## **LCFF Budget Overview for Parents**

Local Educational Agency (LEA) Name: Helendale Elementary School District

CDS Code: 67736 School Year: 2024-25 LEA contact information:

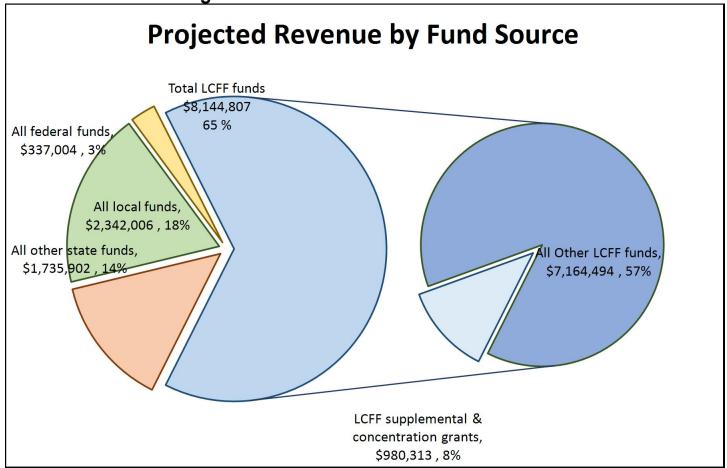
Joshua Behnke Superintendent

jbehnke@helendalesd.com

(760) 952-1180

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

**Budget Overview for the 2024-25 School Year** 

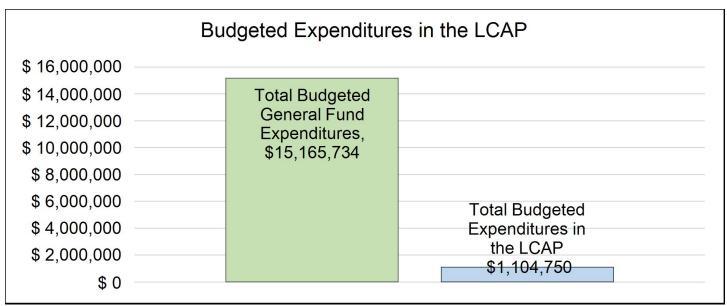


This chart shows the total general purpose revenue Helendale Elementary School District expects to receive in the coming year from all sources.

The text description for the above chart is as follows: The total revenue projected for Helendale Elementary School District is \$12,559,719, of which \$8144807.00 is Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), \$1735902.00 is other state funds, \$2342006.00 is local funds, and \$337004.00 is federal funds. Of the \$8144807.00 in LCFF Funds, \$980313 is generated based on the enrollment of high needs students (foster youth, English learner, and low-income students).

## **LCFF Budget Overview for Parents**

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



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

The text description of the above chart is as follows: Helendale Elementary School District plans to spend \$15165734.00 for the 2024-25 school year. Of that amount, \$1104750.00 is tied to actions/services in the LCAP and \$14,060,984 is not included in the LCAP. The budgeted expenditures that are not included in the LCAP will be used for the following:

Expenditures from the general fund of the school district cover a variety of critical expenses essential for maintaining a high-quality educational environment. These expenses include the following: Salaries and Benefits: Compensation for teachers, administrators, and support staff to ensure skilled personnel are in place to support student learning, Instructional Materials and Technology: Funds allocated for textbooks, educational resources, and technological tools that enhance the learning process, Operational Costs: This includes utilities, maintenance, and transportation services necessary for the smooth functioning of school operations, Professional Development: Investment in programs that improve the skills and knowledge of educators, ensuring they remain up-to-date with the latest educational practices, Extracurricular Activities: Support for programs that enrich student life beyond the classroom, fostering a well-rounded educational experience, Student Services and Special Education Programs: Provision of necessary services to support all students, including those with special needs. These expenditures are crucial for the district to achieve its educational goals and provide a conducive learning environment for students.

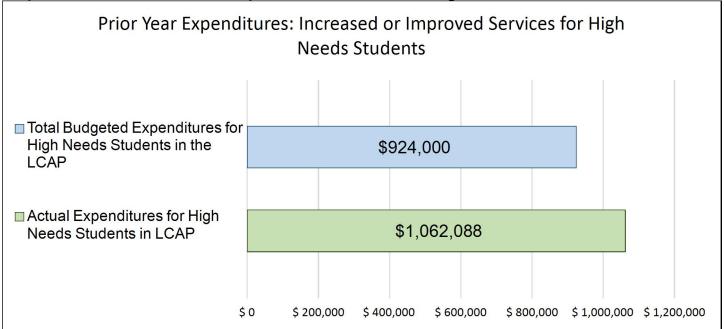
## Increased or Improved Services for High Needs Students in the LCAP for the 2024-25 School Year

In 2024-25, Helendale Elementary School District is projecting it will receive \$980313 based on the enrollment of foster youth, English learner, and low-income students. Helendale Elementary School District must describe how it intends to increase or improve services for high needs students in the LCAP.

