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# Board Cover Memorandum

**To** Board of Education

**From** Kyla Johnson-Trammell, Superintendent  
Lisa Grant-Dawson, Chief Business Officer  
District Senior Leadership Team

**Meeting Date** February 14, 2024

**Subject** 2024-25 Budget Balancing Options, Increases, Reductions, and Restructure – Attachment B (First Reading)

**Ask of the Board** Adoption by the Board of Education of \$13.5M of reductions and adjustments balancing the 2024-2025 District Budget, upon consideration, choices among twelve (12) Superintendent of Schools or designee (s) recommended budget balancing solutions, delineated herein, and/or other considerations, including further direction to the Superintendent or designee(s). (First Reading)

Of the 12 Budget Balancing Solutions, Item 1 and 2 totaling \$3M were already approved on Resolution 2223-0040, Proposed Adjustments for 2023-24 Budget, but is noted for record purposes. Approval of staff to continue analyzing the remaining options for 2025-26 Budget Balancing Solutions, which are primarily centered on strategies to restructure the District’s infrastructure and operations. This item will return to the Board of Education on February 28, 2024 for Second Read and recommended adoption.

**Background** On June 28, 2023, the same night the 2023-24 Budget was approved, staff recommended the approval of Board Agenda Item 23-1682 Tentative Agreement between the Oakland Education Association and the Oakland Unified School District for Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement effective November 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025. The adoption of this agreement is the primary driver of the 45+Day Revise, which was approved by the Board on September 28, 2023, and included the implementation of the OEA agreement and associated expense budget and projected spending adjustments.

The District's AB1200 document that was submitted to the Alameda County Office of Education indicated that the District would need to make necessary reductions to continue to afford the agreement. It was also understood that the District intended to improve compensation for all of its labor groups; thus, further exacerbating the need to develop a sustainable budget that supported the salaries, benefits, and Health and Welfare increase of 25% for Kaiser in 2024-25 (which is applied to all Health plans) for projection purposes. The District has since been apprised of the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) for 2024-25 being reduced to 1% from 3.94%. The District has taken a conservative approach and modeled a 2% COLA for the 2025-26 year in its multi-year projection.

As a condition of the approval of the AB1200 and in light of appropriate financial management as the District continues to gain local control, the District staff ensured commitments in the 2024-25 Budget Development process to assure the Alameda County Office of its commitment to ensure affordability for the OEA agreement and to establish the expectation for forthcoming Tentative Agreements with other Labor Groups. A summary of the conditions are as follows:

- **Excerpt from OEA AB1200 Approval Letter**

*In order for ACOE to verify that Board and District staff are implementing the budget adjustments the Board approved within the Public Disclosure documents, OUSD will:*

- *Provide ACOE with a Board-approved detailed update on its **list of Budget Adjustments by October 31, 2023**;*
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The District is providing the fourth update to the list of budget balancing options and strategies originally presented on October 11, 2023, via Board Agenda 23-2308, with updates on December 14, 2023 and January 31, 2024. We continue to focus on building build a long-term sustainable budget honoring its new and existing commitments. This list is provided as a fourth read to finalize the recommendations for Budget Balancing solutions for the 2024-25 and subsequent budget years. The work of the Budget Adjustments and list of areas to analyze and interrogate will be managed in conjunction with the District's update to its Fiscal Sustainability Plan and the adoption of the balanced 2024-25 Budget, with positive outcomes for the two subsequent years.

As shared in the previous presentations, the District's First Interim Multi-Year projection is currently reflecting a \$24M (\$23.7M as shown in the chart below) deficit that will need to be addressed. The current list of options will not absorb a

\$24M deficit. The District continues to communicate its desire to improve compensation as well as absorbing cost increases, to include the rising health care and other expenditures from utilities and the cost of material and supplies to the true annual investment in Ongoing Major and Deferred maintenance for the very facilities the board and constituents seek for the District to keep open and functioning. We have projected a need of an additional \$26M (\$27M as shown in the chart below) to address many of the items listed above, especially compensation; however, we can only obtain this by restructuring the District. It is impossible to retain and invest more with revenues declining.

The list of options with a dollar value that is eligible for implementation of \$16.5M of reductions and reductions, of which \$3M was approved in 2022-23, is summarized below.

<b>Summary of 2024-25 Budget Adjustments and Impact</b>	
Projected Deficit (2024-25 as of 1st Interim)	\$ 23,687,150
Net Adjustments since projection	\$ 27,000,000
<b>Adjusted Deficit Projection (Target)</b>	<b>\$ 50,687,150</b>
Savings / Cost Avoidance	\$ (16,528,228)
Projected Additional Costs	\$ 500,000
<b>Adjusted Projected Surplus or Deficit</b>	<b>\$ 34,658,922</b>

Adjustments (savings, cost avoidance, revenue shifts)	Item Number	Included	Type	General Purpose	Central Supplemental	Central Concentration	Special Education Contribution Funds	Other Supplemental	One-time Funds Support	Net Change'
Adjust School Site Allocations (Unrestricted)	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Savings	\$ (457,578)						\$ (457,578)
Adjust School Site Allocations (Supplemental)	2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		-				\$ (2,583,685)		\$ (2,583,685)
Merger of District Schools	3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
BP 3150 Adjustment	4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Central - Continuous School Improvement Redesign	5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Central - Legal Department Restructuring	6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Central - Business, Talent, Technology, Other Redesign	7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Adjusted Support toward previous Board Resolutions	8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Special Ed Programs	9	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Maintaining Small School Investments	10	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Responses to January 8, 2024 Study Session	11	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			\$ (8,000,000)	\$ (3,700,000)			\$ -	\$ (11,700,000)
Reduction of consistently vacant positions	12	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		\$ (576,510)	\$ (384,390)	\$ (314,400)	\$ (372,144)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,647,504)
<b>Total</b>										\$ (16,388,767)

There is an additional \$.5M investment for two years, totaling \$1M, to extend support to BP 5115, Enrollment Stabilization, as the one time investment of \$4.5M dollars is sunsetting in June 2024.

Projected Additional Costs	Item Number	Included	Type	General Purpose	Central Supplemental	Central Concentration	Special Education Contribution Funds	Other Supplemental	One-time Funds Support	Net Change'
Ongoing Enrollment Office Investments	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>							\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
Return of investments currently funded with one-time funds	2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Review Facilities and Deferred Maintenance Modifications	3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
<b>Total</b>									\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000

The remaining options remain strong recommendations for 2025-26 restructuring of the District's operational profile, to include a new document that has been added to begin summarizing the various strategies that District staff is recommending be included in the Board's Budget Balancing Solution resolution for the 2024-25 Budget, with necessary options for implementation in 2025-26.

The District staff is again strongly stressing that we do not have any significant reductions and cuts to offer absent a reduction of the District's operational size and intense focus on efficiency in the number of locations and program we operate.

The District stands in deep concern that the shortfall in adjustments will yield a \$7M investment from the Fund Balance to balance the budget. This amount is calculated from the \$23.6M deficit as of First Interim in the Unrestricted General Fund - \$16.5M in recommended adjustments/reductions from Attachment B, leaving a \$7M shortfall. This amount does not include additional dollars needed for the investments and resources required to maintain our current commitments and stability.

This item, as previously stated is scheduled to return to the Governing Board with Staff's final recommendation for adoption on February 28, 2024 and will be accompanied by the final documents/analysis and a resolution as has been the District's practice. Items from the Board's decision on February 28, 2024 will also be incorporated in the Multi-Year Projection in the District's Second Interim Report.

**Recommendation** Adoption by the Board of Education of \$13.5M of reductions and adjustments, balancing the 2024-2025 District Budget, upon consideration, choices among twelve (12) Superintendent of Schools or designee (s) recommended budget balancing solutions, delineated herein, and/or other considerations, including further direction to the Superintendent or designee(s). (First Reading)

Of the 12 Budget Balancing Solutions, Item 1 and 2 totaling \$3M were already approved on Resolution 2223-0040, Proposed Adjustments for 2023-24 Budget, but is noted for record purposes and therefore totals \$16.5M in adjustments and reductions to be implemented. This item would include approval of staff to continue analyzing the remaining options for 2025-26 Budget Balancing Solutions, which are primarily centered on strategies to restructure the District's infrastructure and operations. This item will return to the Board of Education on February 28, 2024 for Second Read and recommended adoption.

**Attachments**

- 2024-25 Attachment B - Budget Balancing Solutions Presentation First Read for Board Decision
- 2024-25 Budget Development List of Budget Balancing Solutions – Attachment B
- 23-2308\_2024-25 Budget Balancing Solutions Board Packet 10.11.2023
- 23-0545 Budget Adjustments Reso and Attachment A 2.28.2023
- Attachment B Item 7 – Response to School Services Report
- Attachment B – Item 8 – Resolutions & Board Initiatives
- Board Memo Draft – Attachment B Restructure Recommendation

OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Budget Balancing Solutions

Budget Development Update: Attachment B  
*Includes all content from Board Study Sessions*

February 14, 2024



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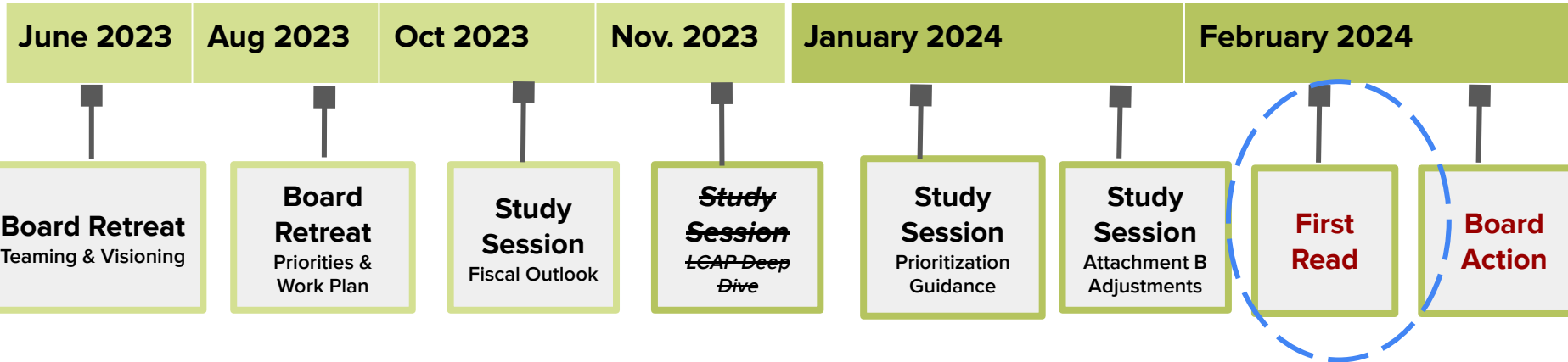
*Community Schools, Thriving Students*



# **Welcoming Remarks: Board President Davis**



# Continuation of our Journey



*Note: OUSD Leadership hosted two student-facing budget study sessions for Student Board Directors and All Cty Council Governing Board in November and January*



# **A Moment of Governance: A Guide to Decision Making**

January 31, 2024

As presented by Dr. Carmella S. Franco, Consultant





Decision Making  
is not easy.

So many  
considerations!

# What Drives Your Decision Making?

In pairs, and one triad, discuss what factors influence you in your Board Member decision making?

# Three Things to Keep in Front of You



IS IT IN THE BEST  
INTERESTS OF THE  
STUDENTS?



DOES THIS  
MATTER/ISSUE FIT  
WITHIN ONE OF OUR 5-6  
GOALS?



IS THIS A TOPIC OR  
SITUATION FOR THE  
SUPERINTENDENT AND  
STAFF TO ADDRESS?



Remember to keep these in mind as you face decisions—both routine *and* difficult.



# **Welcoming Remarks: Superintendent Dr. Johnson-Trammell**

## Our Vision

All OUSD students will find joy in their academic experience while graduating with the skills to ensure they are caring, competent, fully-informed, critical thinkers who are prepared for college, career, and community success.

## Our Mission

Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) will build a Full Service Community District focused on high academic achievement while serving the whole child, eliminating inequity, and providing each child with excellent teachers, every day.



# Outcomes

1. Summarize the scope and scale of near term decisions needed to navigate our financial context and maximize positive student outcomes.
2. Provide the Board updates on the financial challenges ahead based on the recently proposed State budget by Governor Newsom and other updates to projected costs.
3. Board will discuss updated options to address the projected budget deficits and make room for additional expenditures to increase compensation of employee groups with whom we are still in bargaining.

# Today's Agenda

- Our Financial Challenges
- Our Journey to Stability
- Recommended Budget Adjustments
- Next Steps
- Discussion

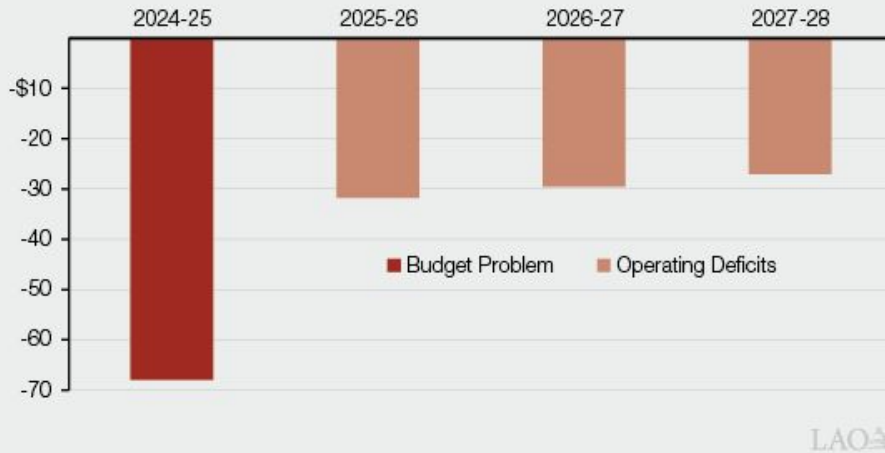


# Our State's Financial Situation\* - \$68 Billion Deficit

Figure 4

## State Faces Serious Budget Problem in 2024-25, and Significant Operating Deficits in Future Years

(In Billions)



### Drivers for Deficit Impacting Budget

- ❖ California Entered an Economic Downturn Last Year
- ❖ Unprecedented Revenue Shortfall
- ❖ Statewide enrollment continues to decline (5% since 2019)

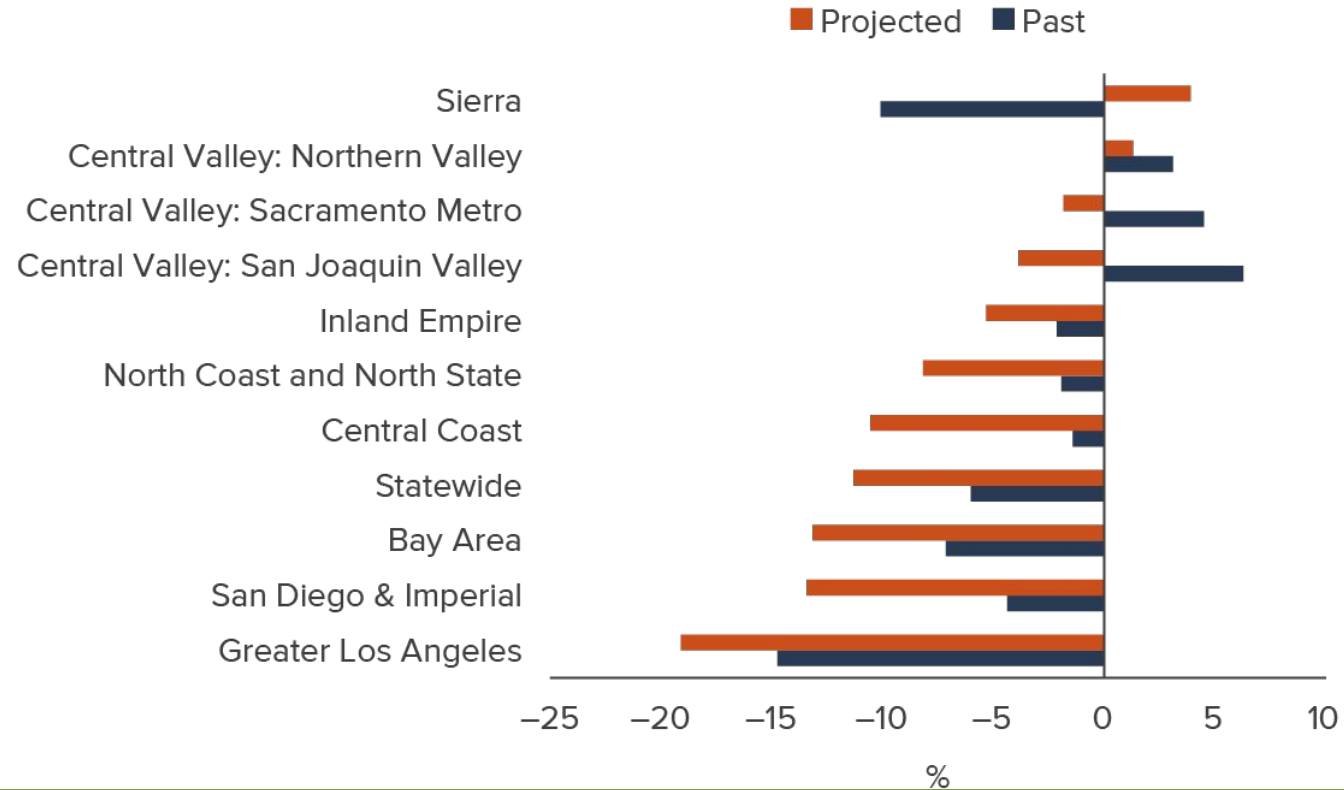
### Solutions on the table

- Reduce Proposition 98 education spending
- Deplete entire Proposition 98 Reserve
- Reduce one-time spending
- < 1% COLA for school budgeting
- Alternate approaches to school funding

\* [California Legislative Analyst's Report](#) - January 13, 2024

# Most CA Districts also face further enrollment declines

10-year past and projected future enrollment change by region (%)



**SOURCES:** California Department of Finance; authors' calculations.  
**NOTES:** Past declines from 2012–13 to 2022–23. Projected declines from 2022–23 to 2032–33. Regional changes constructed using county-level data.

# OUSD's Financial Situation - Two Related Challenges

1

## LCFF Deficits

Over \$70M in projected deficits of Unrestricted resources over next 3 years - [First Interim](#)

**Primary Causes:** Slow revenue growth, high inflation

2

## One-time Funds expiring

Over \$140M in one-time funds sunsetting soon; over \$60M expiring this year - [Interactive Dashboard](#)

**Primary Causes:** Sunsetting resources, high inflation

## Oversight Requirements

The District has recommended and the County has confirmed that the Board must take formal action on **multi-year budget balancing solutions by February 2024**, to ensure the District meets its obligations in the subsequent fiscal year. See [excerpt from County letter](#).

# First Interim Multi-Year Projection\* - Unrestricted

## 2023-24 First Interim MYP Fund Balance Summary - Unrestricted

	2023-24 Unrestricted	2024-25 Unrestricted	2025-26 Unrestricted
<b>A. Revenues</b>			
5) Total Revenues	\$ 507,096,534	\$ 495,388,436	\$ 502,940,335
<b>B. Expenditures</b>			
9) Total Expenditures	\$ 416,491,538	\$ 404,376,296	\$ 409,634,879
<b>C. Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures</b>	\$ 90,604,996	\$ 91,012,140	\$ 93,305,456
<b>D. Other Financing Sources/Uses</b>			
4) Total, Other Financing Sources/Uses	\$ (112,115,085)	\$ (114,699,290)	\$ (119,051,059)
E. Net Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance (C + D4)	\$ (21,510,089)	\$ (23,687,150)	\$ (25,745,603)
<b>F. Fund Balance, Reserves</b>			
1) Beginning Fund Balance			
a) Adjusted Beginning Balance (F1c + F1d)	\$ 118,353,704	\$ 96,843,616	\$ 73,156,465
2) Ending Balance, June 30 (E + F1e)	\$ 96,843,616	\$ 73,156,465	\$ 47,410,862
Restricted Reserve	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000
Other Assignments	\$ 10,673,452	\$ 10,673,452	\$ 10,673,452
Reserve for Economic Uncertainty	\$ 27,641,007	\$ 24,914,748	\$ 25,212,438
<b>Unassigned Unappropriated</b>	\$ 58,379,156	\$ 37,418,265	\$ 11,374,972

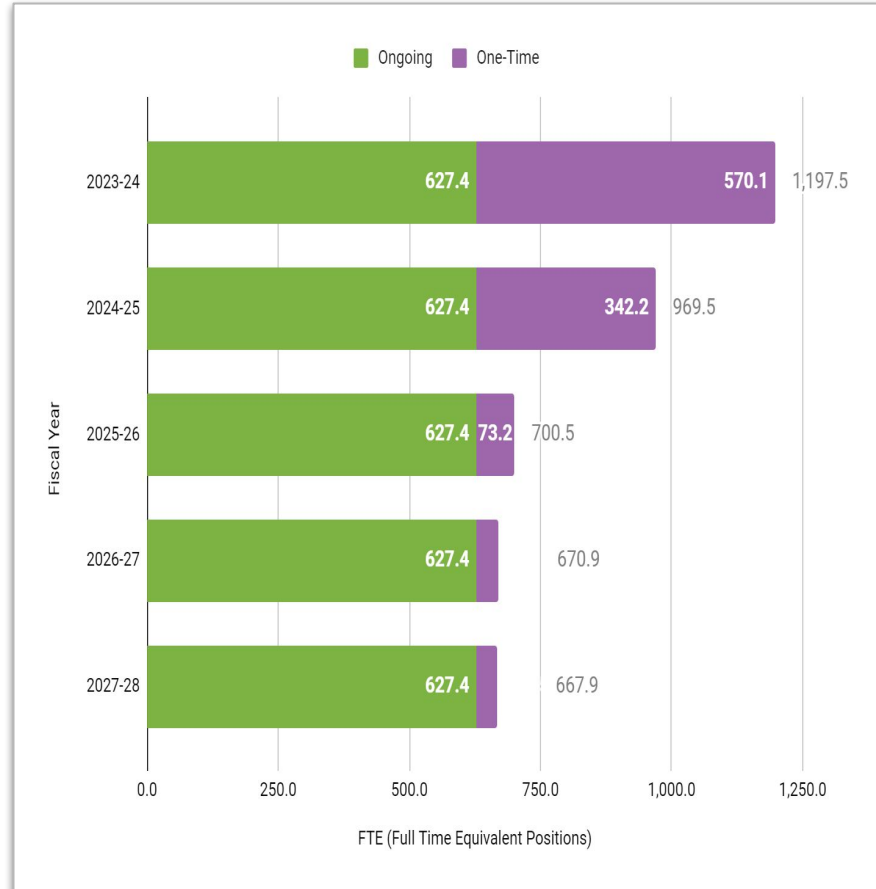
\* Does not include certain anticipated employee compensation and other costs not yet finalized, but that would push deficits closer to \$50M.

# 2 LCAP Summary - Sunsetting of \$140M of One-Time Funds

## LCAP Funding by duration



## LCAP Positions (FTE) by Funding duration



# Funding Priorities + Resolving Challenges ~\$50M

*Budget Adjustments needed unlikely to be achieved without significant restructuring*

Ongoing financial challenges to be addressed

- **Increasing compensation for other labor groups** when the cost of a 5% raise is \$10M+
- **Absorbing healthcare cost increases** when the District covers 100% of premium costs that are growing at 10%+ while COLA is less than 1%
- **Absorbing any costs currently in \$140M of one-time funds** that will otherwise require elimination
- **Absorbing any costs from expansion of priority investments**

# Our Priorities Identified: LCAP + STRATEGIC PLAN

The Strategic Plan will enact the goals that the District has set out in its Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP).

## LCAP





Our plan for addressing the needs of all students, especially our highest need students. The LCAP is adopted yearly along with the budget. The 2021 LCAP was a community effort - students, parents, staff, and community members have all contributed.



## STRATEGIC PLAN

Our 3-year road map to realize our mission and vision. It is an opportunity to reimagine our work and to create an Oakland community and school system that fulfill our highest hopes and dreams for ourselves and the generations to come.



<b>Goal 1:</b> All students graduate college, career, and community ready.	<b>Goal 3:</b> Students and families are welcomed, safe, healthy, and engaged.	<b>Goal 4:</b> All staff are high quality, providing optimal service to our students, families, and staff.	
<b>Goal 2:</b> Focal student groups demonstrate accelerated growth to close our equity gap.			
 <b>Ensuring Strong Readers by the Third Grade</b> Accelerating Citywide Efforts to Guarantee Literacy for all Third Graders	 <b>Supporting Powerful Graduates</b> Developing Essential Skills to Secure Post-Secondary Success	 <b>Creating Joyful Schools</b> Redesigning schools to be places of joy, inclusion and beauty	 <b>Growing a Diverse and Stable Staff</b> Attracting and retaining staff reflective of Oakland's rich diversity
<b>** Black and Brown Excellence will Flourish When We Invest in Full-Service Community Schools. **</b>			

# Our Method: College, Career & Community School Supports

Within our limited resources, we recommend prioritizing the most effective aspects of our Community School supports to schools within the funds available

Base Program	College, Career and Community School Supports	Shared Costs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Teachers</li> <li>● Principal</li> <li>● Assistant Principals</li> <li>● Attendance Clerk</li> <li>● Noon Supervisors</li> <li>● Admin Assistant</li> <li>● Prep Teachers: PE, Music, Dance, etc.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mental Health Services</li> <li>● Family Engagement</li> <li>● Teacher Coaching &amp; Support</li> <li>● Academic Acceleration Support</li> <li>● College/Career &amp; Community Supports</li> <li>● Restorative Safety Supports</li> <li>● Enrichment</li> <li>● 1:1 Device and Tech Support</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Custodians</li> <li>● Nutrition Services</li> <li>● School Nurse</li> <li>● Library Services</li> <li>● Special Ed services</li> <li>● Central Office Operations</li> <li>● Intervention Specialists</li> <li>● Newcomer Supports</li> <li>● Expanded Learning</li> <li>● After School Literacy Support</li> </ul>



# The Process

Last year, in June, we began the process of identifying budget adjustments that would address projected deficits. See Board Memo from 10/25.

Today we share an update on recommended adjustments needed to address projected unrestricted deficits and adjustments needed due to expiration or expenditure of one-time funds.

## Board Sessions

June 23rd Board Retreat

August 3rd Board Retreat

October 2nd Study Session

November 14th Study Session (cancelled)

January 8th Study Session

January 31st Study Session (Attachment B Adjustments)

February 14th Board Meeting (1st Read)

February 28th Board Meeting (Board action)

# Review detailed spending with prioritization in mind



## Without Board Decisions

- **Expected Impact:** Existing allocations of LCFF S&C buy less as the cost of staff and services continue to increase
- **Expected Impact:** Positions and services funded by sunsetting resources are eliminated as resources sunset or are expended

## Board Decisions Needed

- **Decision:** Which investments in ongoing resources to reduce to continue investments currently funded with sunsetting resources
- **Decision:** Which investments to reduce to maintain other investments despite cost inflation
- **Attachment B Example:** Reduce allocation of LCFF Supplemental to schools - see Attachment B, Item #2
- **Decision:** Additional budget reductions needed to eliminate deficit spending and provide salary increases to other bargaining units.

# Round One: Board Discussion

***What clarifying questions, if any, do you have?***

# Why Are We Here?



Unpacking  
the backpack  
as we prepare  
to fill it with  
District  
priorities.

# The Journey to Stability and Positive Certification

- On October 11, 2023, the District presented agenda item 23-2308 2024-25 Budget Balancing Options, Increases, and Reductions for first read.
- The District committed to providing an update along on progress in analyzing and valuing the items on the Attachment B.
- This update was aligned to the First Interim Report to provide a financial target for adjustments to the 2024-25 Budget.

# Gentle Reminder - Affordability Commitment

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# Budget Adjustments

## **Recommended Reductions**



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Review Facilities and Deferred Maintenance Modifications	3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Total									\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000

# Item 1

- **Adjustment to School Site Allocations- Discretionary (Unrestricted)**
  - Grades TK–5: \$50.00 per student
  - Grades 6–8: \$65.00 per student
  - Grades 9–12: \$80.00 per student
- 2023-24 Allocation - \$2,565,670
- 2024-25 Projected Allocation - \$2,108,092

**Total 2024-25 Reduction in Allocation - \$457,578**

## Item 2

- **Adjustment to School Site Allocations- LCFF**

- Reduce the per pupil LCFF allocation (Supplemental) from \$785 per student to \$675 per student.
- Current 2023-24 Supplemental Allocation
  - \$21,142,405
- Projected 2024-25 Supplemental Allocation
  - \$18,558,720

**Total 2024-25 Reduction in Allocation - \$2,583,685**

# Balancing against reduced allocations

Oakland Unified (61259) - First Interim Draft	v.24.2b	11/15/2023	CY	v.24.2b	CY1	
LOCAL CONTROL FUNDING FORMULA	2023-24			2024-25		
LCFF ENTITLEMENT CALCULATION						
	COLA & Augmentation	Base Grant Proration	Unduplicated Pupil Percentage			
Calculation Factors	8.22%	0.00%	79.01%	79.01%		
3-PY Average	ADA	Base	Grade Span	Supplemental	Concentration	Total
Grades TK-3	11,545.42	\$ 9,919	\$ 1,032	\$ 1,730	\$ 1,709	\$ 166,144,884
Grades 4-6	7,586.42	10,069		1,591	1,571	100,379,883
Grades 7-8	4,258.03	10,367		1,638	1,618	58,007,650
Grades 9-12	8,538.82	12,015	312	1,948	1,924	138,318,004
Subtract Necessary Small School ADA and Funding	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Base, Supplemental, and Concentration Grant</b>	\$ 337,643,603	\$ 14,578,985	\$ 55,658,214	\$ 54,969,619	\$ 462,850,421	
NSS Allowance	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL BASE</b>	31,928.69	\$ 337,643,603	\$ 14,578,985	\$ 55,658,214	\$ 54,969,619	\$ 462,850,421
<b>ADD ONS:</b>						
Targeted Instructional Improvement Block Grant						\$10,094,682
Home-to-School Transportation (COLA added commencing 2023-24)						6,195,554
Small School District Bus Replacement Program (COLA added commencing 2023-24)						-
Transitional Kindergarten (Commencing 2022-23)	TK ADA	987.90	TK Add-on rate	\$ 3,044.23		3,007,393
<b>ECONOMIC RECOVERY TARGET PAYMENT</b>						-
<b>LCFF Entitlement Before Adjustments</b>						\$ 482,148,050
Miscellaneous Adjustments						-
<b>ADJUSTED LCFF ENTITLEMENT</b>						\$ 482,148,050
Local Revenue (including FDA)						(160,449,124)
<b>Gross State Aid</b>						\$ 321,698,926
Education Protection Account Entitlement						(66,012,454)
<b>Net State Aid</b>						\$ 255,686,472

	COLA & Augmentation	Base Grant Proration	Unduplicated Pupil Percentage			
Calculation Factors	1.00%	0.00%	79.01%	79.01%		
3-PY Average	ADA	Base	Grade Span	Supplemental	Concentration	Total
Grades TK-3	11,078.12	\$ 10,018	\$ 1,042	\$ 1,748	\$ 1,726	\$ 161,006,960
Grades 4-6	7,277.01	10,170		1,607	1,587	97,251,740
Grades 7-8	4,114.91	10,471		1,655	1,634	56,620,273
Grades 9-12	8,356.65	12,135	316	1,968	1,943	136,728,769
Subtract Necessary Small School ADA and Funding	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Base, Supplemental, and Concentration Grant</b>	\$ 329,482,969	\$ 14,184,102	\$ 54,306,271	\$ 53,634,400	\$ 451,607,742	
NSS Allowance	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL BASE</b>	30,826.69	\$ 329,482,969	\$ 14,184,102	\$ 54,306,271	\$ 53,634,400	\$ 451,607,742
<b>ADD ONS:</b>						
Targeted Instructional Improvement Block Grant						\$10,094,682
Home-to-School Transportation (COLA added commencing 2023-24)						6,257,510
Small School District Bus Replacement Program (COLA added commencing 2023-24)						-
Transitional Kindergarten (Commencing 2022-23)	TK ADA	1,165.90	TK Add-on rate	\$ 3,074.67		3,584,759
<b>ECONOMIC RECOVERY TARGET PAYMENT</b>						-
<b>LCFF Entitlement Before Adjustments</b>						\$ 471,544,693
Miscellaneous Adjustments						-
<b>ADJUSTED LCFF ENTITLEMENT</b>						\$ 471,544,693
Local Revenue (including FDA)						(159,300,408)
<b>Gross State Aid</b>						\$ 312,244,285
Education Protection Account Entitlement						(61,531,518)
<b>Net State Aid</b>						\$ 250,712,767



# UPDATE - Balancing against reduced allocations REVISED- Includes Revised Cost of Living Adjustments (-) and Unduplicated Pupil Percentage (+) @CBEDS

2023-24	UPP	COLA	ADA	Base	Grade Span	Supplemental	Concentration	Total
LCFF Calculator First Interim	79.01%	8.22%	31,928.69	\$337,643,603	\$14,578,985	\$55,685,214	\$54,969,619	\$462,877,421
LCFF Calculator Jan 2024	80.09%	1.00%	31,928.69	\$337,643,603	\$14,578,985	\$56,419,014	\$57,422,221	\$466,063,823
<b>Net Change</b>				\$0	\$0	\$733,800	\$2,452,602	\$3,186,402

2024-25	UPP	COLA	ADA	Base	Grade Span	Supplemental	Concentration	Total
LCFF Calculator First Interim	79.01%	1.00%	30,826.69	\$329,482,969	\$14,184,102	\$54,306,271	\$53,634,400	\$451,607,742
LCFF Calculator Jan 2024	81.05%	0.76	30,826.69	\$328,697,229	\$14,142,512	\$55,574,322	\$58,051,339	\$456,465,402
<b>Net Change</b>				-\$785,740	-\$41,590	\$1,268,051	\$4,416,939	\$4,857,660

The net effect is, the reduced COLA creates a \$800K Loss and for 2024-25 in the Base and gains for supplemental and concentration due to the Unduplicated Pupil Percentage (UPP).

