row. The school is a popular choice among families due to the belief that all students can thrive when there is a focus on the whole child. comprehensive sports program and supportive after school program.

Para Los Niños Charter Middle School is a cornerstone for working families in Downtown Los Angeles and a learning haven for children who have experienced multiple stressors in their lives; 95% of whom are socioeconomically disadvantaged, 20% of whom are unhoused. Through a relationship-based approach and Multi-Tiered System of Support, we provide an educational program that addresses the academic, social and emotional learning and, ultimately, the wellness of our students. We have an intense focus on the whole child, understanding that children live and learn within the context of a family, and a family lives and learns within the context of a community. As part of a non-profit organization, we strive to personalize our educational approach for every student by providing comprehensive and accessible support in our schools which begin from infancy and range to middle school. We are in constant pursuit of accelerated learning, through assessment and data-driven data decision-making. PLN CMS believes that deeper, active and engaged learning builds on students' lived experience and knowledge and encourages inquiry, exploration and engagement as powerful tools for empowerment, self-expression, and academic achievement.

Through our project-based, Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics infused approach to mastery of grade level standards, our scholars – the overwhelming majority of whom are English Learners – are provided multiple ways to succeed and express their learning. We develop lifelong learners.

As part of the Para Los Niños non-profit organization, PLN Middle School, that has provided educational and social services to children and their families in downtown Los Angeles and surrounding areas for over 40 years. Our public charter schools, preschools and supportive services are trusted by families, many of whom have been with us for years; some students started in our infant program at six weeks old and remain through 8th grade and may sometimes then go

on to be part of our Youth Workforce Services. PLN is uniquely suited to provide optimal conditions for learning and an equitable learning experience for students with various needs. We have successfully integrated mental health, a high quality after-school program (attended by 90% of our students), case management with our school social workers, and family support services.

In the 2023–2024 school year, PLN Charter Middle School served 313 students in grades 6–8. Of those students, 92.3% were socioeconomically disadvantaged, 36.15% were English Learners, 0.3% were foster youth, 16% were unhoused, and 11.5% were students with disabilities. The school's demographic composition was 91.1% Hispanic, 3.8% African American, 3.2% White, and less than 1% each identifying as American Indian, Pacific Islander, or Two or More Races.

Additionally, PLN CMS looks to enhance and refine its integrated multi-tiered systems of support and services. Scholars are provided with multiple ways to succeed, and express their learning. Each school campus has established and cultivated strong and lasting relationships with our parents, families and the larger community. As a result, PLN CMS cultivates the learning conditions that inspire critical thinking, imagination, self-reliance and academic achievement for each and every scholar to thrive. The intention of the instructional program is that it prepares each scholar academically and social-emotionally for college, career and life.

The purpose of this Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) is to address the School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) for Para Los Niños Middle School which is the Schoolwide Program; herein referred to as the LCAP. The Charter School's plan is to effectively meet the ESSA Requirements in alignment with the LCAP and other federal, state and local programs. The Charter School completed a comprehensive needs assessment of the entire school which included an analysis of verifiable state data and local performance data used to measure student outcomes as evidenced in the annual update portion of the LCAP. The needs assessment process included meeting parents, classified staff, teachers and administrators to identify areas of opportunity for the students and groups of students who are not achieving standard mastery and to identify strategies which will be implemented in the LCAP to address those areas of opportunity. Each goal includes actions and services that address the needs of all students and significant subgroups which include evidence-based strategies that provide opportunities for all children, methods and instructional strategies, and particular focus on students at risk of not meeting the State academic standards.

Para Los Niños Middle School receives Equity Multiplier funds.

### **Reflections: Annual Performance**

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

Para Los Niños continues to make progress toward its long-term goals, as reflected in the 2024 California School Dashboard data. While overall performance levels remain stable in key areas, notable gains were observed among student subgroups, demonstrating the early impact of targeted supports and strategic actions outlined in the LCAP. As PLN reflects on its first year of implementing the 2024–2027 LCAP, the data highlights both early wins and areas requiring continued focus. Efforts to strengthen instructional practices, student engagement, and well-being are yielding results, particularly for English Learners and high-need subgroups. Continued work is needed to address persistent chronic absenteeism and deepen instructional impact in mathematics. Moving forward, PLN remains committed to using data to inform improvement and ensure all scholars thrive academically, emotionally, and socially.

#### 2024 Dashboard Performance

**English Language Arts**: Between the 2023 and 2024 CAASPP administrations, Para Los Niños Charter Middle School demonstrated significant growth in English Language Arts across all student groups. Schoolwide, overall performance increased by +26.6 points (to -43.8 DFS), moving from the red to the yellow performance level (medium). Hispanic students improved by +27 points (to -44.6 DFS), and Socioeconomically Disadvantaged students gained +25.9 points (to -44.7 DFS), with both groups also moving from red to yellow.

Students with Disabilities saw a +15.7-point increase (to -86.5 DFS), and Multilingual Learners improved by +13.8 points (to -86.8 DFS), raising both groups from the red (very low) to the orange (low) performance level. Long-Term English Learners maintained their performance with a slight decline of 2.9 points

(to -125.9 DFS), remaining in the red (very low) performance level—highlighting the need for continued focused interventions for this subgroup. This schoolwide progress reflects meaningful academic gains and movement across performance levels, with nearly all student groups showing notable growth from one year to the next.

**Mathematics**: Between the 2023 and 2024 CAASPP administrations, Para Los Niños Charter Middle School demonstrated substantial growth in Mathematics across all student groups. Schoolwide, performance increased by +31 points, moving from the red to the yellow performance level—a significant gain that reflects meaningful progress in student learning.

Hispanic students improved by +34.1 points (to -88.3 DFS), and Socioeconomically Disadvantaged students gained +28.5 points (to -92.8 DFS), with both groups moving from the red to the yellow (medium) performance level.

Students with Disabilities showed the largest improvement, gaining +48.5 points (to -132.3 DFS). Long-Term English Learners increased by +34.4 points (to -161.7 DFS), and Multilingual Learners improved by +25 points (to -126 DFS), with all three groups advancing from the red (very low) to the orange (low) performance level.

These outcomes affirm the effectiveness of PLN CMS's integrated academic and wellness supports, grounded in its Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS), targeted instructional coaching, and strong community partnerships. Instructional coaches play a critical role in supporting teachers with aligned planning, effective strategies, and just-in-time feedback—ensuring that instruction is responsive to student needs. Together, these systems foster an environment where every student is known, supported, and challenged to grow.

**English Language Proficiency Indicator:** Para Los Niños Charter Middle School experienced a schoolwide decline of 3.9% in the percentage of English Learners making progress toward English language proficiency, resulting in an overall orange performance level (low). Specifically, 52.3% of English Learners demonstrated progress, a -3.9% decrease from the prior year.

In contrast, Long-Term English Learners showed positive growth, with a +2.1% increase and 62.8% making progress, earning a green performance level (high). This upward trend among Long-Term English Learners indicates that targeted supports for this subgroup are yielding meaningful results, though the overall decline in progress highlights a continued area of focus for the broader English Learner population.

**Chronic Absenteeism:** Chronic absenteeism remains a key area for improvement at Para Los Niños Charter Middle School. From 2023 to 2024, the schoolwide rate increased by 2.5%, reaching 20.7% and dropping from the yellow to the red performance level. Several student groups were significantly impacted: Hispanic students rose to 28%, Socioeconomically Disadvantaged students increased to 30.4%, English Learners rose sharply to 40.4%, and Students with Disabilities reached 36.1%—all within the red performance level. A small decline among Long-Term English Learners to 28.3% offers a promising sign of progress.

To address this challenge, Action 1.1 in the LCAP supports improved attendance through a range of initiatives, including expanded outreach, early intervention, and integration of wellness supports. These efforts reflect PLN CMS's continued commitment to building stronger connections with families and removing barriers to consistent attendance, ensuring all students can fully access the school's academic and social-emotional supports.

**Suspensions:** Suspensions at Para Los Niños Charter Middle School increased by 2.6% from 2023 to 2024, resulting in a drop from the blue to the orange performance level on the California School Dashboard. Several key student groups also experienced increases and now fall within the orange performance level: English Learners rose by 2.5%, Hispanic students by 3%, and Socioeconomically Disadvantaged students by 2.8%. Long-Term English Learners, while increasing by 2%, remain in the yellow performance level.

A bright spot remains among Students with Disabilities, who had 0% suspensions and maintained the blue performance level. These results highlight the need for continued focus on restorative practices, relationship-building, and social-emotional supports to reduce exclusionary discipline and foster a positive school climate for all students.

#### **Lowest Performing Student Groups**

This LCAP includes required actions to address the need for improvement related to English Language Arts and Chronic Mathematics on the 2023 Dashboard:

**English Language Arts:** All students, Multilingual Learners (EL), Hispanic and Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (LI). In 2024, ELA scores increased +26.6 points for all students, Multilingual Learners (EL) increased by 13.8 points, Hispanic Students increased +27 points, and Low Income (LI) increased +25.9 points. In addition, Students with Disabilities (SWD) increased +15.7 points. This improvement is driven by ongoing professional learning for educators and the implementation of a Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum (GVC), as outlined in Goal 2, Action 2.2.

**Mathematics:** All students, Multilingual Learners (EL), Hispanic, Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (LI) and Students with Disabilities (SWD). In 2024, Math scores increased +31 points for all students, Multilingual Learners (EL) increased +28 points, Hispanic Students increased by +34.1, Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (LI) increased +28.5 and Students with Disabilities (SWD) increased +48.5 points. In addition, Long Term English Learners (LTEL's) increased +34.4 points. This improvement is driven by ongoing professional learning for educators and the implementation of a Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum (GVC), as outlined in Goal 2, Action 2.2.

Chronic Absenteeism: Multilingual Learners (EL). (see Goal 1, Action 1.1)

#### **Learning Recovery Emergency Block Grant**

LREGB Funds funded action may be found in Goal 2, Action 2.4 Equity Driven Leadership.

The PLN CMS needs assessment substantiated findings from the 2024 Dashboard related to academic achievement and English Learner progress. Local and state data revealed that while overall CAASPP scores improved in both ELA and Math, English Learners, Low-Income students, and Students with Disabilities continued to perform in the orange or red performance bands and require sustained support to close equity gaps. Based on these findings, Goal 2, Action 2.4 was developed to address the need for strengthened instructional leadership and professional capacity to improve outcomes for these student groups. Through Equity-Driven Leadership, PLN is implementing a multi-year plan for building leadership capacity that emphasizes culturally responsive instruction, data-informed decision-making, and equity-focused professional learning. These efforts are aligned to allowable uses of funds to support improved instruction, strategic use of data, and targeted coaching that advances academic success for underserved students.

### **Reflections: Technical Assistance**

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

Based on Feedback from our educational partners during the engagement process, the following goals and metrics, actions and budgeted expenditures were influenced or developed:

PLN Charter Middle School was identified for Differentiated Assistance based on performance outcomes for English Learners, Hispanic students, Low-Income students, and Students with Disabilities in English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Chronic Absenteeism (specifically for English Learners), as reflected on the California School Dashboard. These areas of need were further validated through engagement with educational partners and internal analysis of local assessment data.

In partnership with the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) and the Center for Capacity Building, PLN CMS engaged in several improvement efforts to investigate and address areas of identified need, including:

- Conducted a root cause analysis using both quantitative data (CAASPP, MAP, ELPI) and qualitative data (staff interviews, classroom observations, and family focus groups)
- Identified high-impact strategies and evidence-based practices aligned to Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS)
- Implemented targeted supports to improve ELD instruction, strengthen Tier I and Tier II interventions, and improve outcomes for Students with Disabilities
- Developed a plan for ongoing professional development and instructional coaching aligned to identified areas of growth

- Established regular collaboration with LACOE to monitor progress and adjust strategies throughout the school year

Actions addressing academic performance are included in Goal 2 and Goal 4, the schools Equity Multiplier Focus Goal. Actions addressing Chronic Absenteeism are included in Goal 1.

## **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.

Para Los Niños Charter Elementary is a single school LEA that 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.