Helendale Elementary School District plans to spend \$1090750.00 towards meeting this requirement, as described in the LCAP.

## **LCFF Budget Overview for Parents**

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



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

The text description of the above chart is as follows: In 2023-24, Helendale Elementary School District's LCAP budgeted \$924000.00 for planned actions to increase or improve services for high needs students. Helendale Elementary School District actually spent \$1062088.00 for actions to increase or improve services for high needs students in 2023-24.

# 2023–24 Local Control and Accountability Plan Annual Update

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

Local Educational Agency (LEA) Name	Contact Name and Title	Email and Phone
Helendale Elementary School District	Joshua Behnke Superintendent	jbehnke@helendalesd.com (760) 952-1180

## **Goals and Actions**

### Goal

Goal #	Description
1	Helendale School District will provide Quality Learning and Instruction for All Students

## Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Districtwide California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) in Math	46.32% of all students in grades 3-8 were proficient on the Math CAASPP. Updated May 2022 - Changed verbiage to "met or exceeded"	All Students 26.71% in grades 3-8 scored Met or Exceeded on the Math CAASPP (2020-21)	All Students 27.05% in grades 3-8 scored Met or Exceeded on the Math CAASPP (2021-22)	All Students 30.12% in grades 3-8 scored Met or Exceeded on the Math CAASPP (2022-23)	All Students 61.32% of all students will meet or exceed on the Math CAASPP  Low-Income Students
	Thet of exceeded		Low-Income Students 21.03% n grades 3-8 scored Met or Exceeded on the Math CAASPP (2021-22)	24.07% in grades 3-8 scored Met or Exceeded on the Math	- 30% will meet or exceed on the Math
Districtwide California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) in English Language Arts (ELA)	50.17% of all students in grades 3-8 Met or Exceeded Standard on the English Language Arts CAASPP	37.93% of all students in grades 3-8 scored Met or Exceeded on the ELA CAASPP (2020-21)	All Students 37.01% in grades 3-8 scored Met or Exceeded on the ELA CAASPP (2021-22)	All Students 39.16% in grades 3-8 scored Met or Exceeded on the ELA CAASPP (2022-23)  Low-Income Students 33.88% in grades 3-8	All Students 65.17% in grades 3-8 Met or Exceeded Standard on the ELA CAASPP  Low-Income Students
				scored Met or	38.5% in grades 3-8

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
			Low-Income Students 29.5% (in grades 3-8 scored Met or Exceeded on the ELA CAASPP (2021-22)	Exceeded on the ELA CAASPP (2022-23)	Met or Exceeded Standard on the ELA CAASPP SWD 15% will meet or exceed Standard on ELA for CAASPP
Class size ratio will meet gap goals of LCFF in grades K-3	24.0:1 ratio of students to teacher	20.7 students per class meets the gap goal of 24.0:1 ratio (2020-21)	21.3 students per class meets the gap goal of 24.0:1 ratio (2022-23)	23.07 students per class meets the gap goal of 24.0:1 ratio (2023-24)	24.0:1 ratio of students to teacher
Student access to CCSS aligned instructional materials.	100% of students have access to CCSS aligned Math and ELA instructional materials. (Local Data)	100% of students have access to CCSS aligned Math and ELA instructional materials. (Local Data 2021-22)	100% of students have access to CCSS aligned Math and ELA instructional materials. (Local Data 2022-23)	100% of students have access to CCSS aligned with Math and ELA instructional materials. (Local Data 2022-23)	Students will have access to CCSS aligned Math, ELA, Science, and Social Science instructional materials
English Learner Classification Status	20% of All ELL Students will be reclassified to R-FEP (Local Data)	6% of ELL students were reclassified to R- FEP (Local Data 2020-21)	9% of ELL students were reclassified to R- FEP (Local Data 2021-22)	15% of ELL students were reclassified to R- FEP (Local Data 2022-23)	28% of All ELL Students will be reclassified to R-FEP
State implemented ELPAC Test	58% proficient on ELPAC (ELPAC 2019- 20)	47.64% proficient on ELPAC (ELPAC 2020-21)	46.15% of EL students were proficient on ELPAC (ELPAC 2021-22)	72.13% of EL students were proficient on ELPAC (ELPAC 2021-22)	68% proficient on ELPAC