# Item 3, Part A

- **Potential Merger of District Schools following the guidelines of [AB 1912](#)**

- Revised language is required to finalize this item on Attachment B.

- **Current Language (Partial)**

- The District proposes a planning year (2023-24) for the potential merger of at least 10 schools effective 2024-25. Before any closures or consolidations take place, the District will comply with the guidelines set forth in AB 1912 which requires a district, before approving the closure or consolidation of a school, to conduct an equity impact analysis in its consideration of school closures or consolidations.

- **Proposed Revision (Partial)**

- The District proposes **a-to extend the** planning year (2023-24) **by one year 2024-25** for the potential merger of at least 10 schools effective ~~2024-25~~**2025-26**. Before any closures or consolidations take place, the District will comply with the guidelines set forth in AB 1912 which requires a district, before approving the closure or consolidation of a school, to conduct an equity impact analysis in its consideration of school closures or consolidations.



## Item 3, Part B

- **Potential Merger of District Schools following the guidelines of [AB 1912](#)**
  - The original Attachment A and now Attachment B have a dollar value associated with reductions for the 2024-25 year of ~~\$2.48M~~
  - ~~Though the District is reviewing all ongoing budget balancing solutions, it proposes to use the \$10M AB1840 Resources for one year to satisfy the spending reduction.~~
  - This amount will not be realized in 2024-25 pending decision with AB 1912

## Update - Item 4

- **Review and adjust Budget allocations to absorb future year salary projections, but not exceed current year dollar allocations.**
  - This analysis to showcase and model the allocation method of BP 3150 is currently In progress
    - [Please see the summary on the next slide](#)
  - It will align to a model based on the 2023-24 First Interim and 2024-25 Multi-Year Projection.

*See Auxiliary Slide Section - BP 3150 Policy Overview and Presentation to SLT*

# BP 3150 - The Math at First Interim

Shared Expenses		2023-24 LCFF Costs	2022-23 LCFF Costs
<b>BP 3150 Legally Mandated</b>			
State Loan Repayment	Base	\$0	\$0
Audit Payments & Penalties	Base	\$0	\$0
Utilities, Insurance	Base	\$7,213,334	\$5,683,711
Ongoing Major Maintenance (8150)	Base	\$22,194,028	\$22,217,093
<b>BP 3150 - Central Services</b>			
12% of Unrestricted Resources	All	\$58,245,774	\$65,149,123
<b>BP 3150 - Priority Expenses</b>			
Special Education Contribution	Base	\$106,002,520	\$82,150,146
Transportation Contribution for SPED	Base	\$10,225,059	\$10,259,577
Custodial & Buildings and Grounds	Base	\$18,461,526	\$15,898,516
School Safety and Security	Base + Supplemental	\$6,570,028	\$4,853,571
School Nurses	Base + Supplemental	\$6,730,850	\$5,245,751
School Counselors	Supplemental*	\$5,831,376	\$4,831,419
Specified Enrichment (i.e. summer, music, art)	Supplemental/Concentration	\$4,586,651	\$183,910
<b>Total Shared Cost</b>		<b>\$246,061,146</b>	<b>\$216,472,817</b>

# Item 5

- **Central Office - Continuous School Improvement**
  - Recommendations and implementation plan is in progress through the Budget Development Cycle for Central Sites
  - As stated on Agenda Item 23-1232:
    - *There is no fiscal impact identified with reviewing the Public Works Report. There is a potential savings in targeted funds if the recommendations are implemented, an estimated \$-3,483,735.50. The fiscal impact associated with the implementation of recommendations will be provided according to the budget development timeline and decisions are made regarding the new structure.*
- The District is also considering the reduction of ongoing funds in LCFF and other areas where many of the staff identified are currently funded, which will result in reductions in FTE.

**Summary Cost Savings = TBD**

# Item 5: Commonalities & Themes From Public Works Report

## Theme #1: CSI Restructuring

- There exists a strong need for restructuring CSI to be more efficient and effective.
- There are over 25 positions that our team recommend realigning within CSI to be more productive, 29 positions to be eliminated, and 6 positions created

**Theme #2: Strong need to consolidate small schools to improve CSI services.**

**Theme #3: Lack of Accountability.**

**Theme # 4: There is a lack of collaboration** among CSI departments and with Network Superintendent

**Theme # 5: Lack of Clear Communication.**

**Theme #6: Better balance** is needed between site-based management/autonomy and Central Office non-negotiables that impact all schools.

# Recommendations For Network Superintendent

- CSI Division be restructured so that services that support schools be implemented and supervised by the Network Superintendent.
- Additionally, the recommendation to change the Academic Structure to situate underneath the Network Superintendent to address improved coherence, collaboration, and communication.
- School-Based Surveys & Accountability: Schools and some Departments report that there are individuals who are not accountable to being at school sites. There was also no predictable schedule for the school to know when a Department Partner would be on site to work with the school.

# School Support Teams

## Previous Structure

- Network Partner

## Assigned Department Partners

- English Language Arts
- STEM (Math & Science in Secondary)
- ELLMA
- MTSS
- Family Engagement
- Targeted Strategies
- Special Education (compliance)

## New Structure

- Network Partner
- English Language Arts
- STEM
- ELLMA
- MTSS
- Family Engagement

## Assigned Department Partners

- Special Education (compliance)

# Network Superintendent

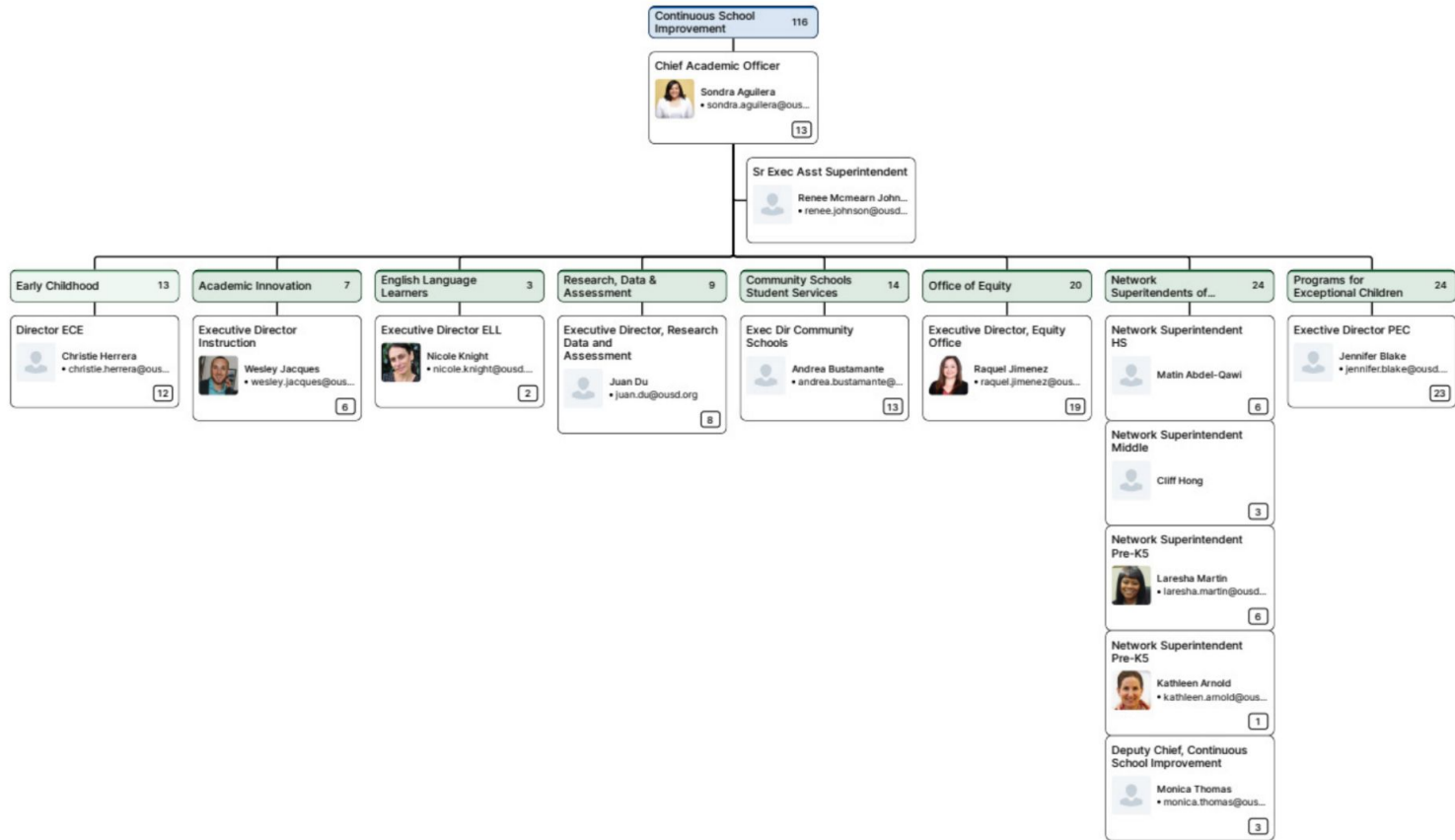
- Network Superintendent is responsible for setting a predictable schedule with the School Support Team Partners and the Department Executive Director;
- Dual Supervision continues to be the approach to manage the Department Partner;
- Network Superintendent supervises the Academic Program and the Grade-Span specific Executive Director.



# Structure Change: Academics and Network Superintendent

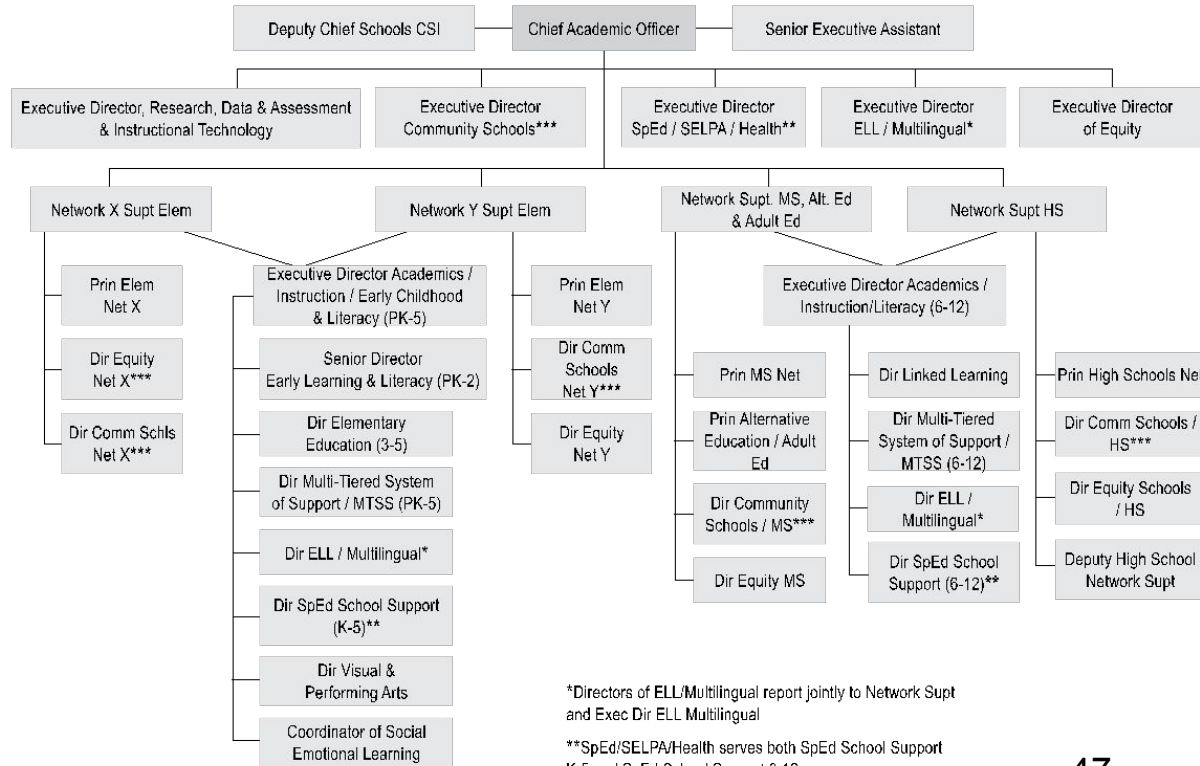
- **2022-2023:** Executive Director of Academics and Instructional Innovation reported to Chief Academic Officer;
- **2023-2024,** a temporary structure was created:
  - Director of Elementary Instruction Reports to ES Network Sups;
  - Director of Literacy reports to ES Network Sup;
  - Director of Secondary Instruction reports to HS and MS Network Sups.
- **2024-2025** New Structure:
  - Elementary Executive Director supervised by ES Network Sups
  - Secondary Executive Director supervised by HS and MS Network Sups

# Item 5: 2023-2024 CSI Division



\* does not account for current staff changes an vacancies.

# Item 5: Proposed Redesign of CSI



\*Directors of ELL/Multilingual report jointly to Network Supt and Exec Dir ELL Multilingual

\*\*SpEd/SELPA/Health serves both SpEd School Support K-5 and SpEd School Support 6-12

\*\*\*Directors of Community Schools report jointly to Network Supt and Exec Dir Comm Schools

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Source: Created by Public Works LLC Team 2023.

# Item 5: Known One-Time Funding Reductions to Pre-COVID Levels

Office of Equity doubled in staffing during COVID with ESSER funding.

- 11.5 Translators to 7 Translators. Maintain ability to respond to IEP requests and above 15% student population requirement.

Language	15% Mandate	Individual Education Programs (IEPs)	Recommendation
Mam (1)	8 schools	.75 FTE	1.0 FTE
Arabic (2)	2 schools	.75 FTE	1.0 FTE
Cantonese (2)	1 school	.75 FTE	1.0 FTE
Spanish (5)	64 schools	2 FTE	4.0 FTE

## Item 5: Known One-Time Funding Reductions to Pre-COVID Levels

10 Targeted Specialists to 5 Targeted Specialists:

- African American Male Achievement (AAMA)
- African American Female Excellence (AAFE)
- Latino Student Achievement (LSA)
- Arab Student Achievement (AAPISA)
- Asian and Pacific Islander Achievement (AAPISA)

## Item 5: Further Restructuring is Needed

- The Early Childhood Education Department will not be eliminated, and the hiring for the Executive Director is underway;
- The Chief Academic Officer and the Executive Director of ECE will make changes to the structure in the near future;
- Public Works proposed the creation of Directors to be part of the Network Support Team: Director of Equity, Director of Community Schools, Director of ELLMA. These additions are not possible due to the need to significantly decrease investments.
- Further budget reductions are pending and inevitable. Details will be shared according to the Budget Development timelines.

# Item 6

- **Central Office - Legal**

- Recommendations and implementation plan is in progress through the Budget Development Cycle for Central Sites.
- The proposed reorganization includes structural changes to reduce reliance on outside counsel contracts while gaining efficiencies through the addition of paralegals (includes both in-house paralegals and a scalable paralegal staffing model based on district need).

# Legal Department Reorganization 2024-2026

## Reorganization Strategy

The legal department will improve departmental effectiveness, promote cross-functional collaboration, protect OUSD from emerging risks, and generate costs efficiency from 2023 to 2026.

### Prioritized Department Initiatives

Retain and develop Governance Division staff during critical transition period

Create data informed staffing model to address high risk areas and increase the Governance Division's effectiveness

Build capacity of internal Legal Division

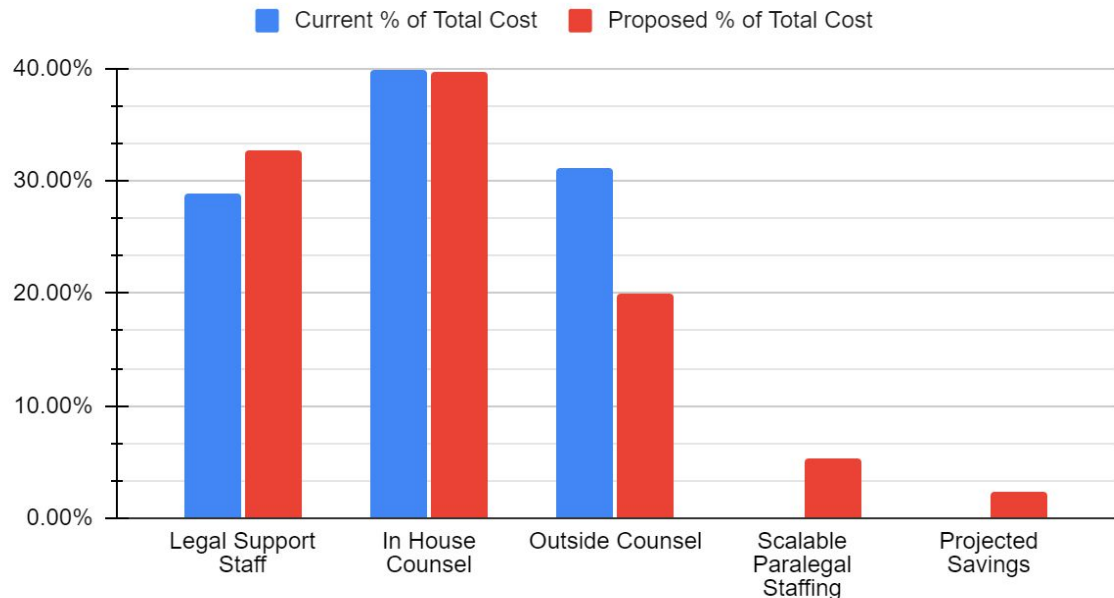
Gain cost efficiencies by reducing outside counsel spend



# Legal Office Service Delivery Model Spend by %

	Current % of Total Cost	Proposed % of Total Cost
Legal Support Staff	28.96%	32.70%
In House Counsel	39.91%	39.64%
Outside Counsel	31.14%	19.92%
Scalable Paralegal Support		5.31%
<b>Projected Savings</b>		<b>2.43%</b>

Legal Costs: % of Spend by Service Model



# Item 7

- **Central Office - Business/Talent/Technology and All OTHER Departments not noted with non-represented staff.**
  - Recommendations and implementation plan is in progress through the Budget Development Cycle for Central Sites
  - Response to School Services Report \_ December 2021

Projected Cost Savings = \$900k/year

# Item 8

- **Review all Board Resolutions to make decisions about which programs we are maintaining.**
  - [List of Board Resolutions](#) 2020-2023
  - The District has provided the list and is evaluating the cost implications of the Resolutions. This is likely not a 2024-25 Implementable item.

# Item 9

- **Review and analyze Special Education Program cost escalation to support multi-year projections and District impact.**
  - Progress made in data analysis, yet defined strategies are incomplete to recommend for 2024-25.

# Item 10 - Carryover Strategy

- **Maintaining Small Schools Investments**

- The investment in smaller schools/programs has had a longstanding impact on the investments, prioritization and allocation of funding Districtwide.
  - Additional FTE at sites with low-enrollment
  - Review and recommend the reduction/elimination of subsidized allocations/staffing to small school sites without direct reduction to site based allocations.
  - Update: This investment is currently in Resource 0006, Supplemental and Concentration Carryover.
    - The District is recommending that these positions be annually eliminated and added based on the projected amount of carryover available to retain all or or a portion of these positions.
      - Total investment - \$2.1M - Resource 0006
      -

# Item 10 - Carryover Strategy

OUSD Attachment B  
 Item 12 - Small School Investments  
 February 2024

Fund 01 General Fund  
 Resource Code 0006 S&C Carryover

Classification	JobClassId	Data	
		Sum of AmtTotal	Sum of FTEAuth
1 - Certificated Salaries	AP HIGH	\$177,868	1.00
	AP MIDDLE	\$343,582	2.00
	COOD SPED	\$182,281	1.00
	TCHR 11M 12P	\$225,102	2.00
	TCHR BILING	\$277,052	2.00
	TCHR STR ENG	\$492,092	4.40
	TSA 11M 12P	\$89,440	0.60
	TSA CLA 11M	\$139,019	1.00
<b>1 - Certificated Salaries Total</b>		<b>\$1,926,436</b>	
2 - Classified Salaries	PM COM SCH11	\$137,644	1.00
<b>2 - Classified Salaries Total</b>		<b>\$137,644</b>	
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>\$2,064,079</b>	<b>15.00</b>

# Item 11 - January 8, 2024 Board Study Session Position Adjustment Recommendations - Carryover Strategy

- **Assistant Principals at High Need Schools (\$3.2M S&C)**
- **11-Month Teachers at select high schools (\$1.3M S&C)**
- **Electives Teachers for Students Required to Take ELD (\$3.9M S&C)**
- **Academic Acceleration Teachers on Special Assignment (\$5M ESSER)**
- **Teachers for Late-Arriving Newcomer Students (\$1.8M S&C)**
- **Teachers for Late-Arriving Continuation Students (\$1.5M S&C)**
- Substitute Teacher Incentive Plan (STIP) Teachers (\$9M ESSER)
- Staffing Allocations for Community School Managers at Slope & Hill Schools (\$3.1M ESSER)
  - Please see the orange shaded rows on the slides shared at the January 8, 2024 Special Study Session, highlighting the areas of recommendation.
  - \$11.7M total in Supplemental and Concentration, \$17.1M in COVID funds

# Item 11 - January 8, 2024 Board Study Session Position Adjustment Recommendations

2024-25 Recommendation: Transfer these investments OUT of ongoing Supplemental and Concentration allocations to annual carryover in Resource 0006 with investments sunsetting as carryover declines.

- Total 2023-24 Supplemental Investment \$
- Total 2023-24 Concentration investment \$
- **Estimated 2023-24 S & C Carryover in Resource 0006 - ~\$15M\***
- **CHECKING FOR UNDERSTANDING: Investments WILL sunset as annual S & C carryover declines.**
  - Note: S & C Carryover has built as a result of increased allocations of Concentration in 2022 and the use of our COVID response one time dollars.

\* Estimate to be updated a Second Interim.



# School Site Positions Funded with Ongoing S&C Funding

Positions	Cost	Required?
Base Classroom Teachers: Retention Contribution	\$13.5M	Yes, per OEA contract
Base Classroom Teachers: Collaboration Time	\$5.3M	Yes, per OEA contract
Additional Teachers to Reduce Class Size at High-Need Schools	\$2.8M	Yes, per OEA contract
Newcomer Social Workers and TSAs	\$1.7M*	Yes, per OEA contract
Counselors	\$4.8M	Yes, per OEA contract
Student Support Positions (CSMs, Case Managers, etc.)	\$8.0M	No
Culture Keepers & Culture/Climate Ambassadors	\$5.0M	No
Teachers for Electives for Students Required to Take ELD	\$3.9M	No
Assistant Principals at High-Need Schools	\$3.2M	No
Teachers, Late-Arriving Newcomer Students	\$1.8M	No

\* excluding positions funded by Salesforce grant

# School Site Positions Funded with Ongoing S&C Funding (cont.)

Positions	Cost	Required?
Teachers to Offer Additional A-G Sections at Smaller High Schools	\$1.8M	No
Teachers, Late-Arriving Continuation Students	\$1.5M	No
11-Month Teachers at Castlemont, Fremont & McClymonds	\$1.3M	No
Teachers, African American and Latino/a Achievement classes	\$1.1M*	No
Specialists to Support College & Career Readiness at High Schools	\$0.3M	No

\* excluding positions funded by Kaiser grant

# School Site Positions Funded with **One-Time** Funding

Positions	Cost	Funding Source
STIP (Substitute Teacher Incentive Program) Teachers	\$9.0M	COVID Funds
Academic Acceleration Teachers on Special Assignment	\$5.0M	COVID Funds
Early Literacy Tutors	\$4.6M	COVID & Grant Funds
Community Positions at non-CCSPP Sites	\$2.9M	COVID Funds
One-Time Positions for Low Enrollment Schools (e.g., Assistant Principal for small secondary school, classroom teacher for small elementary school)	\$2.0M	LCFF S&C Carryover Funds
Teachers on Special Assignment, School Improvement	\$1.1M	Comprehensive Support & Improvement (CSI) Grant
Middle School Math Coaches & Computer Science Teachers	\$1.0M	Private Grant Funds
Math Tutors	\$0.8M	COVID Funds
Teachers on Special Assignment to Support Historically Black Schools	\$0.8M	Black Thriving Students (Per OEA MOU)
Additional Counselors to help students reach graduation	\$0.3M	Comprehensive Support & Improvement (CSI) Grant

## **NEW** - Item 12 - Reduction of Vacant Positions

- Review and Recommend the elimination of vacancies in 2024-25.
- Though the District realizes actual reductions in expenditures due to the “cost avoidance” from vacancies that are unfilled, there is an annual trend of vacant FTE’s that the District can review and recommend not to retain in the 2024-25 Fiscal Year.
- This would allow the District to use the resources in the current year and help offset the growing costs of expenses.
- Many of these positions are unable to be filled historically for various reasons.

## **NEW - Item 12 - Reduction of Vacant Positions**

- Review and Recommend the elimination of vacancies in 2024-25.
- There are several ways of which vacant position savings will be utilized to address the 2024-25 budget:
  - Cost avoidance from vacancies that are currently unfilled and will be eliminated
  - Vacant positions funded by the general fund transferred to restricted funds
- This would allow the District to use the resources in the current year and help offset the growing costs of expenses. Although many of these positions are unable to be filled historically for various reasons there will be a impact on service delivery.

## **NEW** - Item 12 - Reduction of Vacant Positions

Review and recommendation of vacancy eliminations is ongoing. There are currently 190.5 FTE in central office services funded by restricted and unrestricted resources.

94.30 FTE are funded with general purpose, central concentration or central supplemental of which 37% special education, 17% community schools, 16% business and academic offices, 12% custodial services, 11% health services, 9% buildings & grounds.

**Total FTE elimination: 13.1 FTE**

Total Cost Avoidance = \$1,853,560

**Net Cost Avoidance\* = \$1,647,504**

Note: The 1 FTE In Ongoing Major Maintenance will not result in a reduction of the allocation to Resource 8150, as it is statutorily required minimum 3% allocation. The net cost avoidance is \$1.6M.

# NEW - Item 12 - Reduction of Vacant Positions

**Cost avoidance from vacancies that are currently unfilled and will be eliminated\***

Vacancy Eliminations						
Position Funding Site Code Name	Job Class Descr	Pos Id	FTE	Resource Detail	Total	
905 - Office Of Sr. Business Officer	Mgr Central Office Accounting	8415	1.00	General Purpose (GP)	\$241,506	
942 - Labor Relations	Para Educator	9747 9748	1.60	General Purpose (GP)	\$127,662	
942 - Labor Relations	Teacher Structured Eng Immersn	6854	1.00	General Purpose (GP)	\$127,087	
988 - Buildings & Grounds	Manager Buildings & Grounds	7042	1.00	Ongoing & Major Maintenance	\$206,067	
922 - Comm. Schools & Student Svcs	Site-Based Culture Climate Amb	8272 8273 8274	3.00	Central Concentration	\$314,460	
928 - HS Linked Learning	Specialist Mstr Schd Developm	2179	1.00	General Purpose (GP) (.4 FTE) Central Supplemental (.6 FTE)	\$200,633	
968 - Health Services (nurses)	Nurse	9931 9932	2.00	Central Supplemental (1.7 FTE) GP - Special Education (.3 FTE)	\$310,600	
975 - Special Education	Instructional Supp Specialist	7279	0.80	GP - Special Education	\$67,328	
975 - Special Education	Teacher RSP	8389	1.00	GP - Special Education	\$129,334	
975 - Special Education	Teacher SDC Severe	1655	0.20	GP - Special Education	\$24,784	
976 - Special Ed Local Plan Area	Prog Mgr PEC Special Projects	9496	0.50	GP - Special Education	\$104,099	

**13.10**

**\$1,853,560**

**The Buildings and Ground resources will remain in OMM**

**12.10**

**\$1,647,504**

\*The review of departmental vacancies, eliminations and funding changes are proposed. Final changes will be submitted to the Board for review in mid February 2024

# Round Two: Board Discussion

## Round One (3 minutes/Director)

*What clarifying questions, if any, do you have?*

## Round Two (3 minutes/Director)

*What guidance are you providing around prioritization?*



# Budget Adjustments

## **Projected/Proposed Increases**



# Item 1

- **Ongoing Enrollment Office Investments**
  - Recommendation to fund this investment for two years from the \$10M in AB1840 for the District to retain the operational and outcome gains achieved in the enrollment stabilization implementation and adjust the budget and its internal process for ongoing enrollment needs.
    - **\$.5M/Year for two Years for a total \$1M Investment**

## Item 2

- **A Review of One Time Investments that are recommended to return to the Base and Other Resources**
  - This review is in progress as all ESSER Funded one-time positions and investments have been reviewed by the Senior Leadership Team and are being prepared for recommendation and cost analysis.

# Item 3

- **Review Facilities and Deferred Maintenance Modifications**
  - In progress and recommendations have been completed by the department during the Central Budget Development Meetings.
  - Recommendation: No change in investment, other than to absorb increased staffing and operational costs. The District does not have the ability to make adjustments

# 2023-24 First Interim Multi-Year Projection

## 2023-24 First Interim MYP Fund Balance Summary - Unrestricted

	2023-24 Unrestricted	2024-25 Unrestricted	2025-26 Unrestricted
<b>A. Revenues</b>			
5) Total Revenues	\$ 507,096,534	\$ 495,388,436	\$ 502,940,335
<b>B. Expenditures</b>			
9) Total Expenditures	\$ 416,491,538	\$ 404,376,296	\$ 409,634,879
<b>C. Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures</b>	\$ 90,604,996	\$ 91,012,140	\$ 93,305,456
<b>D. Other Financing Sources/Uses</b>			
4) Total, Other Financing Sources/Uses	\$ (112,115,085)	\$ (114,699,290)	\$ (119,051,059)
<b>E. Net Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance (C + D4)</b>	\$ (21,510,089)	\$ (23,687,150)	\$ (25,745,603)
<b>F. Fund Balance, Reserves</b>			
1) Beginning Fund Balance			
a) Adjusted Beginning Balance (F1c + F1d)	\$ 118,353,704	\$ 96,843,616	\$ 73,156,465
<b>2) Ending Balance, June 30 (E + F1e)</b>	\$ 96,843,616	\$ 73,156,465	\$ 47,410,862
Restricted Reserve	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000
Other Assignments	\$ 10,673,452	\$ 10,673,452	\$ 10,673,452
Reserve for Economic Uncertainty	\$ 27,641,007	\$ 24,914,748	\$ 25,212,438
<b>Unassigned Unappropriated</b>	\$ 58,379,156	\$ 37,418,265	\$ 11,374,972



# **NEW: Student Voice From All City Council Budget Study Session on January 17, 2024**

*Note: District Leadership also met with All City Council Governing Board Leadership on November 29, 2023*

# **NEW: Student Voice From All City Council Budget Study Session on January 17, 2024**

*Question #1: What did you see in the presentation?*

- “I saw how we don’t have a lot of unrestricted money.”
- “I saw the basic statistics of where OUSD funding is going, and how it will continue in the next years.”
- “I got to see the budget and how the amount changes based off where the money is coming from.”
- “I seen that the budget is split in different type of funding and there are specific funds.”