Not Applicable

## Monitoring and Evaluating Effectiveness

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

Not Applicable

# **Engaging Educational Partners**

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

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

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

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

Educational Partner(s)	Process for Engagement
School Site Council	The School Site Council participated in a comprehensive review of the LCAP goals and metrics, projected enrollment, and the proposed budget. Members discussed the allocation of priority resources, disseminated and reviewed the surveys, and provided input on schoolwide priorities and aligned actions based on stakeholder feedback and identified needs.
English Advisory Council	The English Learner Advisory Council (ELAC) engaged in a series of meetings with the school leadership team to review LCAP goals and discuss the effectiveness of programs supporting English Learners. The council reviewed student performance data, reviewed language development services, and provided input on instructional access and culturally responsive practices. ELAC members offered recommendations to strengthen supports for multilingual learners and ensure alignment with the LCAP's academic and engagement goals.
Community School Team	The Community School Team collaborated with staff and partners to review schoolwide priorities and identify areas of greatest need. Through regular meetings, the team made recommendations regarding priority focus areas and corresponding funding allocations, ensuring that strategies aligned with the school's vision for whole-child supports and community-based services.
Instructional Leadership Team	The Instructional Leadership Team engaged in a structured planning process to inform the development of the LCAP. Team members reviewed projected enrollment and budget information, discussed the allocation of resources, and collaborated to identify key instructional priorities. The team also engaged in focused discussions on Equity Multiplier goals, specifically identifying strategies to improve outcomes for unduplicated students. Recommendations centered on how to strategically fund high-impact actions that advance equity, accelerate academic progress, and support continuous instructional improvement.
All Faculty	The Instructional Leadership Team engaged in a structured planning process to inform the development of the LCAP. Members reviewed projected enrollment and budget information, discussed the allocation of resources, and identified key instructional priorities. The team also held focused discussions on Equity Multiplier goals, specifically addressing strategies to improve outcomes for unduplicated students. Following these planning sessions, the team worked collaboratively with all faculty to review proposed priorities, gather additional input, and ensure alignment between site-level needs and LCAP actions.
Parents	The school site principal, with support from the Community School Team, met with parents to share information about school priorities, gather feedback, and discuss how LCAP actions align with student and family needs. These meetings created space for two-way communication, allowing families to contribute insights on school climate, academic supports, and areas for continued improvement.
Students	Student input was gathered through surveys administered via Panorama. The results were analyzed by school leadership and used to inform priorities related to school climate, student engagement, and academic supports. Key findings were integrated into the development of the LCAP to ensure student voice was reflected in planning and decision-making.
SELPA Consultation	Quarterly meetings with SELPA and Special Education team ensure the needs of Students with Disabilities (SWDs) were reflected in the LCAP. Discussions included reviewing data, identifying targeted actions, and determining professional development to build staff capacity.

Para Los Niño's Board of Directors

The Para Los Niño's Board of Directors held a public meeting that included a presentation on the LCAP and an opportunity for public comment to gather information and feedback from stakeholders. This engagement ensured that board members and the broader community had the opportunity to review and provide input on LCAP priorities and proposed actions.

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

The development of the adopted LCAP was guided by input from a wide range of educational partners, including families, students, teachers, school leaders, advisory councils, and community-based organizations. Educational partners provided feedback through surveys, focus groups, leadership meetings, and public forums. This input led to meaningful refinements across all LCAP goals, including expanded instructional support, increased access to social-emotional and mental health services, and strengthened systems for family and community engagement. Educational partners also emphasized the need for high-quality professional development, culturally responsive instruction, and strategies to improve school climate and student connectedness.

Input from teachers, instructional leaders, families, and students directly influenced the prioritization of resources and actions. The Instructional Leadership Team identified key areas for targeted investment, including early education center recruitment, the timely delivery of beginning-of-year instructional materials, and additional support resources for grammar and hands-on science instruction. They also highlighted the need to improve communication and follow-through on student intervention referrals, enhance coordination between therapists and teachers, and address operational challenges such as delayed reimbursements.

Through collaboration with the Community School Team, site leaders facilitated engagement with families to gather feedback on school priorities, academic supports, and partnerships. Families emphasized the importance of expanding access to community-based services, such as health fairs and wellness providers, and improving communication among school support teams. In parallel, student feedback collected through Panorama surveys offered insights into school climate and engagement, which further informed the refinement of LCAP actions.

In response to this collective input, LCAP strategies were revised to better align funding, strengthen instructional and student support systems, and advance the school's Equity Multiplier goals. Specifically, Goal 4 was developed to address State Priority 4: Student Achievement and reflects the school's designation as an Equity Multiplier site. It was directly shaped by educational partner feedback calling for greater support for unduplicated students, particularly English Learners, low-income students, and students with disabilities. California School Dashboard data.

## **Goals and Actions**

### Goal 1

Goal #	Description	Type of Goal
1	Cultivate Inclusive, Anti-Racist & Restorative Schools and Classrooms with Equity at the Core and Support for Each and Every Child.	Broad

#### State Priorities addressed by this goal.

#1 Basic Services (Dashboard Connection: Basics: Teachers, Instructional Materials & Facilities)

#5 Student Engagement (Dashboard Connection: Chronic Absenteeism)

#6 School Climate (Dashboard Connection: Suspension Rate & Local Climate Survey)

#### An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

The Panorama School Climate Surveys data on student perceptions of positive school climate indicates that 12% of students at Para Los Niños Charter Elementary School feel connected to their school, 37% feel they have caring adults at school and 20% of students feel they meaningfully participate in their schools.

In addition, our overall chronic absenteeism is 9.32%, including a higher trend of chronic absenteeism for students that are identified as Unhoused and Exceptional Students (SWD).

PLN CMS determined a need to develop conditions in which all students have increased access to improved learning opportunities in classrooms and schools that are inclusive, anti- racist, and restorative. Changing student experiences and fully engaging students will require a comprehensive plan that ensures students receive support and services when they need them and, in the way, they need them.

#### We will address barriers to learning by:

#### **Ensuring Inclusive School Environments:**

Develop a system where all students (with an emphasis on students receiving Special Education services, and Multilingual Scholars) make academic progress by accessing a rigorous and robust course of study that includes classroom conditions that support academic, social, and emotional outcomes, by fostering a sense of belonging and decreasing chronic absenteeism, by building stronger classroom communities and by creating and establishing Positive Behavior & Intervention Systems.

#### Implementing Anti-Bias, Anti-Racist, and Restorative Policies and Practices:

Cultivate individual and collective critical self-awareness to address inequities and honor and leverage students' lived experiences to maximize learning. Create restorative communities that foster high quality alliances and strengthen social-emotional and academic connections by fostering adult foundational competencies, through network-wide integration of the Restorative Discipline Policy, and by disrupting "discriminatory" grading practices by shifting to Standards Based Grading Systems.

#### **Expanding Wellness Services and Opportunities:**

Provide comprehensive wellness support for students, staff, and families to improve and increase access to services that support school success and social, emotional, and physical wellness. Activating Youth Leadership: Develop leadership opportunities for students in which self-efficacy skills are nurtured as youth create positive change for themselves and for others within their classrooms, schools and communities.

Qualitative and quantitative data will be utilized to set targeted goals and monitor the impact of practices and policies on student learning and well-being.

# **Measuring and Reporting Results**

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
1.1	Suspension Rate  Data Source: CA Dashboard	All: 2%	All: 2.6% Data Year 2023-2024		All: 0%	All: +0.6%
1.2	Number of Expulsions  Data Source: Dataquest	All: 0%	All: 2.6% Data Year 2023-2024		AII: 0 %	Maintained
1.3	Student Attendance Rate  Data Source: P-2	All Students: 92.32% MLL's: 94.87% SWD: 94.27%	All Students: 92.12% MLL's: 91.10% SWD: 91.37% Data Year 2024-2025		All Students: 94% MLL's: 94% SWD: 94%	All Students: -0.12% MLL's: -3.77% SWD: -2.9%
1.4	Panorama School Climate Survey - Safety	Grades 6-8: 50%	Grades 6-8: 65%  Data Year 2024-2025		Grades 6-8: 80%	+15%
1.5	Panorama School Climate - Caring Relationships	Grades 6-8: 37%	Grades 6-8: 64%  Data Year 2024-2025		Grades 6-8: 80%	+7%
1.6	Chronic Absenteeism Rate  All: All Students Low Income: LI English Learners: MLL Students with Disabilities: SWD Hispanic: HIS	Initial Rates All Students: 9.32% MLL's: 6.49% SWD: 6.73%  Corrected Rates All: 28.1% MLL's: 32.4% SWD: 34.7% LI: 25.2% HIS: 27.4%  (2022-23 adjustment made due to reporting error)	All: 30.7% MLL: 40.4% SWD: 36.1% LI: 30.4% HIS: 28.7%		Original Desired Outcomes All Students: 4% MLL's: 4% SWD: 4%  Adjusted Desired Outcomes All: ≤18% MLL: ≤ 20% SWD: ≤25% LI: ≤20% HIS: ≤18%  (2022-23 adjustment made due to baseline error correction)	All: +2.5% MLL: +8.1% SWD: +1.4% LI: +5.2% HIS: +1.2%
1.7	LACOE Williams Textbook Sufficiency Letter	Sufficiency	Sufficiency  Data Year 2024-2025		Sufficiency	Maintained

## Goal Analysis for 2024-2025

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

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

Para Los Niños (PLN) has made significant progress in implementing our planned LCAP actions while responding adaptively to emerging needs throughout the school year. Our commitment to whole-child development, educational equity, and community partnership has driven both systemic improvements and targeted supports aligned to our LCAP goals. The following section outlines key successes and challenges in implementing each goal area.

#### **Successful Implementation**

Action 1.1 Ensure Inclusive & Restorative School Environments: PLN deepened its commitment to inclusive and restorative practices through coordinated efforts led by the Social Justice Team and Instructional Coaches. The consistent use of daily community circles, with facilitation support from coaches, helped create safe spaces for students to reflect, connect, and build social-emotional skills. Key partnerships with the National Conflict Resolution Center, Sincere Behavioral Solutions, and Ripple Effects enriched staff capacity to implement trauma-informed strategies and alternatives to suspension. Additionally, the launch of the Sandy Hook Promise online prevention program further supported a proactive, safety-focused school culture. Attendance initiatives driven by the Community Schools division strengthened our efforts to improve engagement and reduce chronic absenteeism.

Action 1.2 Wellness Services: PLN expanded wellness services to meet the growing needs of students by increasing access to Social Workers and mental health supports. Delivered through the Multi-Tiered Student Support Services (MTSS) model, these services integrate mental health, social-emotional, behavioral, and academic supports. Students received tiered interventions tailored to their individual needs, promoting overall well-being and school success.

Action 1.3 Restorative, Anti-Bias & Anti-Racism Policies and Practices: PLN strengthened its equity-focused practices by providing the Teaching and Learning Team with professional development through the National Equity Project's Coaching for Equity series. This training enhanced their capacity to support staff in recognizing and addressing equity issues through reflective coaching and actionable strategies.

#### Implementation Challenges

Overall challenges for the 2024-2025 school year was Launching multiple initiatives during the first year of implementation presented challenges in capacity, coordination, and consistency. Balancing new programs while building foundational systems required ongoing adjustments and support.

Action 1.1 Ensure Inclusive & Restorative School Environments: Chronic absenteeism continues to be a significant challenge. External factors—including the ongoing impact of the Eaton Fires, displacement, and PLN's status as a commuter school—have contributed to inconsistent attendance and made it difficult to maintain regular student participation. In addition, preparing to launch *Street Data: Antiracist Grading* will require significant shifts in instructional mindsets, schoolwide policies, and grading systems. This work is a heavy lift and represents a deep system change that will take time to fully implement. As such, 2024–25 will serve as a learning and implementation year focused on building the foundational capacity needed to support this long-term transformation.

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.

PLN experienced varying degrees of alignment between planned expenditures and actual spending, reflecting both operation adaptations and implementation realities throughout the year.

#### **Expenditure Differences**

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Action 1.1 Ensure Inclusive & Restorative School Environments variance between the budgeted amount of \$358,621 and the estimated actual expenditure of \$333,390 for Action 1.1 is due to underestimating available expenses at the time of budgeting.

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

In the first year of implementing PLN's 2024–2027 LCAP, Actions 1.1, 1.2, and 1.3 focused on improving school climate, student wellness, and equity. Key successes included the integration of restorative practices through daily community circles, expanded wellness services with increased Social workers, implementation of the MTSS model, and equity-focused professional development for the Teaching and Learning Team. These efforts strengthened staff capacity to support student well-being and laid the groundwork for future instructional equity work, including the planned rollout of Street Data: Antiracist Grading.

However, launching multiple initiatives simultaneously presented challenges in coordination and capacity. Chronic absenteeism remains a concern, driven by external factors such as the Eaton Fires and PLN's commuter school context. As a result, 2024–25 served as a foundational year for building systems, with full impact expected to emerge over time through continued implementation and refinement.

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

Based on our analysis, here are the planned adjustments for the 2024-27 LCAP cycle:

Metrics 1.6 was adjusted due to a reporting error and has been updated with new target outcomes to ensure accurate alignment with current data and implementation progress.