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
SB County Schools Misassignment Review	District will maintain a 0% teacher misassignment record. (Local Data)	District maintained a 0% teacher misassignment record. (Local Data 2021-22)	District maintained a 0% teacher misassignment record. (Local Data 2022-23)	District maintained a 0% teacher misassignment record. (Local Data 2023-24)	District will maintain a 0% teacher misassignment record.
English Language Arts Benchmark Assessments (Added to Metrics Table May 2022) (Metric deleted from Goal 1: May 2023)	District will provide ELA Benchmark Assessments using the STAR Assessment (44%) (Local Data)	51% of District Students scored proficient on End of Year STAR Assessment (Local Data 2021-22)	District is no longer using this local metric.	District is no longer using this local metric.	51% of District Students scored proficient on End of Year STAR Assessment (Metric deleted: May 2023)
English Language Arts Benchmark Assessments *New metric as of 2023	Elementary iReady All Students - 40% Low Income - 34% Secondary Edmentum All Students - 66% Low Income - 48% (Local Data 2022-23)	N/A	N/A	Elementary iReady All Students - 50% Low Income - 42%  Secondary Edmentum (In progress) All Students - % Low Income - % (Local Data 2023-24)	Elementary iReady All Students - 46% Low Income - 44% Secondary Edmentum All Students - 72% Low Income - 58%
Math Benchmark Assessments (Added to Metrics Table May 2022)	District will provide Math Benchmark Assessments using	66.8 % of District students scored proficient on Chapter	District is no longer using this local metric.	District is no longer using this local metric.	66.8 %of District students scored proficient on Chapter Assessments for

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
(Metric deleted from LCAP May 2023)	Chapter Tests from Curriculum Taught (Local Data)	Assessments for Local Math Benchmark from Curriculum taught. (Local Data 2021-22)			Local Math Benchmark from Curriculum taught (Metric deleted from LCAP May 2023)
Math Benchmark Assessments *New metric as of 2023	Elementary iReady All Students - 30% Low Income - 25% Secondary Edmentum All Students - 20% Low Income - 15%	N/A	N/A	Elementary iReady All Students - 39% Low Income - 31%  Secondary Edmentum (In Progress) All Students - % Low Income - % (Local Data 2023-24)	Elementary iReady All Students - 36% Low Income - 35% Secondary Edmentum All Students - 30% Low Income - 20%
Attendance Rate will improve from 94%	94% Local Data (2019-20)	92.33 % (Local Data 2020-21)	97.5% (Local Data 2021-22)	92.68% (Local Data 2022-23)	95%
Chronic Absenteeism Rate Added in spring 2023	All Students - 27.5% Low-Income - 32.1% (CA School Dashboard)	N/A	All Students - 27.5% Low-Income - 32.1% (2022 CA School Dashboard)	All Students – 25.3% Low-Income – 29.4% (2023 CA School Dashboard)	All Students - 19.5% Low-Income - 19.5%

# Goal Analysis

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

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

Goal 1, which was focused on Quality Learning and Instruction for All Students, the district largely succeeded in sticking to its planned actions, without any identified substantive differences.

- 1. Action 1 was focused on replenishment and updating of technology lowering the barriers for student access, the district succeeded in implementing this planned action without substantive differences. There were some challenges in deployment of the technology, however overall the District was successful in implementing 2 to 1 devices for students and available hotspots for internet connectivity.
- 2. Grade Level Curriculum and Assessment: Action 2 involved supplemental curriculum and assessment tools to support student learning measured by success on state testing. This action has been implemented with no substantive difference.
- 3. Class Size Reduction, Action 3 was implemented without substantive differences. The district was able to add additional credentialed staff to maintain our reduced teacher to student ratio.
- 4. Increased Instructional Time, Action 4: The district was able to implement summer school in the 2022-23 school year and will continuing to support students with summer school opportunities in the 2023-24 school year to provide students with increase instructional and academic time. These efforts have been implemented without substantiative difference.
- 5. Staff Development, Action 5 and Center for Teacher Induction Program, Action 8 both had a primary focus of professional development, though one was focused more directly on new teachers. The District was able to implement staff development and held teachers training in the Center for Teacher Induction Program without substantiative differences.
- 6. HSD Field Trips, Action 6 was implemented but will be taken out of the 2024/25 LCAP. The district will remove this action based on their inability to tie student academic achievement to this action. We well continue to have field trips, but will no longer use them as a measure for academic success.
- 7. Transportation, Action 7 were fully implemented with no substantive differences. The district was able to provide busing service for students to transport students from home to school as well as field trips during school days.
- 8. Language Acquisition for English Learners, Action: 9 The District was able to provide support through an English Learner Aide at both the elementary and middle school to support the English Learner population of students. This action was implemented without substantiative difference.
- 9. Parent Training, Action 10 and After School Tutoring, Action 11 were related to supporting student outcomes with added understanding for both students and parents of the curriculum. The district was able to implement these without substantiative differences.