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# **NEW: Student Voice From All City Council Budget Study Session on January 17, 2024**

*Question #2: What do you think about that?*

- “It’s strange because we as a district might need more of what’s in the non restricted than some of the restricted content.”
- “I thought it was very concerning because although we receive a lot of funding because of Covid, are will still going to be a stable district after the funding is gone.”
- “I think that when the specific terms are introduced it allows for the budget to be easier to understand.”

*Note: District Leadership also met with All City Council Governing Board Leadership on November 29, 2023*



# **NEW: Student Voice From All City Council Budget Study Session on January 17, 2024**

*Question #3: What does it make you wonder?*

- “It makes me wonder how we can use the limited funds we have so we aren’t negatively impacted later on.”
- “Wonder how wisely our district is spending money.”
- “I wonder how their board is going to work the budget out?”
- “How can the district be strategic with their money so there isn’t many budget cuts.”

*Note: District Leadership also met with All City Council Governing Board Leadership on November 29, 2023*

# **NEW: Student Voice From All City Council Budget Study Session on January 17, 2024**

*Question #4: What programs or projects do you feel have had the most positive impact on your OUSD experience?*

- “ACC” (x2)
- “Paid after school programs”
- “Prescott circus theatre (clowns)”
- “Special Education program”
- “I feel African American Excellence program (female and male), the Youth together organization, High school to college transition programs, and a lot more.”

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*What clarifying questions, if any, do you have?*

## Round Two (3 minutes/Director)

*What guidance are you providing around prioritization?*

# Next Steps in Journey Towards Decision-Making

June 23rd Board Retreat (Identification of Board Priorities)

August 3rd Board Retreat (Identification of Board Priorities & Work Plan)

October 2nd Study Session (LCAP Priority Investment Areas)

November 14th Study Session (cancelled)

January 8th Study Session

January 31st Study Session (Attachment B Adjustments)

February 14th Board Meeting (First Read)

February 28th Board Meeting (Board Action)



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# Appendix A

## 6- COMMONALITIES/THEMES OF REPORT



### Theme #1: CSI Restructuring.

There exists a strong need for restructuring CSI to be more efficient and effective.

There are **over 25 positions that our team recommend realigning within CSI to be more productive, 29 positions to be eliminated, and 6 positions created**



### Theme #2: Strong need to consolidate small schools to improve CSI services.

The current CSI team could deliver improved services if there were fewer schools to serve.

The OUSD Board of Education must act to consolidate schools for the 2024-25 school year. Under AB 1840, OUSD is required to take “affirmative board action to continue planning for, and timely implementation of, a school and facility closure and consolidation plan that supports the sale or lease of surplus property.” The Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team (FCMAT) has recommended school closures in Oakland for several years.

# 6- COMMONALITIES/THEMES OF REPORT



## Theme #3: Lack of Accountability.

Many CSI departments do not use key performance indicators (KPIs) to measure and understand the performance and health of their units and to make data-driven decisions in order to achieve strategic goals.

Formal and informal evaluations are not consistently occurring to assist central office staff in self-improvement and professional development.

## Theme # 4: There is a lack of collaboration among CSI departments and with Network Superintendents



Interviews with OUSD staff, in addition to overwhelming responses in the survey show several attempts of collaboration by CSI; however, overall there is a lack of coordination and alignment of CSI services.





# 6- COMMONALITIES/THEMES OF REPORT

## Theme # 5: Lack of Clear Communication.

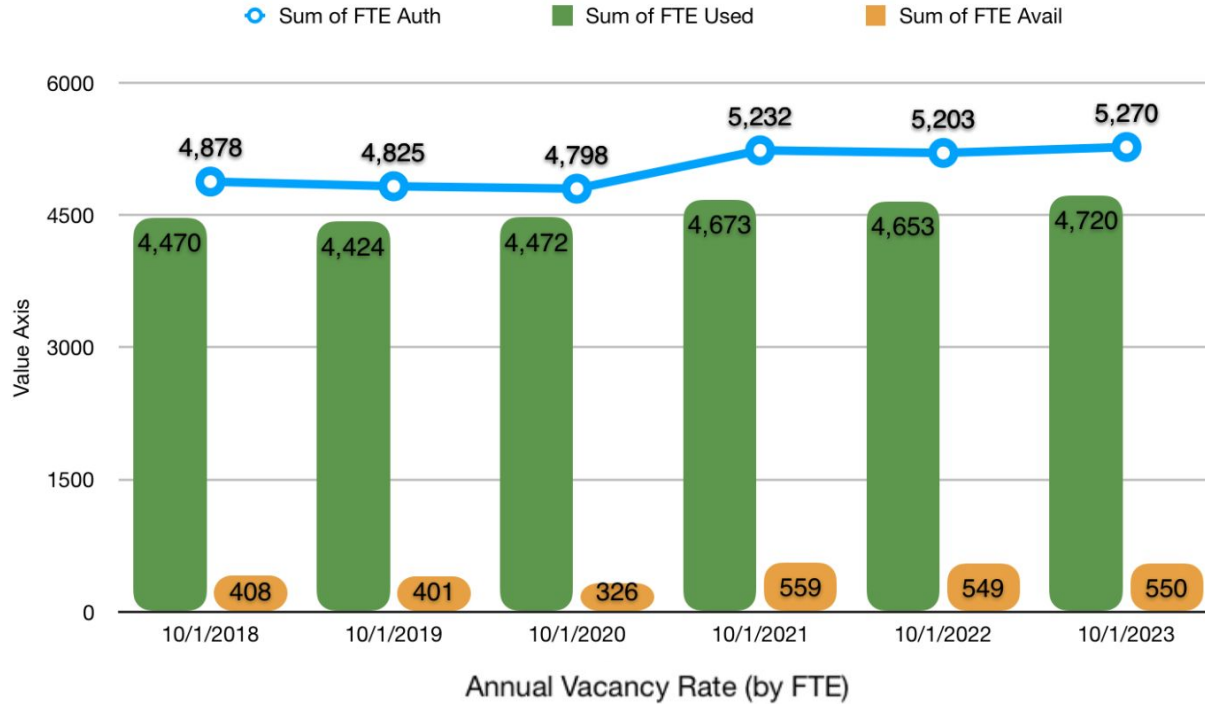
There is a pervasive theme throughout the schools that clear and timely communication is lacking in not just CSI, but Central Office in general.



## Theme #6: Better balance is needed between site-based management/autonomy and Central Office non-negotiables that impact all schools.

# Item 14

## Positions Overtime 2018-2024 (as of October 1st)



	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
October	8%	8%	7%	11%	11%	10%

# Item 14

## Frequent vacant positions by classification

Position Title	This data reflects total FTE each year. The green color reflects an increase from the previous year and the red indicates decreased FTE from the previous year.						This data reflects the total FTE, Vacant FTE and Vacancy rate on January 9, 2024			This data reflects the vacancy rate year over year from 2018 through 2022				
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Filled FTE	Vacant FTE	1/9/24	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Para Educator	258	289	305	314	318	331	275.40	56.00	17%	10%	10%	11%	11%	15%
Teacher	1607	1592	1611	1683	1627	1604	1553.20	50.40	3%	4%	4%	1%	3%	4%
Teacher SPED	350	363	373	387	383	384	354.40	29.20	8%	7%	7%	3%	4%	8%
Tutor	23	29	59	105	131	161	131.64	29.16	18%	18%	21%	34%	34%	27%
Instructional Support Specialist	116	130	132	145	135	110	88.00	22.40	20%	9%	10%	8%	17%	24%
STIP Substitute	100	100	82	121	128	149	127.10	21.45	14%	17%	14%	15%	20%	20%
Custodian (inc. CDC, Head, Lead)	222	223	219	239	218	232	214.00	18.00	8%	4%	6%	5%	13%	7%
TSA, Classroom	206	193	147	186	177	190	173.60	16.50	9%	8%	6%	11%	10%	10%
Culture Keeper				13	13	66	51.00	15.00	23%				32%	7%
Food Service Assistant (I & III)	144	128	126	117	103	110	97.06	12.94	12%	16%	11%	14%	15%	11%
Social Worker	27	23	32	41	38	46	36.75	9.30	20%	7%	4%	7%	12%	14%
Psychologist	45	43	51	52	51	52	44.05	8.40	16%	4%	13%	15%	2%	13%
Speech Therapist	48	47	53	52	52	59	50.60	8.40	14%	6%	6%	13%	15%	9%
TSA	27	35	29	38	44	50	42.80	7.00	14%	13%	19%	1%	13%	11%
Noon Supervisor	56	53	40	49	50	40	33.84	6.37	16%	21%	18%	9%	19%	16%
Nurse	41	34	31	35	35	32	26.8	5	16%	25%	12%	3%	14%	14%



# Appendix B:

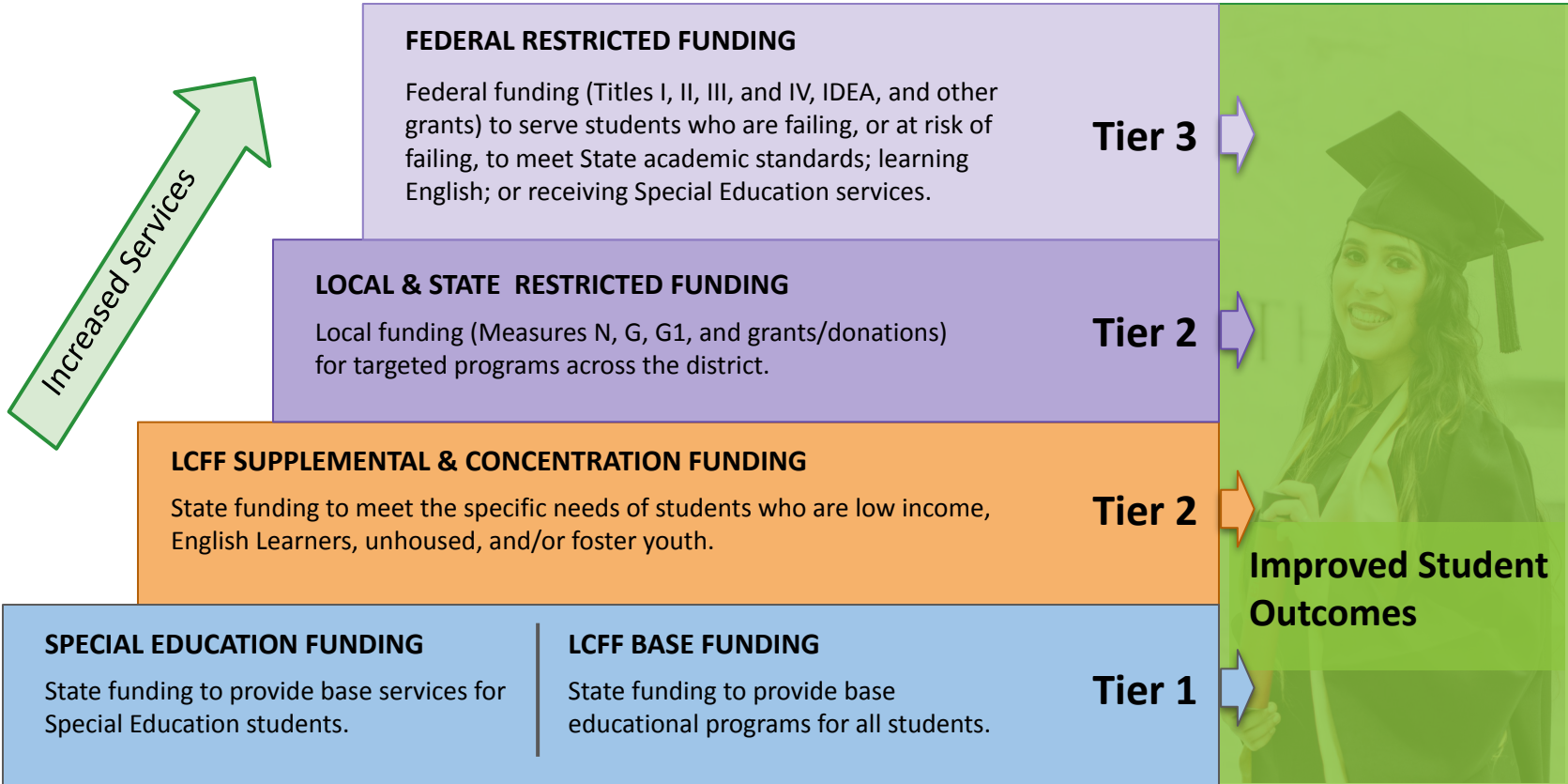
# Requirement of ACOE

Excerpt from [Alameda County Office of Education's \(ACOE\) Response](#) to the District's AB1200 filing regarding the ability to afford the Tentative Agreement with the Oakland Education Association.

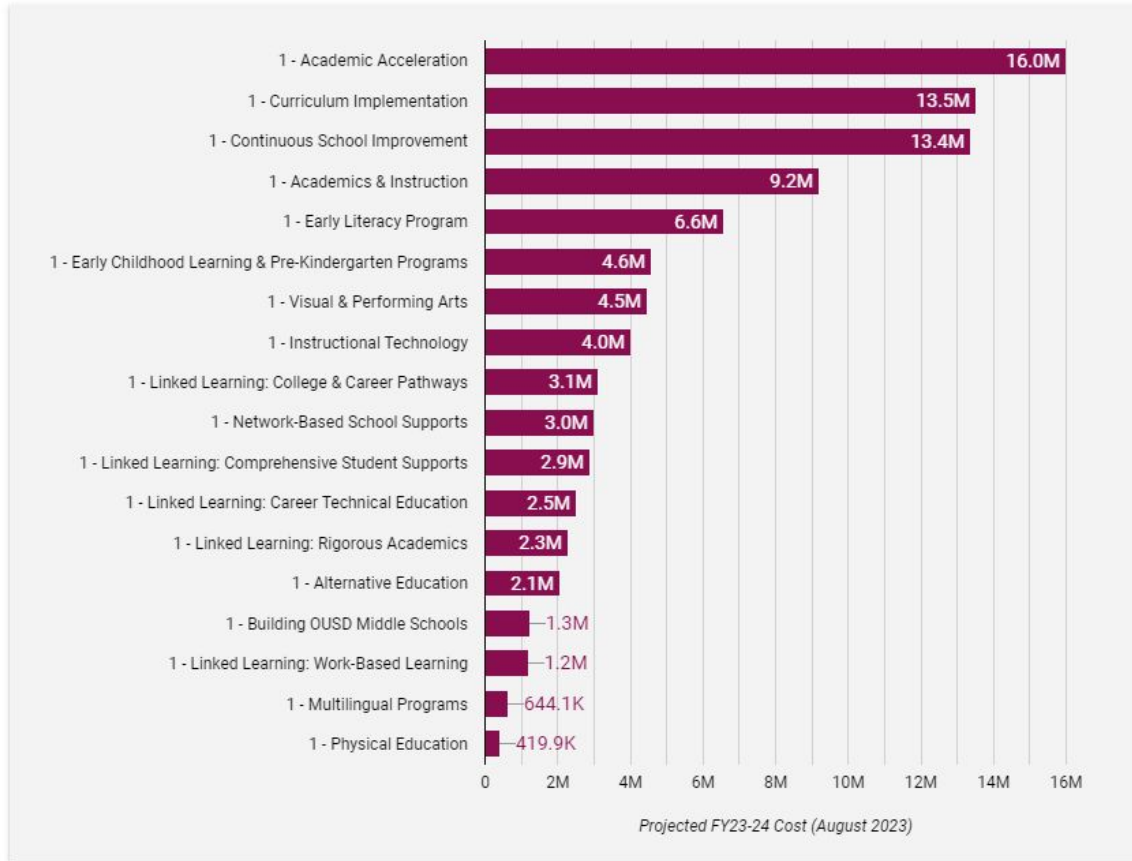
“In order for ACOE to verify that Board and District staff are implementing the budget adjustments the Board approved within the Public Disclosure documents, OUSD will:

- Provide ACOE with a Board-approved detailed update on its list of Budget Adjustments by October 31, 2023;
- Share additional updates in ACOE's bi-weekly call to monitor the staff and Board's progress with strategic planning;
- Present a public update to be provided by First Interim, **with further public disclosure and formal Board Action required no later than February 2024, to ensure the District meets its obligations in the subsequent fiscal year.**”

# It's useful to think of OUSD's funding in Tiers of support



# LCAP Goal 1 Summary - 2023-24 Projected Costs



Projected FY2023-24 Cost

**91.1M**

### Duration

Ongoing  
**45.0M**

One-time  
**46.2M**

### Type

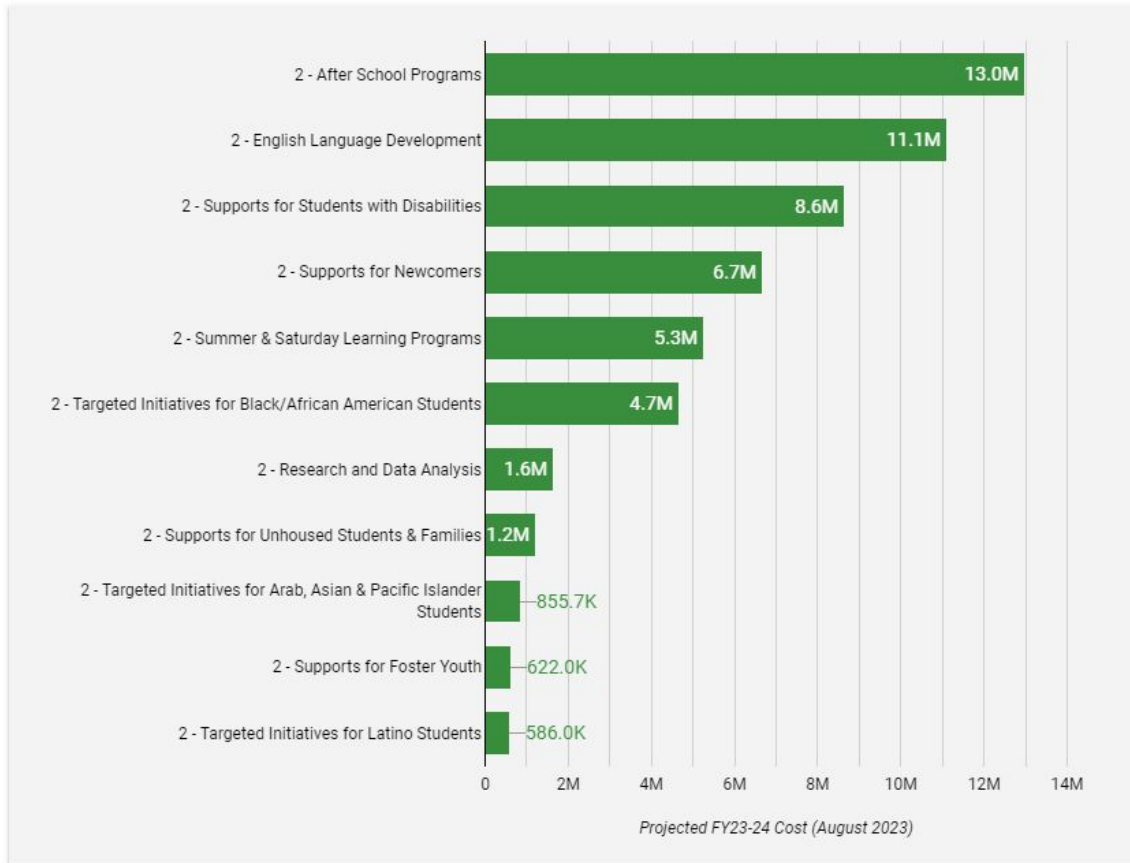
S&C  
**45.9M**

Other Unrestricted  
**444.0K**

COVID Relief  
**10.2M**

Other Restricted  
**34.6M**

# LCAP Goal 2 Summary - 2023-24 Projected Costs



Projected FY2023-24 Cost

**54.2M**

**Duration**

Ongoing  
**30.9M**

One-time  
**23.3M**

**Type**

S&C  
**26.8M**

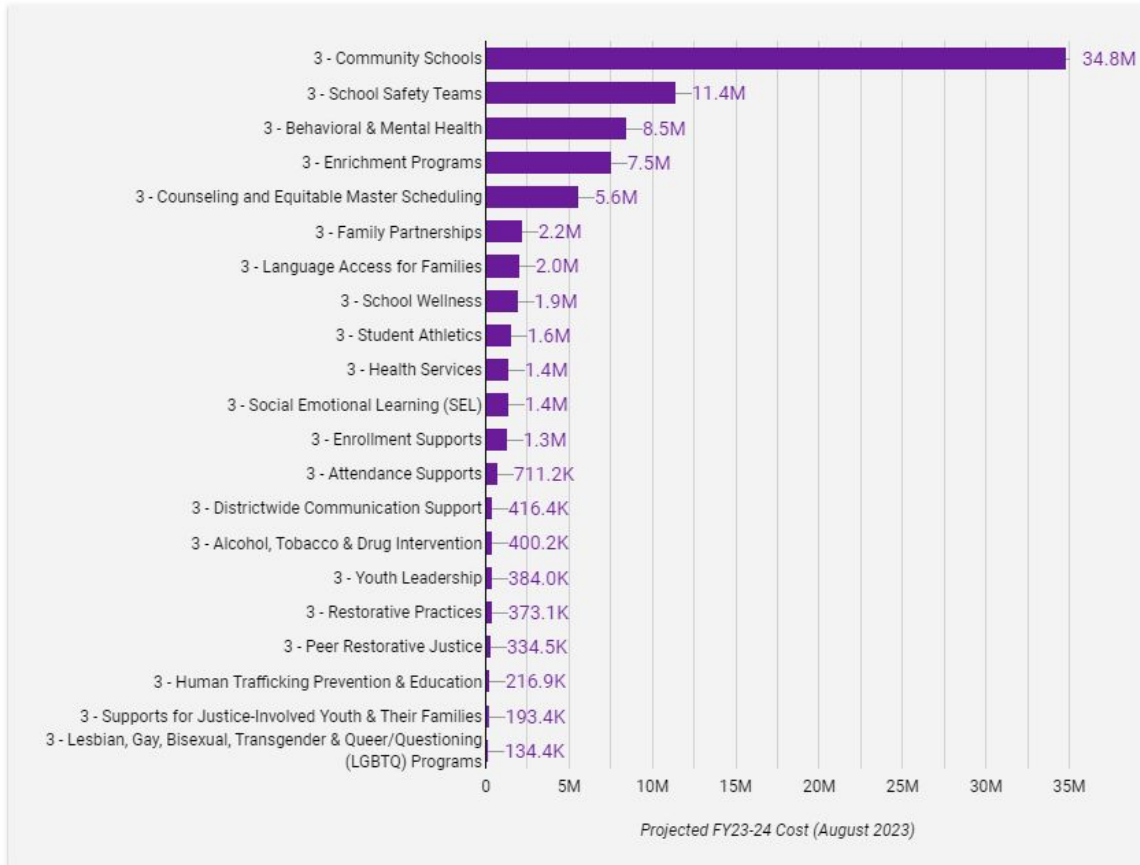
Other Unrestricted  
**775.9K**

COVID Relief  
**5.7M**

Other Restricted  
**20.9M**



# LCAP Goal 3 Summary - 2023-24 Projected Costs



Projected FY2023-24 Cost  
**82.8M**

### Duration

Ongoing  
**50.1M**

One-time  
**32.7M**

### Type

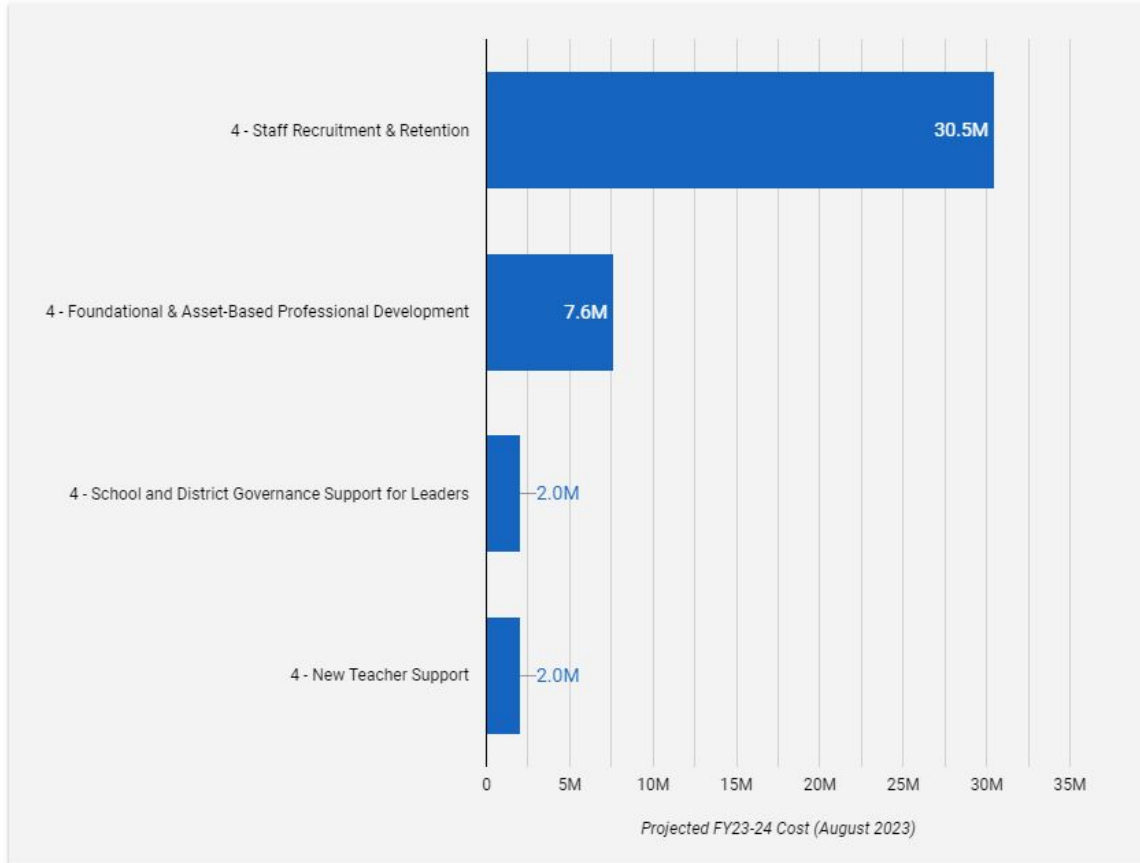
S&C  
**48.4M**

Other Unrestricted  
**693.9K**

COVID Relief  
**6.6M**

Other Restricted  
**27.1M**

# LCAP Goal 4 Summary - 2023-24 Projected Costs



Projected FY2023-24 Cost

**42.2M**

### Duration

Ongoing  
**27.5M**

One-time  
**14.7M**

### Type

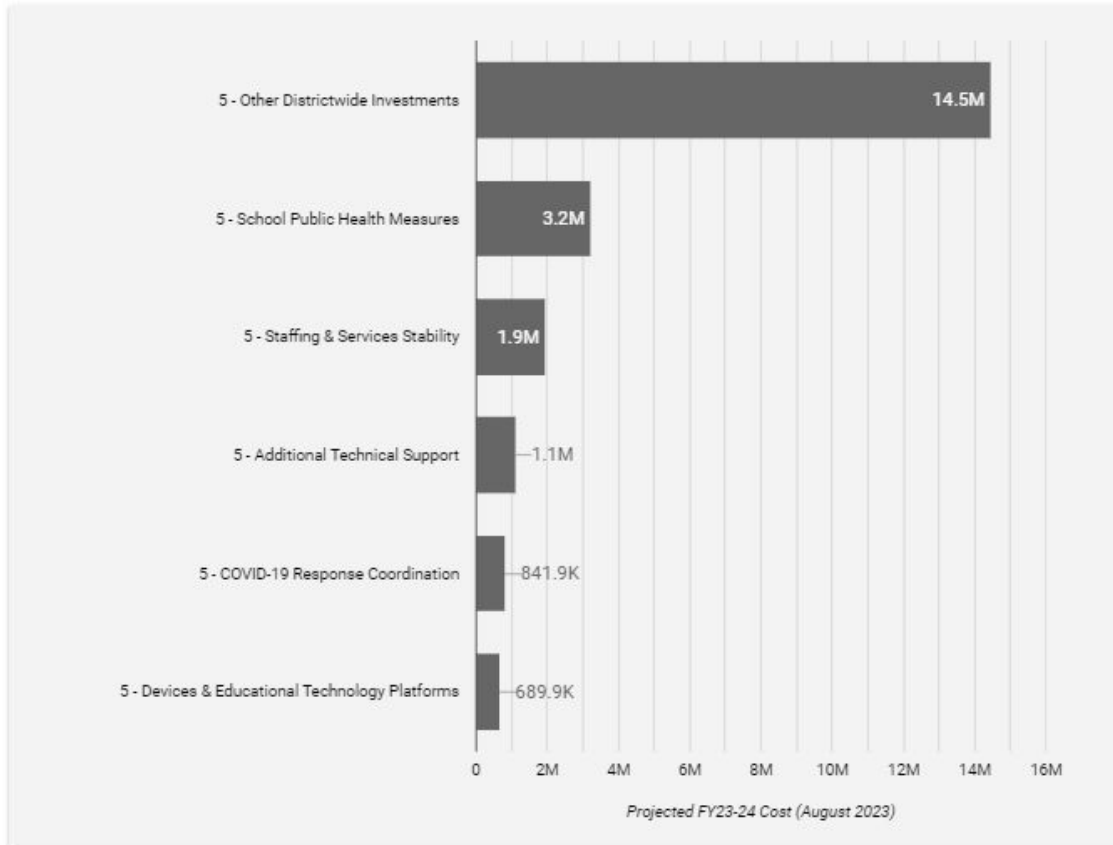
S&C  
**27.7M**

Other Unrestricted  
**No data**

COVID Relief  
**8.9M**

Other Restricted  
**5.5M**

# LCAP Goal 5 Summary - 2023-24 Projected Costs



Projected FY2023-24 Cost

**\$22.3M**

**Duration**

Ongoing

No data

One-time

**\$22.3M**

**Type**

S&C

No data

Other Unrestricted

No data

COVID Relief

**\$22.3M**

Other Restricted

No data

**Positions**

FTE

**21.0**

# Additional Resources Available Since Nov/Dec

- ✓ [Interactive Dashboard](#) - LCAP investments shared with PSAC in November. Filter LCAP Investments by:
  - Resource type
  - Resource duration
  - Expenditure type
  - LCAP Goal/Action Area
- ✓ [Presentation shared with PSAC](#) on LCAP Investments in November
- ✓ [Positions Funded by One-time Funds](#) shared with PSAC in December



**By Goal**

Goal	Ongoing	One-Time	Total
Goal - 2	30.9M	23.3M	54.2M
Goal - 3	30.1M	32.7M	62.8M
Goal - 4	27.9M	14.7M	42.2M
Goal - 5	22.3M	0M	22.3M
<b>Total</b>	<b>111.1M</b>	<b>60.7M</b>	<b>171.8M</b>

Projected FY2023-24 Cost  
**\$292.6M**

**Duration**

Ongoing  
**\$152.7M**

One-time  
**\$139.9M**

**Type**

S&C  
**\$148.8M**

Other Unrestricted  
**\$1.9M**

COVID Relief  
**\$53.8M**

Other Restricted  
**\$88.1M**

**Positions**

FTE  
**1,197.5**



**By Action Area**

Action Area	Investment
1 - Academics & Instruction	13.9M
1 - Early Childhood Learning & Professional Programs	6.0M
1 - Early Childhood Learning & Professional Programs	4.0M
1 - Visual & Performing Arts	4.0M
1 - Instructional Technology	4.0M
1 - Linked Learning: College & Career Pathways	3.1M
1 - Network-Based School Supports	3.0M
1 - Linked Learning: Comprehensive Student Supports	2.9M
1 - Linked Learning: Career Technical Education	2.5M
1 - Linked Learning: Rigorous Academics	2.3M
1 - Alternative Education	2.2M
1 - Building Out/2 Middle Schools	1.3M
1 - Linked Learning: Multi-Based Learning	1.3M
1 - Multilingual Programs	0.641K
1 - Physical Education	0.191K



**Investment Details**

**By Specific Investment**

Description	Resource Type	Personnel	Cost
Investments in playgrounds at high-UPP schools	S&C Carryover	Non-Personnel	18 \$2,774,037
CEI education to schools	ESDA, Comp Support & Improvement	Non-Personnel	\$1,297,755
Elementary Teacher on Special Assignment, School Improvement	ESDA, Comp Support & Improvement	Personnel	\$1,151,500
On-site investments in declining enrollment schools to level school services	S&C Carryover	Personnel	5 \$645,773
Effective, Continuous School Improvement	Unrevd AS1440	Personnel	\$444,003
Stipends	S&C Carryover	Personnel	\$420,000
Other Student Support Staff (approved additions)	S&C Carryover	Personnel	2 \$339,496
Expanded contracts to support school linkage process	Central Concentration	Personnel	\$335,624
Additional resources to improve graduation rates at schools designated for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI)	ESDA, Comp Support & Improvement	Personnel	\$325,000
Deputy Chief of Continuous School Improvement	Central Supplemental	Personnel	\$308,571
Blueprint - Final Year School Support	ES&ER III	Personnel	3 \$273,448
Consultants for Blueprint	Central Concentration	Non-Personnel	\$160,000
Consultants	S&C Carryover	Non-Personnel	\$150,000
Extended-time teachers	Central Concentration	Personnel	\$60,000

# LCAP Financial Summary - 2023-24 Projected Costs



Projected FY2023-24 Cost  
**292.6M**

## Duration

Ongoing  
**153.5M**

One-time  
**139.2M**


## Type

S&C  
**148.8M**

Other Unrestricted  
**1.9M**

COVID Relief  
**53.8M**

Other Restricted  
**88.1M**



The following slides were intended to be presented and discussed during the November 14th Board Study Session.