Action 1.1 has been adjusted to emphasize the integration of inclusive and restorative practices through instructional support. This updated approach will continue to focus on intentional coaching cycles aligned to CSTP Standards on Classroom Environment, with an emphasis on Tier 1 implementation strategies such as daily Community Circles. The revised action reflects a more streamlined support model while maintaining the original intent of fostering safe and inclusive classroom environments.

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

### **Actions**

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
1.1	Ensure Inclusive & Restorative School Environments	A. The Community Schools (CS) division will Implement monthly Attendance Committee (Office Managers, Operations Leads, Family Specialists, Community School Coordinator, Nurse, etc.) meetings focused on data driven cycles of support which will identify high needs scholars, provide linkage to resources and launch school-wide attendance initiative which will promote education for families on the importance of attendance, as well as celebrate scholars and their families meeting the attendance targets  • Family Specialists and Social Workers	\$197,211	Y

- B. Restorative Justice Practices integration within school policies, procedures, and a continuum of behavioral support plan will be implemented by June 2027:
  - The Social Justice Team will provide direct training and support to the Operations Leads in order to decrease student discipline issues, monitoring of Bully Reporting System
  - Instructional support through intentional coaching cycles will integrate CSTP Standards on Classroom Environment within coaching cycles to support the development of teachers with Tier 1 implementation, including daily Community Circles
  - The Multi-Tiered Student Support Services Team in collaboration with the Social Justice Team will provide offerings in Tier 1, Tier 2, and Tier 3 practices and will implement professional development in collaboration with the <u>National Conflict Resolution</u> <u>Center</u> to meet school site needs in implementation of RJP schoolwide.
    - Tier I Foundations of RJP
    - o Tier II Supportive Practices
    - Tier III Addressing Harm
  - Through a contract with Behavioral Support Solutions, providing behavior consultation and feedback to teachers and school administrators, and in collaboration with the Social Justice Team, consultants will assist to integrate Restorative Justice practices within their behavior consults.
- C. Restorative Justice Practices (RJP), trauma informed care and Positive Behavioral Intervention and Support (PBIS) programs and staff professional development will ensure effective implementation through the Integrated Multi-Tiered Student Support Services Systems, the restorative justice work will be used as both prevention and intervention strategies designed to meet the needs of all students:
  - The Social justice Team will offer Tier 1 Restorative Justice Practices (RJP) professional development, and Tier 2 RJP professional development to address behaviors that impact the adverse effects of school climate and student engagement
- D. The Community Schools Team will provide site principals and their ILT's with a process to administer the Panorama School Climate Surveys and provide professional development on protocols & process, to utilize student voice in order to develop and implement strategic initiatives for

		those critical areas impacting student engagement, belonging and connectedness to school		
		A. The Community Schools Division will continue to create and align youth services and programs that are responsive to students' needs. In collaboration with school sites, administrators, home office team, and other school personnel, and in collaboration with the Student Support Services Team will continue to support schools with Integrated strategies that address gaps in student services. Baseline data for this work will continue to guide all programs and services offered to students.		
1.2	Wellness Services	<ul> <li>The CS division will be responsible for understanding student barriers to academic success and provide alignment of student services to address students' needs. The primary work of the teams will be to enhance a positive school culture through the design of positive, preventative and responsive school environments</li> </ul>	\$139,326	Y
		B. The Multi-Tiered Student Support Services Team will implement cycles of support (6-8 weeks), which will identify, assess and provide mental health, social emotional supports, behavioral supports and academic supports and services to scholars in need		
		<ul> <li>A. The Teaching and Learning Team will provide professional learning opportunities for PLN staff, educators, and principals that builds localized (site-based) capacity to understand equity, recognize and counter bias, and design systems that amplify justice, access, and opportunity for all students.</li> <li>Providing a shared understanding and common language on</li> </ul>		
		equity, Bias, Racism, Culturally Responsive and Sustaining Practices, Ethnic Studies, Social/Institutional Justice & Restorative Justice Practices during Principal Institutes, and Professional Learning for Educators.		
1.3	Restorative, Anti-Bias & Anti- Racism Policies and Practices	<ul> <li>The Teaching and Learning Team will receive professional learning from the National Equity Project: Coaching for Equity which will strengthen their coaching to:</li> </ul>	\$122,888	N
		<ul> <li>Utilize coaching interventions that build the capacity of individuals toward greater equity; provide tools and frameworks to plan, implement, assess, and improve coaching, learn and experience approaches for understanding, raising, and addressing equity issues through the practice of coaching</li> </ul>		
		B. The Community Schools Team in collaboration with the Teaching & Learning Team will provide professional development, including training on differentiated professional learning cycles (Plan, Do, Study, Act) that		

include building common restorative language as a school community; repairing harm and empower student voice and agency; and leading equity-driven deep data analysis using attendance, referral, survey and "street" data to understand student needs.	
School Culture Lead & the Restorative Justice Task Force Teams, will support the school site in developing critical self- awareness, critical consciousness, and implementing policies, practices, and procedures embedded in Restorative Justice, Culturally Relevant & Sustaining and Ethnic Studies pedagogies.	
C. The Teaching and Learning Team will provide professional development and training to school staff on <u>"Street Data- Antiracist Grading"</u> providing teachers with alternatives to biased grading practices which impact	

### **Goals and Actions**

### Goal 2

Goal #	Description	Type of Goal
2	Access to rigorous and robust curriculum that enhances and accelerates learning with high expectations for all and that increases high quality leadership and teaching & learning.	Broad

#### State Priorities addressed by this goal.

#2 Implementation of Academic Standards (Dashboard Connection: Implementation of Academic Standards)

# 4 Student Achievement (Dashboard Connection: Academic Indicators - ELA & Math 3-5 and English Learner Progress Indicator)

#7 Course Access (Dashboard Connection: Access to Broad Course of Study)

#8 Other Pupil Outcomes (i-Ready)

#### An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

Using preliminary 2023-2024 SBAC data, the percentage of 6th grade students meeting or exceeding standards in English Language Arts was 43%, 7th grade 29% and 8th Grade 37% and the rate of chronic absenteeism data for students was 9.32%. In order to accelerate student learning we will focus on student-centered learning opportunities in every classroom that will provide a meaningful educational experience and allow all students to graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to have choices in their college and career pathways and to be productive members of a democratic society.

Staff, students and parents have expressed the need for coherent, aligned curriculum and additional feedback and communication regarding student progress toward mastery of standards that will be addressed through our transition to standards-based grading and a focus on the development of guaranteed and viable curriculum. In addition, the need to identify high quality culturally relevant curriculum in support of newcomers and our Multilingual learners has been identified across all educational partners as a key priority.

In this goal PLN CMS has identified targeted support for all students who need acceleration, especially our exceptional scholars (students receiving special education services), Multilingual Learners, Foster/Homeless and Low-Income Youth.

Feedback from educational partners reflected common trends regarding differentiated supports to students. Educational partners shared students would benefit from additional support, at their point of need, to accelerate student learning. Through Community Schools Teams PLN CMS heard of the importance of providing educators with support to ensure students are making progress in their reading growth and development.

Another trend that surfaced was ample opportunities within and beyond the instructional day for:

- Opportunities for families to practice literacy and numeracy skills with the support of educators
- Enrichment opportunities for students who need it the most
- Social-emotional supports
- Tailored and differentiated instruction based on the needs of our learners:

PLN CMS will provide research-based supports within and beyond the school day to accelerate students in their learning including:

- 1. High quality texts designed for reading acceleration.
- 2. Targeted reading support
- 3. Targeted support for all students who need acceleration especially students receiving special education services
- 4. Enrichment Programming which will include Summer Bridging activities focused on transition years. Enrichment and Academic programming during non-pupil day and school closure weeks (ie. Winter Break, Thanksgiving Break, Spring and Summer Break).

#### We will accelerate student learning and outcomes by:

College, Career and Civic/Life Readiness: Co-Construct the "PLN Scholar Profile", addressing the knowledge and skills to be college, career and civic life ready that are clearly defined and that include milestones at critical junctures. We will broaden the sphere of our exceptional students by launching Gifted and Talented Assessments and identification of students, and increase differentiated learning opportunities for students who require more challenging learning environments and opportunities. We will increase the level of student engagement and discourse in classrooms with a focus on college and career readiness culture by incorporating civic education and service learning projects. Additionally, we will expand the Cesar Chavez Foundation curriculum and partnership across grade levels and into the after-school program.

Coherent Instructional System Focused on a Guaranteed & Viable Curriculum (GVC): Develop and implement a highly coherent instructional system rooted in anti-racist pedagogy and informed by best practices from around the world. We will ensure that all scholars have access to GVC for each core content area and grade level, including designated English Language Development, that is standards-based and utilizes a diverse range of instructional resources including both on-line and print materials. Teachers will adopt standards-based grading to increase student voice and choice in determining how they show mastery of grade level standards. Build capacity of educators with information on using a standards-based grading reporting system that includes a system of assessments in all content areas and that provides teachers with multiple opportunities to measure, monitor, and provide feedback on student mastery of learning. In addition, implementation of the Cesar Chavez Foundation Curriculum in the After-School Program will help build stronger instructional alignment through and across the day.

Equity Driven School Leadership and Teacher Leadership & Development: The Charter School Leadership Team will develop a multiyear plan for teachers, instructional aides and operations staff focusing on school leadership development, including Community Schools Strategy and Equity-Driven Leadership. The focus for leadership Development will include increasing instructional leadership capacity and capability to improve the quality of teaching and learning that impacts students' learning outcomes. Through Equity-Driven Leadership and Leadership Labs school leaders will collaborate through cross site visitations, calibrate and align on highly effective teaching and learning, reflect and identify the leadership moves impacting teaching and improving student outcomes. Through the implementation of the teacher observation platform, leaders will be able to have data-driven reflective conversations and identify high impact strategies impacting teacher practice. Additionally, leaders will be able to audit and self-reflect on time spent in classrooms and adjust accordingly for increased impact.

Teacher development and leadership opportunities provided by the Teaching and Learning Team will develop a system of growth and development where adult learning is student- centered and aligned to professional standards in service of student outcomes and continuous improvement. Through Instructional Coaching Cycles, which include intentional and strategic Professional Development; Teaching and Learning Team will support with our goals of effective teaching in every classroom by ensuring that teachers are afforded the opportunity to deeply engage in meaningful, student-centered learning across all content areas, inclusive of ethnic studies, and to develop essential skills, such as critical thinking, creativity, career-awareness, critical consciousness, and foundational literacies (i.e. modes of communication: reading, writing, speaking and listening; as well as, scientific, historical, mathematical, digital, financial, cultural, visual/art, information, physical, health and civic literacy). Lastly, through the development teacher leadership opportunities PLN CMS will Develop instructional capacity of educators in order to provide research-based instruction through the use of data, inclusive of both qualitative and quantitative measures, and will include; professional development, school structures (ILT's & PLC;), and a focus on student learning to assess and track progress in the cycle of continuous improvement.

Qualitative and quantitative data will be utilized to set targeted goals and monitor the impact of continuous improvement.