Overall, the district's implementation of Goal 1 can be regarded as successful, with substantial achievements in most areas of action. The district successfully adhered to its planned actions without any identified substantive differences. Noteworthy accomplishments include the implementation of a 2 to 1 device ratio and the provision of hotspots for internet connectivity, despite some deployment challenges. Supplemental curriculum and assessment tools were effectively introduced, supporting student success on state testing. Efforts to reduce class sizes were successful with the addition of credentialed staff, and increased instructional time was achieved through summer school programs, which will continue into the 2023-24 school year. Professional development for teachers, including the Center for Teacher Induction Program, was implemented effectively. Transportation services for daily commuting and field trips were fully provided, and support for English Learners through dedicated aides was successfully executed. Parent training and after-school tutoring were also implemented without substantive differences. However, ensuring consistent in-person support across all sites remains an area for future improvement.

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

Action 1: The budgeted action was \$80,000 intended to cover the cost of Chromebooks and wireless hotspot devices for classroom and at home use. The actual cost is about \$30,000, the shift of \$50,000 was due to grants from ESSER funds that were used to purchase these items instead.

Action 2: The budgeted action was for \$25,000 intended to cover the cost of the software that was used, however, the cost came in at \$42,000 due to the need of different programs for middle school and elementary school. There was a material difference in funding this item, however, the District was able to identify needs and adapted to those needs.

Action 3: Class size reduction was budgeted initially for \$300,000, intended to cover the cost of additional certificated teaching staff to maintain lower class size ratios. However, due to class size ratios needs as identified by the district, an additional teacher was hired beyond what was originally budgeted. The total expense for this action came in at \$431,134, a material difference over what was originally planned.

Action 4: Increased Instructional Time was initially budgeted for \$25,000, intended to cover summer school, small groups, one to one, and response to support needs. The expense did have a material difference due to ELO-P funding to support the summer school related activities, this item came in under the projected budgeted amount at \$13,086.

Action 5: Staff Development was focused on improving our instructional and administrative staff through professional learning. This item had no material differences being budgeted at \$32,000 and expenditures of \$33,750.

Action 6: HSD Field Trips, the budgeted expenditure for this action was \$5,000, intended to cover the cost of field trips for the school year. Due to an increase in cost for busing services for the year the expenditure came in at \$7,000. The cost difference in dollar amount for this item is still very close to the budgeted amount and the district feels comfortable with the expense having a slight overage.

Action 7: Transportation expenditures were budgeted at \$312,000 for the year and we spent \$434,918 on contracted transportation services. This difference in based on the increased cost for serviced provided by the contractor.

Action 8: Center for Teacher Induction Program expenditures did not have a material difference between the budgeted expenditures of \$10,000 and the actual expenditures of \$10,500.

Action: 9 was budgeted for \$40,000, intended to support English Learners by staffing instructional aides. There was not material difference in the budget to the expenditures with expenditures projected to be \$43,500.

Action 10 was intended to support parents with knowledge about ELA and Math standards and curriculum that is taught in their student's classroom. There was no material difference in budget of \$1,000 and expenditures of \$1,000 on this action.

Action 11 for providing after school tutoring for students. This action came in with material difference in cost from budget of \$6,000 and expenditures of \$2,200 this was due to changes from the ELO-P program options at the elementary site being able to absorb some of the tutoring services.

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

Over the three-year LCAP cycle, the effectiveness of the specific actions towards achieving Goal 1 varied across different actions. The CAASPP data indicates the percent of students who have met or exceeded the standard on each of the CAASPP test. Although our 3 year outcome on our CAASPP scores are below baseline, we have seen an increase from year 1 to year 3 in both ELA (1.23%) and Math - (3.95%) which demonstrates that our students are moving in a positive direction post COVID.