# School Site Positions Funded with S&C

## Key Questions Asked During Budget Development

- Are these investments being used as intended?
- Are these investments effective at achieving their goals?
- Are these our highest priority investments?
- Which schools or students should be prioritized for these investments if they cannot be sustained at all schools?

# School Site Student Support Allocations by UPP Level\*

<b>Level 1 - Community School Manager or Similar</b>	<b>Level 2 - Case Manager, Restorative Justice Facilitator, or Similar</b>	<b>Level 3 - Other Student Support</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 25.0 FTE Community School Managers (35 schools)</li> <li>● 0.9 FTE Teachers on Special Assignment (2 schools)</li> </ul> <p><i>Remaining FTE swapped for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 0.4 FTE Case Manager (1 school)</li> <li>● 1.1 FTE Prep Teachers (2 schools)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 7.1 FTE Case Managers (8 schools)</li> <li>● 3.0 FTE Restorative Justice Facilitators (4 schools)</li> <li>● 1.0 FTE Bilingual Community Relations Assistant (1 school)</li> <li>● 1.0 FTE Outreach Consultant (1 school)</li> <li>● 0.4 FTE Counselor (1 school)</li> <li>● 0.4 FTE Social Worker (1 school)</li> </ul> <p><i>Remaining FTE swapped for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 4.25 FTE Community School Managers (10 schools)</li> <li>● 1.5 FTE Teachers on Special Assignment (2 schools)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1.5 FTE Attendance Specialists (3 schools)</li> <li>● 0.5 FTE STIP Teacher (1 school)</li> </ul> <p><i>Remaining FTE swapped for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1.0 FTE Restorative Justice Facilitator (1 school)</li> <li>● 1.4 FTE Community School Managers (3 schools)</li> <li>● 0.3 FTE Teacher on Special Assignment (1 school)</li> </ul>

\* Unduplicated Pupil Percentage is the percentage of students designated as low income, Foster Youth or English Learners



# School Site Student Support Allocations

## Key Learnings & Takeaways

- Schools overwhelmingly want CSMs (48 schools), followed by Case Managers (9 schools)
- A smaller number of schools use this allocation towards TSAs and RJ Facilitators (5 schools each)
- All of the schools using this allocation towards attendance specialists were large, low UPP elementary schools that only receive 0.5 FTE of attendance staffing by formula

# School Site Student Support Allocations

## Next Steps

- What is the desired staffing for student support with no constraints?
- Which schools should be prioritized for these supports in a scarce resource environment?

# Highest S&C Central Investment Areas

Investment Area	Cost	Description
Curriculum adoption and implementation	\$10.2M*	Purchase of curricula, curriculum pilots, Academics & Instruction staff to manage implementation
Behavioral and mental health supports	\$7.4M*	Behavioral health/MTSS staff, contracts for screeners or to provide services, training
Supports for students with disabilities	\$7.4M*	SpEd Central staff, implementation of Disability Access Resolution
Professional development (PD)	\$5.3M*	Extended time for staff, PD providers, Talent staff to support staff development
Instructional technology	\$3.7M*	Student chromebooks, IT staff to support school technology
Academics and instruction	\$3.2M	Directors and coordinators of instruction for elementary and secondary core content areas
School safety and violence prevention	\$2.8M	Staff to manage culture keeper program, contracts for violence prevention and interruption

*\* currently funded in whole or in part in LCFF S&C Carryover; must return to LCFF S&C budget once carryover is exhausted*

# Highest S&C Central Investment Areas (cont.)

Investment Area	Cost	Description
Network-based school supports	\$2.5M	Network superintendents and partners, principal PD
Family engagement	\$2.1M	Office of Equity family engagement staff and interpreters, contracts for additional translation services
Supports for English Learners	\$1.7M	ELLMA staff, curriculum materials and professional development for ELL teachers
Health services	\$1.4M	Nurses and other health services staff
Continuous school improvement	\$1.4M	Staff, extended time, and contracts to support school redesign process
Research and data analysis	\$1.3M	RAD staff, data licenses
Linked Learning	\$1.1M	Linked Learning staff and materials
Enrollment	\$1.0M	Student Assignment Counselors and Student Welcome Center staff
Talent recruitment and retention	\$1.0M	Talent staff to support recruitment and retention

## Additional Slides

Not part of presentation  
For additional information and/or in  
response to Board member questions

**Friday's With SLT**  
**Understanding Board Policy 3150,**  
**Its Challenges, and the Testimony of Witnesses**

**Lisa Grant-Dawson, Chief Business Officer**  
**April 15, 2023**



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## Our Vision

All OUSD students will find joy in their academic experience while graduating with the skills to ensure they are caring, competent, fully-informed, critical thinkers who are prepared for college, career, and community success.

## Our Mission

Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) will build a Full Service Community District focused on high academic achievement while serving the whole child, eliminating inequity, and providing each child with excellent teachers, every day.



# Ask of the SLT

- Actively listen and participate while acknowledging that many of us are multi-tasking (I don't mind)
- Learn why we are seeking to modify this policy
- Ask questions and provide insight on what you heard, thought, or additional challenges and triumphs that will be helpful to the Board and constituents
- Be empathetic to the basis of this policy was to develop a strategy to fund a Community School model without an aligned understanding of how school finance and District operations work.



# Outline

- What is BP 3150?
- Part I - The Introduction & Purpose
  - The Featured Board Policies on the Project
- Part II - The Guiding Principles
- Part III - The Intent/Wonderings
- Part IV - In the News - The B Side Article
- Part V - Deep and Brief Reflections & Questions
- Close Out



# What is Board Policy 3150?

# Board Policy 3150

- Falls under the “3” Range category for Policies which is designated for all school districts for Business and Non Instructional Operations
  - Adopted in January 2014
  - Labeled as **Results Based Budgeting (RBB)**
    - A budget methodology designed to allocate resources to achieve objectives based on a set of goals and coinciding planned/expected results
    - Also called **Performance Based Budgeting (PBB)**
      - Assumes pairing performance goals aligned to budgets will improve budget strategy, decisions through measurable results to planned outcomes



# Part I - Introduction & Purpose

# BP 3150 - The Introduction & Purpose

The Policy Intro: The Board Policy on Results-Based Budgeting provides policy direction to the Superintendent regarding the Oakland Unified School District's continuous budget development process. The Board Policy on Results-Based Budgeting is directly aligned to and builds upon Board of Education policies on School Governance and Quality School Development.

- [BP 3625](#) - School Governance
  - [AR 3625](#) - School Governance & SSC Procedures Guide
- [BP 6005](#) - Quality School Improvement
- [BP 6006](#) - Quality School Development: Community of Schools



# **The Coinciding Featured Board Policies to 3150**

- [BP 3625](#) - School Governance

The Policy Intro: The Board of Education is responsible for fostering conditions that enable every school in the Oakland Unified School District to create learning environments that make more effective teaching and learning possible.

**The Board of Education believes that those closest to students at a school - employees, parents, students, community partners - are generally in the best position to know the specific academic, social, and emotional needs of their students, and how best to address those needs.**

**The Board of Education, within the context of established OUSD strategic priorities, performance accountability standards, and collective bargaining agreements, believes that empowering school governance teams to align and manage resources to effectively address the specific needs of their students is a necessary and fundamental condition to enable every school to make more effective teaching and learning possible.**

- [BP 6005](#) - Quality School Improvement

**The Policy Intro: The Board of Education is responsible for ensuring** that the Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) is a **high-quality full-service community school district that serves the whole child, eliminates inequity, and provides each child with excellent teachers every day.**

**The Board of Education is committed to providing all students a continuum of high-quality schools**, including schools that are directly operated by the OUSD; public charter schools authorized by the Oakland Unified School District; and schools funded by, but are not exclusively operated by the Oakland Unified School District.

Toward realizing this promise, the Board of Education shall:

1. **Establish performance quality standards and student outcome goals, toward which all schools are expected to make steady progress.**
2. **Establish a school quality review process in which all schools, through their school governance team and in collaboration with District leaders, are accountable for:**
  - a. Assessing the state of their school in relation to established performance quality standards and student outcome goals.
  - b. Identifying key priorities for school improvement.
  - c. Establishing a school improvement plan.



- [BP 6006](#) - Quality School Development: Community of Schools

**The Policy Intro:** The Board of Education (Board) is deeply committed to the vision of Oakland being home to high quality public education options for all students and families, no matter their race, ethnicity, zip code or income. **To realize this vision, the Board directs the Superintendent to develop a citywide plan that promotes the long-term sustainability of publicly-funded schools across Oakland that represent quality and equitable educational options.**

The Board recognizes that it has oversight over all Oakland public schools, both those run by the Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) and those run by various charter school operators and also acknowledges that it has a fiduciary responsibility to maintain the fiscal health and well-being of OUSD and its schools in order to provide a high-quality education to its students. **The Board also recognizes that this is a competitive landscape with limited resources,** and the OUSD Board and each charter school board is working to ensure that each student has what they need to succeed. **Still, it is the Board's categorical expectation that all education providers operating or desiring to operate school programs in Oakland - district or charter – as well as families, staff, community members and labor unions, will accept shared responsibility for the sustainability of our school system** and embrace the idea that we: (i) do not operate in silos, (ii) are interdependent in our efforts to serve all students and families; and (iii) need to act with consideration of the larger community of schools. We also recognize the challenging work ahead of building and rebuilding trust among the diverse members of our community in realizing this vision.



# Part II - The Guiding Principles

# BP 3150 - Part II - The Guiding Principles

The Board of Education hereby establishes the following principles to guide the Oakland Unified School District's annual budgeting process:

1. The allocation and expenditure of OUSD financial resources **shall be aligned to the achievement of continuous improvement in school quality and student outcomes.**
2. The *allocation of OUSD financial resources to schools shall be maximized.*
3. The distribution of OUSD financial resources to schools shall account for varying student needs and neighborhood conditions.
4. *School governance teams shall be empowered to budget and expend OUSD financial resources.*
5. The general public shall have timely access to accurate, comprehensive, and easily comprehensible OUSD financial management information at the school, department, and district-wide levels.

# Wonderings About - The Guiding Principles

1. Do we have a universally understood document or set of metrics that if we have adopted RBB, is consistently used to assess alignment of achievement and continuous improvement in school quality and outcomes?
2. What does “maximizing” allocation of financial resources to schools mean?
  - a. See Item 4
4. What is the responsibility of school governance teams to budget, expend, and reporting of the RBB outcomes per BP 6005?



# Part III - The Intent

# BP 3150 - Part III - The Intent

Within the context of established OUSD strategic priorities, state and federal regulations, and collective bargaining agreements, the Board of Education hereby establishes its intent to:

1. Adopt three-year district-wide School Quality Improvement goals, benchmarks, and priorities (i.e. Balanced Scorecard, Local Control Accountability Plan) toward which every school and every central administration department is responsible for achieving steady measurable progress.
2. Hold every school responsible and accountable, through the OUSD Community School Strategic Site Plan process, for budgeting and expanding its financial resources in a manner that enables each school to realize steady measurable progress toward achieving Board-adopted School Quality Improvement goals and growth targets.
3. Hold every central administration department responsible and accountable, through the OUSD Community School Strategic Site Plan process, for budgeting and expanding its financial resources in a manner that demonstrates how each department is achieving steady measurable progress toward providing the supports each school needs to achieve their School Quality Improvement goals and growth targets.

# Wonderings About - The Intent

1. What parts of the *three-year District wide School quality Improvement goals* have been established and how are *every school and every central administration department* measuring and reporting steady progress?
2. What is the OUSD Community School Strategic Site Plan Process?
  - a. If this is in layman's terms the “Budget Development” process, what needs to be accomplished to couple this effort with Board-adopted School Quality Improvement goals and growth targets for schools and central departments?
  - b. When and how are those targets established annually to coincide with the Budget Development process?

# BP 3150 - Part III - The Intent cont;

4. Maximize the allocation of all Unrestricted General Fund revenue (i.e. Local Control Funding Formula – Base, Supplemental, Concentration, and local tax revenue) to schools by:
  - a. First, paying all legally required district-wide obligations (e.g. State Emergency Loan, charter school pass-through payments, audit findings).
  - b. Second, allocating up to 12% of all Unrestricted General Fund revenue to support district-wide central administrative services (e.g. finance, human resources, performance management, instructional services, legal services, district leadership).
  - c. Third, paying the following services to schools:
    1. Special Education
    2. Custodial and Buildings & Grounds
    3. School Police & School Security Officers
    4. School Nurses
    5. School Counselors
    6. Specified Enrichment Resources (i.e. summer school, music, art)



# Wonderings About - The Intent

4. This allocation methodology reads as if we pay specific costs first, then allocate to schools and other areas.

- Our methodology has been that we allocate to schools first and then we see how much is left to allocate elsewhere.
- The language also defines Unrestricted General Fund revenue as: (i.e. Local Control Funding Formula – **Base, Supplemental, Concentration, and local tax revenue**)
  - It also seeks to cap the allocation at up to for specific departments/leaderships at 12% for all LCFF revenue.
    - Our methodology of allocation has not aligned to this intent, nor does it make operational and mathematical sense as aligned to the asks, but we'll get tackle that later.
- The intent also states “paying” the following services to schools, which could be interpreted as allocating, staffing, or providing, but is unclear in intent in the use of the verb “paying.”

# BP 3150 - Part III - The Intent cont;

5. Allocate to schools all remaining Unrestricted General Fund revenue based on the projected student enrollment of each school, including allocating a differential amount of revenue to schools based on the number of students enrolled at each school who:
  - a. Are in elementary schools, middle schools, and high schools
  - b. Qualify for the Federal Free & Reduced Price Meals Program
  - c. Are English Learners
  - d. Are in Foster Care
  - e. Reside in high-stress neighborhoods
  
6. The Superintendent shall provide the first draft of the District's annual budget and the Local Control Accountability Plan to the Board and community of Oakland each year at a Board meeting no later than the second regular Board meeting in May.

# Wonderings About - The Intent

5. Though the order of operations states the intent is to allocate to the schools funding based on enrollment and supplemental resources, did we really intend to allocate “all” remaining Unrestricted Revenue?

- What about other District expenses not cited above OR in years where our first obligation to pay required expenses, does that mean that “all” remaining Unrestricted revenue would shift annually and therefore adjust allocations?

6. This request is not by standard reasonable; however, we have provided the drafts of the Budget and LCAP. The basis was the District’s history of not providing a budget draft before seeking adoption. (Amended Dec 2019 - J. Harris)

- A preferred language change would be allowing the draft by no later than the first board meeting in June, which recently we have requested drafts/public hearings at a board meeting on the First Wednesday of the month. Additionally, we have added Budget Development engagement options to ensure the Board/constituents are closer to the process. We have also provided the LCAP to the Board along with PSAC late May.



# Part III - The B Side Article

# THE OAKLAND B-SIDE

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## **BOARD POLICY 3150 IS NOT GUIDING RESULTS BASED BUDGETING!**

Sources say that BP 3150, though well intended, is unable to be operationalized in the manner in which it is written. There are several areas that require clarification and establishing agreed metrics and goals to guide a true RBB process.

The Policy has been successful at measurable results such as optimizing the intent of maximizing allocations to school sites in staffing and funding. Experts state that though notable, the policy on its face is not sustainable, is not being executed based on more appropriate budget practices and prioritization of resources.

The District continues to be at risk of not only violating the Board's policy, but being unable to level set due to the manner in which budget prioritization and decision are made, which are not aligned to RBB and quality school metrics as intended.


District staff plan to work with the Budget and Finance Committee to develop a recommendation of how to proceed with revising the policy and will continue improving its Budget Development and engagement practices.



# Part V - Your Turn: Audience Participation



# **Deep and Brief Whip Thoughts and Questions?**



**Thank you for your time.  
Stay tuned for updates and  
invitations to partner in the  
forthcoming policy  
recommendations!**



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			FTE Change	Savings		FTE Change	Savings	FTE Change	Savings	FTE Change	Savings	FTE Change	Contribution
1	<b>Adjustment to School Site Allocations- Discretionary (Unrestricted)</b> Schools receive discretionary funding based on projected student enrollment at each grade level, rather than by a school's grade span. Discretionary funds are intended to cover the cost of a site's basic operational and program needs, including copier agreements, supplies, books, contracted services, and equipment to support the school site educational environment. Graduation costs, WASC dues, and other mandated non-salary costs must also be paid with Discretionary funds. Discretionary funds are currently allocated to school sites using the following grade span formula  Grades TK-5: \$60.00 per student Grades 6-8: \$75.00 per student Grades 9-12: \$100.00 per student	<b>Proposed Reduction to School Site Funding Allocation Effective FY 23-24 for 2024-25 SITE ALLOCATION (ONE PAGERS)</b>  Grades TK-5: \$50.00 per student Grades 6-8: \$65.00 per student Grades 9-12: \$80.00 per student  Impact: No impact to school allocations in FY 23-24. Starting in FY 24-25, schools will be able to afford less supplies, operational maintenance (i.e. copier upkeep) and/or staff etc. than prior years.  Mitigation FY 23-24: Status-quo for 1 year as one-time funds (i.e. ESSER III) will be used to offset the reduction. Mitigation FY 24-25: Schools may purchase supplies centrally, allowing for reduction in costs and use other restricted resources to fund priorities.		\$ (457,578)									
2	<b>Adjustment to School Site Allocations- LCFF</b> Schools receive a per pupil allocation of LCFF (Supplemental) funding. The current funding formula is \$785 per eligible student. The count of eligible students is determined by multiplying the projected total enrollment, including SDC students and Late-Arriving Newcomers, but the three-year average of the school's Unduplicated Pupil Percentage (UPP). Unduplicated students are defined by the State as low-income students, English learners, and foster youth.  For 2022-23, approximately \$21 million in LCFF Supplemental funds are allocated to schools.	<b>Proposed Reduction to School Site Funding Allocation Adjustment Effective FY 23-24 for 2024-25 SITE ALLOCATION (ONE PAGERS)</b>  Reduce the per pupil LCFF allocation (Supplemental) from \$785 per student to \$675 per student.  Impact: No impact to school allocations in FY 23-24. Starting in FY 24-25, schools will be able to afford less supplies, operational maintenance, and/or staff etc. than prior years.  Mitigation FY 23-24: Status-quo for 1 year as one-time funds (i.e. ESSER III) will be used to offset the reduction. Mitigation FY 23-24: Schools may adjust services or rely on other restricted funds to ensure a continuity of services and programs.								\$ (2,583,685)			
3	<b>AMENDMENT</b> <b>Potential Merger of District Schools - FOLLOW</b>	<b>Background</b>  oThe District proposes a to extend the planning year (2023-24 ) by one year to 2024-25 for the potential merger of at least 10 schools effective with a planned implementation 2024-25/2025-26. Before any closures or consolidations take place, the District will comply with the guidelines set forth in AB 1912 which requires a district, before approving the closure or consolidation of a school, to conduct an equity impact analysis in its consideration of school closures or consolidations. The governing board of the school district would be required to "develop a set of metrics, as specified, for the development of the equity impact analysis, and to make those metrics public at a regularly scheduled meeting of the governing board of the school district so that the public can provide input regarding the metrics being used to conduct the analysis, as provided."  The District proposes a shift of the below listed positions to one-time funds* in anticipation of the possible mergers:  Teacher-(1.1 FTE) Principals-(5.0 FTE) Glencol-(5.5 FTE) Attendance-(2.5 FTE) Noon Supt-(1.2 FTE) GSM-(1.4 FTE) Support Position-(1.0 FTE) *In addition to ESSER funds, allowable use of other one-time funding sources will be evaluated for the purpose of this shift.		\$ -								\$ (2,477,792)	

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4	A - To Address the language of the project B. To Address the Financial Commitment	Follow BP 3150 and re-establish the definition of the following: The allocation of OUSD financial resources to schools shall be maximized. This means that we have to level set the allocations to fit within our means as BP 3150 also says. Still, it is the Board's categorical expectation that all education providers operating or desiring to operate school programs in Oakland—district or charter—as well as families, staff, community members and labor unions, will accept shared responsibility for the sustainability of our school system and embrace the idea that we: (i) do not operate in silos, (ii) are interdependent in our efforts to serve all students and families; and (iii) need to act with consideration of the larger community of schools. We also recognize the challenging work ahead of building and rebuilding trust among the diverse members of our community in realizing this vision. In addition to the supplemental LCFF allocation noted above, adjust all site allocations within all resources to absorb the projected salary increases for 2024-25 up to the dollar amounts allocated in 2023-24 and provide additional allocations AFTER the District confirms it's ability to make subsequent allocations after the May 2024 Revise. THS												
5*		Assess the Decision of the Implementation Plan and sourcing needs for positions recommended for elimination and addition and the impact to the budget by resource. <b>Interest in CSI Redesign Implementation: mostly in adjustments to the curriculum dept and the office of equity.</b>												
6*		Central Office - Continuous School Improvement	Redesign Work in Progress. Support for Legal Dept Restructuring: use of paralegals instead of attorneys and reducing consultant contracts.											
7*		Central Office - Business/Talent/Technology and All OTHER Departments not noted with non-represented staff.	Complete Recommendation from School Services Review. Interest in Reclassification of non-represented staff positions: we are partially doing this through the restructuring in the Legal Dept and CSI but assessing and evaluating all positions.											
8		Review all Board Resolutions to made decisions about which programs we are maintaining.	Recommendation from President Hutchinson, October 2, 2023 Special Board Meeting											
9	Review and analyze Special Education Program cost escalation to support multi-year projections and District impact.	The District has seen growth in the contribution to Special Education of \$43M over the past five years. The District needs to review the program to understand and share the impact of the contribution as it has grown to 1/3 of our Base Funding, where 17% of our enrolled students are supported by our Special Education Programs. It is imperative that the District understand that costs, drivers, and are able to predict where it will be as we look forward. The intent of this analysis is to understand the program's cost escalation as it will directly impact our ongoing base flexibility and its required and policy driven responsibilities.												
10	Maintaining Small School Investments	Review and recommend the reduction/elimination of subsidized allocations/staffing to small school sites without direct reduction to site based allocations.												
11	Responses from January 8, 2024 Special Study Se	The Board received a report and responded with their areas of potential reduction in investments. \$12M- Supplemental and Concentration, \$ 5M COVID Funds, \$1.1M Comprehensive Support and Improvement Grant												
12	Reduction of Consistent Vacant Positions	The District has several vacant positions that it includes in the budget year/year that go unfilled. The District proposes to review all vacancies, but also make a specific effort for historically vacant and hard to fill positions. The District has begun the budget development process in the Fall with central sites and has begun the budget development with school sites, as the department and site recommendations come forth, the District will include the consideration of the positions in its analysis. Total vacancies are \$9M Unrestricted and \$16M Restricted. Total vacancies RECOMMENDED is \$1,853,560, of which \$206,067 for Ongoing Major Maintenance will remain in the contribution calculation to this Resource (8150), but not spent on a position. Net Savings impacting resource allocations: \$1,647,493.		-\$576,510		-\$314,460		-\$384,390		-\$372,144		\$0	0	
<b>Budget Additions</b>														
1*	Ongoing Enrollment Office Investments												\$500,000	
2	A Review on One Time Investments that are returning to the Base and Other Resources	A review of items placed in one time resources that may return/are requested to return to the Base due to funding, like COVID Relief dollars that are sunseting. Some items were noted Attachment A and are projected to return to the General Fund as noted by the Trustee and or other analysis. All labor and on labor investments must be reviewed.												

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3*	Review Facilities and Deferred Maintenance Modifications	The District needs to return to the Board to review the underfunded Deferred Maintenance Plan and develop of method to fund programs that are funded after emergencies, but lack proper staffing and preparation for future challenges with our facilities. <b>Interest in Priorities for Safety: Facilities needs and the recruitment, retention and training of staff.</b>												

**Total** **\$ (1,034,088.20)** **\$ (4,014,460.00)** **\$ (8,384,389.80)** **\$ (372,144.00)** **\$ (2,583,685.00)** **\$ (2,477,792.00)**

### Summary of 2024-25 Budget Adjustments and Impact

Projected Deficit (2024-25 as of 1st Interim)	\$ 23,687,150
Net Adjustments since projection	\$ 27,000,000
<b>Adjusted Deficit Projection (Target)</b>	<b>\$ 50,687,150</b>
Savings / Cost Avoidance	\$ (16,388,767)
Projected Additional Costs	\$ 500,000
<b>Adjusted Projected Surplus or Deficit</b>	<b>\$ 34,798,383</b>

Adjustments (savings, cost avoidance, revenue shifts)	Item Number	Included	Type	General Purpose	Central Supplemental	Central Concentration	Special Education Contribution	Other Supplemental	One-time Funds Support	Net Change'
Adjust School Site Allocations (Unrestricted)	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Savings	\$ (457,578)						\$ (457,578)
Adjust School Site Allocations (Supplemental)	2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		-	-		-	\$ (2,583,685)		\$ (2,583,685)
Merger of District Schools	3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
BP 3150 Adjustment	4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Central - Continuous School Improvement Redesign	5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Central - Legal Department Restructuring	6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Central - Business, Talent, Technology, Other Redesign	7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Adjusted Support toward previous Board Resolutions	8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Special Ed Programs	9	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Maintaining Small School Investments	10	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Responses to January 8, 2024 Study Session	11	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			\$ (8,000,000)	\$ (3,700,000)			\$ -	\$ (11,700,000)
Reduction of consistently vacant positions	12	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		\$ (576,510)	\$ (384,390)	\$ (314,460)	\$ (372,144)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,647,504)
<b>Total</b>										\$ (16,388,767)

Projected Additional Costs	Item Number	Included	Type	General Purpose	Central Supplemental	Central Concentration	Special Education Contribution Funds	Other Supplemental	One-time Funds Support	Net Change'
Ongoing Enrollment Office Investments	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>							\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
Return of Investments currently funded with one-time funds	2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
Review Facilities and Deferred Maintenance Modifications	3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								\$ -
<b>Total</b>									\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000

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# Board Cover Memorandum

**To** Board of Education

**From** Kyla Johnson-Trammell, Superintendent  
Lisa Grant-Dawson, Chief Business Officer

**Meeting Date** October 11, 2023

**Subject** 2024-25 Budget Balancing Options, Increases, and Reductions – First Read

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**Ask of the Board** It is recommended that the Governing Board receive for First Read and discuss the list of developing Budget Development Options, Increases, and Reduction for the 2024-25 Budget Development process.

**Background** On June 28, 2023, the same night the 2023-24 Budget was approved, staff recommended the approval of Board Agenda Item 23-1682 Tentative Agreement between the Oakland Education Association and the Oakland Unified School District for Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement effective November 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025. The adoption of this agreement is the primary driver to the 45+Day Revise, which was approved by the Board On September 28, 2023 and included the implementation of the OEA agreement and associated expense budget and projected spending adjustments.

The District’s AB1200 document that was submitted to the Alameda County Office of Education indicated that the District would need to make necessary reductions to continue to afford the agreement. It was also understood that the District intended to improve compensation for all of its labor groups; thus, further exacerbating the need to developing a sustainable budget that supported the salaries, benefits, and Health and Welfare increase of 25% for Kaiser in 2024-25 (which is applied to all Health plans) for projection purposes.

As a condition of the approval of the AB1200 and in light of appropriate financial management as the District continues to gain local control, the District staff ensured commitments in the 2024-25 Budget Development process to assure the Alameda County of Office of its commitment to ensure affordability for the OEA

agreement and to establish the expectation for forthcoming Tentative Agreements with other Labor Groups. A summary of the conditions are as follows:

- **Excerpt from OEA AB1200 Approval Letter**

*In order for ACOE to verify that Board and District staff are implementing the budget adjustments the Board approved within the Public Disclosure documents, OUSD will:*

- *Provide ACOE with a Board-approved detailed update on its **list of Budget Adjustments by October 31, 2023**;*
- *Share additional updates in ACOE's bi-weekly call to monitor the staff and Board's progress with strategic planning;*
- *Present a public update to be provided by First Interim, with further public disclosure and **formal Board Action required no later than February 2024**, to ensure the District meets its obligations in the subsequent fiscal year.*

The District is providing its preliminary list of budget balancing options, strategies, and areas of focus as it seeks to build a long term sustainable budget honoring its new and existing commitments. This list is provided as a first read and allows time for the Board, Staff, and community to embark on a journey of right sizing and analyzing our numerous investments, the impact, and developing recommendations for how to balance the District's financial commitments.

The District also hosted a Special Board Meeting on October 2, 2023, where the first of four Budget Workshop style sessions is intended to create a space for reimagining the District's operations within the funding perimeters we are projecting for not only 2024-25, but in a multi-year format for ongoing sustainability. The District plans to return for the second read on October 25, 2023 and provide a draft document for the Board to review in preparation for submission to the Alameda County Office of Education to verify progress and provide an update of our detailed list of Budget Adjustments. The projected estimates of Budget Reductions and investments will be completed as various levels of analysis are completed to provide the best estimate as well as align it to the projected deficits in the next iteration of the Multi-Year Projection included with or prior to First Interim (December 2023).

The work of the Budget Adjustments and list of areas to analyze and interrogate will be managed in conjunction with the District's update to its Fiscal Sustainability Plan.

## **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Governing Board receive for First Read and discuss the list of developing Budget Development Options, Increases, and Reduction for the 2024-25 Budget Development process.

**Attachments**

- 23-2285 – October 2, 2023 Board Study Session Agenda
- 23-2285 Presentation
- 2023-24 Board Work Plan
- 2024-25 Budget Development List of Budget Adjustments

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**To** Board of Education

**From** Kyla Johnson-Trammell, Superintendent  
Dexter Moore, Jr., Chief of Staff  
Lisa Grant-Dawson, Chief Business Officer  
Jenine Lindsey, Interim General Counsel

**Meeting Date** October 2, 2023

**Subject** Board Study Session

**Ask of the Board** Receive and discuss the information presented

**Background** The purpose of the Board Study Session is to proactively come together as a community to prepare for the 2024-25 budget development process, and to support the Board’s review and communication regarding the budget development options that are coming in October. The meeting will include a presentation and an opportunity for participants to actively share their feedback. This will be the first of a series of Board Study Sessions throughout the year, with the outcomes for this session focused on:

- Provide a summary of the investments that the Board proposes to establish quality community schools
- Discuss the financial implications of increasing investments in school safety measures
- Revisit the cost of previous financial commitments to staff retention
- Describe the underlying factors that have led to the current financial strain in the District
- Discuss recommended budget adjustments to ensure fiscal solvency

**Attachment(s)**

- Presentation
- 2023-2024 Board Work Plan



OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Board Study Session

Budget Development Update:  
Financial Outlook and Continued Realignment  
Preparing for the List of Budget Options

October 2, 2023



OAKLAND UNIFIED  
SCHOOL DISTRICT

*Community Schools, Thriving Students*

## Our Vision

All OUSD students will find joy in their academic experience while graduating with the skills to ensure they are caring, competent, fully-informed, critical thinkers who are prepared for college, career, and community success.