## **Measuring and Reporting Results**

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
2.1	Scholars including unduplicated students and exceptional scholars, participate in a broad course of study as measured by marks on report cards in all subject areas  Data Source: Internal	100%	100% Data Year: 2024-2025		100%	Maintained
2.2	Availability of standards aligned instructional materials  Data Source: Internal	100%	100% Data Year: 2024-2025		100%	Maintained
2.3	Participation of scholars in GATE Assessments  Data Source: Internal	0% 6th Graders	0% 6 <sup>th</sup> Graders  Data Year: 2024-2025		100% 6th Graders	Maintained
2.4	English Learner Progress Indicator English Proficiency Data Source: CA Dashboard	56.3%	52.3% Data Year: 2024-2025		75%	-3.9%
2.5	English Learner Reclassification Rate:	10%	Data Unavailable		40%	N/A

2.6	CA Assessment of Student Performance & Progress (CAASPP) Distance from Standard on Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBAC)  All: All Students Low Income: LI English Learners: MLL Students with Disabilities: SWD Hispanic: HIS	Initial Rates  ELA AII: Grade 6: 43% Grade 7: 29% Grade 8: 37% Math AII: Grade 6: 20% Grade 7: 16% Grade 8: 14%  Corrected Rates  ELA AII: 24.7% LI: 25.2% MLL: 1.9% SWD: 11.6% HIS: 24.2%  Math: AII: 9.3% LI: 10.1% MLL: 0% SWD: 4.6% HIS: 9.8%	ELA All: 35.8% Ll: 35.5%% MLL: 3.4% SWD: 20% HIS: 36.2%  Math: All: 16.7% Ll: 15.8% MLL: 5.6% SWD: 3.3% HIS: 16.6%	Original Desired Outcome  ELA All: Grade 3: 80% Grade 4: 80% Grade 5: 80% Math All: Grade 3: 75% Grade 4: 75% Grade 5: 75%  Corrected Rates  ELA All: ≥ 35% Ll: ≥ 35% MLL: ≥ 10% SWD: ≥ 25% HIS: ≥ 35%  Math: All: ≥ 20% Ll: ≥ 20% MLL: ≥ 10% SWD: ≥ 8% HIS: ≥ 20% (2022-23 adjustment made	ELA All: +11.1% LI: +10.3% MLL: +1.5% SWD: +8.4% HIS: +12%  Math: All: +7.4% LI: +5.7% MLL: +5.6% SWD: -1.3% HIS: +6.8%
2.7	i-Ready End of Year Data	due to reporting error)  ELA AII: 26% MLL's: 10% Exc. Scholars: 9%  Math AII: 19% MLL's: 2% Exc. Scholars: 3%	ELA All: Unavailable MLL's: Unavailable Exc. Unavailable Math All: Unavailable MLL's: Unavailable Exc. Scholars: Unavailable Data Year:2024-2025	correction)  ELA AII: 80% MLL's: 80% Exc. Scholars: 80%  Math AII: 80% MLL's: 80% Exc. Scholars: 80%	N/A
2.8	Implementation of state board adopted academic content and performance standards in ELA, ELD, Math Science, H/SS, PE (Teachers provide instruction aligned to the	ELA = 3 Math = 3 ELD = 1 Science = 4 H/SS = 3	ELA = 4 Math = 4 ELD = 4 Science = 4 H/SS = 4	ELA = 5 Math = 5 ELD = 5 Science = 5 H/SS = 5	ELA = +1 Math = +1 ELD = +3 Science = Maintained H/SS = +1

	CA state standards, including EL access to ELD and state standards) Exploration Phase = 1 Beg. Development= 2 Initial Implementation= 3 Full Implementation = 4 Sustainability = 5	PE = 2	PE = 4  Data Year:2024-2025	PE = 5	PE = +2
2.9	School Leaders capture teacher observations of practice in Growth & Development: Teacher Observation Platform  Data Source: Internal	0% of teachers w/ 3 or more observations	100% Data Year:2024-2025	100% of teachers w/ 3 or more observations	+100%

## Goal Analysis for 2024-2025

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

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

Para Los Niños (PLN) has made significant progress in implementing our planned LCAP actions while responding adaptively to emerging needs throughout the school year. Our commitment to whole-child development, educational equity, and community partnership has driven both systemic improvements and targeted supports aligned to our LCAP goals. The following section outlines key successes and challenges in implementing each goal area.

#### **Successful Implementation**

Action 2.2 Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum and 2.3 Instructional Systems: PLN Charter Middle School successfully implemented a Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum (GVC) across all core content areas and grade levels, including designated English Language Development (ELD). The standards-based curriculum is supported by a diverse range of instructional materials—both print and digital—ensuring equitable access to high-quality instruction for all scholars. In tandem, the Teaching and Learning Team (TLT) advanced the development of aligned instructional and assessment systems, integrating technology and multiple measures to monitor student progress toward grade-level standards.

These efforts contributed to significant academic gains on the 2024 CAASPP. In English Language Arts, schoolwide performance increased by +26.6 points, moving from red to yellow. Notable growth was seen among Hispanic students (+27), Socioeconomically Disadvantaged students (+25.9), Students with Disabilities (+15.7), and Multilingual Learners (+13.8). Only Long-Term English Learners declined slightly (-2.9), remaining in the red.

In Mathematics, schoolwide scores rose by +31 points, also moving from red to yellow. Hispanic (+34.1) and Socioeconomically Disadvantaged students (+28.5) showed substantial gains, while Students with Disabilities (+48.5), Long-Term English Learners (+34.4), and Multilingual Learners (+25) moved from red to orange.

On the English Learner Progress Indicator, 52.3% of English Learners made progress—a 3.9% decline, placing the school in the orange performance level. However, Long-Term English Learners improved by +2.1%, with 62.8% making progress, earning a green performance level.

These outcomes affirm the effectiveness of PLN CMS's curriculum, instructional systems, and integrated supports—including MTSS, instructional coaching, and strong community partnerships—all designed to ensure that every student is engaged, supported, and making measurable academic progress.

Action 2.4 Equity Drive Leadership: PLN advanced its commitment to Equity-Driven Leadership by launching foundational work to build leadership capacity across instructional, classified, and operational teams. The Charter School Leadership Team began developing a multi-year plan focused on leadership development through the lens of equity and the Community Schools strategy. This work is being carried out in partnership with Student Success Educational Partners, who are supporting the design of a research-based system for professional growth and organizational development.

This action plays a critical role in supporting and sustaining Actions 2.2 (Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum) and 2.3 (Instructional Systems) by ensuring that instructional leadership is aligned, reflective, and student-centered. Through ongoing instructional coaching cycles, the Teaching and Learning Team provides teachers with strategic professional development, including co-planning, peer observation, demonstration lessons, and access to a digital library of effective pedagogical practices.

Instructional support is designed with the ultimate goal of ensuring effective teaching in every classroom, fostering student-centered learning that is inclusive of ethnic studies and grounded in equity. This approach prioritizes the development of essential student competencies—such as critical thinking, creativity, career awareness, critical consciousness, and foundational literacies—ensuring that instructional practices are not only rigorous but also culturally responsive and relevant.

As the foundation of PLN's instructional transformation, Action 2.4 is central to advancing equitable learning environments and driving improved student outcomes across the school system.

#### Implementation Challenges

2.1 College, Career & Civic /Global Life Readiness: PLN began laying the foundation for long-term success in this area by launching Phase 1 of its Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) initiative, designed to expand access to rigorous, student-centered learning opportunities. While still in the early stages of implementation, this effort reflects a strategic move toward more differentiated instruction and academic enrichment. Instructional Coaches are supporting this work through real-time, job-embedded guidance to strengthen instructional quality and promote positive student outcomes across content area

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.

#### **Expenditure Differences**

Action 2.1 College, Career & Civic Global Life Readiness: The variance between the budgeted amount of \$15,763 and the estimated actual of \$0 is due to the mid-year removal of the school psychologist position. As a result, no expenses were incurred or recognized for this action during the year.

Action 2.2 Guaranteed Viable Curriculum budgeted at \$91,568 vs. the estimated actual of \$115,036 is due to higher-than-anticipated spending to support curriculum implementation.

Action 3.2 Instructional System budgeted of \$323,678 vs. the estimated actual of \$437,3056 is due to higher-than-anticipated costs related to staff stipends.

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

Based on our analysis of metrics and outcomes, the implementation of actions showed varying levels of effectiveness in achieving Goal 2, as demonstrated by CAASPP performance data and instructional implementation indicators.

Actions 2.2 (Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum) and 2.3 (Instructional Systems) demonstrated strong effectiveness. Schoolwide CAASPP scores increased by +26.6 points in ELA and +31 points in Math, moving from the red to yellow performance level in both subjects. Significant gains were seen

among Hispanic, Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, and Students with Disabilities. On the English Learner Progress Indicator, progress was mixed. While Long-Term English Learners improved by +2.1% and reached the green performance level, overall English Learner progress declined by -3.9%, resulting in an orange rating. This highlights the need for refined supports and focused interventions moving forward

Action 2.4 (Equity-Driven Leadership) showed promising effectiveness through the development of a multi-year leadership plan and implementation of equity-centered professional development. Instructional coaching cycles and leadership capacity-building directly supported improved instructional quality.

Action 2.1 (College, Career & Civic/Global Life Readiness) showed limited effectiveness this year due to the mid-year removal of the school psychologist position and the early stage of implementation of initiatives like GATE. While foundational steps were taken, this was primarily an implementation year, and measurable outcomes are not yet evident. The school anticipates greater progress and impact in the coming year as these efforts gain momentum.

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

Based on our analysis, here are the planned adjustments for the 2024-27 LCAP cycle:

Metrics 2.6 was adjusted due to a reporting error and have been updated with new target outcomes to ensure accurate alignment with current data and implementation progress.

Action 2.3 has been revised to broaden its implementation approach. Rather than being limited to instructional coaching roles, support for student-centered instructional shifts in math and STEAM will now be delivered through a range of instructional support strategies. These include continued professional learning, collaborative planning, and classroom-based implementation aligned to math pedagogy, culturally responsive teaching, and STEAM integration. The focus remains on improving instructional practices, increasing student engagement, and strengthening student outcomes through aligned support structures.

As part of our continuous improvement process, Action 2.4 has been revised to reflect a more collaborative and distributed leadership model. Oversight and implementation responsibilities previously designated to the Managing Director will now be carried out by the Charter School Leadership Team to promote shared ownership and alignment across school sites. Additionally, support previously delivered by Instructional Coaches will now be provided through a broader model of instructional support. This shift allows for more flexible and integrated delivery of professional learning, while maintaining a strong focus on instructional quality and student-centered practices.

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### **Actions**

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
2.1	College, Career & Civic /Global Life Readiness	<ul> <li>The Office of Education with the support of the Charter School Leadership Team will construct a PLN Scholar Profile focused on scholars who are college, career and civic life ready that clearly defines and includes milestones at critical juncture</li> <li>The Office of Education with the support of the Charter School Leadership Team will broaden the sphere of our exceptional students by launching Gifted and Talented Assessments and identification of students, and</li> </ul>	\$17,063	Y

		<ul> <li>increase differentiated learning opportunities for students who require more challenging learning environments and opportunities.</li> <li>The Office of Education with the support of the Charter School Leadership Team will increase the level of student engagement and discourse in classrooms with a focus on college and career readiness culture by incorporating civic education and service learning projects.</li> </ul>		
		We will ensure that all scholars have access to Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum (GVC) for each core content area and grade level, including designated English Language Development, that is standards-based and utilizes a diverse range of instructional resources including both on-line and print materials. The Teaching and Learning Team (TLT) will work to develop plans for assessment systems, including the use of appropriate technologies, that help educators monitor students' progress towards grade level standards using a body of evidence made up of multiple and varied assessment measures. This action addresses the Red Indicator for English Language Arts and Math on the 2023 CA Dashboard to support all students, including all student groups in developing grade-level proficiency, closing achievement gaps, and accelerating learning through aligned instruction, timely interventions, and data-informed instructional practices		
2.2	Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum	<ul> <li>TLT will provide a differentiated professional learning model to provide foundational learning for school leaders (via Leadership Labs) and educators (via Teacher Leaders) around a Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum, Standards-Aligned Assessments and reporting/grading practices.</li> </ul>	\$115,231	Y
		<ul> <li>TLT will continue working to develop quality models that show how educators can partner with students and families to assess student learning by using multiple formative and summative measures, including student self-assessment, as well as models that value more recent evidence of learning.</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>TLT will provide professional learning to educators throughout the school year to support the implementation of these models. With the support of the Instructional Technology Coordinator, the team will plan and facilitate learning sessions.</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>TLT will continue to centrally develop and refine fair, valid and reliable instructionally embedded assessments aligned to Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum, and in alignment with the Smarter Balanced Interim Assessment Blocks, that help track student growth, provide meaningful feedback opportunities for students, involve students in the assessment process through portfolios, peer review and self-assessment opportunities.</li> </ul>		