- 1. Technology The District CAASPP data shows consistent increase from year 1 at 26.17% in Math and 37.93% in ELA through year 3 at 30.12% in Math and 39.16% in ELA, although the baseline data at 46.32% in Math and 50.175 in ELA is higher the combination of year over year increases in CAASP and the increase in local indicators like i-Ready scores that went from a baseline of 40% of all students and 34% of Low Income students passing in ELA in 2022-23 to 50% of all students and 42% of low income students passing in 2023-24 show that this action was effective. The CAASPP data indicates the percent of students who have met or exceeded the standard on each of the CAASPP test. Although our 3 year outcome on our CAASPP scores are below baseline, we have seen an increase from year 1 to year 3 in both ELA (1.23%) and Math (3.95%) which demonstrates that our students are moving in a positive direction post COVID.
- 2. Grade Level Curriculum and Assessment This indicator had a new benchmark as the District made a change in some of the software it has used going to i-Ready as a supplemental for student support. There was a drop in scores from the original benchmark data at 46.32% in Math and 50.17% in ELA, however the change to i-Ready has been effective based on the steady increase in CAASPP scores in 2021-22 students scored 27.05% in Math and 37.01% in ELA to 2022-23 they scored 30.12% in Math and 39.16% in ELA since implementation. Although, there were some challenges as iReady benchmark scores dipped but during year 2 of the LCAP we changed to a different

assessment tool that we will be working to show increases in the future. The CAASPP data indicates the percent of students who have met or exceeded the standard on each of the CAASPP test. Although our 3 year outcome on our CAASPP scores are below baseline, we have seen an increase from year 1 to year 3 in both ELA (1.23%) and Math - (3.95%) which demonstrates that our students are moving in a positive direction post COVID.

- 3. Class Size Reduction Action 3 is to support student growth with more small group instruction and one on one interaction and has shown that it has been effective based on the increase in CAASPP scores in 2020-21 students scored 26.71% in Math and 37.93% in ELA to 2022-23 they scored 30.12% in Math and 39.16% in ELA even though there was a drop from the baseline from 46.32% in Math and 50.17% in ELA due to the Covid pandemic. The CAASPP data indicates the percent of students who have met or exceeded the standard on each of the CAASPP test. Although our 3 year outcome on our CAASPP scores are below baseline, we have seen an increase from year 1 to year 3 in both ELA (1.23%) and Math (3.95%) which demonstrates that our students are moving in a positive direction post COVID.
- 4. Increased Instructional Time Increasing instructional time through opportunities to attend summer school for student to recover from learning loss was effective in increasing scores on state CAASPP scores went from 26.71% in Math and 37.93% in ELA in 2020-21 to 30.12% in Math and 39.16% in ELA in 2022-23 even though there was a drop from the baseline from 46.32% in Math and 50.17% in ELA due to the Covid pandemic as expected. This action also helped students make up classes in middle school and elementary school students target areas for growth to make sure they were prepared for the next school year. The CAASPP data indicates the percent of students who have met or exceeded the standard on each of the CAASPP test. Although our 3 year outcome on our CAASPP scores are below baseline, we have seen an increase from year 1 to year 3 in both ELA (1.23%) and Math (3.95%) which demonstrates that our students are moving in a positive direction post COVID.
- 5. Staff Development Action 5 involves professional learning for staff to improve practices in the classroom and this has been effective as seen by the increases in CAASPP scores in 2020-21 students scored 26.71% in Math and 37.93% in ELA to 2022-23 they scored 30.12% in Math and 39.16% in ELA even though there was a drop from the baseline from 46.32% in Math and 50.17% in ELA due to the Covid pandemic. The CAASPP data indicates the percent of students who have met or exceeded the standard on each of the CAASPP test. Although our 3 year outcome on our CAASPP scores are below baseline, we have seen an increase from year 1 to year 3 in both ELA (1.23%) and Math (3.95%) which demonstrates that our students are moving in a positive direction post COVID.
- 6. HSD Field Trips There were field trips this past year and the local indicators did not go up according to expectations so this action was not effective in bringing up local indicators as anticipated.
- 7. Transportation Action 7 was effective at getting students to school and lowering issues with attendance based on the data showing chronic absenteeism declining from the baseline data going from 27.5% in 2021-22 down to 25.3% in 2022-23.
- 8. Center for Teacher Induction Program The District sponsored teachers to go through the CTI program and this has proven to be effective based on teachers completing the program and state CAASPP scores went from 26.71% in Math and 37.93% in ELA in 2020-21 to 30.12% in Math and 39.16% in ELA in 2022-23 even though there was a drop from the baseline from 46.32% in Math and 50.17% in ELA due to the Covid pandemic. The CAASPP data indicates the percent of students who have met or exceeded the standard on each of the CAASPP test.

Although our 3 year outcome on our CAASPP scores are below baseline, we have seen an increase from year 1 to year 3 in both ELA (1.23%) and Math - (3.95%) which demonstrates that our students are moving in a positive direction post COVID.