## Our Mission

Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) will build a Full Service Community District focused on high academic achievement while serving the whole child, eliminating inequity, and providing each child with excellent teachers, every day.



# Vision for Continuous School Improvement

Mission & Vision	Quality Program Implementation	Collective Leadership & Professional Learning
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Compelling and inspirational school vision and mission</li><li>● Strategically organize resources and team structures toward vision</li><li>● Implement policies, structures and practices</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Rigorous, standards-based instruction</li><li>● College, career and community ready</li><li>● Joyful, asset-based &amp; anti-racist mindset</li><li>● Culture of inclusive learning</li><li>● <i>Safe School Environments</i></li><li>● <i>Quality Facilities and Joyful Learning Environments</i></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Culture of shared responsibility</li><li>● Shared decision-making</li><li>● Meaningful partnerships with students and families</li></ul>



# Four Pillars of OUSD Safety

## Facilities

- Front door buzzer entry system
- Perimeter safety fencing and gates
- Visitor Management System
- Exterior Safety Signage
- Cameras Systems
- Cybersafety

## Prevention

- Universal (Tier 1) Culture Practices
- Positive student-adult relationships
- Clear & Proactive Communication
- Student Voice & Agency
- Intentional MTSS
- Social Emotional Learning
- Restorative Justice
- Safety Tip lines
- CBO Partnerships
- Trainings
- Cyberbullying

## Incident Response

- OUSD Intake Line
- Central Culture & Climate Ambassadors
- Mental health crisis support
- Trainings
- GFR Village Response Plans
- City & Community Partners
- Violence Prevention Education
- Health & Safety Protocols

## Emergency Preparedness

- Comprehensive safety plan
- Lockdown/Secure School protocols
- Emergency radios
- First aid kits
- Trainings
- Crisis alert systems
- Family communication
- Reunification & Rally Points
- Standard operating procedures



**Let's prepare for  
the journey.**

**What shall we pack  
and unpack?**

# Base and LCAP Investments

## Organizational Requirements

Required by Law

Required by Board Resolution

Required by Labor Contracts

## District Prioritized Commitments

Strategic Plan Initiatives

Board Priorities

Board Policies

Board Resolutions

## Sunsetting Priorities Investments

These investments and areas of focus cannot continue due to lack of prioritization, effectiveness, and/or funding has expired and is therefore not sustainable.

# First, we pack and **unpack** the Big Rocks!



Board  
Work  
Plan

Other  
Prioritized  
LCAP  
Investments

**Sunsetting  
ESSER  
Investments**

Board  
Resolutions

Labor  
Agreements

**The weight is heavy, so get ready!  
Let's carry it together.**






# 2023-24 Board Priorities

- Improved Academic Outcomes
- Continuous District & School Improvement
- Attendance & Enrollment
- Comprehensive Safety Plan

- Improved Board Governance
- Shared Governance
- LCAP Adoption & Strategic Plan Extension
- Fiscal Solvency



**Investments Identified in the LCAP**  
***Summary Data and additional considerations to***  
***Help Guide our Next Session Together***

# Existing LCAP Investments: Goal 1

Investment	23-24 Centrally-Directed S&C Cost	23-24 Total Cost Above Base
Academic Acceleration	\$9.1M	\$16.0M
Academics & Instruction	\$4.1M	\$9.2M
Physical Education	\$0.2M	\$0.4M
Visual & Performing Arts	\$0.2M	\$4.5M
Early Childhood Learning & Pre-Kindergarten Programs	\$0.1M	\$4.6M
Early Literacy Program	\$0.4M	\$6.6M
*Curriculum Implementation	\$10.2M	\$13.5M
Instructional Technology	\$3.7M	\$4.0M

*\*Includes some “must-do” items (e.g., contractual obligations, other binding or mandatory commitments)*

*Orange = Already identified as a Board Priority*

# Existing LCAP Investments: Goal 1 (continued)

Investment	23-24 LCFF Cost	23-24 Total Cost
Alternative Education	\$1.8M	\$2.1M
Building OUSD Middle Schools	\$0.2M	\$1.3M
Continuous School Improvement	\$9.9M	\$13.4M
Linked Learning	\$3.2M	\$12.0M
Multilingual Programs	\$0.1M	\$0.6M
Network-Based School Supports	\$2.5M	\$3.0M

*\*Includes some “must-do” items (e.g., contractual obligations, other binding or mandatory commitments)*

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# Existing LCAP Investments: Goal 2

Investment	23-24 LCFF Cost	23-24 Total Cost
*Targeted Initiatives for Black/African American Students	\$2.1M	\$4.6M
Targeted Initiatives for Latino Students	\$0.1M	\$0.6M
Targeted Initiatives for Arab, Asian & Pacific Islander Students	\$0.2M	\$0.9M
Supports for Students with Disabilities	\$7.4M	\$8.6M
Supports for Unhoused Students & Families	\$0.3M	\$1.2M
Supports for Foster Youth	\$0.1M	\$0.6M
*English Language Development	\$10.5M	\$11.0M
*Supports for Newcomers	\$4.5M	\$6.7M

*\*Includes some “must-do” items (e.g., contractual obligations, other binding or mandatory commitments)*

*Orange = Already identified as a Board Priority*

# Existing LCAP Investments: Goal 2 (continued)

Investment	23-24 LCFF Cost	23-24 Total Cost
After School Programs	\$0	\$13.0M
*Summer & Saturday Learning Programs	\$0.3M	\$5.3M
*Research and Data Analysis	\$1.5M	\$1.6M

*\*Includes some “must-do” items (e.g., contractual obligations, other binding or mandatory commitments)  
Orange = Already identified as a Board Priority*

# Existing LCAP Investments: Goal 3

Investment	23-24 LCFF Cost	23-24 Total Cost
Behavioral & Mental Health	\$8.4M	\$8.5M
Community Schools	\$13.8M	\$34.8M
Restorative Practices/Peer Restorative Justice	\$0.4M	\$0.4M
Human Trafficking Prevention	\$0	\$0.2M
School Safety Teams	\$9.7M	\$11.4M
Supports for Justice-Involved Youth & Their Families	\$0.1M	\$0.2M
Attendance Supports	\$0.6M	\$0.7M
*Counseling and Equitable Master Scheduling	\$5.3M	\$5.6M

*\*Includes some “must-do” items (e.g., contractual obligations, other binding or mandatory commitments)*

*Orange = Already identified as a Board Priority*

# Existing LCAP Investments: Goal 3 (continued)

Investment	23-24 LCFF Cost	23-24 Total Cost
Social Emotional Learning (SEL)	\$1.2M	\$1.4M
Alcohol, Tobacco & Drug Intervention	\$0.1M	\$0.4M
*Health Services	\$1.4M	\$1.4M
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender & Queer/Questioning (LGBTQ) Programs	\$0	\$0.1M
**School Wellness	\$0	\$1.9M
Enrichment Programs	\$2.3M	\$7.5M
Student Athletics	\$0.8M	\$1.6M
Youth Leadership	\$0.3M	\$0.4M

*\*Includes some “must-do” items (e.g., contractual obligations, other binding or mandatory commitments)*

*Orange = Already identified as a Board Priority*



# Existing LCAP Investments: Goal 3 (continued)

Investment	23-24 LCFF Cost	23-24 Total Cost
Districtwide Communication Support	\$0.4M	\$0.4M
Enrollment Supports	\$1.0M	\$1.3M
Family Partnerships	\$1.8M	\$2.2M
Language Access for Families	\$1.0M	\$2.0M

*\*Includes some “must-do” items (e.g., contractual obligations, other binding or mandatory commitments)  
Orange = Already identified as a Board Priority*

# Existing LCAP Investments: Goal 4

Investment	23-24 LCFF Cost	23-24 Total Cost
*Staff Recruitment & Retention	\$19.6M	\$30.5M
*Foundational & Asset-Based Professional Development	\$7.0M	\$7.6M
New Teacher Support	\$0.7M	\$2.0M
*School and District Governance Support for Leaders	\$0.3M	\$2.0M

*\*Includes some “must-do” items (e.g., contractual obligations, other binding or mandatory commitments)*

*Orange = Already identified as a Board Priority*

# Outcomes

- Update financial outlook and key considerations of budget planning for Fiscal Year 2024-25
- Share realignment options to better match spending to our priorities while maintaining financial health
- Identify next steps in the budget development process

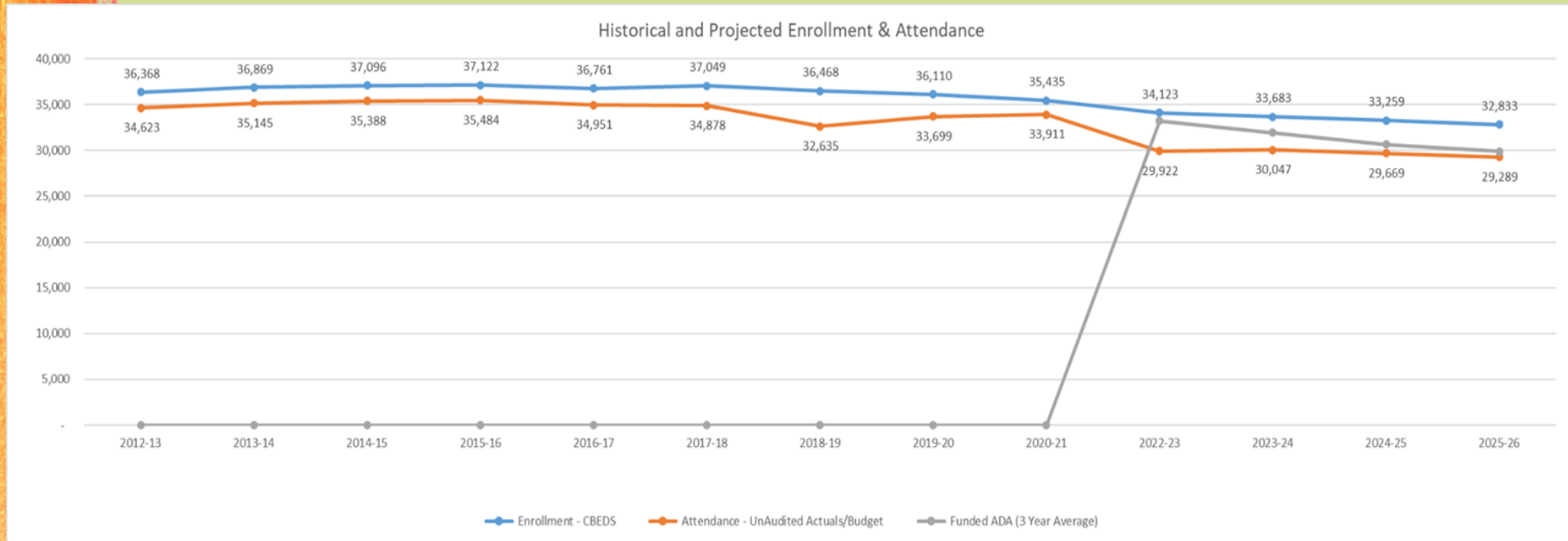
# Reflecting on the roadmap and the path before the journey.





# Financial Outlook and Key Considerations

# The Challenge - LCFF Revenue Threatened



1. Enrollment and attendance are declining.
2. The gap between enrollment and attendance (ADA) is stabilizing at 89% from 94% in 2019-20.
3. The three year average ADA\* is supporting higher revenue for 2022-23 forward, but losing steam by 2025-26.

\*3 Year Average for ADA Implemented in 2022-23 to support statewide loss of enrollment and attendance.

# Changes to the LCFF Calculator

## The Impact of ADA reductions



Due to the rapid changes in our ADA and even with the benefit of a 3 Year Average ADA, the Base is not growing.

LCFF Y/Y Summary	Year	Enrollment	Actual/Proj ADA	Enroll:ADA %	Funded ADA	State Funding	COLA	Total	Net Increase
						Allocation Increase			
	2020-21	35,435	26,924	76%	33,977	7,053.00	0.00%	\$380,649,634	
	2021-22	34,374	29,452	86%	33,888	4,435.55	5.07%	\$410,164,607	\$ 29,514,973
	2022-23	34,123	29,922	88%	33,226	3,303.81	13.26%	\$459,336,101	\$ 49,171,494
	2023-24	33,684	30,047	89%	31,923	1,876.43	8.22%	\$481,611,799	\$ 22,275,698
	2024-25	33,259	29,689	89%	30,664	975.38	3.94%	\$482,940,399	\$ 1,328,600
	2025-26	32,833	29,289	89%	29,878	588.66	3.29%	\$487,400,049	\$ 4,459,650

# Changes to the LCFF Calculator

## The Impact of ADA reductions

The Base LCFF is not growing due to our decline in ADA and the benefit of a three year average slipping fast.

	Year	Base Grant	Grade Span Adjustment	Supplemental Grant	Concentration Grant	Add-ons: Targeted Instructional Improvement Block Grant	Add-ons: Home-to-School Transportation	Add-ons: Home-to-School Transportation	Add-ons: Transitional Kindergarten	Total LCFF
<b>LCFF Allocation x Y</b>	2020-21	\$278,230,067	\$12,137,948	\$44,089,480	\$30,372,495	\$10,094,682	\$5,724,962			\$380,649,634
	2021-22	\$292,073,858	\$12,749,157	\$46,704,983	\$42,816,965	\$10,094,682	\$5,724,962			\$410,164,607
	2022-23	\$324,488,176	\$14,082,917	\$52,783,233	\$50,506,343	\$10,094,682	\$5,724,962		\$1,655,788	\$459,336,101
	2023-24	\$337,586,649	\$14,579,769	\$55,818,378	\$55,510,230	\$10,094,682	\$6,195,554		\$1,826,537	\$481,611,799
	2024-25	\$337,341,039	\$14,458,680	\$56,112,056	\$56,595,780	\$10,094,682	\$6,439,659		\$1,898,503	\$482,940,399
	2025-26	\$339,676,440	\$14,540,582	\$56,731,399	\$57,744,459	\$10,094,682	\$6,651,524		\$1,960,963	\$487,400,049
<b>Net Change Y/Y</b>	2020-21	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	
	2021-22	\$13,843,791	\$611,209	\$2,615,503	\$12,444,470	\$0	\$0		\$0	
	2022-23	\$32,414,318	\$1,333,760	\$6,078,250	\$7,689,378	\$0	\$0		\$1,655,788	
	2023-24	\$13,098,473	\$496,852	\$3,035,145	\$5,003,887	\$0	\$470,592		\$170,749	
	2024-25	-\$245,610	-\$121,089	\$293,678	\$1,085,550	\$0	\$244,105		\$71,966	
	2025-26	\$2,335,401	\$81,902	\$619,343	\$1,148,679	\$0	\$211,865		\$62,460	

*Green arrow and yellow highlight indicate the year of change in reductions in funding that begin in 2024-25 due to the decline in ADA. 2025-26 Projections will be updated at First Interim (Dec 2023).*



# 45+ Day Budget MYP

## 2023-24 UnAudited Actuals MYP Fund Balance Summary - Unrestricted

	2023-24 Unrestricted	2024-25 Unrestricted	2025-26 Unrestricted
<b>A. Revenues</b>			
5) Total Revenues	\$ 496,015,930	\$ 497,193,237	\$ 501,756,551
<b>B. Expenditures</b>			
9) Total Expenditures	\$ 414,774,284	\$ 395,698,303	\$ 400,569,950
<b>C. Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures</b>	\$ 81,241,646	\$ 101,494,935	\$ 101,186,601
<b>D. Other Financing Sources/Uses</b>			
4) Total, Other Financing Sources/Uses	\$ (105,290,313)	\$ (111,843,299)	\$ (117,621,489)
<b>E. Net Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance (C + D4)</b>	\$ (24,048,668)	\$ (10,348,365)	\$ (16,434,888)
<b>F. Fund Balance, Reserves</b>			
1) Beginning Fund Balance			
a) Adjusted Beginning Balance (F1c + F1d)	\$ 118,353,704	\$ 94,305,037	\$ 83,956,672
2) <b>Ending Balance, June 30 (E + F1e)</b>	\$ 94,305,037	\$ 83,956,672	\$ 67,521,784
Restricted Reserve	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000
Other Assignments	\$ 11,180,840	\$ 10,556,761	\$ 10,556,761
Reserve for Economic Uncertainty	\$ 27,251,099	\$ 26,783,505	\$ 27,436,380
<b>Unassigned Unappropriated</b>	\$ 55,723,097	\$ 46,466,405	\$ 29,378,643

# Base Salary Change Example - 6 Schools

This Chart reflects the net increase in salary *only* from 2023-24 to 2024-25.

*Note: Schools selected randomly to illustrate two schools in each grade span.*

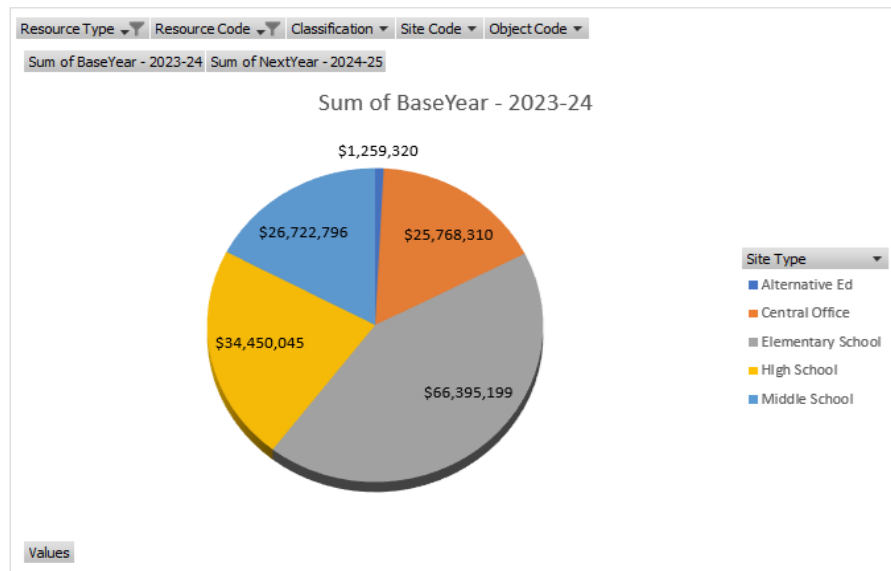
		Data				
Site Type	Site Code	Object Code	Sum of BaseYear - 2023-24	Sum of NextYear - 2024-25	Net Change	
Resource Type (Multiple Items)						
Resource Code 0000 General Purpose-unrestricted						
Classification (All)						
Elementary School		108 Cleveland	1105 Teachers Salaries	\$1,318,566	\$1,334,116	\$15,550
			1305 Supv, Admin, Instr Coaches Sal	\$126,139	\$126,139	\$0
			2405 Clerical Salaries	\$55,557	\$55,302	-\$255
			2905 Otherclass Salaries	\$5,098	\$5,200	\$102
		<b>108 Cleveland Total</b>		<b>\$1,505,361</b>	<b>\$1,520,759</b>	<b>\$15,398</b>
146 Piedmont Avenue		1105 Teachers Salaries		\$1,124,025	\$1,141,177	\$17,151
		1305 Supv, Admin, Instr Coaches Sal		\$126,139	\$126,139	\$0
		2205 Classsuppt Salaries		\$15,107	\$15,414	\$306
		2405 Clerical Salaries		\$36,804	\$36,804	\$0
		<b>146 Piedmont Avenue Total</b>		<b>\$1,302,076</b>	<b>\$1,319,534</b>	<b>\$17,458</b>
<b>Elementary School Total</b>				<b>\$2,807,437</b>	<b>\$2,840,292</b>	<b>\$32,855</b>
High School		305 Oakland Tech High School	1105 Teachers Salaries	\$5,987,782	\$6,072,142	\$84,360
			1305 Supv, Admin, Instr Coaches Sal	\$606,464	\$616,824	\$10,360
			2205 Classsuppt Salaries	\$88,329	\$88,262	-\$68
			2405 Clerical Salaries	\$110,818	\$110,818	\$0
		<b>305 Oakland Tech High School Total</b>		<b>\$6,793,393</b>	<b>\$6,888,045</b>	<b>\$94,652</b>
306 Skyline High School		1105 Teachers Salaries		\$4,889,969	\$4,963,939	\$73,970
		1119 Teacher On Spec Assin School		\$61,983	\$63,906	\$1,923
		1305 Supv, Admin, Instr Coaches Sal		\$505,217	\$510,546	\$5,329
		2205 Classsuppt Salaries		\$73,608	\$73,608	\$0
		2405 Clerical Salaries		\$150,492	\$153,993	\$3,500
		<b>306 Skyline High School Total</b>		<b>\$5,681,269</b>	<b>\$5,765,991</b>	<b>\$84,722</b>
<b>High School Total</b>				<b>\$12,474,662</b>	<b>\$12,654,037</b>	<b>\$179,374</b>
Middle School		212 Roosevelt Middle	1105 Teachers Salaries	\$1,552,292	\$1,585,836	\$33,545
			1305 Supv, Admin, Instr Coaches Sal	\$239,574	\$239,574	\$0
			2205 Classsuppt Salaries	\$34,260	\$36,038	\$1,778
			2405 Clerical Salaries	\$57,364	\$57,364	\$0
		<b>212 Roosevelt Middle Total</b>		<b>\$1,883,490</b>	<b>\$1,918,813</b>	<b>\$35,323</b>
228 United For Success Academy		1105 Teachers Salaries		\$1,082,882	\$1,101,140	\$18,258
		1305 Supv, Admin, Instr Coaches Sal		\$129,266	\$129,266	\$0
		2205 Classsuppt Salaries		\$36,804	\$36,635	-\$169
		2405 Clerical Salaries		\$94,591	\$95,994	\$1,403
		<b>228 United For Success Academy Total</b>		<b>\$1,343,543</b>	<b>\$1,363,035</b>	<b>\$19,492</b>
<b>Middle School Total</b>				<b>\$3,227,034</b>	<b>\$3,281,848</b>	<b>\$54,815</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>				<b>\$18,509,133</b>	<b>\$18,776,177</b>	<b>\$267,044</b>

# Example: Base Salary Change & Expense Gap

Where do we source \$2.1M From Base to Base?

Resource Type	(Multiple Items)	▼
Resource Code	(Multiple Items)	▼
Classification	(All)	▼
Site Code	(All)	▼
Object Code	(All)	▼

Site Type	Sum of BaseYear - 2023-24	Sum of NextYear - 2024-25	Net Change
Alternative Ed	\$1,259,320	\$1,274,220	\$14,900
Central Office	\$25,768,310	\$26,041,421	\$273,111
Elementary School	\$66,395,199	\$67,299,468	\$904,269
High School	\$34,450,045	\$34,946,319	\$496,274
Middle School	\$26,722,796	\$27,174,202	\$451,406
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$154,595,670</b>	<b>\$156,735,630</b>	<b>\$2,139,960</b>

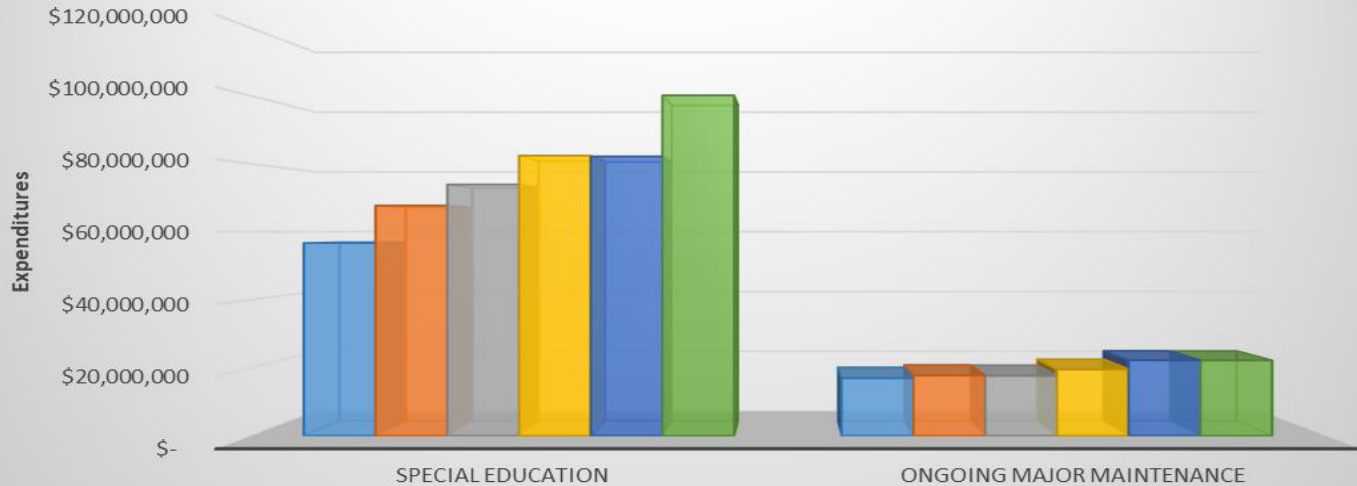


These same forces are also impacting all other backpacks: Title 1, Measure H, Measure G, LCFF resources, grants, etc.

Note: This example does not include the costs associated with salaries of the cost of health care which are projected to increase by 25%.

# Financial Outlook and Key Considerations

## Contributions from the UnRestricted General Fund




	Special Education	Ongoing Major Maintenance
2018-19	\$56,681,804	\$16,951,234
2019-20	\$67,697,721	\$17,737,639
2020-21	\$73,904,685	\$17,653,915
2021-22	\$82,397,905	\$19,551,221
2022-23	\$82,150,146	\$22,217,093
2023-24 Budget	\$100,102,520	\$22,194,028

# Questions to Consider

*The data above show that the LCFF Base is decreasing by \$245K in 2024-25 and the Base salaries are increasing by \$2.1M.*

- ❖ What happens to the backpack when the base revenue stops growing but costs continue to increase?
- ❖ What should happen in OUSD when the base stops growing and costs are increasing in the next year?



**Financial Outlook and Key Considerations**  
***Working in Community to Learn Together &  
Support Decisions with Feedback***

# Which of these are Board and/or District priorities?

Select  
ALL  
that  
apply!



☰ Which of the following are Board/District priorities in the Board work plan, a Board resolution, or a labor agreement?

- Black Reparations
- Attendance
- Staff Pay Increases for Retention
- Maintaining Special Education program locations
- Maintaining same number of schools
- Smaller class sizes than California Education Code requirements
- Maintaining the number of smaller schools
- Improved Academic Outcomes



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# Board Priorities & Investments

2023-24 Board Work Plan	Board Resolutions	Labor Agreements	Other Prioritized LCAP Investments
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Attendance</li> <li>● Improved Academic Outcomes</li> <li>● School Continuous Improvement/Redesign</li> <li>● District Redesign/Reorganization</li> <li>● Comprehensive Safety Investments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● George Floyd Resolution</li> <li>● Black Reparations</li> <li>● Maintaining Special Education program locations</li> <li>● Maintaining same number of schools</li> <li>● Deferred Maintenance of School Facilities</li> <li>● Enrollment Stabilization</li> <li>● Behavioral &amp; Mental Health</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Staff Pay Increases for Retention</li> <li>● Smaller class sizes (smaller than CA requirements).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Ensuring every student has an individual laptop for learning (1:1)</li> <li>● Restorative Justice Program</li> </ul>



Rank these areas based on which will *improve* student outcomes.

Click and drag responses into top box.



Rank these priority areas based on which will have the greatest impact on improving student outcomes.

- 1 Maintaining SpEd programs
- 2 Staff Pay Increases for Retention
- Drop it here.
- Maintaining # of schools
- Smaller class sizes
- Deferred Maintenance of School Facilities
- District & School Redesign \*
- Restorative Justice Program

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# Rank these areas based on which ones the district will be able to *implement successfully*.

Click and drag responses into top box.



Rank these priority areas based on which ones the district will be able to implement most successfully. 0 8

Select options from the list below.

- Restorative Justice Program
- Maintaining the number of smaller schools
- Improved Academic Outcomes \*
- Maintaining # of schools
- Maintaining SpEd programs
- Enrollment Stabilization \*
- District & School Redesign \*



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# If base funding is decreasing, rank these priority areas in order of importance.

Click and drag responses into top box.



↓↑ If base funding is decreasing, rank these priority areas based on which ones are most important to continue funding across the district. 0 👤

Select options from the list below.

- Staff Pay Increases for Retention
- Maintaining 1:1 Technology Investments
- Improved Academic Outcomes \*
- Restorative Justice Program
- Smaller class sizes
- District & School Redesign \*
- Attendance \*



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# Small Group Discussion

- How were your priorities similar or different from the group?
- What values, assumptions and information did your group use in prioritization?
- What surprised you in this exercise?

# We Are Unable to Continue to Hold All Investments and Must Prioritize



# Gentle Reminder - Affordability Commitment

## Excerpt from OEA AB1200 Approval Letter

*“In order for ACOE to verify that Board and District staff are implementing the budget adjustments the Board approved within the Public Disclosure documents, OUSD will:*

- *Provide ACOE with a Board-approved detailed update on its **list of Budget Adjustments by October 31, 2023;***
- *Share additional updates in ACOE’s bi-weekly call to monitor the staff and Board’s progress with strategic planning;*
- *Present a public update to be provided by First Interim, with further public disclosure and **formal Board Action required no later than February 2024,** to ensure the District meets its obligations in the subsequent fiscal year.”*

# Board Member and Community Takeaways

- ❖ Something I learned...
- ❖ Something I want to know more about...
- ❖ A step I will take towards balancing our priorities within our budget will be...
- ❖ I would like to see in future engagements...



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# Board Cover Memorandum

**To** Board of Education

**From** Mike Hutchinson, Board President

**Meeting Date** September 27, 2023

**Subject** 2023-24 Board Work Plan

**Ask of the Board** Approval of the 2023-24 Board of Education Work Plan

**Background** It is the practice of the Superintendent and the Board of Education to follow annual work plans to guide their respective activities each year. The Superintendent usually drafts her work plan and then presents it to the Board for review, comment, and (ultimately) approval. The Board President typically takes the lead in drafting the Board’s work plan with input from all Board members, with the Board ultimately approving its work plan as well. It is also typical (and important) for the Superintendent and Board work plans to be aligned. This often takes the form of using the same overarching goals, initiatives, and focus areas and then developing deliverables that are complementary (e.g., a Superintendent work plan deliverable may be to present a plan while the corresponding Board work plan deliverable may be to adopt a plan). Without such alignment, the efforts of the Superintendent (and staff) will be focused on certain areas while the efforts of the Board will be focused on others. This divergence can lead to inefficiencies and a lack of implementation with respect to both work plans.

The Board held a retreat on August 3, 2023 in which an initial draft of the Board Work Plan was presented and discussed. At that meeting, President Hutchinson agreed to collect the feedback from the Board and return with a revised version of the Board’s Work Plan for consideration. Having done so, the proposed final 2023-24 Board Work Plan is attached.

**Fiscal Impact** N/A

**Attachment(s)**

- Board of Education 2023-24 Work Plan



## DRAFT 2023-24 BOARD WORK PLAN

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### Reference Documents:

- [2020-21 Board Work Plan](#) | [2021-22 Board Work Plan](#) | [2022-23 Board Work Plan](#)

### Mission

Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) will build a Full-Service Community District focused on high academic achievement while serving the whole child, eliminating inequity, and providing each child with excellent teachers, every day.

### Vision

All OUSD students will find joy in their academic experience while graduating with the skills to ensure they are caring, competent, fully-informed, critical thinkers who are prepared for college, career, and community success.

### Our Graduate Profile

Resilient Learners | Collaborative Teammates | Community Leaders | Critical Thinkers | Creative Problem Solvers

### Our Values

- ▶ **Students First:** We support students by providing multiple learning opportunities to ensure students feel respected and heard.
- ▶ **Equity:** We provide everyone access to what they need to be successful.
- ▶ **Excellence:** We hold ourselves to uncompromising standards to achieve extraordinary outcomes.
- ▶ **Integrity:** We are honest, trustworthy and accountable.
- ▶ **Cultural Responsiveness:** We resist assumptions and biases and see the gift of every student and adult.
- ▶ **Joy:** We seek and celebrate moments of laughter and wonder.

### Our Goals

Goal 1: All students graduate college, career, and community ready.

Goal 2: Focal student groups demonstrate accelerated growth to close our equity gap.