2.3 Instructional System	<ul> <li>TLT will engage classroom teachers in learning appropriate digital tools for monitoring progress toward meeting standards, such as features within their Infinite Campus Gradebook</li> <li>A. Develop and implement a highly coherent instructional system rooted in anti-racist pedagogy and informed by best practices from around the world.</li> <li>The Social Justice Team (SJT) will support the development of a social emotional scope &amp; sequence across content areas UTK-5 that inspires learning centered on student identity, social, emotional, and academic competencies, and cultural wealth in collaboration with school leaders and school culture leads.</li> <li>Support student-centered instructional shifts in math classrooms, as evidenced by the increase in teacher and leader understanding of math pedagogy and culturally responsive teaching increased frequency and quality of math language routines, as evidenced by observational data collected during instructional coaching cycles, increased student engagement, as evidenced by instructional coaching cycles, and increased student achievement</li> <li>STEAM training for all elementary teachers UTK-5 through a variety of professional learning methods.</li> <li>Grow model classrooms, through the expanded use of the STEAM Lab.</li> <li>STEAM Leads will increase individual support for teachers in alignment with NGSS desired practices, as well as, establish bank of performance task that engage students in NGSS based assessments for science and begin training teachers on the implementation of those assessments</li> <li>The Teaching and Learning Team (TLT) will support schools with the implementation of standards-based and the adopted English Language Development curriculum through the following actions and services:</li> <li>Plan and provide professional development to teachers focused on the implementation of designated ELD curriculum for grades UTK-5.</li> <li>Design professional learning cycles for classroom educators, instruct</li></ul>	\$1,305,814	Y
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- The Social Justice Team will launch in the development of Ethnic Studies courses, curriculum, and pedagogy in the following ways:
  - Increase access to resources and materials that reflect the student racial, ethnic, gender, intersectional identities of the classroom space to support teacher planning and design, curriculum development, and students learning.
  - Develop model units to support cohesive, highly effective learning experiences for scholars in the Introduction to Ethnic Studies Course.
  - Develop partnerships with Community Colleges and University programs that outreach to first generation students of color that promote ethnic studies and higher education.
  - Continue to partner and engage with the Cesar Chavez
     Foundation and other equity-rooted community programs and partners to promote partnership and learning opportunities that transform scholars and communities.
  - Engage with student identity affinity groups and student leadership groups to gain Street
- In collaboration with the Exceptional Scholars Team (EST), the Teaching and Learning Team (TLT) will plan and work to enhance the GVC materials to support students who receive special education services and will expand their opportunities for coteaching between the Resource Specialist Teachers and the General Education Teacher.
- B. Increase the number of teachers, teacher residents and Instructional Assistants allocated in classrooms allowing for our classroom environments to cultivate a focus on classroom preparation and planning, identification and support of high-risk students and in the development of services & supports for the whole child.
  - Instructional Assistants will provide small group instruction in support of Newcomers & English Language Learners
- C. In Collaboration with the Teaching and Learning Team, the Expanded Learning Team (ELT) will present at the Best of Out of School Time (BOOST) Conference on Teacher Observations and Feedback Cycles. The ELT will continue to design expanded learning opportunities that accelerate learning, enhance connections to the school community, and reignite passion for learning through the various programs. In addition, services:

2.4	Equity-Driven Leadership	<ul> <li>Expanded summer program encompassing both academics and enrichment</li> <li>Summer bridging programs for transition years</li> <li>A. The Charter School Leadership Team will develop a multiyear plan for teachers, instructional aides and operations staff focusing on school leadership development, including Community Schools Strategy and Equity-Driven Leadership.</li> <li>The Charter School Leadership Team and members of the Leadership and Learning Team will launch targeted professional development by way of quarterly leadership labs in which leaders will continue to strengthen their capacity to leverage data to improve student outcomes and experiences.</li> <li>The Charter School Leadership Team will support the development of the principals' leadership voice and coach principals to create a sense of urgency for change that is clearly grounded in research strategies in relationship to the work of improving outcomes and experiences for students.</li> <li>Site leaders will participate in leadership labs, where they will have an opportunity to meet to share best practices and collaborate on implementing both adaptive and technical aspects of site initiatives. The Charter School Leadership Team will identify and leverage site leaders who have a proven track record for improving student outcomes to plan and help facilitate leadership labs.</li> <li>The Charter School Leadership Team will support site leaders based on a multi- tiered coaching model. Tiers of support will be based on a multi- tiered coaching model. Tiers of support will be based on a full determine the frequency of instructional visits and other coaching opportunities. Coaching will focus on cycles of continuous improvement and include instructional visits, observations of principal led professional development opportunities/meetings, coaching sessions, and bi-monthly site visits. The Charter School Leadership Team will assess and evaluate leaders' growth and development based on PLN's School Leadership Framework an</li></ul>	\$54,619	Y
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growth and development will be constructed utilizing evidence based, research strategies for organizational and professional impact.

- In collaboration with the Charter School Leadership Team will
  provide high-quality job embedded professional learning to new
  school leaders in order to strengthen and calibrate their knowledge,
  skills and abilities to observe, gather evidence, conduct reflective
  conversations and provide feedback to educators.
- The Charter School Leadership Team will utilize a researched, web based professional learning platform to facilitate evidence-based growth and development cycles and coaching conversations among leaders and educators focused on strengthening instructional practice.
- The Charter School Leadership Team will cultivate learning partnerships with peers and new school leaders to work collaboratively to meet professional goals in service of student achievement.
  - Educators and new school leaders will analyze and interpret student data on a regular basis, to reflect on practice, establishing the link between instructional strategies and student learning
- C. Teacher development and leadership opportunities provided by the Teaching and Learning Team will develop a system of growth and development where adult learning is student- centered and aligned to professional standards in service of student outcomes and continuous improvement.
  - Through on-going coaching cycles, teachers will be provided by the Teaching & Learning Team, intentional and strategic Professional Development which will include co-planning, peer observation of practice, demonstration lessons, on-going coaching and feedback and access to a robust digital library of highly effective instructional practice and pedagogy.
  - The Teaching & Learning Team will support with the goal of effective teaching in every classroom by ensuring that teachers are afforded the opportunity to deeply engage in meaningful, studentcentered learning across all content areas, inclusive of ethnic studies, and to develop essential skills, such as critical thinking, creativity, career-awareness, critical consciousness, and foundational literacies (i.e. modes of communication: reading, writing, speaking and listening; as well as, scientific, historical, mathematical, digital, financial, cultural, visual/art, information,

physical, health and civic literacy).	
D. Through the development of teacher leadership opportunities PLN CMS will develop instructional capacity of educators in order to provide research-based instruction through the use of data, inclusive of both qualitative and quantitative measures, and will include; professional development, school structures (ILT's & PLC;), and a focus on student learning to assess and track progress in the cycle of continuous improvement.	
Teacher Leadership opportunities will include:	
○ STEAM Lead Teacher(s)	
Team Lead & Mentor Teacher(s)	
<ul> <li>Family &amp; Community Engagement Teacher Leader(s)</li> </ul>	
School Culture Teacher Leader(s)	
LREGB funds supporting this action: \$280,077 for the 2025-2026 sy	

## **Goals and Actions**

### Goal 3

Goal #	Description	Type of Goal
3	Student, Family and Community Engagement & Services that Cultivate Highly Regarded Community Schools, Enhancing Opportunities; College & Beyond for ALL	Broad

#### State Priorities addressed by this goal.

#3 Parent Engagement (Dashboard Connection: Parent Engagement - Parent Input in Decision Making & Promoting Parental Participation)

#### An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

The PLN Office of Education's vision, which is currently being co-constructed with educational partners through the Community Schools planning and implementation grants, is that families, community members, and schools view each other as valued and trusted partners who share in the commitment and responsibility of enriching student learning and optimizing student success.

PLN will provide the conditions within the system that build collaborative partnerships to build and enhance the capacity of families and staff in the "4 C" areas of the Dual Capacity-Building Framework for Family-School Partnerships: Capabilities (skills and knowledge), Connections (networks), Cognition (beliefs, values), and Confidence (self-efficacy). Elements of the 4C areas will be referenced and highlighted through our actions and services.

PLN is committed to meaningfully collaborate with families to strengthen purposeful interaction, communication, and meaningful participation between the school and our families. The goal is to design family engagement opportunities in which parents, family members, and other caregivers play an active role Para Los Niños Charter Middle School Local Control and Accountability Plan 2025-2026

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in a student's education. This can be accomplished by listening closely to what families need and engagement opportunities with families, with students, and with schools, with the central goal of improving student success.

It is a collective responsibility to recognize, acknowledge, and tend to relationships of trust between home and school. It is only by nurturing these relationships that collaboration with one another to support student learning. It is through student centered alliances that capacities, knowledge, and actions to transform outcomes for students will be developed.

The following are the areas of focus:

- 1. Building Connections & Relationships to Engage Families -PLN CMS and families collectively share the responsibility to develop, fortify, and sustain healthy working and trusting relationships for student achievement.
- 2. Shared Leadership & Capabilities to Empower Families Develop a capacity building plan to train PLN staff and family leaders on the Dual Capacity Framework for Family-School Partnerships. Design and develop effective outreach, networking, and school site support strategies.
- 3. Linked to Student Learning, Cognition, & Confidence to Leverage Parent Partnership for Student Achievement PLN staff, and families collaborate and commit to improving student learning through network wide initiatives and engagement opportunities that connect to student learning and development.

PLN will collect feedback from families and caregivers through surveys, listening tours, educational partner feedback groups and Community School Team meetings. We will monitor progress through analyzing chronic absenteeism rates as evidenced on the CA Dashboard, network wide absenteeism, perception data collected through Panorama School Climate Surveys.

## Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
School Enrollment Patterns - Articulation from CMS Data Source: Internal	96%	Data not yet available		100%	N/A
Parent Survey - Staff Family Relationships Data Source: Internal	74%	64% Data Year:2024-2025		90%	-10%
Functional School Site Council Data Source: Internal	45%	Data not yet available		100%	N/A
Participants in activities/opportunities that promote parent participation in person for all students including MLL's F/HLY, LI and SWD	29%	Data not yet available		90%	N/A
	School Enrollment Patterns - Articulation from CMS Data Source: Internal  Parent Survey - Staff Family Relationships Data Source: Internal  Functional School Site Council Data Source: Internal  Participants in activities/opportunities that promote parent participation in person for all students including MLL's F/HLY, LI and	School Enrollment Patterns - Articulation from CMS Data Source: Internal  Parent Survey - Staff Family Relationships Data Source: Internal  Functional School Site Council Data Source: Internal  Participants in activities/opportunities that promote parent participation in person for all students including MLL's F/HLY, LI and SWD	School Enrollment Patterns - Articulation from CMS Data Source: Internal  Parent Survey - Staff Family Relationships Data Source: Internal  Punctional School Site Council Data Source: Internal  Participants in activities/opportunities that promote parent participation in person for all students including MLL's F/HLY, LI and SWD  Data not yet available  Data not yet available  Data not yet available  Data not yet available  Data not yet available	School Enrollment Patterns - Articulation from CMS Data Source: Internal  Parent Survey - Staff Family Relationships Data Source: Internal  Punctional School Site Council Data Source: Internal  Participants in activities/opportunities that promote parent participation in person for all students including MLL's F/HLY, LI and SWD  Data not yet available  Data not yet available  Data not yet available  Data not yet available  Data not yet available	School Enrollment Patterns - Articulation from CMS Data Source: Internal  Parent Survey - Staff Family Relationships Data Source: Internal  Functional School Site Council Data Source: Internal  Participants in activities/opportunities that promote parent participation in person for all students including MLL's F/HLY, LI and SWD  Material School Sine Vear 1 Outcome  Pata 1 Outcome  Year 2 Outcome Outcome  Outcome  Outcome  Data not yet available  100%  Data not yet available  100%  Data not yet available  90%  Data not yet available  90%

3.5	School Climate Survey – Safety Data Source: Internal	67%	65% Data Year: 2024-2025	100%	-2%
3.6	School Climate Survey - School Fit Panorama School Climate - Caring Relationships Data Source: Internal	83%	73% Data Year:2024-2025	100%	-10%

## Goal Analysis for 2024-2025

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

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

Para Los Niños (PLN) has made significant progress in implementing our planned LCAP actions while responding adaptively to emerging needs throughout the school year. Our commitment to whole-child development, educational equity, and community partnership has driven both systemic improvements and targeted supports aligned to our LCAP goals. The following section outlines key successes and challenges in implementing each goal area.

#### **Successful Implementation**

Action 3.1 Family partnerships were successfully implemented through consistent monthly meetings led by the Community Schools Coordinator to engage families and share resources. These meetings have strengthened communication between the school and families, increased awareness of available supports, and fostered deeper family involvement. The CSC also convenes monthly meetings with key community partners to align services, review implementation progress, and support continuous improvement. This coordinated approach has resulted in stronger partnerships and more effective delivery of wraparound supports for students and families.

Action 3.3 Community partnerships were successfully implemented through collaboration between the Community Schools Coordinator and the Student Support Services Team. Efforts included expanding health services such as dental screenings and partnering with organizations to provide enrichment opportunities like Disney Musicals in Schools. Guided by ongoing needs assessments, these partnerships have enhanced student well-being and broadened access to vital supports.

Action 3.2 Elevate Voice evolved during implementation to include a series of "Data Dialogue Days" from February through June. These deep-dive sessions with staff focused on student data trends and informed real-time adjustments to intervention cycles. This approach exceeded initial plans by embedding more dynamic, data-driven decision-making into school operations.

There were no major deviations from planned actions, though full implementation of student-led voice structures is planned for future phases. Overall, implementation of Goal 3 was successful and contributed to more responsive, coordinated, and inclusive school-community relationships.

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

There are no material differences between the budgeted and estimated actual expenditures for this action under the goal, and no changes are planned to the percentage of funds designated for improved services.