- 9. Language Acquisition for English Learners Action 9 was effective at achieving higher scores on the ELPAC going from 47.64% proficient in 2020-21 to 72.13% proficient in 2022-23 and an increase of ELL students being reclassified from 6% in 2020-21 to 15% in 2022-23 though the reclassified student number was lower than the baseline due to challenges from the Covid pandemic.
- 10. Parent Training Action 10 was effective in getting parents involved in their student's learning helping achieve progress on the CAASPP scores went from 26.71% in Math and 37.93% in ELA in 2020-21 to 30.12% in Math and 39.16% in ELA in 2022-23 even though there was a drop from the baseline due to the Covid pandemic and on the ELPAC going from 47.64% proficient in 2020-21 to 72.13% proficient in 2022-23. The CAASPP data indicates the percent of students who have met or exceeded the standard on each of the CAASPP test. Although our 3 year outcome on our CAASPP scores are below baseline, we have seen an increase from year 1 to year 3 in both ELA (1.23%) and Math (3.95%) which demonstrates that our students are moving in a positive direction post COVID.
- 11. After School Tutoring Action 11 allowed students to get more specialized support and was effective based on the outcomes in CAASPP scores went from 26.71% in Math and 37.93% in ELA in 2020-21 to 30.12% in Math and 39.16% in ELA in 2022-23 even though there was a drop from the baseline from 46.32% in Math and 50.17% in ELA due to the Covid pandemic and on the ELPAC going from 47.64% proficient in 2020-21 to 72.13% proficient in 2022-23. The CAASPP data indicates the percent of students who have met or exceeded the standard on each of the CAASPP test. Although our 3 year outcome on our CAASPP scores are below baseline, we have seen an increase from year 1 to year 3 in both ELA (1.23%) and Math (3.95%) which demonstrates that our students are moving in a positive direction post COVID.

In summary, most actions under Goal 1 were effectively implemented, resulting in substantial progress in key areas like technology integration, grade-level curriculum, and assessment, and support for English Learners. The district saw consistent improvements in CAASPP scores and a significant rise in ELPAC proficiency and reclassification rates. Class Size Reduction, Increased Instructional Time, and Staff Development initiatives also contributed to higher academic performance. While Parent Training and After School Tutoring were successful in enhancing student outcomes, HSD Field Trips did not meet expectations for boosting local indicators. Transportation effectively reduced chronic absenteeism. However, the limitation in providing in-person academic support across all sites, particularly in Action 7, indicates a need for improved resource allocation or alternative strategies to ensure equitable support for all students. Additionally, there were some challenges in meeting the baseline data due to the Covid pandemic creating a dip in scores but the District managed to consistently increase scores year over year after the initial dip.

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

Goal:

In response to the analysis of data and feedback from educational partners, the district will make several adjustments to the actions and metrics under Goal 1, which aims to provide a high-quality, structured, and safe learning environment addressing the unique academic needs of students. These changes are designed to enhance the effectiveness and accuracy of measuring progress towards the goal. The district will refine its technology deployment strategies to mitigate challenges and ensure consistent access for all students. Adjustments will be made to the benchmark assessment tools to maintain consistency and improve tracking of student progress. Class Size Reduction efforts will continue, with a focus on maintaining small group instruction and one-on-one interaction. The district will also enhance Staff Development programs to continue improving classroom practices. Language Acquisition for English Learners will receive targeted support to sustain and build upon recent gains. Parent Training and After School Tutoring will be adjusted to maximize their impact on student outcomes. Addressing the limitations in providing consistent in-person support across all sites will be a priority, with an emphasis on resource allocation and alternative strategies to ensure equitable support for all students. The goal has been updated to be more inline with the District's vision but still maintains the original concept centered around student success and achievement. Goal 1 has been changed from "Helendale School District will provide Quality Learning and Instruction for All Students" to "Excel in Learning: Drive student success with engaging, challenging curriculum and effective interventions."

#### Metrics:

Metric 1.12 was added to measure the academic success of our student who take the California State Science Test (CAST).

Metric 1.13 was added to measure the effectiveness of the Technology goal to move to a 2:1 device to student ratio.

All other metrics remain unchanged.

#### Actions:

Action 4: Increased instruction time was removed. This action has been incorporated into the Districts Extended Learning Opportunity Program (ELOP) plan.

Action 5: Staff Development has now become Action 4 due to the removal of the previous Action 4.

Action 6: HSD Field Trips has been removed and because it did not show improvements in the areas the District's had anticipated. The District does recognize the importance of field trips and has incorporated them into the District's ELOP plan.

Action 7: Transportation is now Action 5 due to the removal of Actions 4 and Action 6.

Action 8: Center for Teacher Induction Program is now Action 7 due to the removal of Actions 4 and Action 6.

Action 9: Language Acquisition for English Learners is now Action 6 due to the removal of Actions 4 and Action 6 and the movement of action 8 Center for Teacher Induction Program movement to action 7.