Goal 3: Students and families are welcomed, safe, healthy, and engaged.

Goal 4: Our staff are high quality, stable, and reflective of Oakland's rich diversity.

Goal 5: Students, families, and staff have the resources and supports necessary to address the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.



## **DRAFT 2023-24 BOARD WORK PLAN**

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Dear Oakland Unified Community,

As a school board we have worked hard to stabilize OUSD and now over the next two years we will begin the work of redesigning, restructuring, and reimagining our school district, while also staying focused on regaining full local control and leaving receivership. Here are some of the key components of the 2023-24 School Board Work Plan:

- We will continue to focus on fiscal solvency and sustainability to move OUSD out of receivership.
- We will continue to work to keep our enrollment numbers within the state averages while increasing our efforts to improve attendance and reduce chronic absenteeism.
- We are going to focus on governance, by both increasing the school board's ability and capacity to provide governance and by strengthening our shared governance policies and bodies.
- We plan on beginning the work of re-envisioning OUSD by beginning the process of restructuring/designing the District and launching our first cohort of schools for the Sustainable Community Schools Redesign Process.
- We will continue to develop comprehensive safety plans for our post-pandemic police-free schools.

We will need everyone's help to ensure a successful year. Please get involved and help us make OUSD the public school district Oakland wants and deserves.

In Community,

Mike Hutchinson  
President, Board of Education



## **DRAFT 2023-24 BOARD WORK PLAN**

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### **Overarching Priority Areas:**

- Improve Academic Outcomes
- District & School Redesign
- Attendance & Enrollment
- Comprehensive Safety Plan
- Improved Board Governance
- Shared Governance
- LCAP Adoption & Strategic Plan Extension
- Fiscal Solvency

<b>Initiative #1: Ensuring Strong Readers by the Third Grade</b> <i>Accelerating City Wide Efforts to Guarantee Literacy for all Third Graders</i>	
<b>Actions</b>	<b>Deliverables</b>
Review Early Literacy outcomes and school level curriculum implementation twice a year  Review the effectiveness of tutors and literacy teachers to support student goals for ensuring strong readers.	Adoption of Foundational Reading Skills curriculum.

<b>Initiative #2: Supporting Empowered Graduates</b> <i>Developing Essential Skills to Secure Post-Secondary Success</i>	
<b>Actions</b>	<b>Deliverables</b>
Review high school and college readiness student outcomes and on track cohort	Review staff analysis on impacts of existing efforts in high school to implement



**DRAFT 2023-24 BOARD WORK PLAN**

<p>data two times a year</p> <p>Prioritize allocation of resources to support student goals for ensuring empowered graduates</p> <p>Evaluate progress towards equitable access to Linked Learning Pathways and Work-Based Learning Programs for focal student groups.</p>	<p>mastery-based grading and decide whether or not to adopt any changes to the grading policy with the goal of increasing A-G completion.</p>
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<b>Initiative #3: Creating Joyful Schools</b> <i>Reimagining schools to be places of joy, inclusion, and beauty</i>	
<b>Actions</b>	<b>Deliverables</b>
<p>Establish the community schools grants advisory committee</p> <p>Establish the Thriving Black Students Task Force</p> <p>Review MTSS implementation updates two times a year</p>	<p>Review recommendations and adopt an ongoing budget for prevention and crisis response for police-free schools</p>



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<b>Initiative #4: Growing a Diverse and Stable Staff</b>	
<i>Attracting and retaining staff reflective of Oakland's rich diversity</i>	
<b>Actions</b>	<b>Deliverables</b>
<p>Review retention and recruitment outcomes, including the impact of foundational professional development, related to maintaining diverse and stable staff two times a year</p> <p>Review data, discuss and provide direction to bargaining team about key priorities to pursue in negotiations in order to achieve student outcome and staff retention goals</p>	<p>Adopt contracts for labor unions that support goals for increased staff retention and improved student outcomes, by prioritizing increased compensation, and staff collaboration and professional development time</p>
<b>Initiative #5: Creating a Sustainable and Thriving District</b>	
<b>Actions</b>	<b>Deliverables</b>
<p>Adopt a new 3-year LCAP Plan and extend the current strategic plan</p> <p>Return to pre-pandemic procedures for school board meetings</p> <p>Add</p> <p>Leave Receivership (<i>need to identify 2-3 commitments/decisions Board will make to increase district sustainability to leave receivership, which should be clearly stated in the next board work plan</i>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Adopt a balanced multi-year budget by June of 2023 with positive certification aligned to LCAP/strategic plan priorities; adopt changes to BP3150 and accompanying policies around site autonomy, and commit to</li></ul>	<p>Adopt a New Board Orientation Plan, which includes the implementation of 7-10 study sessions over two years.</p> <p>Review staff recommendations for revisions to BP 3150 and decide whether or not to adopt a revised policy</p> <p>Adopt a balanced multi-year budget by June of 2024</p>



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making decisions to set criteria for the school redesign process that address the imbalance between the number of schools and district infrastructure.

Continue to learn and grow as a governance team by taking advantage of the various supports that are offered.

Launch the Sustainable Community Schools Redesign Process by establishing the first cohort of schools and having them begin year 1.

**Attachment B - 2024-25 Budget Development List of Budget Adjustments**

**Budget Deficit Action Steps:** The AB1200 approval letter included several provisions to provide assurance to the County and support for the District to meet its commitments with this salary agreement, by addressing the proposed deficits as it develops its 2024-25 and out year Budgets. The County Stated in its letter to the District:

*(1) In order for ACOE to verify that Board and District staff are implementing the budget adjustments the Board approved within the Public Disclosure documents, OUSD will: Provide ACOE with a Board-approved detailed update on its list of Budget Adjustments by October 31, 2023. This is the one of four conditions to update the County of the District's progress cited in this section and as a CONDITION for the County's approval of the OEA AB1200. The next two update on progress conditions are: (2) Share additional updates in ACOE's bi-weekly call to monitor the staff and Board's progress with strategic planning; (3) Present a public update to be provided by First Interim, (4) with further public disclosure and formal Board Action required no later than February 2024, to ensure the District meets its obligations in the subsequent fiscal year.*

*The District is building its list of responsive budget adjustments starting with the list used for the 2023-24 Adopted Budget, "Attachment A" and will continue the list to address the projected deficits that have been updated in the 45+ Day Revise and out year budgets. At the October 11th and 25th Governing Board meeting, the District will share this list and seek the Board's feedback on each item on the list. It is important that the District staff know where the Board is in approving the items presented in concept and hear additional options to address the projected gaps in the budget.*

Number	Division/Department	Action and Impact	General Purpose Funds (Ongoing)		Central Concentration (Ongoing)	Central Supplemental Funds (Ongoing)		Special Education Funds with contribution from Resource 0000 (Ongoing)		Unrestricted Supplemental Funds (Ongoing)	
			FTE Change	Savings		FTE Change	Savings	FTE Change	Savings	FTE Change	Savings
1	<p><b>Adjustment to School Site Allocations- Discretionary (Unrestricted)</b>                      Schools receive discretionary funding based on projected student enrollment at each grade level, rather than by a school's grade span. Discretionary funds are intended to cover the cost of a site's basic operational and program needs, including copier agreements, supplies, books, contracted services, and equipment to support the school site educational environment. Graduation costs, WASC dues, and other mandated non-salary costs must also be paid with Discretionary funds. Discretionary funds are currently allocated to school sites using the following grade span formula</p> <p>Grades TK-5: \$60.00 per student                      Grades 6-8: \$75.00 per student                      Grades 9-12: \$100.00 per student</p>	<p>Proposed Reduction to School Site Funding Allocation Effective FY 23-24 <b>for 2024-25 SITE ALLOCATION (ONE PAGERS)</b></p> <p>Grades TK-5: \$50.00 per student                      Grades 6-8: \$65.00 per student                      Grades 9-12: \$80.00 per student</p> <p>Impact: No impact to school allocations in FY 23-24. Starting in FY 24-25, schools will be able to afford less supplies, operational maintenance (i.e. copier upkeep) and/or staff etc. than prior years.</p> <p>Mitigation FY 23-24: Status-quo for 1 year as one-time funds (i.e. ESSER III) will be used to offset the reduction.                      Mitigation FY 24-25: Schools may purchase supplies centrally, allowing for reduction in costs and use other restricted resources to fund priorities.</p>	0.00	\$ (433,000)		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
2	<p><b>Adjustment to School Site Allocations- LCFF</b>                      Schools receive a per pupil allocation of LCFF (Supplemental) funding. The current funding formula is \$785 per eligible student. The count of eligible students is determined by multiplying the projected total enrollment, including SDC students and Late-Arriving Newcomers, but the three-year average of the school's Unduplicated Pupil Percentage (UPP). Unduplicated students are defined by the State as low-income students, English learners, and foster youth.</p> <p>For 2022-23, approximately \$21 million in LCFF Supplemental funds are allocated to schools.</p>	<p>Proposed Reduction to School Site Funding Allocation Adjustment Effective FY 23-24 <b>for 2024-25 SITE ALLOCATION (ONE PAGERS)</b></p> <p>Reduce the per pupil LCFF allocation (Supplemental) from \$785 per student to \$675 per student.</p> <p>Impact: No impact to school allocations in FY 23-24. Starting in FY 24-25, schools will be able to afford less supplies, operational maintenance, and/or staff etc. than prior years.</p> <p>Mitigation FY 23-24: Status-quo for 1 year as one-time funds (i.e. ESSER III) will be used to offset the reduction.                      Mitigation FY 23-24: Schools may adjust services or rely on other restricted funds to ensure a continuity of services and programs.</p>	-	-		-	-	-	-		\$ (2,876,645)



3	<b>Potential Merger of District Schools</b>	<p><b>Background</b></p> <p>The District has successfully implemented mergers of District schools over the last five years. In addition to supporting the District's goal of maintaining fiscal solvency, these mergers have resulted in increased enrollment, gained efficiencies and program improvements. 2023-24 presents an opportunity to launch a planning and redesign process for potential mergers effective with the 2024-35 academic school year.</p> <p>The District proposes a planning year (2023-24) for the potential merger of at least 10 schools effective 2024-25. The District proposes a shift of the below listed positions to one-time funds* in anticipation of the possible mergers.</p> <p>Teacher (1.1 FTE) Principals (5.0 FTE) Clerical (5.5 FTE) Attendance (2.5 FTE) Noon Supt. (1.2 FTE) CSM (1.4 FTE) Support Position (1.0 FTE)</p> <p>*In addition to ESSER funds, allowable use of other one-time funding sources will be evaluated for the purpose of this shift.</p>	(17.70)	\$ (2,477,792)			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
4	<b>Review and adjust Budget allocations to absorb future year salary projections, but not exceed current year dollar allocations.</b>	Follow BP 3150 and re-establish the definition of the following: The allocation of OUSD financial resources to schools shall be maximized. This means that we have to level set the allocations to fit within our means as BP 3150 also says, Still, it is the Board's categorical expectation that all education providers operating or desiring to operate school programs in Oakland - district or charter – as well as families, staff, community members and labor unions, will accept shared responsibility for the sustainability of our school system and embrace the idea that we: (i) do not operate in silos, (ii) are interdependent in our efforts to serve all students and families; and (iii) need to act with consideration of the larger community of schools. We also recognize the challenging work ahead of building and rebuilding trust among the diverse members of our community in realizing this vision. In addition to the supplemental LCFF allocation noted above, adjust all site allocations within all resources to absorb the projected salary increases for 2024-25 up to the dollar amounts allocated in 2023-24 and provide additional allocations AFTER the District confirms it's ability to make subsequent allocations after the May 2024 Revise.										
5	Central Office - Continuous School Improvement	Assess the Decision of the Implementation Plan and sourcing needs for positions recommended for elimination and addition and the impact to the budget by resource.	<a href="#">See CSI 12-1232.</a>									
6	Central Office - Legal	Redesign Work in Progress										
7	Central Office - Business/Talent/Technology	Complete Recommendation from School Services Review	<a href="#">See School Services Review</a>									
8	Review all Board Resolutions to made decisions about which programs we are maintaining.	Recommendation from President Hutchinson, October 2, 2023 Special Board Meeting										
9	Review and analyze Special Education Program cost escalation to support multi-year projections and District impact.	The District has seen an exponential growth in the contribution to Special Education of \$43M over the past five years. The District needs to review the program to understand and share the impact of the contribution as it has grown to 1/3 of our Base Funding, where 17% of our enrolled students are supported by our Special Education Programs. It is imperative that the District understand that costs, drivers, and are able to predict where it will be as we look forward. The intent of this analysis is to understand the program's cost escalation as it will directly impact our ongoing base flexibility and its required and policy driven responsibilities.										

Number	Budget Additions											
1	Ongoing Enrollment Office Investments	The District has evaluated it's progress after the implementation of the enrollment stabilization policy change in 2021-22 and in an effort to continue the improvement is seeking to retain funding to support the annual software license agreement with Enrollwise and additional marketing the data has found beneficial in our efforts to market the educational experience in our District, retain our existing families, and introduce ourselves to others.										
2	A Review on One Time Investments that are returning to the Base and Other Resources	A review of items placed in one time resources that may return/are requested to return to the Base due to funding, like COVID Relief dollars that are sunseting. Some items were noted Attachment A and are projected to return to the General Fund as noted by the Trustee and or other analysis. All labor and on labor investments must be reviewed.										
3	Review Facilities and Deferred Maintenance Modifications	The District needs to return to the Board to review the underfunded Deferred Maintenance Plan and develop of method to fund programs that are funded after emergencies, but lack proper staffing and preparation for future challenges with our facilities.										

**RESOLUTION OF THE  
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE  
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Resolution No. 2223-0040**

**Proposed Adjustments for 2023-24 Budget**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education (“Board”) recognizes that, in order to improve opportunities and outcomes for all students in the District and close equity gaps for the District’s historically underserved and most vulnerable students, the District must ensure that it remains fiscally solvent in the next three (3) school years, as well as years to come;

**WHEREAS**, the District has the paramount responsibility of offering a quality educational program to all of its students, almost 80% of who are unduplicated pupils;

**WHEREAS**, the Board is committed to implementing the strategies identified in the District’s Strategic Plan and LCAP to improve student outcomes to the greatest extent financially and operationally feasible;

**WHEREAS**, the Board is therefore committed to supporting the recruitment and retention of employees and the cultivation of high employee morale as well as to ensuring a continuity of services to students;

**WHEREAS**, the cost of health and welfare benefits are projected to increase by approximately 15%;

**WHEREAS**, the Consumer Price Index for the San Francisco Bay Area rose almost 5% in 2022;

**WHEREAS**, compensation in the Unrestricted General Fund is 84% of the total budget;

**WHEREAS**, compared with 2018-19, OUSD enrollment for 2023-24 is projected to have declined by 10.7% for TK-5 (with Kindergarten specifically projected to have declined by 15.6%), 5.2% for grades 6-8, and 3.1% for grades 9-12, foreshadowing serious future enrollment challenges for the District;

**WHEREAS**, the latest indications from the Department of Finance (DOF) and Legislative Analyst Office (LAO) are that any ongoing increase in LCFF funding is projected to be lower than proposed in the Governor’s January budget;

**WHEREAS**, on January 11, 2023 the Board adopted Resolution No. 2223-0036 - Rescission of School Consolidations for 2022-23, which rescinded the school consolidations scheduled for the end of the 2022-23 school year and increased expected ongoing costs by at least \$5.14M (in

addition to other programmatic, operational, maintenance, and facilities costs and impacts);

**WHEREAS**, the Board approved its first interim budget, which does not include ongoing increases in salary for all employees starting in 2023-24, and filed it with the Alameda County Office of Education with a “positive” certification;

**WHEREAS**, Alameda County Superintendent Alysse Castro, in her review of the District’s first interim budget, determined that “the District may not meet its financial obligations in” the subsequent two fiscal year “[b]ased on uncertainties yet unresolved” and changed the certification of the District’s first interim budget to “qualified”;

**WHEREAS**, Superintendent Castro, in her review also stated:

*OUSD stands at a moment of extreme opportunity and extreme risk . . . . An unprecedented infusion of one-time money has created a brief window for changing course while still meeting operating expenses, but can’t cover the ongoing investments we want for our kids and staff . . . . The District is well poised to end 20 years of debt, but doing so will require quick and decisive action on the part of the Board to make changes in what may be the most complex school budget in California. . . . These are massive undertakings and I applaud the Board for their service in undertaking them for our kids. I believe it is possible for the Board to realign the budget to reflect its priorities if they commit to learning the complex history of today’s budget and making the hard tradeoffs needed for tomorrow’s.*

**WHEREAS**, the Board understands that the District has been in similar situations in the past 20 years and is ready make these “hard tradeoffs” to ensure the District’s long-term fiscal solvency;

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to minimize the impact of any budget reductions on the level of service, quality of staff, staffing levels, and education programs for District students;

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent has proposed the budget adjustments found in Attachment A, which include funding shifts, reductions in ongoing expenditures through position reductions and eliminations, reductions in ongoing non-staffing costs, and the use of one-time money to pay for ongoing expenditures; and

**WHEREAS**, to address the use of one-time money to pay for ongoing expenditures, additional reductions to ongoing expenditures will need to be made for 2024-25; and

**WHEREAS**, the merger of District schools presents an opportunity to gain operational efficiencies and improve school programs as well as minimize the impact of any budget reductions on the level of service, quality of staff, staffing levels, and education programs for District students.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board hereby adopts the proposed budget adjustments found in **Attachment A**, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, with respect to any delineated shifts from LCFF base funding to supplemental and concentration funding, the Board empowers the Superintendent to replace these shifts with other shifts based on conversations with the Alameda County Office of Education with respect to what is appropriately funded with supplemental and concentration funding;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, unless otherwise stated herein, the Board directs the Superintendent to initiate all steps necessary to enact and implement the budget adjustments found Attachment A, including (without limitation) (i) providing statutory notices relating to layoff or reassignment, (ii) incorporating the budget adjustments into the proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 District Budget and the related multi-year budget projections for the subsequent two (2) fiscal years, and (iii) incorporating the adjustments in the 2023-2024 Local Control and Accountability Plan;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board acknowledges that the associated impacts to funding and positions are estimates and subject to change and empowers the Superintendent to refine the impacts to funding and positions, if necessary, and to include such refined information in the (i) statutory notices relating to layoff or reassignment, (ii) the proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 District Budget and the related multi-year budget projections for the subsequent two (2) fiscal years, and (iii) the 2023-2024 Local Control and Accountability Plan;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board recognizes that the budget adjustments found herein are in addition to any budget adjustments (e.g., funding shifts, reductions in ongoing expenditures, reductions or eliminations of positions, reductions in ongoing non-staffing costs) occurring due to declining enrollment, the loss of or reduction in one-time funding (e.g., grants), and the consolidations of school site positions consistent with applicable bargaining agreements;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, if new ongoing funds for 2023-24 are identified above projections as of the District's Second Interim Report, before the District's final budget is presented to the Board, the Board directs the Superintendent, first, to alert the Board and, then, to bring to the Board recommendations, that are feasible and consistent with Board Policies, (i) regarding the use of such ongoing funds with a focus on supporting school sites and (ii) that include restoring the Coordinator of School Security Officer position until there has been community engagement to discuss funding for the position consistent with Resolution No. 1920-0260 - George Floyd Resolution to Eliminate the Oakland Schools Police Department;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board directs the Superintendent to initiate a freeze on new hiring, including the filling of vacant positions, as of March 1, 2023, with the duration, scope, and possibility of exceptions left to the discretion of the Superintendent or designee, provided that (i) the freeze includes a prohibition against filling any vacant confidential management position and new teacher on special assignment ("TSA") position and (ii) the Superintendent or designee update the Board, in writing, on any major adjustments to the freeze as well as prior to the date on which the freeze would be discontinued;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board directs that, at the discretion of the chair but at some point during the 2023-24 school year, the Teaching and Learning Committee shall review all TSA positions and their impact on student learning; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board directs that the Superintendent or designee conduct a program review of staffing in the Special Education Department and provide that information to the Board when it becomes available.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board directs the Superintendent to provide the Board with a list of all mid-level positions in central office departments currently under external review for reorganization and currently funded by general fund dollars (Resource 0000 and Resource 0005) in order for the Board to consider whether to shift those positions into one-time funding.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, by the Governing Board of the Oakland Unified School District by the following vote:

PREFERENTIAL AYE:

PREFERENTIAL NOE:

PREFERENTIAL ABSTENTION:

PREFERENTIAL RECUSE:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAINED:

RECUSED:

ABSENT:

**CERTIFICATION**

We hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution passed at a Meeting of the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District held on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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**OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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Mike Hutchinson  
President, Board of Education

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Kyla Johnston-Trammell  
Superintendent and Secretary, Board of Education

Division/Department	Action and Impact	0000 FTE Change	0000 Savings	0005 FTE Change	0005 Savings	6500 FTE Change	6500 Savings	0002 Savings	FTE to One-time ESSER and AB 1840	Total of Shifts to One-time Funds (ESSER and AB 1840)
<b>Technology Services</b> supports all district technology and services. Technology Services' responsibilities include infrastructure, business applications, educational systems, systems integration, and technical support in alignment with OUSD Strategic goals and objectives.	<b>Funding shift</b> Shift the cost of the Specialist, School Technology position that is responsible for school site supports for device distribution, support and repair to resource 4. There are 11.0 FTE 4.6 FTE. Given the heighten cybersecurity threats to OUSD, other districts and municipalities and analysis of department size vs similar district, there are not position eliminations available in this department based on an analysis of business practices.  PCN 1094, 1948, 2268, 3052, 4073, 8337	-	\$ (474,636)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Technology Services</b> supports all district technology and services. Technology Services' responsibilities include infrastructure, business applications, educational systems, systems integration, and technical support in alignment with OUSD Strategic goals and objectives.	<b>Reduce non-labor costs</b> Reductions to some of the district software investments will mean that schools will have fewer options in educational technology offered by the district to support the core curriculum. Some software used by business departments was eliminated in order to meet the reduction target based on shifts in business practices. For example, OUSD will no longer use Laserfisher and Rocketscan what means that families will have to access online registration forms through digital platforms.	-	\$ (622,453)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Custodial Services Department's</b> main objective is to ensure that the students, staff, parents and all visitors have a clean and safe environment in which to learn, teach and visit. Custodial Services has established cleaning standards, scope of work, and a cleaning policy that are core to the essential function, which will assist custodial personnel in keeping their schools clean and sanitary.	<b>Position elimination</b> Eliminate the(1.00 FTE) Manager, Custodial Services vacant position.  Elimination of the Manager, Custodial Services as part of the custodial management reorganization to better align to the roles and responsibilities needed to provide supervision to schools. Should not impact the overall supervision and training at schools with a greater reliance on field supervisors to provide ongoing training.  PCN 3930	(1.00)	\$ (165,362)	-	-	-	-	-	1.00	\$ 165,362
<b>The Office of Chief of Staff</b> is responsible for external partnerships, philanthropic fundraising, political relationships and engagement, district strategy and board support.	<b>Position elimination</b> Eliminate (1.0 FTE) Senior Executive Assistant  The Department will have delayed responsiveness and fewer interactions with external partnerships, philanthropic fundraising, political relationships and engagement, district strategy and board support. The Superintendent is projected to eliminate the entire Chief of Staff department at the end of the 24-25 school year. The positions in the Chief of Staff Office are funded by philanthropy. This will mean there will be no employee on staff that will manage both the external partnerships, including fundraising and working with philanthropy who are interested in partnering with the District. In addition, the Communications department will need to shift supervision to another leader within the organization.  PCN 8228	(1.00)	\$ (130,360)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Legal/Governance Office</b> is dedicated to providing the District with the highest quality in-house legal advice and representation by supporting the District's strategic plan.	<b>Funding shift</b> Shift the cost of the Staff Attorney (1.5 FTE) to from 0 to 3213 and (.5 FTE) from 6500 to 3213 Shift Chief Governance Officer (1.0 FTE) from 0 to to 3213 Shift Facilities Attorney (.10 FTE) from 0 to 3213 and (.90 FTE) to 3213  No impact in 2023-24. Board must review for 2024-25 consistent with its plan to review Legal, CSI and Finance Division.  PCN 2425, 8439, 8310 and 7583	-	\$ (1,205,076)	-	-	-	-	-	3.00	\$ 1,205,076

Division/Department	Action and Impact	0000 FTE Change	0000 Savings	0005 FTE Change	0005 Savings	6500 FTE Change	6500 Savings	0002 Savings	FTE to One-time ESSER and AB 1840	Total of Shifts to One-time Funds (ESSER and AB 1840)
<b>Office of Chief Academic Officer</b> oversees schools and academics district-wide.	<p><b>Funding shift</b></p> <p>Shift the cost of the Teacher Replacement (11.00 FTE) and Teacher Structured English Immersion (3.00 FTE) for a total of (13.00 FTE) positions to Academic ESSER 3214. These positions are currently coded to Resource 0000. The use of these positions is to assign to schools if enrollment numbers have increased. There will be an ongoing need for these positions however they have not been used significantly over the years.</p> <p>PCN 7151, 7157, 7150, 7154, 7155, 7156, 7158, 7159, 9341, 9342 and 9343</p>	-	\$ (1,353,259)	-	-	-	-	-	13.00	\$ 1,353,259
<b>Talent Division / Human Resources</b> division work includes the employment process, orientation, maintaining employee records, coordinating classified employee training, personnel investigations, credentials, substitutes, position changes, leaves of absence, employee counseling on rights and personnel matters (investigations). The Talent Division also works to support district-wide classification and compensation, leadership growth & development, new teacher support, recruitment and pathways, data reporting and analysis, call-center management and managing the employee benefits.	<p><b>Funding shift</b></p> <p>Shift of Fingerprint Technician (1.0 FTE) funding from 0 to 3213.</p> <p>There is only one position within Talent that handles the fingerprint process for new employees and the ongoing compliance for current staff. The Talent Division will no longer provide fingerprinting services for new employees. Providing fingerprint services in house has allowed for greater efficiency and a lower cost to applicants. The efficiency of the onboarding process may decline if there are longer wait times for applicants. Talent also manages the subsequent request process for internal staff. This process may be impacted by this elimination.</p> <p>PCN 3164</p>	-	\$ (101,643)	-	-	-	-	-	1.00	\$ 101,643
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<b>Labor &amp; Alternative Dispute Resolution Office</b> collaborates with our labor partners in the development and negotiation of collectively bargained agreements. The office also provides support and facilitates all District school sites and departments in their partnership with labor unions and union leadership. The office also handles employee-related alternative dispute resolution. This includes investigating and responding to complaints, including those filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), the Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH) and the Department of Labor and Fair Standards.	<p><b>Funding shift</b></p> <p>Shift the cost of the Teacher Replacement positions (2.00 FTE) to ESSER 3213. These teacher replacement positions used for settlement agreements to allow sites to fill positions pending teacher resignations. Both will be vacant effective July 1, 2023. To the extent settlement agreements are reached beyond 2023-24, additional funding for teacher replacement positions will be requested.</p> <p>PCN 8122 and 6854</p>	-	\$ (275,985)	-	-	-	-	-	2.00	\$ 275,985