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

In the first year of implementing its 2024–2027 LCAP, Para Los Niños made strong progress toward its goal of providing all students with access to rigorous, standards-aligned instruction while strengthening leadership and teaching practices across the organization. This foundational year focused on aligning curriculum, instructional systems, and leadership development to drive equitable outcomes and promote deeper learning.

Actions 3.1 and 3.3 were successfully implemented and directly advanced the goal of strengthening Student, Family, and Community Engagement & Services that Cultivate Highly Regarded Community Schools, Enhancing Opportunities; College & Beyond for ALL. Through consistent monthly meetings led by the Community Schools Coordinator (CSC), families were meaningfully engaged, resources were shared, and communication between home and school was significantly strengthened. These efforts fostered trust, increased awareness of available supports, and deepened family involvement—key elements in building a vibrant and responsive community school.

The CSC and Student Support Services Team also expanded external partnerships in response to ongoing needs assessments. Initiatives such as onsite dental screenings and enrichment opportunities like Disney Musicals in Schools directly supported student well-being and engagement. These coordinated efforts enhanced access to wraparound supports and helped create a more inclusive and opportunity-rich learning environment.

Action 3.2 – Elevate Voice: This action was implemented through a series of "Data Dialogue Days" held February through June. These sessions brought staff together to conduct deep dives into student academic, attendance, and behavioral data. The process promoted collaborative reflection, informed targeted shifts in intervention cycles, and strengthened shared accountability across instructional and support teams. This emerging structure for elevating voice—rooted in data-informed dialogue—has proven to be an effective mechanism for ongoing improvement, responsive planning, and a more student-centered school culture.

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

Based on our analysis, here are the planned adjustments for the 2024-27 LCAP cycle:

The 3.1 Family Partnership action has been revised to reflect an expanded and more collaborative approach to family engagement. Rather than centering the work under a single Family and Community Engagement Coordinator, the revised action now references the Family and Community Engagement Program to more accurately represent the collective efforts of multiple team members, including site-based Family Specialists, the Teaching & Learning Team, and the Community Schools Team. This change reinforces the programmatic nature of the work and aligns with a systems-level approach to strengthening home-school partnerships and supporting student success.

Action 3.2 was revised to reflect a programmatic approach rather than referencing a specific leadership position. By framing the work under the Community Schools Program, the update emphasizes a systems-level structure that supports site teams in using data to drive continuous improvement and align instructional priorities.

The reference to the Director of Community Schools in Action 3.3 was replaced with the Community Schools Coordinator to reflect an updated staffing structure and a more distributed leadership model. This change ensures continuity of responsibilities while aligning with current roles supporting program sustainability and external partnership development.

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

# **Actions**

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
		A. In collaboration with the Teaching & Learning Team, the Community Schools Team will develop and implement integrated supports that align academic, social-emotional, and community-based services to meet the diverse needs of students and families.		
		B. Led by the Family & Community Engagement Coordinator and the site-based Family Specialists, the Teaching & Learning Team will collaborate with the Community Schools Team in designing and delivering family engagement strategies that strengthen home-school connections and support student success.		
		C. The CMS community school coordinator will meet with community partners monthly to discuss program updates, outcome expectations, specific implementation efforts, and to engage in continuous improvement.		
3.1	Family Partnerships	<ul> <li>CMS leaders will develop a list of key community partners who provide services and support for students and families (in the afterschool program, during the school day, services to families, etc.), and invite partners to monthly community partner meetings.</li> </ul>	\$36,735	Y
		<ul> <li>Conduct outreach to invite community partners to identify a representative to be part of the monthly meetings.</li> </ul>		
		D. Develop common measures for accountability (e.g., student participation rates, satisfaction surveys, growth in student academics and/or improvement in behavior, reduction in chronic absenteeism, etc.)		
		<ul> <li>Incorporate services provided by community partners into Panorama Education (for individual students receiving services) to monitor progress and outcomes.</li> </ul>		
3.2	Elevate Voice	A. As part of the Community Schools Program, the Community Schools Coordinator will facilitate monthly Community School Team meetings focused on reviewing Site based data and goals, student data, identify root cause analyses and make on-going recommendations on instructional priorities.	\$62,108	Y
		B. Working in collaboration with the Social Justice Team, the Community schools' team will identify resources, partnerships to increase student leadership opportunities, that are student led and developed.		
3.3	Community Partnerships	A. The community school's coordinator will conduct targeted outreach to community partners as well as to students and parents from identified subgroups • The CES CST will meet monthly to implement the community school vision using a collaborative, shared decision-making structure	\$75,511	N
		B. The community school's coordinator will host monthly networking and planning		

	sessions with Community Partners.	
C	c. Community Schools Coordinator will meet regularly with the PLN external affairs/development team to discuss funding opportunities and explore ways to sustain community school implementation and targeted interventions	
D	The Community School Coordinator will work with the Student Support Services Team to:	
	<ul> <li>Work with PRN Nursing Consultants to maintain current services, identify additional screening needs, and develop implementation plans to expand services</li> </ul>	
	Explore partnerships with those who provide free health clinic services at school sites (e.g., Blue Shield Promise and QueensCare)	
	Based on continued needs assessment, research additional partners to provide health services	

### **Goals and Actions**

### Goal 4

Goal #	Description	Type of Goal
4	By 2026- 2027, all students, and particularly Low-income, English Learner, and Hispanic students, at PLN Middle School will demonstrate growth towards meeting or exceeding standards in English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics (Math) as measured by California Assessment of Student Progress and Performance (CAASPP) test results and local benchmark assessments.	Equity Multiplier Focus Goal

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

Priority #4: Student Achievement

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

This goal was developed in response to the school's designation as an Equity Multiplier site and reflects significant performance gaps identified in the California School Dashboard. Dashboard indicators show that Low-Income, English Learner, and Hispanic students are performing in the Red and Orange performance levels in both ELA and Math. Educational partner input, including feedback from families, staff, and community partners, emphasized the need for focused academic intervention, improved instructional strategies, and stronger support systems to accelerate growth for these student groups. The goal is designed to ensure that Equity Multiplier funds are used to implement targeted, measurable actions that close opportunity gaps and support long-term academic success

## **Measuring and Reporting Results**

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
4.1	ELA CAASPP Distance from Standard for all students and all numerically significant subgroups Source: CA Dashboard	All: -43.8 DFS EL: -86.5 DFS HIS: -44.6 DFS LTEL: -125.9 DFS SED: -44.7 SWD: -94 DFS	N/A		All: ≤-15 DFS EL: ≤ -65 DFS HIS: ≤-30 DFS LTEL: ≤ -100 DFS SED: ≤-35 SWD: ≤ -85 DFS	N/A
4.2	Math CAASPP Distance from Standard for all students and all numerically significant subgroups  Source: CA Dashboard	All: -90.1 DFS EL: -123.6 DFS HIS: -88.3 DFS LTEL: -161.7 DFS SED: -92.8 SWD: -132.3 DFS	N/A		All: ≤ -50 DFS EL: ≤ -95 DFS HIS: ≤-70 DFS LTEL: ≤ -145 DFS SED: ≤ -75 DFS SWD: ≤-120 DFS	N/A

## Goal Analysis for 2024-2025

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

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

Not applicable. This is addressed in the Annual Update. This prompt will be addressed starting in the 26-27 LCAP.

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

Not applicable. This is addressed in the Annual Update. This prompt will be addressed starting in the 26-27 LCAP.

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

Not applicable. This is addressed in the Annual Update. This prompt will be addressed starting in the 26-27 LCAP.

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

Not applicable. This is addressed in the Annual Update. This prompt will be addressed starting in the 26-27 LCAP.

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

# **Actions**

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
4.1 Strengthen Tier I ELA and Math Instruction		The Charter School Leadership Team and Teaching & Learning Team will support development of professional learning aligned to MTSS to improve Tier 1 instruction in ELA and Math. Through co-planning, demonstration lessons, classroom observations, peer collaboration, and structured coaching cycles, educators will deepen their instructional practice and build capacity to deliver high-quality, student-centered instruction aligned to content standards and culturally responsive pedagogy.	\$47,873	N
4.2		Using a multi-tiered coaching model, the Charter School Leadership Team will support site leaders in strengthening instructional leadership tied to ELA and Math outcomes. Leaders will participate in quarterly leadership labs focused on leveraging disaggregated student data to identify instructional gaps, monitor implementation of evidence-based practices, and create urgency around improving outcomes.	\$47,873	N

# Increased or Improved Services for Foster Youth, English Learners, and Low-Income Students for 2025-2026

Total Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants	Projected Additional 15 percent LCFF Concentration Grant		
\$1,222,353	\$143,711		

Required Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the LCAP Year

In	rojected Percentage to Increase or nprove Services for the Coming chool Year	LCFF Carryover — Percentage	LCFF Carryover — Dollar	Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year
39	9%	0%	\$0	39%

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

# **Required Descriptions**

#### **LEA-wide and Schoolwide Actions**

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

Goal and Action #(s)	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
1.1, 1.2	Our socioeconomically disadvantaged students are at the Red level on the 2024 CA Dashboard for Chronic Absenteeism with a Chronic Absence rate of 30.4% and English Learners are at the Red level with a Chronic Absence rate of 40.4%.	! !	1.6 Chronic Absence rate for Socioeconomically Disadvantaged and English Learner subgroups

2.1,2.2, 2.3, 2.4	On the 2024 CAASPP ELA assessment, 3.37% of English Learners and 35.1% of low-income students met/exceeded standards. On the 2024 CAASPP Math assessment, 5.60% of English Learners and 15.79% of low-income students met/exceeded standards.	additional professional learning for teachers to ensure they can implement strong pedagogical	2.6, 2.7 CA Assessment of Student Performance & Progress (CAASPP) ELA and Math: % of English Learners and SED students met/exceeded standards
3.1, 3.2	In order to achieve our academic growth and achievement goals, we know that families and the community are critical partners in the endeavor. We know that families of our socioeconomically disadvantaged students may benefit from additional opportunities that increase their ability to support their students' learning. Families of English Learners benefit from additional outreach to support their students in English Language Development.	These actions provide increased staffing to provide family engagement services. This action is provided on a LEA-wide basis because all students will benefit, but Socioeconomically Disadvantaged and English learners will benefit the most from the additional outreach and parent workshops.	3.4 Participants in activities/opportunities that promote parent participation for all students including MLL's F/HLY, LI and SWD

#### **Limited Actions**

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

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) are Designed to Address Need(s)	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
N/A	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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

Not applicable

#### **Additional Concentration Grant Funding**

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

Para Los Ninos Middle is a single school LEA with a greater than 55% unduplicated pupil population that will use the additional concentration grant add-on funding to increase the number of staff providing direct services to students through the following action(s):

2.3 Provides additional staffing to provide instructional support to students.

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

# 2024-25 Annual Update Expenditure Table

Totals:	(Total Funds)		Total Estimated Actual Expenditures (Total Funds)			
Totals:	\$	1,384,369	\$ 1,477,198.00			

Last Year's Goal #	Last Year's Action #	Prior Action/Service Title	Contributed to Increased or Improved Expenditures Services? (Total Funds)		Estimated Actual Expenditures (Total Funds)	Variance
1	1	Ensure Inclusive & Restorative Practices Shool Environments	Yes	\$ 358,621	\$ 333,390	-7%
1	2	Wellness Services	Yes	\$ 51,665	\$ 51,665	0%
1	3	Restorative, Anti-Bias & Anti-Racisim policies and practices	No	\$ 35,100	\$ 34,803	-1%
2	1	College, Career & Civic/Global Life Readiness	No	\$ 15,763	\$ -	-100%
2	2	Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum	No	\$ 91,568	\$ 115,036	26%
2	3	Instructional System	Yes	\$ 323,678	\$ 437,306	35%
2	4	Equity-Drive Leadership	Yes	\$ 334,777	\$ 333,713	0%
3	1	Family Partnerships	Yes	\$ 44,850	\$ 46,612	4%
3	2	Elevate Voice	Yes	\$ 102,700	\$ 99,026	-4%
3	3	Community Partnerships	No	\$ 25,647	\$ 25,647	0%
				\$ -	\$ -	

# **2024-25 Contributing Actions Annual Update Table**

S	Grants	4. Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (LCFF Funds)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Difference Between Planned and Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (Subtract 7 from 4)	5. Total Planned Percentage of Improved Services (%)	8. Total Estimated Actual Percentage	Difference Between Planned and Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (Subtract 5 from 8)
\$	1,164,027	\$ 1,216,291	\$ 1,301,713	\$ (85,422)	0.000%	0.000%	0.000% - No Difference