Action 10: Parent training has been removed and will be incorporated into goal 3, a new goal focused on Parent and Community engagement Action 11: After School Tutoring is now Action 8 due to the removal of Action 4, Action 6, and Action 10.

All other actions will remain unchanged.

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

## **Goals and Actions**

### Goal

Goal #	Description
2	Helendale School District will provide Student Engagement, Campus Safety and Security to all who visit their campuses.

## Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Site Council Meetings to allow parents and staff to serve as members of the governing body of the school site.	8 per school year per school site (Local Data)	8 per school year per school site (2021-22) (Local Data)	10 per school site (2022-23, Local Data)	9 per school site (2023-24, Local Data)	8 per school year per school site
Effective Schools Survey Completion	10% of parents complete with 90% positive rating, 90% of students complete with 80% positive rating and 90% of staff complete with 95% positive rating. (Local Data)	50.1% of parents complete with 89.9% positive rating, 81.7% of students complete with 89.3% positive rating and 72% of staff complete with 98.8% positive rating. (Local Data 2021-22)	79.2% of parents complete with positive rating 91.2% of students complete with positive rating 95.2% of staff complete with positive rating (Local Data 2022-23)	75.4% of parents complete with positive rating 87.3% of students complete with positive rating 84.3% of staff complete with positive rating. (Local Data 2023-24	40% of parents complete with 90% positive rating on school recommendation. 90% of students complete with >90% positive rating on school recommendation. 90% of staff complete with >95% positive rating on school recommendation.
ELAC Meetings at School Sites	Meetings of Site ELAC Committee as appropriate based upon site	Meetings of Site ELAC Committee 0 times per year (2021-22)	Meetings of Site ELAC Committee 0 times per year (2022-23, Local Data)	Meetings of Site ELAC Committee 0 times per year (2023- 24, Local Data)	Meetings of Site ELAC Committee 5 times per year based upon site

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
	demographics (Local Data)	(Local Data)			demographics
High Level Office Referrals for Students	22 high level office referrals (Local Data)	42 high level office referrals (Local Data 2021-22)	All Students - 42 (2022-23 Local Data)	All Students – 13 (2023-24 Local Data)	All Students - 17 high level office referrals
Suspension Rate Added in spring 2023	All Students - 6.7% Low-Income - 7.3% (2021 CA School Dashboard)	N/A	All Students - 6.7% Low-Income - 7.3% (2021 CA School Dashboard)	All Students – 5.1% Low-Income – 5.8% (2022 CA School Dashboard)	All Students - 5.0% Low-Income - 5.0%
Staff Trainings on Social Emotional Needs	0 during the 2019-20 school year Local Data	1 during the 2021-22 school year Local Data	6 during the 2022-23 school year Local Data	4 during the 2023-24 school year with 13 additional individual trainings.  Local Data	3 Trainings for Social Emotional Wellness
Attendance Rate will improve from 94%	94% Local Data (2019-20)	92.33% (Local Data 2020-21)	All Students - 97.0% Low-Income Students - 91.8% (Local Data 2021-22)	All Students - 93.47% Low-Income Students - 91.1% (Local Data 2023-24)	All Students - 95% Low-Income Students - 95%
Students will display effective and appropriate behavior at all times in order to meet schoolwide expectations.	22 Suspensions Annually (Local Data, 2020-21)	42 Suspensions 2021- 22 (Local Data, 2021-22)	44 Suspensions (Local Data 2022-23)	26 as of 2-21-24 (Local Data 2023-24)	15 suspensions annually

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
School Facilities are maintained in good repair	0 Instances Where Facilities do not Meet the "Good Repair" Standard (Local Data 2020-21)	0 Instances Where Facilities do not Meet the "Good Repair" Standard (Local Data 2021-22)	0 Instances Where Facilities do not Meet the "Good Repair" Standard (Local Data 2022-23)	0 Instances Where Facilities do not Meet the "Good Repair" Standard (Local Data 2023-24)	0 Instances where facilities do not meet the "good repair" standard
Middle School Drop Out Rate	0% (Local Data 2020-21)	0% (Local Data 2021-22)	0% (Local Data 2022-23)	0.66% (Local Data 2023-24)	0%
Expulsion Rate	0% (Local Data 2020-21)	0% (Local Data 2021-22)	0% (Local Data 2022-23)	0% (Local Data 2023-24)	0%
Chronic Absenteeism Rate Added in spring 2023	All Students - 27.5% Low-Income - 32.1% (2022 CA School Dashboard)	No Data Available	All Students - 27.5% Low-Income - 32.1% (2022 CA School Dashboard)	All Students - 25.3% Low-Income - 29.4% (2023 CA School Dashboard)	All Students - 19.5% Low-Income - 19.5%

## Goal Analysis

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

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

Helendale School District will provide Student Engagement, Campus Safety and Security to all who visit their campuses. The district largely succeeded in sticking to its planned actions, though some differences in implementation were noted.