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<p><b>Office of Sr. Business Officer</b> leads all financial departments in Oakland Unified School District and is responsible for creating a balanced budget that the School Board adopts each year in June. The Accounting/Budget, Accounts Payable, Strategic Resource Planning and Payroll are under this division.</p>	<p><b>Funding shift</b></p> <p>The Business Services Division has reduced and eliminated positions beyond what evaluated and recommended staffing should be for the District to build and ensure sustainability over time. The District is therefore relying, as it is in many other departments, on the acquired development, knowledge, and talent of a number of employees. To support the District's financial needs, the business services department will not immediately impact what sustainability plans requested and required to gain fiscal sustainability, but is recommending the more immediate and deliberate phase out of the following positions to trigger the pending transitions.</p> <p>The District's Chief Business Officer and Trustee have been funded out of AB1840 since 2021-22 to firstly, identify positions that are part of the fiscal recovery and sustainability. The Chief Business Officer position as it exists today is currently set to sunset in 2023-24. The District will transfer funding for the (1.0 FTE) Sr Director of Strategic Planning and (1.0 FTE) Senior Executive Assistant Support fro Resource 0000 to Resource 0040 (AB1840) with a reservation to retain the positions for 2023-24, 2024-25. This will allow the District to transition the work that will continue and phase out responsibilities as the District completes next steps to seek local control and execute the Fiscal Sustainability Plan and associated audits and reviews. This will also signal the collapse of the Operations and Business Departments under a new organizational structure accordingly.</p> <p>PCN 6743 and 8224</p>	(2.00)	\$ (378,404)	-	-	-	-	-	2.00	\$ 378,404
<p><b>Academics and Instruction</b> department aims to improve instruction and student learning through the development of coherent instructional systems: standards-based curriculum; assessment; foundational professional development; ongoing professional learning and collaboration, on-site coaching and support; and tiered student support structures. A.I. leads the strategic plan reading initiative and consists of staff supporting TK-12 schools in following areas: ELA/Literacy, Math, Science, History/Social Studies, Social Emotional Learning, Physical Education, Instructional Technology, Libraries, and Visual and Performing Arts.</p>	<p><b>Funding shift</b></p> <p>Move the following positions with corresponding FTE to Resource 5</p> <p>Director, Instruction PreK-12 (0.20 FTE) Exec Director, Instruction (0.20 FTE) Spec Instructional Materials (0.40 FTE) from 0 to 4 and (1.60 FTE) from 5 to 4</p> <p>Move the following position with corresponding FTE to Resource 9334 (Measure G). This position has oversight over the visual arts programs and teachers.</p> <p>Director, Visual &amp; Perf Arts (0.40 FTE)</p> <p>PCN 443, 7166, 6457, 6301 and 7943</p>	-	\$ (231,921)	-	\$ (250,000)	-	-	-	-	-
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<b>Linked Learning Office</b> as an entity within the High School Network, the Linked Learning Office brings together college-prep academics, technical education, work-based learning, and support services and ensures students, teachers and leaders within OUSD's high schools receive access and support to develop these critical program elements. Serving as a theory of action, Linked Learning is a successful approach to high school academic programs grounded in the idea that if students are exposed to rigorous academics, career technical education, work-based learning and comprehensive student	<p><b>Funding shift</b></p> <p>The following positions will move out of resource 5 into Measure N/H, CTE or other grant</p> <p>Coordinator Work-Based Learning (1.0 FTE) to move to CTE Workforce or Measure N/H</p> <p>Program Manager CTE (1.0 FTE) move to CTE or Measure N/H</p> <p>PCN 11 and 8564</p>	-	-	-	\$ (259,794)	-	-	-	1.00	\$ 128,485
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<b>Facilities</b> led by Tadashi Nakadegawa, Deputy Chief Facilities Management & Planning. The Facilities Planning and Management Division oversees the capital improvement program for the Oakland Unified School District. This work is funded by bond measures that include Measure B, \$65 million, Measure J, \$475 million, and Measure Y, \$735 million. We work with an Independent Citizen Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) to help ensure that all spending fulfills the bond measure mandates approved by Oakland voters. The Facilities Department manages over 100 buildings and 680 portables, totaling 5,841,891 square feet. Beyond the upkeep of classrooms, offices and gymnasiums, we are responsible for the maintenance of playgrounds, gardens, and athletic fields and courts. On average, our maintenance operations team addresses and responds to over 20,000 work orders per year.	<p><b>Funding shift</b></p> <p>With the passage of Measure Y, there will be an increased focus on the district's bond projects. The funding will be shifted into resource 9655 to reflect the appropriate expenditures. Increased focus on the capital project.</p> <p>Reduction by \$275,000 in unrestricted non-salary items.</p> <p>Position(s) (funding change):</p> <p>(.20 FTE) Deputy Chief of Facilities</p> <p>(.20 FTE) Administrative Assistant III Bilingual</p> <p>(.20 FTE) Program Manager Sustainable Energy</p> <p>PCN 2864, 3916 and 4023</p>	-	\$ (404,865)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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<p><b>Community Schools Student Services (CSSS)</b> leverages community partnerships and resources so our campuses become hubs of support and opportunity for students, families and community members. By working with the community in this way, schools become better equipped to tap into the unique talents and gifts of every student, teacher, and staff member in our district, and can better break down barriers to student achievement. Within CSSS you will find Behavioral Health, Wellness, School Safety &amp; DHP and the Oakland Athletic League</p>	<p><b>Funding shift</b> The following positions will move into other available resource: (3.0 FTE) Behavior Specialist from 5 to resource 4 (1.0 FTE) Administrative Assist III Bil - Resource 4 (1.0 FTE) Administrative Assistant III - Resource 3213. The Administrative Assistant III position will end with ESSER funds. (1.0 FTE) Coordinator School Secur Off - Resource 4 (1.0 FTE) Dir Behavior Health Initiatives (.10 FTE from 0 and .90 FTE from 5) moving to resource 4 (.20 FTE) Director, Stu Support &amp; Safety - Resource 4 (.40 FTE) Exec Dir Community Schools - Resource 5 (1.0 FTE) Prog Mgr, Attendance and Discipline - (.20 FTE from 0 and .80 FTE from 5) moving to resource 4 (1.0 FTE) SARB Facilitator - (.20 FTE from 0 and .80 FTE from 5) moving to resource 4 (1.0 FTE) Security and Safety Dispatcher - resource 4 (1.0 FTE) Social Worker (from 5 to resource 4) (1.0 FTE) Program Manager, Behavioral Health (from 5 to 4)</p> <p>PCN 7920, 458, 6773, 8278, 2088, 9064, 2357, 9283, 2644, 3748, 4476, 8947, 2598, 6211, 8737, 8880, 4497, 8879, 9281 and 9282</p> <p>In addition, the entire Safety program will move out of resource 0 and 5 into Resource 4</p> <p>(58.0 FTE) Culture Keepers (6.0 FTE) Central Culture Keeper Ambassadors (14.0 FTE) Culture Climate Ambassadors</p>	-	\$ (971,374)	-	\$ (6,851,998)	-	-	-	1.00	\$ 144,029
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<p><b>Elementary Network 4</b> The Elementary School Network is responsible for providing leadership development and support to all elementary school principals and teams. Support and development for all leaders of these schools are provided in alignment with OUSD's Strategic Plan.</p>	<p><b>Funding shift</b> The following positions will move into other available resource: (1.0 FTE) Executive Assistant from 0 to - Resource 5 (1.0 FTE) Network Superintendent move from 0 to - Resource 3214</p> <p>The possible elimination of the Network Superintendent position is under review for 24-25. There are significant challenges to eliminating the supervision and support to Principals.</p> <p>PCN 1979 and 6374</p>	-	\$ (292,179)	-	-	-	-	-	1.00	\$ 238,021
<p><b>Elementary Network 2</b> The Elementary School Network is responsible for providing leadership development and support to all elementary school principals and teams. Support and development for all leaders of these schools are provided in alignment with OUSD's Strategic Plan.</p>	<p><b>Funding shift</b> The following positions will move into other available resources: (.80 FTE) Network Superintendent PreK-5 will move from 0 to resource 5 (.20 FTE) Partner Network will move from 0 to resource 5</p> <p>PCN 1585 and 91</p>	-	\$ (116,172)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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<b>Elementary Network 3</b> The Elementary School Network is responsible for providing leadership development and support to all elementary school principals and teams. Support and development for all leaders of these schools are provided in alignment with OUSD's Strategic Plan.	<b>Funding shift</b> The following positions will move into other available resources: (1.00 FTE) Deputy Network Superintendent will move from 0 to resource 5 PCN 1658	-	\$ (234,588)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Middle School Network</b> The Middle School Network is responsible for providing leadership development and support to all middle school principals and teams. Support and development for all leaders of these schools are provided in alignment with OUSD's Strategic Plan.	<b>Funding shift</b> The following positions will move into other available resources: (.80 FTE) Network Superintendent Middle will move from 0 to resource 5 6523	-	\$ (208,260)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Middle School Network</b> The Middle School Network is responsible for providing leadership development and support to all middle school principals and teams. Support and development for all leaders of these schools are provided in alignment with OUSD's Strategic Plan.	<b>Position elimination</b> Eliminate (.50 FTE) Program Manager MS Operations from resource 0. This position will not be in the 23-24 budget unless there is room in the middle school grant funds. This position will be noticed for elimination. Historically, there is a .5 Administrative Staff assigned to a Network Office. PCN 6523	(0.50)	\$ (80,044)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>High School Network</b> The High School Network is responsible for providing leadership development and support to all high school principals and teams leading comprehensive, small-by-design, continuation, and alternative schools of choice in OUSD. The High School Network is also responsible for supporting OUSD's Home and Hospital Program as well as Oakland Adult and Career Education. Support and development for all leaders of these academic programs is provided in alignment with OUSD's Strategic Plan.	<b>Funding shift</b> The following positions will move into other available resources: (.80 FTE) Network Superintendent, HS will move from 0 to resource 5 (.40 FTE) Prog Mgr, Home and Hospital will move from 0 to resource 5 (1.0 FTE) Executive Director, Alternative Education will move from 0 to 3214. The year will be used to evaluate the structure. PCN 3472, 934 and 6496	-	\$ (548,993)	-	-	-	-	-	1.00	\$ 260,325
<b>Health Services</b> is charged with Health Services oversees the District's credentialed School Nursing staff, and works to ensure that students have an optimal learning experience and that opportunities to learn are not mitigated by students' medical and health conditions.	<b>Funding shift</b> The following positions will move into other available resource: (1.20 FTE) Health Assistant from 0 to - Resource 4 (.60 FTE) Health Assistant, Bilingual from 0 to - Resource 4 (2.0 FTE) Nurses from 0 to - Resource 4 PCN 2289, 3116, 1036, 2412 and 2883	-	\$ (379,089)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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<b>The Communications Department</b> is responsible for media, social media, digital and print publications, internal and external, internet and intranet, newsletters, as well as KDOL; the management of board meetings, Community Engagement to garner input on and build shared understanding around district-wide and school community priorities; Government Affairs at the local, regional, state, and federal levels of government and School Marketing that helps communicate to parents, students, and families the wonderful aspects of our District-run public schools.	<b>Funding shift</b> The following positions will be partially shifted to Resource 5 Mgr Internal & Web Communications (.60 FTE to Resource 5 and .40 FTE remains in Resource 0) Mgr Publications (.40 FTE to Resource 5 and .60 FTE remains in Resource 0) PCN 9057 and 7251	-	\$ (153,224)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Additional Support from Central (998)</b> In limited circumstances, some are provided additional support	<b>Position elimination</b> Eliminate (1.0 FTE) Principal, Elem School Small Eliminate (1.0 FTE) Restorative Justice Facilitator Eliminate (.20 FTE) Teacher Education Enhancement Eliminate (1.0 FTE) Teacher STIP PCN 9000, 8736, 128 and 7423	(3.20)	\$ (473,480)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>English Language Learner and Multilingual Achievement (ELLMA)</b> works collaboratively with all OUSD schools to support English Language Learners with equity and access to an excellent education. We develop tools and professional training to promote biliteracy and ensure English Language Learners progress toward reclassification. Together, we prepare OUSD students to thrive in a multilingual world. The ELLMA team has two branches: instructional and student services. The instructional team provides site support and guidance to develop empowering instruction for ELLs, including integrated and designated ELD and multilingual programming. The student services team provides direct support and wraparound services to newcomer students and families.	<b>Funding shift</b> The following positions will move from Resource 0 into other available resource: (.40 FTE) Director, Newcomer ELL Program - Resource 4 (.20 FTE) Exec Director, ELL - Resource 4 PCN 53 and 845		\$ (89,091)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Office of Equity</b> is charged with supporting site and district leaders to build antiracist healing centered school cultures and closing of equity gaps for targeted populations, leading guidance and implementation of signature practices in, meaningful Student and Family Engagement linked to student learning and shared decision making, Targeted Academic and SEL Strategies for African American, Arab American, Asian Pacific Islander, and Latino students, School Governance, Language Access to Communication and Antiracist Learning	<b>Funding Shift</b> Move the following positions with corresponding FTE to Academic ESSER 3214: Translation: (1.0 FTE) Translator, Arabic (.50 FTE) Translator, Cambodian (1.0 FTE) Translator, Chinese (1.0 FTE) Translator, Spanish (1.0 FTE) Translator, Spanish  Targeted Strategies: (7.0 FTE) Spec Target Stud Grp Intervent (4.0 FTE) Teacher Structured English Immersion (1.75 FTE) Facilitator, Manhood Development (1.0 FTE) Research Associate (1.0 FTE) African American Female Excellence (1.0 FTE) Program Assistant 3 (1.0 FTE) Case Manager-12 month (1.0 FTE) SEL Coordinator (1.0 FTE) Director, Student Achievement resource 4  PCN 30880, 29643, 29319, 6491, 25062, 31254, 5455, 28336, 24091, 17354, 24457, 24248, 33156, 11634, 22648, 34858, 34315, 5238, 4321, 5038, 27763, 31392, 17641, 21932, 23331, 31801 and 30078	-	-	-	\$ (3,345,906)	-	-	-	24.25	\$ 3,345,906

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<b>Enrollment (Student Assignment)</b> department guides families through the process of registering students for school, and helps families find local resources and services necessary to support their child's education and development throughout their lives.	<p><b>Reorganization</b></p> <p>Reorganize all the enrollment functions under the Enrollment Office. Currently ELLMA, Alternative Education, and Early Childhood all have staff that are specifically used for enrollment purposes. We will move the funding and staff within the enrollment office initially and downsize accordingly. This will reduce the number of employees needed while increasing the enrollment efficiency across the District. We believe this will increase the level of service for families by consolidating all the resources in the new Enrollment Office and will allow for the sharing of best practices and greater efficiency</p> <p>Reorganization of Enrollment Functions will occur in two phases, Phase 1 23-24 School Year. All of these positions are conducting enrollment office duties in other departments:</p> <p>Eliminate Director, Student Assignment (1.0 FTE)</p> <p>Shift (6.0 FTE) Student Assignment Counselor and (1.0) FTE of Director to Student Assignment funding to Resource 4.</p> <p>In addition the following moves will occur:                      (3.0 FTE) Specialist, Enrollment ECE will move from Early Childhood continue to be paid from Fund 12                      (1.0) Program Assistant will move from Alternative Education change resource 5 to resource 4                      (1.0 FTE) Program Manager, Newcomer and Refugee will move from the ELLMA office currently funded through grants.                      (1.0 FTE) Specialist, Refugee will move from the ELLMA office continuing to be paid for from Title 1                      23-24 school year will be used to continue the change</p>	(1.00)	\$ (317,549)	(6.00)	\$ (1,022,000)	-	-	-	-	-
<b>The Special Education Department (Central)</b> provides support through mentation of our curricula and evidence-based practices, support IEPs, and lead professional learning. SPED Program Coordinators will be responsible for providing coaching in collaboration with the school site Instructional Leadership Teams.	<p><b>Position Eliminations</b></p> <p>Eliminate Instructional Support Specialist: (12.0 FTE vacancies)                      Eliminate Teacher SDC Non Severe: vacancies and transfer employees from program collapse due to low enrollment from 6500 (8.0 FTE)                      Eliminate Paraeducator Vacancies from 6500 (29.0 FTE)</p> <p><b>Funding Shifts</b></p> <p>Shift SpEd Directors from 6500 move to Resource 5 (3.0 FTE)                      Shift Sped Coordinators from 6500 to Resource 5 (2.0 FTE)</p>	-	-	-	-	(67.80)	\$ (5,132,551)	-	-	-
<b>AMENDMENT</b> Adjustment to Central Site Discretionary Dollars (Unrestricted)	<p>Reduce central departments' discretionary dollars. Discretionary dollars are used to fund non-labor items (e.g. instructional and operational supplies, consultant contracts, professional development, safety equipment) and overtime and substitute coverage for central department employees (i.e. Payroll overtime and subs, Custodian overtime and subs, Culture Keeper overtime and subs).</p> <p>Consultant contracts will be reduced first from this area with the exception of essential services as determined by the Superintendent and provided to the Board.</p>		\$ (4,477,566)							
<b>School Site Adjustments</b>										

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<b>Adjustment to School Site Allocations- Discretionary (Unrestricted)</b> Schools receive discretionary funding based on projected student enrollment at each grade level, rather than by a school's grade span. Discretionary funds are intended to cover the cost of a site's basic operational and program needs, including copier agreements, supplies, books, contracted services, and equipment to support the school site educational environment. Graduation costs, WASC dues, and other mandated non-salary costs must also be paid with Discretionary funds. Discretionary funds are currently allocated to school sites using the following grade span formula  Grades TK-5: \$60.00 per student Grades 6-8: \$75.00 per student Grades 9-12: \$100.00 per student	<b>Proposed Reduction to School Site Funding Allocation Effective FY 23-24</b>  <b>Grades TK-5: \$50.00 per student</b> <b>Grades 6-8: \$65.00 per student</b> <b>Grades 9-12: \$80.00 per student</b>  <b>Impact:</b> No impact to school allocations in FY 23-24. Starting in FY 24-25, schools will be able to afford less supplies, operational maintenance (i.e. copier upkeep) and/or staff etc. than prior years.  <b>Mitigation FY 23-24:</b> Status-quo for 1 year as one-time funds (i.e. ESSER III) will be used to offset the reduction. <b>Mitigation FY 24-25:</b> Schools may purchase supplies centrally, allowing for reduction in costs and use other restricted resources to fund priorities.	-	\$ (433,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 433,000
<b>Adjustment to School Site Allocations- LCFF</b> Schools receive a per pupil allocation of LCFF (Supplemental) funding. The current funding formula is \$785 per eligible student. The count of eligible students is determined by multiplying the projected total enrollment, including SDC students and Late-Arriving Newcomers, but the three-year average of the school's Unduplicated Pupil Percentage (UPP). Unduplicated students are defined by the State as low-income students, English learners, and foster youth.  For 2022-23, approximately \$21 million in LCFF Supplemental funds are allocated to schools.	<b>Proposed Reduction to School Site Funding Allocation Adjustment Effective FY 23-24</b>  Reduce the per pupil LCFF allocation (Supplemental) from \$785 per student to \$675 per student.  <b>Impact:</b> No impact to school allocations in FY 23-24. Starting in FY 24-25, schools will be able to afford less supplies, operational maintenance, and/or staff etc. than prior years.  <b>Mitigation FY 23-24:</b> Status-quo for 1 year as one-time funds (i.e. ESSER III) will be used to offset the reduction. <b>Mitigation FY 23-24:</b> Schools may adjust services or rely on other restricted funds to ensure a continuity of services and programs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ (2,876,645)	-	\$ 2,876,645
<b>AMENDMENT</b> Potential Merger of District Schools	Add: The District proposes a planning year (2023-24) for the potential merger of schools effective 2024-25. Before any closures or consolidations take place, the District will comply with the guidelines set forth in AB 1912 which requires a district, before approving the closure or consolidation of a school, to conduct an equity impact analysis in its consideration of school closures or consolidations. The governing board of the school district would be required to "develop a set of metrics, as specified, for the development of the equity impact analysis, and to make those metrics public at a regularly scheduled meeting of the governing board of the school district so that the public can provide input regarding the metrics being used to conduct the analysis, as provided."  The District proposes a shift of the below listed positions to one-time funds* in anticipation of the possible mergers.  Teacher (1.1 FTE) Principals (5.0 FTE) Clerical (5.5 FTE) Attendance (2.5 FTE) Noon Supt. (1.2 FTE) CSM (1.4 FTE) Support Position (1.0 FTE) *In addition to ESSER funds, allowable use of other one-time funding sources will be evaluated for the purpose of this shift.	(17.70)	\$ (2,477,792)						17.70	\$ 2,477,792
		(32.20)	\$ (17,367,468)	(6.60)	\$ (16,308,981)	(67.80)	\$ (5,132,551)	\$ (2,876,645)		
Note: Funding shifts will be reflected in District Interim Reports including all resources.										



**TALENT DIVISION**

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**To:** Board of Education  
**From:** Tara Gard, Chief Talent Officer  
**Date:** January 18, 2024  
**Subject:** Update: [School Services Reorganization Recommendations](#) [Talent Division]

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**Background:** In October 2020, the District contacted School Services of California (SSC) and requested a staffing and department organizational structure analysis of Business Services and Talent Divisions in response to a 2018-19 requirement by the Fiscal Crisis Management and Assistance Team’s recommendation for the District’s Fiscal Vitality Plan and in conjunction with the tenants of Assembly Bill 1840.

**Purpose:** This memo details the status of each recommendation related to the Talent Division. School services provided three recommendations of which two are completed and one is pending completion.

**School Services Recommendation #1:**

Reorganization of the Talent Division to minimize the separation of duties and increase the integration of services for employee support for schools and the central office, human resources operations, and recruitment, residency, and retention services to assist in cross-training, increased staff capacity, and allow for flexibility to serve in high-need areas.

- **Status:** **Completed**
- **Status Detail:** Historically, there have been many reorganizations to the Talent Division. Specifically, reorganizations occurred in 2005, 2009, 2011, 2015, 2017 and 2022. Arguably the repeated reorganization in response to the District budget uncertainty has impacted the services and stability of the Division. Organizational charts can be viewed by clicking the links: [2013](#), [2016](#), [2017](#), [2023](#). Previous reorganization reports: [2012 BOE approval plan](#), [2013/14 plan](#), [2018 Executive Brief Study](#)

Although there have been many reorganizations of Talent we are in agreement that further alignment is needed to minimize the separation of duties and increased cross-training and collaboration within the teams. Following the school services report there has been a great deal of work completed as a Division to name our core functions, align to district goals and our division vision and mission.

*The following changes were made for the **2023-24** in response to the school services report:*

Position Title	Description of Change	FTE Impact
Director, HR Operations	Elimination of the Director, HR Operations position. This position managed the system operations, compensation & classification and audits. The work of this position was integrated into the Director, Business Analytics that is responsible for data reporting. In addition, each Director within the Division is responsible to be responsive to district audits as related to their area of expertise within the Division. This allows for more collaboration and cross-training amongst the team as it relates to audits and operations. The positions direct reports moved under the oversight of the HR Services & Support team, including benefits.	-1.00
Manager, Substitute Services	Elimination of Manager, Substitute Services. This position elimination effectively ended the “substitute office” within the Talent Division. The work of substitutes was distributed throughout the team. The substitute office was responsible for recruiting, monitoring credentials, performance	-1.00





**TALENT DIVISION**

	<p>and the substitute system for classified and certificated substitutes district-wide. This work has moved and is embedded in the Recruitment &amp; Retention teams and Employee Support teams. There is no longer a “specialized substitute office” in Talent.</p>	
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The following changes are proposed for the **2024-25** school year in response to the school services report:

Position Title	Description of Change	FTE Impact
Coordinator, Retirement	The Human Resources department does not have a retirement specialist or anyone on the team that supports exiting employees with retirement and those returning to work as a retiree. This position will be created to meet the need of this critical role.	+1.00
Employee Support Specialist	The Employee Support Specialist role primarily supports the onboarding and employee changes including layoffs, position changes and transfers. In an effort to cross change and eventually reduce the staff the Employee Support Specialists will begin completing the data entry into the HRIS system. Currently, there are positions within the Division that are responsible for data entry. This work will begin to shift in the 23-24 school year resulting in an elimination in the 25-26 school year of the position responsible solely for data entry.	n/a

The following changes are proposed for the **2025-26** school year in response to the school services report:

Position Title	Description of Change	FTE Impact
Employee Information Systems Analyst	This position is currently responsible for data entry. We will work through the 23-24 school year embedding the data entry function into the Employee Support specialist role and eliminate the position in 25-26	-1.00

**Note:** There are a number of grant funded positions within the Talent Division which will be evaluated for sustainability year to year.

### We are the Talent Division

Learn more at: [ousd.org/talent](https://ousd.org/talent)

We are driven by a shared purpose—to serve our district by supporting each other, connecting with community, and contributing to meaningful change in Oakland. We commit to facilitating this purpose by:

**Supporting Our Employees**  
by providing employees with access to resources and systems of support.

For example:

- Feedback and surveys
- Conflict resolution
- Partnerships
- Wellness
- Employee recognition
- Employment verification
- Open enrollment
- Salary and compensation
- Personnel records

**Facilitating Professional Growth**  
by creating opportunities for staff and educators to learn and grow.

For example:

- New and early career teacher support
- Compliance
- Mentorship
- Evaluations
- Performance management
- Culture and values

**Growing Our Staff**  
by staffing schools and creating pathways into the district.

For example:

- Recruitment
- Credentialing
- Substitutes
- Teacher pipelines, residency, and retention

**Managing Employee Transitions**  
by managing staff transitions in, out, and around OUSD.

For example:

- Onboarding
- Health benefits
- Position transitions
- Separations
- Transfer requests
- Leaves
- Return to duty dates
- Position and compensation reviews



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### School Services Recommendation #2:

Revision of job titles for Division positions, as well as modification of the Division name to align with industry standard - this will provide clarity in the position's role and improve efficiency within the Division which is an important consideration related to adjustments in staffing levels.

- **Status:** Completed
- The Talent Division name will remain the same. School services may have not realized that "Talent Division" is in reference to a Division. Within the Talent Division there are several departments/functional areas which include: Human Resources, Talent Development, New Teacher Support & Development and PAR. This does meet industry standards. In fact, other Districts often have more FTE within the subsequent departments, especially related to Talent Development and New Teacher Support & Development.

There has been work to revise a few job titles within the Division. Specifically, the staff working with credentials were in a job title called "Employee Support Specialist". These positions were revised and are now in the industry aligned title "Credential Associate".

### School Services Recommendation #3:

Assessment of clerical and administrative support in Division to align with support needs, and also evaluate positions in the confidential classification to determine if they are appropriately classified.

- **Status:** Pending
- There are 174 classifications that are currently listed under "confidential". 91 of the classifications are not currently in use however they are current classifications that need to also be evaluated. These positions have been evaluated for a move to union representation and/or unrepresented. The evaluation can be found [here](#). This process is underway as it requires negotiation with represented unions and engagement with impacted employees. Essentially these employees have not been paying union dues and will likely shift to paying towards union dues. Some will become eligible for annuity which they have not been eligible for previously that is an improved benefit. These changes also impact days work, sick leave allocation, evaluation timelines and other employee impacting compliance rules and regulations. Ultimately, after the union discussions and approval the changes will be brought to the Board of Education for final approval.

The assessment of the clerical and administrative support within the Talent Division indicates that there is a need for additional support. However, given the current budget and prioritization of needs we are not seeking additional FTE to meet this need at this time.



**To:** Board of Education  
**From:** Lisa Grant-Dawson, Chief Business Officer  
**Date:** January 18, 2024  
**Subject:** Update: [School Services Reorganization Recommendations](#)

**Background:** In October 2020, the District contacted School Services of California (SSC) and requested a staffing and department organizational structure analysis of Business Services and Talent Divisions in response to a 2018-19 requirement by the Fiscal Crisis Management and Assistance Team’s recommendation for the District’s Fiscal Vitality Plan and in conjunction with the tenants of Assembly Bill 1840.

**Purpose:** This memo details the status of each recommendation related to the Finance/Business Services Division. School services provided three recommendations of which two are completed and one is pending completion.

**School Services Recommendation #1:**

Review District-wide centralized processes originating in the Finance Division—staff reports that some processes, in practice, are decentralized which can have an impact on efficiency and even compliance with education code and other standards.

- **Status:** Completed and Ongoing Reductions Have been Made
- Status Detail: The Finance Division has consistently recommended or has been recommended to make reductions in staffing to support the District’s overall deficit, and respond to the demand for reductions, yet high impact presence for school sites and departments and high efficiency in all other required areas.

*The following changes were made for the **2023-24** in response to the District’s budget needs, but does reduce the staffing, which previously was listed as 3rd out of the 7 District’s evaluated by 2025-26 from the school services report:*

Position Title	Description of Change	FTE Impact
Sr Director Strategic Planning	Elimination of this position as of June 2025. Funding has been shifted to AB 1840 for two years as of 2023-24 to sunset the work required in these roles.	-1.00
Senior Executive Assistant	Elimination of this position as of June 2025. Funding has been shifted to AB 1840 for two years as of 2023-24 to sunset the work required in these roles.	-1.00
Chief Business Officer	This position will sunset in June 2025 along with the previously listed positions. The Chief Financial Officer will be responsible for the department with recommendations forthcoming of what work, roles, and responsibilities will sunset with the transition of the Chief Business Officer	-1.00

*The following changes are proposed for the **2024-25** in response to the District’s budget needs, but does reduce the staffing, which previously was listed as 3rd out of the 7 District’s evaluated by 2025-26 from the school services report:*

Position Title	Description of Change	FTE Impact
Accounting Manager	This position is vacant, but has been highly desired to be filled to support the Payroll Department, as well as new initiatives to streamline travel,	-1.00



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	purchasing, retirement, and other critical areas currently being managed by the Director of Payroll and CBO.	
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These reductions will mean a reduction in services, visibility, and ability to manage the District's needs as well as the three Parcel tax, audit committee, budget and finance committee, analysis, and other areas of service.

**School Services Recommendation #2:**

The proportion of management and confidential positions compared to all staff positions in the Finance Division's Accounting, Accounts Payable, Budget, and Payroll Department and Risk Management Department should be examined

- **Status:** [In Progress for Recommendation to Talent Division and Labor Relations](#)

The District has several positions in Business Services that are considered confidential that management that it believes could and should be included in collective bargaining units.

**School Services Recommendation #3:**

Review of the lower number of Procurement Department staff relative to all other districts, specifically in the purchasing technician and buyer job classifications (non management) to determine if the staffing level supports the needed functions and services

- **Status:** [Pending](#)

The District has reduced staffing in Accounting and added 1 FTE in Procurement, bringing the staffing to 5. There is one more position that was scheduled to be created, which previously was in Labor Relations to support contract review and administration. This position addition has been placed on hold pending the Legal Department Reorganization.

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**December 15, 2021**



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**Board Meeting**  
**December 15, 2021**

Presented By:

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 Director, Management Consulting Services

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**Scope and Methodology—Organizational Review**

- The Oakland Unified School District (District) requested that School Services of California Inc. (SSC) conduct an Organizational Structure and Staffing Review of the Finance Division, Talent Division, and Information Technology Services Department
- The review was developed to provide an objective analysis of the District’s current organization structure and staffing as compared to similar school districts

County	District Name	2020–21 Enrollment	Number of Schools <sup>1</sup>	2020–21 UPP <sup>2</sup>
San Bernardino	Fontana Unified School District (USD)	35,461	45	87%
Fresno	Fresno USD	69,709	100	89%
Riverside	Moreno Valley USD	31,593	39	84%
Alameda	<i>Oakland USD</i>	<i>35,489</i>	<i>81</i>	<i>76%</i>
Riverside	Riverside USD	39,443	47	67%
Orange	Santa Ana USD	43,917	54	88%
San Joaquin	Stockton USD	33,943	56	82%

Source: California Department of Education (CDE), DataQuest

<sup>1</sup>2020-21 list of schools from DataQuest—does not include district/central office or non-traditional school programs (e.g., charter schools, child development centers, nonpublic schools)

<sup>2</sup>UPP: Unduplicated Pupil Percentage

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## Staffing Summary

- In terms of absolute full-time equivalent (FTE), the District reported the second lowest staffing level at 115.35 FTE, just above Stockton USD at 108.00 FTE
- In terms of enrollment-to-staff ratios, the comparative group ranges from 250.74:1 in Moreno Valley USD to 344.53:1 in Santa Ana USD and the District ranks 3 of 7 at 307.66:1

Division/Department	Fontana USD	Fresno USD	Moreno Valley USD	Oakland USD	Riverside USD	Santa Ana USD	Stockton USD
Finance—Accounting, AP, Budget, Payroll	35.00	47.65	26.00	32.80	32.00	35.00	32.00
Finance—Procurement	6.00	17.00	7.00	4.00	9.00	9.00	8.00
Finance—Risk Management	3.50	13.00	5.00	8.75	8.00	10.00	9.00
Information Technology Services	54.00	93.00	33.00	26.00	44.00	29.00	28.00
Talent	27.00	41.00	55.00	43.80	27.00	44.47	31.00
<b>Total FTEs</b>	<b>125.50</b>	<b>211.65</b>	<b>126.00</b>	<b>115.35</b>	<b>120.00</b>	<b>127.47</b>	<b>108.00</b>
Enrollment	35,461	69,709	31,593	35,489	39,443	43,917	33,943
<i>Enrollment per FTE</i>	<i>282.56</i>	<i>329.36</i>	<i>250.74</i>	<i>307.66</i>	<i>328.69</i>	<i>344.53</i>	<i>314.29</i>
Rank	2	6	1	3	5	7	4
Number of Schools	45	100	39	81	47	54	56
FTE per School	2.79	2.12	3.23	1.42	2.55	2.36	1.93
Rank	2	5	1	7	3	4	6

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## General Observations

- There are many factors that can influence a district's staffing such as available financial resources, differing programmatic emphasis, number of facilities and programs served, which services are contracted out, etc., though enrollment is typically the primary factor
- Staffing levels should reflect the resources needed to support initiatives and goals
- The economies of scale for larger districts have an impact on the numbers of staff positions
  - There must be a certain number of staff positions to handle the centralized functions required for each district
  - It should also be noted that because of the large number of schools operated by the District, many of the economies of scale one would expect to find are absent, as a higher level of staffing is required to support the operational functions associated with individual schools
- All areas of district staffing should periodically be evaluated to ensure staffing levels are appropriate, with focus on the District's priorities and goals as defined by the Board and District leadership, as well as available financial resources. This report should serve as a baseline for future analysis by the District as it evaluates its staffing and organizational needs.

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### Finance Division—Overall Observations

- In this area, we find that highly decentralized decision-making structures, procedures, and functions, coupled with high staff turnover and lack of standardization result in increased demands for Finance Division staffing
- Distributive decision-making, combined with policies and procedures that are not implemented with fidelity, has created a demand for higher-level support staff to meet the shifting needs of school and departmental leaders, skewing the balance between management staff, departmental staff, and clerical staff
- Accounting, Accounts Payable, Budget, and Payroll staffing relative to student enrollment (1,081.98:1) ranks 3 of 7 with 32.80 FTEs
- Procurement staffing is the lowest in the comparative group in enrollment ratio (8,872.25:1), ranking 7 of 7, and in absolute FTEs with 4.00 FTEs
  - The comparative districts of similar enrollment size have an average of 8.00 FTEs to support the procurement function
- Risk Management staffing relative to student enrollment (4,055.89:1) ranks 2 of 7 with 8.75 FTEs

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### Finance Division—Recommendations



Review District-wide centralized processes originating in the Finance Division—staff reports that some processes, in practice, are decentralized which can have an impact on efficiency and even compliance with education code and other standards.