_ast Year's Goal #	Last Year's Action #	Prior Action/Service Title	Contributed to Increased or Improved Services?	Last Year's Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds)		stimated Actual openditures for Contributing Actions (Input LCFF Funds)	Planned Percentage of Improved Services	Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (Input Percentage)
1	1	Ensure Inclusive & Restorative Practices Shool Environments	Yes	\$ 358,621	\$	333,390	0.000%	0.000%
1	2	Wellness Services	Yes	\$ 51,665	\$	51,665	0.000%	0.000%
2	3	Instructional System	Yes	\$ 323,678	\$	437,306	0.000%	0.000%
2	4	Equity-Drive Leadership	Yes	\$ 334,777	\$	333,713	0.000%	0.000%
3	1	Family Partnerships	Yes	\$ 44,850	\$	46,612	0.000%	0.000%
3	2	Elevate Voice	Yes	\$ 102,700	\$	99,026	0.000%	0.000%
				\$ -	\$	-	0.000%	0.000%
				\$ -			0.000%	0.000%
				\$ -			0.000%	0.000%

## 2024-25 LCFF Carryover Table

4 Ferimated Actual	6. Estimated Actual LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants	I CEE Carryover —	10. Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Current School Year (6 divided by 9 + Carryover %)	7. Total Estimated	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)
\$ 2,967,337	\$ 1,164,027	0.000%	39.228%	\$ 1,301,713	0.000%	43.868%	\$0.00 - No Carryover	0.00% - No Carryover

#### 2025-2026 Total Planned Expenditures Table

LCAP Year (Input)	Projected LCFF     Base Grant (Input Dollar Amount)	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)		Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year (3 + Carryover %)
2025-2026	\$ 3,094,565	\$ 1,222,353	39.500%	0.000%	39.500%

Totals	LCFF Funds	Other State Funds	Local Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Total Personnel	Total Non-personnel
Totals	\$ 1,615,656	\$ 347,719	\$ -	\$ 258,873	\$ 2,222,247.96	\$ 2,011,649	\$ 210,599

Goal #	Action #	Action Title	Student Group(s)	Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?	Scope	Unduplicated Student Group(s)	Location	Time Span	Total Personnel	Total Non- personnel	LCFF Funds	Other State Funds	Local Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Planned Percentage of Improved Services
1	1	Ensure Inclusive & Restorative School Environments	All	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners and Low-Income	PLN CMS	Ongoing	\$ 104,463	\$ 92,748	\$ 197,211	\$ - \$	-	\$ -	\$ 197,211	0.000%
1	2	Wellness Services	All	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners and Low-Income	PLN CMS	Ongoing	\$ 139,326	\$ -	\$ 139,326	\$ - \$	-	\$ -	\$ 139,326	0.000%
1	3	Restoratie, Anti-Bias & Anti-Racism Policies and Practices	All	No	LEA-wide	N/A	PLN CMS	Ongoing	\$ 122,888	\$ -	\$ 122,888	\$ - \$	-	\$ -	\$ 122,888	0.000%
2	1	College, Career & Civic/Global Life Readiness	All	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners and Low-Income		Ongoing	\$ 17,063	\$ -	\$ 17,063	\$ - \$	-	\$ -	\$ 17,063	0.000%
2	2	Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum	All	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners and Low-Income		Ongoing	\$ 23,796	\$ 91,434	\$ 115,231	\$ - \$	-	\$ -	\$ 115,231	0.000%
2	3	Instructional System	All	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners and Low-Income		Ongoing	\$ 1,305,814	\$ (0	\$ 713,939	\$ 347,719	-	\$ 244,155	\$ 1,305,814	0.000%
2	4	Equity-Driven Leadership	All	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners and Low-Income		Ongoing	\$ 54,619	\$ -	\$ 54,619	\$ - \$	-	\$ -	\$ 54,619	0.000%
3	1	Family Partnerships	All	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners and Low-Income		Ongoing	\$ 36,735	\$ -	\$ 36,735	\$ - \$	-	\$ -	\$ 36,735	0.000%
3	2	Elevate Voice	All	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners and Low-Income	PLN CMS	Ongoing	\$ 62,108	\$ -	\$ 62,108	\$ - \$	-	\$ -	\$ 62,108	0.000%
3	3	Community Partnerships	All	No	LEA-wide	N/A	PLN CMS	Ongoing	\$ 49,094	\$ 26,416	\$ 75,511	\$ - 9	-	\$ -	\$ 75,511	0.000%
4	1	Strengthen Tier I ELA and Math Instruction	All	No	LEA-wide	N/A	PLN CMS	Ongoing	\$ 47,873	\$ -	\$ 33,155	\$ - \$	-	\$ 14,718	\$ 47,873	0.000%
4	2	Data Driven Leadership for ELA and Math Improvement	All	No	LEA-wide	N/A	PLN CMS	Ongoing	\$ 47,873	\$ -	\$ 47,873	\$ - \$	-	\$ -	\$ 47,873	0.000%
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#### 2025-2026 Contributing Actions Table

1. F	Projected LCFF Base Grant	Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants	Projected Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year     (2 divided by 1)	LCFF Carryover — Percentage (Percentage from Prior Year)	Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year (3 + Carryover %)	4. To	otal Planned Contributing Expenditures (LCFF Funds)	5. I otal Planned Percentage of Improved Services	Planned Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year (4 divided by 1, plus 5)	Totals by Type	Total	I LCFF Funds
\$	3,094,565	\$ 1,222,353	39.500%	0.000%	39.500%	\$	1,336,231	0.000%	43.180%	Total:	\$	1,336,231
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										Limited Total:	\$	-
										Schoolwide Total:	\$	

Goal #	Action #	Action Title	Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?	Scope	Unduplicated Student Group(s)	Location	Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds	Percentage of
1	1	Ensure Inclusive & Restorative School Environments	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners and Low- Income	PLN CMS	\$ 197,21	
1	2	Wellness Services	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners and Low- Income	PLN CMS	\$ 139,326	0.000%
1	3	Restoratie, Anti-Bias & Anti-Racism Policies and Practices	No	LEA-wide		PLN CMS	\$ -	0.000%
2	1	College, Career & Civic/Global Life Readiness	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners and Low- Income	PLN CMS	\$ 17,063	0.000%
2	2	Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners and Low- Income	PLN CMS	\$ 115,23	0.000%
2	3	Instructional System	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners and Low- Income	PLN CMS	\$ 713,939	0.000%
2	4	Equity-Driven Leadership	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners and Low- Income	PLN CMS	\$ 54,619	0.000%
3	1	Family Partnerships	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners and Low- Income	PLN CMS	\$ 36,735	0.000%
3	2	Elevate Voice	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners and Low- Income	PLN CMS	\$ 62,108	0.000%
3	3	Community Partnerships	No	LEA-wide		PLN CMS	\$ -	0.000%
4	1	Strengthen Tier I ELA and Math Instruction	No	LEA-wide		PLN CMS	\$ -	0.000%
4	2	Data Driven Leadership for ELA and Math Improvement	No	LEA-wide		PLN CMS	\$ -	0.000%
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# **Local Control and Accountability Plan Instructions**

**Plan Summary** 

**Engaging Educational Partners** 

Goals and Actions

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

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

## Introduction and Instructions

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

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

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

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

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

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

The revised LCAP template for the 2024–25, 2025–26, and 2026–27 school years reflects statutory changes made through Senate Bill 114 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review), Chapter 48, Statutes of 2023 and Senate Bill 153, Chapter 38, Statues of 2024.

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

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

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

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

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

## **Plan Summary**

## **Purpose**

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

## Requirements and Instructions

#### **General Information**

A description of the LEA, its schools, and its students in grades transitional kindergarten—12, as applicable to the LEA. LEAs may also provide information about their strategic plan, vision, etc.

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

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

#### **Reflections: Annual Performance**

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

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

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

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

Any school within the LEA that received the lowest performance level on one or more state indicators on the 2023 Dashboard;

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

EC Section 52064.4 requires that an LEA that has unexpended Learning Recovery Emergency Block Grant (LREBG) funds must include one or more actions funded with LREBG funds within the 2025-26, 2026-27 and 2027-28 LCAPs, as applicable to the LEA. To implement the requirements of EC Section 52064.4, all LEAs must do the following:

- For the 2025–26, 2026–27, and 2027–28 LCAP years, identify whether or not the LEA has unexpended LREBG funds for the applicable LCAP year.
  - o If the LEA has unexpended LREBG funds the LEA must provide the following:
    - The goal and action number for each action that will be funded, either in whole or in part, with LREBG funds; and
    - An explanation of the rationale for selecting each action funded with LREBG funds. This explanation must include:
      - An explanation of how the action is aligned with the allowable uses of funds identified in <u>EC Section 32526(c)(2)</u>;
      - An explanation of how the action is expected to address the area(s) of need of students and schools identified in the needs assessment required by <u>EC Section 32526(d)</u>.
        - For information related to the allowable uses of funds and the required needs assessment, please see the Program Information tab on the LREBG Program Information web page.
      - Actions may be grouped together for purposes of these explanations.
      - The LEA may provide these explanations as part of the action description rather than as part of the Reflections:
         Annual Performance.
  - If the LEA does not have unexpended LREBG funds, the LEA is not required to conduct the needs assessment required by EC
     Section 32526(d), to provide the information identified above or to include actions funded with LREBG funds within the 2025-26, 2026-27 and 2027-28 LCAPs.

#### **Reflections: Technical Assistance**

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

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

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

## **Comprehensive Support and Improvement**

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

#### Schools Identified

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

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

#### **Support for Identified Schools**

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

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

#### **Monitoring and Evaluating Effectiveness**

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

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

# **Engaging Educational Partners**

## **Purpose**

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

This section is designed to reflect how the engagement of educational partners influenced the decisions reflected in the adopted LCAP. The goal is to allow educational partners that participated in the LCAP development process and the broader public to understand how the LEA

engaged educational partners and the impact of that engagement. LEAs are encouraged to keep this goal in the forefront when completing this section.

## Requirements

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

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

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

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

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

- Teachers,
- Principals,
- Administrators,
- Other school personnel,
- · Parents, and
- Students

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

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

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

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

### Instructions

Respond to the prompts as follows:

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

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

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

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

Complete the table as follows:

#### **Educational Partners**

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

## **Process for Engagement**

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

A sufficient response to this prompt must include general information about the timeline of the process and meetings or other
engagement strategies with educational partners. A response may also include information about an LEA's philosophical approach to
engaging its educational partners.

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

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

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

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

## **Goals and Actions**

## **Purpose**

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

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

## Requirements and Instructions

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

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

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

#### **Requirement to Address the LCFF State Priorities**

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

Respond to the following prompts, as applicable:

## Focus Goal(s)

#### Description

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

• An LEA develops a Focus Goal to address areas of need that may require or benefit from a more specific and data intensive approach.

• The Focus Goal can explicitly reference the metric(s) by which achievement of the goal will be measured and the time frame according to which the LEA expects to achieve the goal.

## Type of Goal

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

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

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

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

Explain why the LEA has chosen to prioritize this goal.

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

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

#### Description

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

Focus goals for Equity Multiplier schoolsites must address the following:

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

 The common issues the schoolsites are experiencing in credentialing, subject matter preparation, and retention of the school's educators, if applicable.

## Type of Goal

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

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

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

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

Explain why the LEA has chosen to prioritize this goal.

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

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

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

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

#### **Broad Goal**

#### Description

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

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

#### Type of Goal

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

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

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

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

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

## **Maintenance of Progress Goal**

#### Description

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

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

#### Type of Goal

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

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

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

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

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

## **Measuring and Reporting Results:**

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

- LEAs must identify metrics for specific student groups, as appropriate, including expected outcomes that address and reduce disparities in outcomes between student groups.
- The metrics may be quantitative or qualitative; but at minimum, an LEA's LCAP must include goals that are measured using all of the
  applicable metrics for the related state priorities, in each LCAP year, as applicable to the type of LEA.
- To the extent a state priority does not specify one or more metrics (e.g., implementation of state academic content and performance standards), the LEA must identify a metric to use within the LCAP. For these state priorities, LEAs are encouraged to use metrics based on or reported through the relevant local indicator self-reflection tools within the Dashboard.
- Required metrics for LEA-wide actions: For each action identified as 1) contributing towards the requirement to increase or improve services for foster youth, English learners, including long-term English learners, and low-income students and 2) being provided on an LEA-wide basis, the LEA must identify one or more metrics to monitor the effectiveness of the action and its budgeted expenditures.
  - These required metrics may be identified within the action description or the first prompt in the increased or improved services section, however the description must clearly identify the metric(s) being used to monitor the effectiveness of the action and the action(s) that the metric(s) apply to.
- Required metrics for Equity Multiplier goals: For each Equity Multiplier goal, the LEA must identify:
  - The specific metrics for each identified student group at each specific schoolsite, as applicable, to measure the progress toward the goal, and/or
  - The specific metrics used to measure progress in meeting the goal related to credentialing, subject matter preparation, or educator retention at each specific schoolsite.
- Required metrics for actions supported by LREBG funds: To implement the requirements of EC Section 52064.4, LEAs with
  unexpended LREBG funds must include at least one metric to monitor the impact of each action funded with LREBG funds included in the
  goal.
  - The metrics being used to monitor the impact of each action funded with LREBG funds are not required to be new metrics; they may be metrics that are already being used to measure progress towards goals and actions included in the LCAP.

Complete the table as follows:

#### Metric #

Enter the metric number.

#### Metric

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

#### Baseline

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

#### Year 1 Outcome

• When completing the LCAP for 2025–26, enter the most recent data available. Indicate the school year to which the data applies.

 Note for Charter Schools: Charter schools developing a one-year LCAP may provide the Year 1 Outcome when completing the LCAP for both 2025–26 and 2026–27 or may provide the Year 1 Outcome for 2025–26 and provide the Year 2 Outcome for 2026–27.

#### Year 2 Outcome

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

#### Target for Year 3 Outcome

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

#### Current Difference from Baseline

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

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

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

## **Goal Analysis:**

Enter the LCAP Year.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### **Actions:**

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

#### Action #

Enter the action number.

#### Title

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

## Description

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

#### **Total Funds**

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

#### Contributing

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

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

## **Required Actions**

#### For English Learners and Long-Term English Learners

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

#### For Technical Assistance

• LEAs eligible for technical assistance pursuant to *EC* sections 47607.3, 52071, 52071.5, 52072, or 52072.5, must include specific actions within the LCAP related to its implementation of the work underway as part of technical assistance. The most common form of this technical assistance is frequently referred to as Differentiated Assistance.

#### For Lowest Performing Dashboard Indicators

- LEAs that have Red Dashboard indicators for (1) a school within the LEA, (2) a student group within the LEA, and/or (3) a student group within any school within the LEA must include one or more specific actions within the LCAP:
  - The specific action(s) must be directed towards the identified student group(s) and/or school(s) and must address the identified state indicator(s) for which the student group or school received the lowest performance level on the 2023 Dashboard. Each

student group and/or school that receives the lowest performance level on the 2023 Dashboard must be addressed by one or more actions.

o These required actions will be effective for the three-year LCAP cycle.

#### For LEAs With Unexpended LREBG Funds

- To implement the requirements of EC Section 52064.4, LEAs with unexpended LREBG funds must include one or more actions supported with LREBG funds within the 2025–26, 2026–27, and 2027–28 LCAPs, as applicable to the LEA. Actions funded with LREBG funds must remain in the LCAP until the LEA has expended the remainder of its LREBG funds, after which time the actions may be removed from the LCAP.
  - Prior to identifying the actions included in the LCAP the LEA is required to conduct a needs assessment pursuant to <u>EC Section 32526(d)</u>. For information related to the required needs assessment please see the Program Information tab on the <u>LREBG Program Information</u> web page. Additional information about the needs assessment and evidence-based resources for the LREBG may be found on the <u>California Statewide System of Support LREBG Resources</u> web page. The required LREBG needs assessment may be part of the LEAs regular needs assessment for the LCAP if it meets the requirements of *EC* Section 32526(d).
  - School districts receiving technical assistance and COEs providing technical assistance are encouraged to use the technical
    assistance process to support the school district in conducting the required needs assessment, the selection of actions funded by
    the LREBG and/or the evaluation of implementation of the actions required as part of the LCAP annual update process.
  - As a reminder, LREBG funds must be used to implement one or more of the purposes articulated in <u>EC Section 32526(c)(2)</u>.
  - LEAs with unexpended LREBG funds must include one or more actions supported by LREBG funds within the LCAP. For each
    action supported by LREBG funding the action description must:
    - Identify the action as an LREBG action;
    - Include an explanation of how research supports the selected action;
    - Identify the metric(s) being used to monitor the impact of the action; and
    - Identify the amount of LREBG funds being used to support the action.

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

## **Purpose**

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

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

## **Statutory Requirements**

An LEA is required to demonstrate in its LCAP how it is increasing or improving services for its students who are foster youth, English learners, and/or low-income, collectively referred to as unduplicated students, as compared to the services provided to all students in proportion to the increase in funding it receives based on the number and concentration of unduplicated students in the LEA (*EC* Section 42238.07[a][1], *EC* Section 52064[b][8][B]; 5 *CCR* Section 15496[a]). This proportionality percentage is also known as the "minimum proportionality percentage" or "MPP." The manner in which an LEA demonstrates it is meeting its MPP is two-fold: (1) through the expenditure of LCFF funds or through the identification of a Planned Percentage of Improved Services as documented in the Contributing Actions Table, and (2) through the explanations provided in the Increased or Improved Services for Foster Youth, English Learners, and Low-Income Students section.

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

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

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

#### **LEA-wide and Schoolwide Actions**

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

• Conclusory statements that a service will help achieve an expected outcome for the goal, without an explicit connection or further explanation as to how, are not sufficient.

• Further, simply stating that an LEA has a high enrollment percentage of a specific student group or groups does not meet the increased or improved services standard because enrolling students is not the same as serving students.

## **For School Districts Only**

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

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

## Requirements and Instructions

Complete the tables as follows:

#### Total Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants

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

#### Projected Additional 15 percent LCFF Concentration Grant

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

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

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

#### LCFF Carryover — Percentage

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

#### LCFF Carryover — Dollar

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

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

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

#### Required Descriptions:

#### **LEA-wide and Schoolwide Actions**

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

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

Complete the table as follows:

## Identified Need(s)

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

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

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

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

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

#### **Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness**

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

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

#### **Limited Actions**

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

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

Complete the table as follows:

## Identified Need(s)

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

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

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

#### **Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness**

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

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

- For each action with an identified Planned Percentage of Improved Services, identify the goal and action number and describe the methodology that was used.
- When identifying a Planned Percentage of Improved Services, the LEA must describe the methodology that it used to determine the contribution of the action towards the proportional percentage. The percentage of improved services for an action corresponds to the amount of LCFF funding that the LEA estimates it would expend to implement the action if it were funded.

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

#### **Additional Concentration Grant Funding**

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

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

Provide the following descriptions, as applicable to the LEA:

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

Complete the table as follows:

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

## **Action Tables**

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

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

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

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

## Total Planned Expenditures Table

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

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

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

- 2. Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants: Provide the total amount of LCFF supplemental and concentration grants estimated on the basis of the number and concentration of unduplicated students for the coming school year.
- 3. Projected Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year: This percentage will not be entered; it is calculated based on the Projected LCFF Base Grant and the Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants, pursuant to 5 CCR Section 15496(a)(8). This is the percentage by which services for unduplicated pupils must be increased or improved as compared to the services provided to all students in the coming LCAP year.
- LCFF Carryover Percentage: Specify the LCFF Carryover Percentage identified in the LCFF Carryover Table from the prior LCAP year. If a carryover percentage is not identified in the LCFF Carryover Table, specify a percentage of zero (0.00%).
- Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year: This percentage will not be entered; it is calculated based on the Projected Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year and the LCFF Carryover Percentage. This is the percentage by which the LEA must increase or improve services for unduplicated pupils as compared to the services provided to all students in the coming LCAP year.
- Goal #: Enter the LCAP Goal number for the action.
- Action #: Enter the action's number as indicated in the LCAP Goal.
- Action Title: Provide a title of the action.
- **Student Group(s)**: Indicate the student group or groups who will be the primary beneficiary of the action by entering "All," or by entering a specific student group or groups.

- Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?: Type "Yes" if the action is included as contributing to meeting the increased or improved services requirement; OR, type "No" if the action is **not** included as contributing to meeting the increased or improved services requirement.
- If "Yes" is entered into the Contributing column, then complete the following columns:
  - Scope: The scope of an action may be LEA-wide (i.e., districtwide, countywide, or charterwide), schoolwide, or limited. An action that is LEA-wide in scope upgrades the entire educational program of the LEA. An action that is schoolwide in scope upgrades the entire educational program of a single school. An action that is limited in its scope is an action that serves only one or more unduplicated student groups.
  - Unduplicated Student Group(s): Regardless of scope, contributing actions serve one or more unduplicated student groups.
     Indicate one or more unduplicated student groups for whom services are being increased or improved as compared to what all students receive.
  - Location: Identify the location where the action will be provided. If the action is provided to all schools within the LEA, the LEA must indicate "All Schools." If the action is provided to specific schools within the LEA or specific grade spans only, the LEA must enter "Specific Schools" or "Specific Grade Spans." Identify the individual school or a subset of schools or grade spans (e.g., all high schools or grades transitional kindergarten through grade five), as appropriate.
- **Time Span**: Enter "ongoing" if the action will be implemented for an indeterminate period of time. Otherwise, indicate the span of time for which the action will be implemented. For example, an LEA might enter "1 Year," or "2 Years," or "6 Months."
- **Total Personnel**: Enter the total amount of personnel expenditures utilized to implement this action.
- **Total Non-Personnel**: This amount will be automatically calculated based on information provided in the Total Personnel column and the Total Funds column.
- **LCFF Funds**: Enter the total amount of LCFF funds utilized to implement this action, if any. LCFF funds include all funds that make up an LEA's total LCFF target (i.e., base grant, grade span adjustment, supplemental grant, concentration grant, Targeted Instructional Improvement Block Grant, and Home-To-School Transportation).
  - Note: For an action to contribute towards meeting the increased or improved services requirement, it must include some measure
    of LCFF funding. The action may also include funding from other sources, however the extent to which an action contributes to
    meeting the increased or improved services requirement is based on the LCFF funding being used to implement the action.
- Other State Funds: Enter the total amount of Other State Funds utilized to implement this action, if any.
  - Note: Equity Multiplier funds must be included in the "Other State Funds" category, not in the "LCFF Funds" category. As a
    reminder, Equity Multiplier funds must be used to supplement, not supplant, funding provided to Equity Multiplier schoolsites for
    purposes of the LCFF, the ELO-P, the LCRS, and/or the CCSPP. This means that Equity Multiplier funds must not be used to

replace funding that an Equity Multiplier schoolsite would otherwise receive to implement LEA-wide actions identified in the LEA's LCAP or that an Equity Multiplier schoolsite would otherwise receive to implement provisions of the ELO-P, the LCRS, and/or the CCSPP.

- Local Funds: Enter the total amount of Local Funds utilized to implement this action, if any.
- Federal Funds: Enter the total amount of Federal Funds utilized to implement this action, if any.
- Total Funds: This amount is automatically calculated based on amounts entered in the previous four columns.
- Planned Percentage of Improved Services: For any action identified as contributing, being provided on a Limited basis to unduplicated students, and that does not have funding associated with the action, enter the planned quality improvement anticipated for the action as a percentage rounded to the nearest hundredth (0.00%). A limited action is an action that only serves foster youth, English learners, and/or low-income students.
  - As noted in the instructions for the Increased or Improved Services section, when identifying a Planned Percentage of Improved Services, the LEA must describe the methodology that it used to determine the contribution of the action towards the proportional percentage. The percentage of improved services for an action corresponds to the amount of LCFF funding that the LEA estimates it would expend to implement the action if it were funded.

For example, an LEA determines that there is a need to analyze data to ensure that instructional aides and expanded learning providers know what targeted supports to provide to students who are foster youth. The LEA could implement this action by hiring additional staff to collect and analyze data and to coordinate supports for students, which, based on the LEA's current pay scale, the LEA estimates would cost \$165,000. Instead, the LEA chooses to utilize a portion of existing staff time to analyze data relating to students who are foster youth. This analysis will then be shared with site principals who will use the data to coordinate services provided by instructional assistants and expanded learning providers to target support to students. In this example, the LEA would divide the estimated cost of \$165,000 by the amount of LCFF Funding identified in the Data Entry Table and then convert the quotient to a percentage. This percentage is the Planned Percentage of Improved Services for the action.

## **Contributing Actions Table**

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

## Annual Update Table

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

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

## Contributing Actions Annual Update Table

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

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

## LCFF Carryover Table

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

#### Calculations in the Action Tables

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

## **Contributing Actions Table**

- 4. Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (LCFF Funds)
  - o This amount is the total of the Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds) column.
- 5. Total Planned Percentage of Improved Services
  - 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 the number and concentration of unduplicated students in the current school year.
- 4. Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (LCFF Funds)
  - o This amount is the total of the Last Year's Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds).
- 7. Total Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions
  - o This amount is the total of the Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds).
- Difference Between Planned and Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (Subtract 7 from 4)

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

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

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

 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). California Department of Education November 2024