The proportion of management and confidential positions compared to all staff positions in the Finance Division's Accounting, Accounts Payable, Budget, and Payroll Department and Risk Management Department should be examined



Review of the lower number of Procurement Department staff relative to all other districts, specifically in the purchasing technician and buyer job classifications (nonmanagement) to determine if the staffing level supports the needed functions and services

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### Talent Division—Overall Observations

- Recent reorganization processes and the elimination of other departments and services, has resulted in some functions being reassigned to the Talent Division
  - This factor significantly influences operational functions, and contributes to the workload of staff so it should be contemplated when considering staffing levels within the division
- The division averaged approximately 932 new hire and rehire transactions over the last three school years
  - The high levels of attrition and acute staffing needs create a constant strain to provide onboarding, induction, and training services
- The division has 43.80 FTE staff to support human resources management and operations, teacher and classified staff professional development, and teacher induction functions
  - Administrator and manager staffing levels, both at 8.0 FTE, are staffed at the highest levels relative to student enrollment within the comparative group
  - 3.0 FTE of the manager positions support teacher development and induction functions

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### Talent Division—Recommendations



Reorganization of the Talent Division to minimize the separation of duties and increase the integration of services for employee support for schools and the central office, human resources operations, and recruitment, residency, and retention services to assist in cross-training, increased staff capacity, and allow for flexibility to serve in high-need areas



Revision of job titles for Division positions, as well as modification of the Division name to align with industry standard—this will provide clarity in the position's role and improve efficiency within the Division which is an important consideration related to adjustments in staffing levels



Assessment of clerical and administrative support in the Division to align with support needs, and also evaluate positions in the confidential classification to determine if they are appropriately classified

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## Information Technology Services Department—Overall Observations

- During interviews with staff, it was reported that the department implemented staffing reductions over multiple years through 2019 that materially changed the organizational structure of the department, reducing management positions and eliminating clerical support
  - As a result, many responsibilities previously assigned to these management and clerical positions now fall to the Chief Technology Officer (CTO) and the Executive Director
- The department's staffing levels for school support are comparatively very low, and overall department staffing levels are the lowest total FTE of 26.00, and the second lowest enrollment to staff ratio of 1,365.96:1
- For technology operations and provision of service, the number of schools supported has a direct effect on the level of service provided and the staffing needed to support such services
  - While the number of student devices supported may be similar if comparing to a school district with enrollment similar to the District, a district with a higher number of schools will require more infrastructure support (networks, wireless access points, classroom technology, etc.) and potentially more teaching and support personnel devices to maintain

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## Information Technology Services Department—Recommendations



An evaluation of staffing of the Information Technology Services Department to address school support needs as well as additional management and clerical support required as a result of the findings—providing adequate staffing levels is crucial to support the current and future technology needs of the District



Reorganization of the Information Technology Services Department by functional area to align functions and oversight to allow for a more appropriate span of control for each supervisory or management position, and enhance the standardization of support, communications, and improve service levels



Evaluation of the District's technology procedures and standards to ensure the selection of technology that is supportable by the department and aligns with the District's technology needs and plan, and establishment of the expectation that all District staff and schools will follow the established selection process and standards

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**Thank you!**

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File ID	Resolution #	Resolution Title	Adoption Date	Board Sponsor	Status of Completion	Cost vs No Cost	Financial Impact (Estimated)
<a href="#">21-0095</a>	2021-0033	Land Acknowledgement	April 28, 2021	VanCedric Williams	Passed		\$3,000.00
<a href="#">21-2507</a>	2122-0016	Measure N Reauthorization	October 13, 2021	Shanthi Gonzales   Sam Davis	Passed	Cost	\$171,000.00
<a href="#">21-0948</a>	2021-0155	Yemeni Resolution	April 28, 2021	VanCedric Williams	Passed	Cost	\$331,000.00
<a href="#">21-1489</a>	2021-0159	SPED/CAC	June 2, 2021	Shanthi Gonzales	Passed	Cost	\$1,000,000.00
21-3076	2122-0027	SPED	December 15, 2021	Shanthi Gonzales	Passed	Cost	\$3,705,000.00
<a href="#">21-0717</a>	<a href="#">2021-0046</a>	Mental Health	April 28, 2021	Aimee Eng   Jessica Ramos	Passed	Cost	\$9,000,000.00
22-0428	2122-0077	School Consolidations Delay	February 23, 2022	Mike Hutchinson	Failed	No Cost	may jeopardize eligibiliity for it's
<a href="#">22-0286</a>	2122-0076	ACOE Letter	February 9, 2022	Gary Yee	Passed	No Cost	n/a
<a href="#">22-1288A</a>	2122-0093	D6 Interviews	June 14, 2022	Gary Yee	Passed	No Cost	n/a
<a href="#">20-2435</a>	2021-0154	Dispersed Central Office	April 14, 2021	Gary Yee   Sam Davis   Clif Thompson	Passed	n/a	n/a
<a href="#">22-1446</a>	2122-0087	Charter Mtg In Person	May 23, 2022	Mike Hutchinson	Postponed	No Cost	n/a
<a href="#">23-1176</a>	2223-0117	Natalie Tribute	May 10, 2023	Mike Hutchinson	Passed	No Cost	n/a
<a href="#">23-0413</a>	2223-0040	23-24 Budget Adjustments (Clos	February 22, 2023	Mike Hutchinson   Clif Thompson	Passed	No Cost	n/a
<a href="#">21-0686</a>	2021-0043	CAASPP	April 14, 2021	Sam Davis	Passed	n/a	n/a
<a href="#">22-1671</a>	2122-0098	Pride	June 29, 2022	Sam Davis	Passed	No Cost	n/a
<a href="#">21-1543</a>	2021-0163	Repay Loan Plan	June 9, 2021	Sam Davis   Mike Hutchinson	Passed		n/a
<a href="#">23-0690</a>	2223-0048	Measure QQ	March 22, 2023	Sam Davis   Natalie Gallegagos Chavez   Linh Le	Passed	No Cost	n/a
<a href="#">23-1131</a>	2223-0115	SB 252	April 26, 2023	Sam Davis   VanCedric Williams	Passed	No Cost	n/a
<a href="#">22-2129</a>	2122-0029	Cohort 1-2 Adds	January 26, 2022	Sam Davis  Linh Le  Natalie Gallegos Chavez	Passed	No Cost	n/a
<a href="#">21-0314</a>	2021-0039	No OSC recommendation	March 10, 2021	Shanthi Gonzales	Passed	No cost	n/a
<a href="#">21-1226</a>	2021-0277	Ramos Reso	June 9, 2021	Shanthi Gonzales	Passed	No Cost	n/a
<a href="#">21-1544</a>	2021-0164	Charter Term Ext Oppositino	June 9, 2021	Shanthi Gonzales   Mike Hutchinson	Passed	No Cost	n/a
<a href="#">21-0096</a>	2021-0034	BLM Week	January 13, 2021	VanCedric Williams			n/a
<a href="#">22-2571</a>	2223-0035	PSAC	November 9, 2022	VanCedric Williams   Natalie Gallegos Chavez   Linh Le	Passed	No Cost	n/a
<a href="#">21-2676</a>	2122-0022	Going Concern Appeal	November 13, 2021	Shanthi Gonzales	n/a	n/a	n/a
<a href="#">22-1629</a>	2122-0094	Sabbatical	June 22, 2022	Sam Davis   Gary Yee	Passed	No Cost	no direct impact
21-3077	2122-0026	School Consolidations	December 15, 2021	Shanthi Gonzales   Gary Yee	Passed	No Cost	no direct impact
21-2889	2122-0003	COVID Testing	August 11, 2021	Mike Hutchinson	Passed	Cost	tbd
21-1890	2122-0004	Hold Space for IS Students	August 11, 2021	Mike Hutchinson	Failed	Cost	tbd
21-2858	2122-0023	Additional COVID Safety Items	November 17, 2021	Mike Hutchinson	Withdrawn	Cost	tbd
23-1452	2223-0122	TSAs	June 7, 2023	Sam Davis	n/a	Cost	tbd
21-2181	2122-0012	Student Vaccines	September 8, 2021	Sam Davis   Clif Thompson   Gary Yee	Passed	Cost	tbd
22-1252	2122-0081	Foster Youth Enrollment	May 11, 2022	VanCedric Williams	Passed	Cost	tbd
22-2385A	2223-0033	1025 2nd Ave Demo	October 26, 2022	Aimee Eng   Cliff Thompson	Passed	Cost	To be determined



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## I. Executive Summary

This memo provides a detailed update and analysis of Attachment B, adopted by the Board. The memo is divided into two main sections: Background and Recommendations for Restructuring.

The Background Section articulates the current challenge and further outlines the history and context that preceded the adoption of Attachment B. It begins with the past efforts by the District, dating back to 2017, to achieve fiscal solvency.

The Recommendations for Restructuring Section outline the information District staff continue to provide to the Board. This includes the most recent update on Attachment B areas of budget adjustment that have been shared with the board multiple times since February 2023 in the following areas:

- A. Restructuring of Schools Aligned to AB1912 Process
- B. Restructuring of Staff Formula to Schools
- C. Restructuring of Continuous School Improvement (CSI) Division
- D. Restructuring of Business/Operations to Centralize Services
- E. Restructuring of School Site Allocations to Centralize Key School Investments and Revising Accompanying Board Policies to Move from Results-Based Budgeting to a More Centralized Approach with Clear Criteria for Earned Autonomies

## II. Background

### A. Current Challenge

As we navigate the intricate landscape of the district's fiscal affairs, a significant challenge continues to loom on the horizon with the impending expiration of one-time state, federal, and private resources at the conclusion of the 2023-24 academic year. These resources have been instrumental in bolstering and sustaining our strategic priorities, infrastructure development, and our ability to address staff retention through increased compensation. The impending conclusion of these funds demands strategic foresight and meticulous planning to ensure a seamless transition without compromising the quality of programming, support services and operations provided to our students, educators and District.

<b>One-Time Resource</b>	<b>Total Resource Amount</b>
ESSER III	\$71M
State Reserve ESSER III	\$1.8M
Expanded Learning Opportunity Grant	\$1.6M
In Person Instruction Grant	\$1.8M
Proposition 47 Learning Communities for School Success Program (LCSSP)	\$1.5M

Early Literacy Block Grant	\$2.3M
Rainin Foundation	\$1.7M
Salesforce	\$6.9M

## B. History and Context

In 2017, the District was in significant financial distress. According to an analysis conducted at the time: “Of particular concern [was] deficit spending, substantial reductions in fund balance, inadequate reserve levels, approval of bargaining agreements beyond cost-of-living adjustments, large increases in contributions to restricted programs especially in special education, lack of oversight for position control that allows positions to be added before verification of funding and board approval, breakdown in leadership with excessive turnover, and the inability of the governing board to hold accountable administrators that have been allowed to overspend budgets and override board policy.”<sup>1</sup>

The District’s response to its fiscal reality involved both short- and long-term components. First, the Board approved midyear budget reductions later in the 2017-18 school year; these cuts were painful but necessary to stave off additional county intervention and a possible second state takeover. After that, the District conducted a deep analysis of the District’s challenges and their root causes. That analysis identified “severe budget challenges, central office operational effectiveness needs, and a disproportionate facilities footprint to the size of our student population.”<sup>2</sup>

In response, the Board adopted two multi year plans: the *Fiscal Vitality Plan* (“FVP”), which listed 23 “recommendations for action” to improve the District’s fiscal health, and the *Citywide Plan* (“CWP”), which established (in concert with the FVP) the District’s approach to “simultaneously make improvements in financial stability and key central office systems and functions to support high quality teaching and learning across the district.” One of the CWP’s key components was the Blueprint for Quality Schools (“Blueprint”), the purpose of which was to “identif[y] a fiscally sound number of schools given OUSD’s projected student population for 2023 [with] optimal locations for schools and where high quality options are needed.” As described in the CWP, the rationale for the Blueprint was as follows:

*While we address our structural deficit, we must also continue to transform our schools as more Oakland families actively seek innovative school programs. If [families] don’t find the school options they are looking for within OUSD, they will vote with their feet and look outside of our district.*

*We all want well-resourced, high quality schools with innovative programs in every neighborhood. And, to create the necessary conditions in all of our schools, the following must be true:*

- 1. All schools must have high quality teachers and principals, which means we need to compensate employees competitively on an ongoing basis to retain our best talent.*
- 2. All schools must be adequately staffed, so we can support teachers and leaders in creating a quality learning environment for students.*

<sup>1</sup> Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, August 15, 2017, “Oakland Unified School District: Fiscal Health Analysis,” p. 44 (available as Attachment A).

<sup>2</sup> Oakland Unified School District, Community of Schools Citywide Plan (“CWP”), p. 6 (available as Attachment B).

3. *All schools must have sufficient academic and enrichment resources and programs.*

*To invest more in our schools so they are properly resourced and staffed and to reimagine our school programming options requires us to engage in the tough and painful work of both right-sizing our school district-getting to fewer schools, of a sustainable size, with more resources—WHILE reimagining the type of school programs we offer.*

In other words, the District did not have sufficient resources to fully support all of its existing schools at the level that the District sought to fund them and that the schools needed in order to offer a high quality education. Therefore, in addition to addressing its structural deficit, the District sought to reduce the number of schools it operated so that the remaining schools could be “properly resourced and staffed.”

The Alameda County Office of Education (“County” or “ACOE”) and the State also got involved, offering support to the District and applying pressure on the District to keep it on track—in general, towards ensuring fiscal solvency and offering a high quality education and, more specifically, towards school consolidations. In addition to the County’s oversight role under AB 1200 (that monitors the fiscal health of the District) and the existence of the County Trustee, the County created the Intensive Support and Technical Assistance (“ISTA”) team to push into the District to support key initiatives identified in the FVP and the CWP. The County provided regular reports to the Board on the District’s progress with respect to those initiatives.

At the state level, the Legislature approved and the Governor signed Assembly Bill No. 1840 (“AB 1840”) in Fall 2018. One of AB 1840’s many provisions was to offer one-time payments to the District (and to Inglewood USD) as an incentive to continue to make the difficult but necessary decisions to address the District’s long-term financial needs and to right size the District. Under AB 1840, the State would allocate three one-time appropriations to OUSD for 2019-20, 2020-21, and 2021-22 as long as OUSD met certain conditions established prior to each fiscal year. AB 1840 included a possible list of such conditions, including the “[a]doption and implementation of necessary budgetary solutions, including the consolidation of school sites,” which was later amended to read: “Affirmative board action to continue planning for, and timely implementation of, a school and facility closure and consolidation plan that supports the sale or lease of surplus property.”<sup>3</sup> AB 1840 also directed the Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team (“FCMAT”) to analyze the District’s progress and provide the State with an update twice a year on how well OUSD was progressing in general and with respect to the specific AB 1840 conditions. Under AB 1840, the District received allocations of \$514K for 2019-20, \$16M for 2020-21, and \$10M for 2021-22.

In the fall of 2022, School Services of California Inc. (SSC) conducted an organizational structure and staffing review of the Finance Division, Talent Division, and Information Technology Services Department. The review was developed to provide an objective analysis of the District’s current organization structure and staffing as compared to similar school districts

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<sup>3</sup> This condition, which required the District to continue consolidating schools, was included for 2019-20 and 2021-22. This condition was initially included for 2020-21 but then taken out at the last minute.



County	District Name <sup>4</sup>	20-21 Enrollment	# of Schools	2020-21 UPP <sup>5</sup>
San Bernardino	Fontana Unified School District (USD)	35,461	45	87%
Fresno	Fresno USD	69,709	100	89%
Riverside	Moreno Valley USD	31,593	39	84%
<b>Alameda</b>	<b>Oakland USD</b>	<b>35,489</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>76%</b>
Riverside	Riverside USD	39,443	47	67%
Orange	Santa Ana USD	43,917	54	88%
San Joaquin	Stockton USD	33,943	56	82%

In September 2023, the Fiscal Crisis Management Assistance Team (FCMAT) assigned to support Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) provided an update to the Assembly Committee on Budget, Senate Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review, and the Department of Finance on the progress the district has made in addressing our financial challenges:

*“Essential to the district’s success will be identifying and implementing a comprehensive budget reduction plan that resolves the district’s structural deficit spending pattern. The governing board has not agreed on how to achieve this and has been unable to provide unified, timely guidance to district leaders for implementation. The lack of a comprehensive stabilization plan has resulted in short-term spending adjustments, often made period by period, without regard to the larger context of the district’s status or a goal of stabilization. This has reduced or eliminated the positive compounding effect that timely adjustments would provide and has hindered the district’s ability to develop and provide timely, reliable financial information for major decision-making. Complete implementation of a fiscal stabilization plan to greatly reduce or eliminate the district’s structural deficit is imperative.”*

As stated in the AB1200 Letter:

- F. “In order for ACOE to verify that Board and District staff are implementing the budget adjustments the Board approved within the Public Disclosure documents, OUSD will:
1. Provide ACOE with a Board-approved detailed update on its list of Budget Adjustments by October 31, 2023;
  2. Share additional updates in ACOE’s bi-weekly call to monitor the staff and Board’s progress with strategic planning;
  3. Present a public update to be provided by First Interim, with further public disclosure and formal Board Action required no later than February 2024, to ensure the District meets its obligations in the subsequent fiscal year.”

<sup>4</sup> 2020-21 list of schools from DataQuest—does not include district/central office or non-traditional school programs (e.g., charter schools, child development centers, nonpublic schools)

<sup>5</sup> UPP: Unduplicated Pupil Percentage

As we are approaching the end of the budget development cycle for the SY24-25, February is the month when we must receive board decisions about next year’s budget and position changes, as well as any other adjustments that must be made to meet our future financial obligations.

C. Recommendations

Staff has continued to provide the Board with information and updates regarding the Budget development for 2024-25. Below is the most recent update on Attachment B which provides information about areas of budget adjustment that have been shared with the board multiple times since February 2023. These reductions are summarized below.

<b>One-Time Resource</b>	<b>Total Resource Amount</b>
School Site Allocations- Discretionary (Unrestricted)	\$0.5M
Adjustment to School Site Allocations- Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF)	\$2.6M
Allocate additional resources only after May revise	_____
Central Office: CSI Restructuring	_____
Central Office: Legal Department Restructuring	_____
Central Office: All other departments Restructuring	\$M
Review existing board resolutions and associated costs	_____
Review Special Education Program costs	_____
Maintaining small school investments	_____
Reduction of COVID era investments	\$12M
Reduction of Vacancies	\$1.8M
Additions are summarized below	
Ongoing Enrollment Office Investments	\$1M for two years \$0.5M/Year
One Time Investments returning to Base & Other Resource	_____
Facilities and Deferred Maintenance	_____

### III. Restructuring Recommendations

#### A. Restructuring of Schools Aligned to AB1912 Process

Analysis after analysis on our District financial dilemmas and low student achievement outcomes has identified a clear problem for Board Leadership to solve concerning the number of schools we operate. This dilemma is not easily solved. However, it is clear that OUSD operates twice as many schools as other similarly-sized Districts. There have been waves of reform efforts that have been implemented in OUSD under the many Superintendents that have led our District. Some have arguably been successful while others have flamed out only to leave behind disappointment and waning trust in the public education system. The recommendation to close and merge schools is action the Board should take to interrupt decades of inefficient spending and prioritizing politics and adults over the success of future generations of students.

While it is unlikely that we operate half the number of schools in our District, the analysis provides insight as to how District resources could be re-invested in fewer schools. **The District does not suggest school closures or mergers with the singular hope of saving money; yet instead, the driver is a deeper investment in student and family programs and services, better outcomes for students, and the ability to pay staff a competitive wage required to live and work in Oakland.**

The Board and school District are guided by our mission that seeks to inspire students and staff alike by “focusing on high academic achievement while serving the whole child, eliminating inequities, and providing each child with excellent teachers, every day.”

Unfortunately, the operational and programmatic infrastructure to fully realize our mission and deliver on our commitments to students, families and educators are not currently in place due to inefficient spending. Most importantly, the school-based programs and services that could be concentrated in fewer schools is a missed opportunity to implement the mission of our District. Students and families currently access a reduced menu of programs and services because funding is spread too thinly across multiple school sites instead of concentrating funding in fewer schools that would allow for a deeper investment in essential programs and services that support, inspire and retain students and educators throughout our District.

The School Board has the opportunity to implement the Assembly Bill (AB) 1912 process as outlined in legislation and subsequently provide our District with a renewed 5-year vision for a quality public education system in Oakland. **The window to take action and work towards a collective vision for operating fewer schools is diminishing and will likely result in extreme State intervention as experienced 20 years ago if the Board delays any immediate action.** Taking action requires the AB 1912 process be implemented, and a decision adopted by October 2024 to provide the necessary time for families to understand their enrollment options by the opening of the enrollment window in December 2024.

For too long, years of OUSD School Boards have avoided solving the dilemma of operating too many schools and have only intensified the added problems of declining student enrollment, the inability to pay staff a liveable wage, and poor academic outcomes for students.

Few understand the deep and complex financial dilemmas of the District like Board Directors. Therefore, it is important that they connect their commitment to social justice and equity to the difficult decision ahead to address the number of schools we operate through the outlined AB1912 process.

At this point, the Board has openly acknowledged the continued and persistent challenge of our finite resources being too thinly stretched when there remains an excessive number of schools compared to our current enrolled student population and statewide and national declining enrollment trends. Discussions have centered on the repercussions of this surplus, such as limited access to expanded programs and outdated facilities.

**Yet, often overlooked is the dual challenge facing OUSD: the continued abundance of schools alongside a projected worsening teacher shortage.**

As an urban school district, OUSD is disproportionately affected by this national teacher shortage, and compounded by the impacts of extreme living costs in Oakland and the greater Bay Area. Efforts in recruitment and retention have been intensified, with our programs serving as national models. **Despite strides made in these practices, the need for qualified teachers escalates with the number of schools. Consolidating schools would mitigate staffing demands and facilitate equitable resource allocation, ensuring every OUSD student receives the quality education they deserve.**

Maintaining surplus schools exacerbates staffing demands, resulting in students being taught by less qualified teachers or experiencing teacher vacancies throughout the year. Consolidating schools improves resource allocation, attracting experienced educators and enhancing the educational experience. Annually, the District contends with at least 30 classrooms without a teacher, impacting hundreds of students. Nearly 36% of our teachers have less than 5 years of teaching experience, and our reliance on emergency permit teachers has doubled in the last five years.

While consolidating schools won't entirely address staffing challenges, it offers a greater likelihood of students having experienced teachers and reduces instances of teacher vacancies. *This is our collective responsibility.* While consolidating schools may present some challenges, maintaining excess schools amidst a worsening teacher shortage neglects our students' right to quality education, which must be our foremost concern.

#### B. Restructuring of Staff Formula to Schools

**The Board is recommended to direct staff to take the remainder of this calendar year and adopt an Oakland base staffing formula that assigns key supplemental staff at every Oakland District school instead of the approach that is taken now to provide dollars to sites in the hope that schools will invest**

**in key positions.** This recommendation would need to be in place by December 2024 in order for the cascade of activities needed to successfully implement this supplemental staffing approach.

The outcomes for students have been flat and uneven for too many years for us not to take action on the supplemental staffing formulas at school sites. Additionally, the Central Office infrastructure needed to implement a fee for service model that has been left-over from the Results Based Budgeting (RBB) phase of our budgeting approach is not attainable given the overall financial dilemmas in our District. In the early 2010's, the District shifted to some of the provisions under Board Policy 3150<sup>6</sup>, (most noticeably, a teacher to student ratio and the assignment of basic school staff) without addressing the areas of the District financial system that needed to be updated after the removal of RBB.

This resulted in an uneven approach to budget development that even now persists. Moreover, some schools do not always spend the entirety of their school based funds. While certainly unintentional, this reality is often the result of the everyday demands and challenges placed on school leaders that often prohibit them from the detailed level of financial management required, leaving behind valuable resources to school communities.

**The recommendation for a new staffing formula does not end school site decision making, rather, it allows for the most strategic use of multiple funding sources to be braided together to maximize the services at school sites.**

School sites would still receive site-based allocations, however, this would occur *after* the basic and agreed upon staffing for each school was in place. The impact of this approach to budgeting may seem insignificant. However, the ability for programmatic alignment and coherence to be in place to assist in the implementation of key District strategies would be groundbreaking. There are benefits to assigning the supplemental staffing at school sites from programmatic and financial services perspectives while not impacting the services at school sites. Taken together, the implementation of AB 1912 processes and defining the Oakland base staffing would lead to the maximization of services our students should access in alignment with our District vision, mission and Strategic Plan.

#### C. Restructuring of Continuous School Improvement (CSI) Division

Restructuring of the Continuous School Improvement (CSI) Division was presented to the Board in August 2023 and implementation of remedies to address the themes outlined in the Public Works Report is underway. The recommendations were the following:

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<sup>6</sup> The Board Policy on Results-Based Budgeting provides policy direction to the Superintendent regarding the Oakland Unified School District's continuous budget development process. The Board Policy on Results-Based Budgeting is directly aligned to and builds upon Board of Education policies on School Governance and Quality School Development.

<b>Theme</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
1	CSI Restructuring: Realignment of 25 positions within CSI to be more productive, eliminate 29 positions and create 6 positions.
2	Strong need to improve small schools to improve CSI services.
3	Lack of Accountability: Use of data-driven decisions to achieve strategic goals.
4	Lack of collaboration among CSI Departments and with Network Superintendents.
5	Lack of Clear Communication District-wide.
6	Better Balance between site autonomy and central office non-negotiables.

Themes 1 (*CSI Restructuring*), 3 (*Lack of Accountability*), and 4 (*Lack of collaboration among CSI Departments and with Network Superintendents*) are being implemented together because they are deeply connected to the way CSI Departments and Network Superintendents collaborate. Theme 2 (*Strong need to improve small schools to improve CSI services*) was addressed in the section above recommending the Board implement the AB 1912 process. Themes 5 (*Lack of Clear Communication District-wide*) and 6 (*Better Balance between site autonomy and central office non-negotiables*) are district-wide dilemmas that have not been the focus of this redesign effort. However, an approach to begin addressing Theme 6 is discussed above in the supplemental staffing formula recommendation.

The CSI Division will be restructured so that services that support schools are supervised and directed by the Network Superintendents. This does not make the Executive Director of a Department obsolete because the programmatic guidance will still be developed by the appropriate Department. Yet, the decision to direct services to particular schools will be under the direction of the Network Superintendent because they are the most knowledgeable of site-level support needs.

Additionally, the recommendation to change the Academic Structure to situate underneath the Network Superintendent to address improved coherence, collaboration, and communication is being implemented. The Network Superintendents would supervise the academic program and the grade-span specific Executive Director. A picture of how this structure has changed over-time is below:

<b>Academic Year</b>	<b>Structure Change</b>
2022-2023	The Executive Director of Academics and Instructional Innovation reported to the Chief Academic Officer.
2023-2024 <i>[This Year]</i>	A temporary structure was created: Director of Elementary Instruction Reports to Elementary School Network Superintendents; Director of Literacy reports to Elementary School Network Superintendents; Director of Secondary Instruction reports to High School and Middle School Network Superintendents.

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2024-2025 <i>[New Structure]</i>	Elementary Executive Director supervised by Elementary School Network Superintendents; Secondary Executive Director supervised by High School and Middle School Network Superintendents.
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Each year, school-based surveys are collected from school principals. Within the data collected, there were concerns that emerged from principals that there are Department Partners that are not accountable to being at school sites. In some cases, there was no predictable schedule for the school to know when a Department Partner would be on site to work with the school. This lack of clarity causes schools to feel like Department Partners are not worth the investment. To address this concern, Department Partners began providing schedules that specified a predictable schedule of support for schools to follow. **The Network Superintendent is responsible for setting a predictable schedule with the Department Partners and the Department Executive Director is responsible for ensuring that the Department Partner is supporting schools to implement District programmatic guidance. This is an example of how our Network Superintendents and Department Leaders are approaching dual supervision of the Department Partners.** Additionally, the Public Works Report proposed the creation of the following Directors to be part of the Network School Support Teams: Director of Equity, Director of Community Schools, Director of English Language Learner and Multilingual Achievement (ELLMA). These additions are not possible due to the need to significantly decrease investments district-wide.

Lastly, the recommendation for the Early Childhood Education (ECE) Department to be eliminated will not be implemented and the hiring for the Executive Director of Early Childhood Education is underway. This decision is based on the level of management needed to implement The Oakland Children's Initiative which is resulting in increased funding to expand early childhood programs and services. There are, however, structural changes that are necessary as we learn more about the expectations for expanding services in the preschool setting. The Chief Academic Officer and the new Executive Director of ECE will make changes to the structure in the near future.

Future restructuring changes may be needed as funding to central services is decreased in order to continue to mitigate funding small schools.

D. Restructuring of Business/Operations to Centralize Services

OUSD operations departments will conduct a feasibility study in the 2024-25 school year to identify cost savings in key operation areas for the District. This would involve a comprehensive examination of current spending, resource allocation, and operational efficiency across critical areas including administration, procurement, facilities management, transportation, utilities, technology services, and safety investments with the support of the Chief Systems and Services Officer (CSSO) team. This study would identify potential areas for cost reduction without compromising the quality of education and services provided to students. By leveraging data analysis of school site spending in these areas, stakeholder feedback, and best practices in educational management, the study proposes actionable strategies that could include streamlining administrative processes, optimizing facility energy use, renegotiating vendor contracts, adopting cost-effective technology solutions, and reevaluating transportation routes. The ultimate goal is to enhance financial sustainability and allocate more

resources directly to student learning and support services, thereby improving educational outcomes while ensuring fiscal responsibility.

Below are the key areas the feasibility study will address:

<b>Operational Area(s)</b>	<b>Summary</b>
Copiers, Printers, Printing Costs, and Toner Costs	Centralizing copier and printer options can lead to substantial cost savings, particularly in printer and toner expenses and paper usage. By consolidating these devices into fewer, more efficient models, OUSD may be able to benefit from reduced energy consumption and lower maintenance costs due to the decreased need for servicing a wide variety of machines. Bulk purchasing of toner and paper for centralized printers can also significantly reduce costs.
Centralized Fleet Management	Currently OUSD’s vehicles are managed by each department individually, including the procurement of vehicles, gas, maintenance, and smog. This would be centralized. Centralizing Safety Systems: Centralizing key safety tools to key site investments such as Walkie Talkies and Visitor Management Systems, can support increased safety systems in schools. Likely not a cost savings, but will significantly enhance the level of service and safety provided to schools.
Safety Investments	By implementing a unified approach, schools can ensure a streamlined, consistent communication channel across the campus, enabling quick responses in emergencies and facilitating better staff coordination. The Visitor Management System enhances security by providing a robust method to track and manage all visitors, ensuring that only authorized individuals can enter school premises.
Centralizing Procurement	Centralizing the procurement of school supplies, furniture purchases, and managing utilities can lead to substantial efficiencies and savings for educational institutions. By adopting a unified procurement strategy, schools can leverage bulk purchasing to secure lower prices on supplies and furniture, ensuring both quality and consistency across classrooms while minimizing costs.



Mail Services	Streamlining mail services within the district post-pandemic represents a strategic approach to reduce operational costs, though it may introduce potential service delays.
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The projected cost savings will take multiple years to develop the district's cost savings or cost avoidance. These projections are after 3 years of implementation.

Operational Area(s)	Operational Impact	Fiscal Impact
Copiers, Printers, Printing Costs, and Toner Costs	Centralized copier and print options typically offer better controls for managing print jobs, which can lead to further savings by reducing unnecessary printing, promoting double-sided printing to save paper, and allowing for more accurate monitoring and replenishment of consumables. This approach streamlines operations and encourages more responsible printing practices, reducing waste and operational expenses. Overall, the move towards centralizing copier and printer options can contribute to a more cost-effective, efficient, and environmentally friendly printing environment within an organization.	Up to \$500,000 annually after 3 years.
Centralized Fleet Management	Centralizing fleet management will allow us to save monthly, project life cycle costs, and better vehicle maintenance and gas prices.	Potentially 1-5% cost avoidance after 3 years as we improve efficiency.
Safety Investments	By implementing a unified approach, schools can ensure a streamlined, consistent communication channel across the campus, enabling quick responses in emergencies and facilitating better staff coordination. The Visitor Management System enhances security by providing a robust method to track and manage all visitors, ensuring that only authorized individuals can enter school premises.	No savings.

Centralizing Procurement	This centralized approach simplifies procurement, reducing administrative overhead and allowing for better negotiation with suppliers. Additionally, managing utilities centrally can optimize energy consumption across buildings, leading to significant savings.	Up to \$500,000 annually or projected cost avoidance in 3 years
Mail Services	Consolidating mail operations, such as centralizing sorting facilities or reducing the frequency of deliveries, can significantly lower expenses related to transportation, labor, and maintenance of facilities.	Up to \$100,000

Below are the key quarterly milestones towards completion of the proposed 2024-25 feasibility study to identify cost savings in key operation areas for the District:

Operational Area(s)	Key Quarterly Milestones
Copiers, Printers, Printing Costs, and Toner Costs	Key quarterly milestones include a 3rd Party Assessment, selecting a vendor to support the centralization, and developing an implementation plan across the schools and departments over the 2025-26, and 2026-27 school years.
Centralized Fleet Management	Key milestones would be assessing current practices Tech Services, Nutrition Services, B and G, Facilities, Warehouse, Academics, Risk Management, and any other departments that currently manage a fleet of vehicles and identify opportunities for improvement and savings.
Safety Investments	Key implementation milestones for this initiative would include the selection of technology platforms that meet the specific needs of the school environment, training for staff on how to effectively use these tools, integrating these systems into the school's existing security infrastructure, and regular drills to ensure readiness.
Centralizing Procurement	Key implementation milestones in this strategy include conducting a comprehensive audit of current procurement practices and utility usage, identifying preferred vendors and products, negotiating contracts that leverage the institution's

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consolidated purchasing power, and implementing tracking systems for monitoring consumption and expenditures.

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Mail Services

Implementation milestones for optimizing mail services include evaluating current mail flow and volumes, identifying areas for consolidation, upgrading to more efficient sorting technologies, and retraining staff for new protocols that align with other deliveries.

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- E. Restructuring of School Site Allocations to Centralize Key School Investments and Revising Accompanying Board Policies to Move from Results-Based Budgeting to a More Centralized Approach with Clear Criteria for Earned Autonomies [details forthcoming]

**IV. Conclusion**

The Board is aware of the current dilemmas and difficult decisions required to address them. These recommendations have been diligently provided by staff through detailed analysis, continued feedback and documented engagement. The successful implementation of any restructuring will require decisive action by the Board. This memo also outlines the time necessary to effectively execute on the recommendations provided.