1. PBIS Training and Implementation, Action 1 was formed to promote positive behavior on campus assisting in raising the school culture and climate for each campus. The district was successful at implementing this action through great effort into implementing this on the elementary and middle school campuses to raise school culture and climate. There were challenges with student behavior due to the long-term effects of returning to school from the pandemic, particularly at the middle school level.

- 2. Parent Training for School Site Council, Action 2 was successfully implemented by the Districts to support parents and students with understanding the roles and responsibilities of School Site Council.
- 3. Social Emotional Wellness Professional Development, Action 3 was successfully implemented with professional development for staff, put on by San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools, Desert Mountain SELPA, and other agencies, and the District was able to provide Care Solace resources for students and families.
- 4. Attendance Measures, Action 4 and Suspension Mitigation, Action 5 are about providing wraparound supports for students while educating families on the importance of coming to school and behaving at school. These actions were implemented successfully by the district without any substantiative differences.

Overall, the district's implementation of Goal 2 can be regarded as successful, with substantial achievements in most areas of action. The implementation of PBIS Training and Implementation effectively promoted positive behavior, enhancing the school culture and climate across elementary and middle school campuses. Parent Training for School Site Council was successfully conducted, helping parents and students understand their roles and responsibilities. Social Emotional Wellness Professional Development provided valuable resources and training for staff, facilitated by various agencies, and offered Care Solace resources to students and families. Attendance Measures and Suspension Mitigation actions were also successfully implemented, providing wraparound supports for students and educating families on the importance of school attendance and behavior. However, the district noted some challenges in implementation due to effects in student behavior from the covid pandemic, which highlights an area for future improvement and alignment with the original plan.

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

- 1. PBIS Training and Implementation, Action 1 was implemented across the District and there were expenses for award items and ceremonies with no material differences budgeted at \$3,000 the District spent \$3,000 to implement this action.
- 2. Parent Training for School Site Council, Action 2 was implemented without any material differences with expenditures matching the budget at \$1,000.
- 3. Social Emotional Wellness Professional Development, Action 3 The budgeted expenditure for this action was initially set at \$90,000 intended to cover the costs of Social Emotional Wellness Professional Development. However, due to grants for professional development and lower cost than anticipated the District's cost came in much lower. The grants and lower cost led to a reduction in actual expenditures, totaling \$17,000. The \$73,000 difference can be attributed to the lower costs associated with the needed services and grant money funding much of the professional development. This change reflects the district's tenacity in seeking alternative funding options to support students and its ability to maintain support for students through cost-effective means.

4. Attendance Measures, Action 4 and Suspension Mitigation, Action 5 both of these actions came in at their anticipated budget without any material differences.

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

- 1. PBIS Training and Implementation Action 1 has been very effective in helping lower the rates of high level referrals all students from the baseline data of 22 high level referrals in 2019-20 down to 13 high level referrals in 2023-24. It was also effective in lowering suspensions from the 2021-22 school year rate of 42 down to 26 in 2023-24, however the baseline data was 22 suspensions annually likely lower due to it being measured pre pandemic.
- 2. Parent Training for School Site Council Working with parents on the School Site Counsel has been effective in tying back the expected outcomes from the LCAP to the meetings and increasing the productivity and focus. The number of School Site Counsel meetings increase from the baseline 8 meetings per school year in 2019-20, 8 in 2021/22, 10 in 2022/23, to 9 in 2022-24.
- 3. Social Emotional Wellness Professional Development The inclusion of social emotional support professional development for staff has increase from 0 trainings in the baseline year 2019-20 to 1 in 2021/22, 6 in 2022/23 and 4 during the 2023-24 school year and resulted in effectively in uplifting and supporting students working to decrease chronic absenteeism from the baseline of 27.5% for all students and 32.1% for low-income students in 2021-22, to 25.3% for all students and 29.4% of low-income students in 2022-23.
- 4. Attendance Measures These measure were effective as the District's chronic absentee numbers reduced over the years. Chronic absenteeism went from baseline of 27.5% for all students and 32.1% for low-income student in 2021-22, to 25.3% for all students and 29.4% of low-income students in 2022-23.
- 5. Suspension Mitigation This action was focused on the school site teams working together to reduce suspensions and has been effective as the data shows that suspensions have gone down. Suspensions rates went from baseline of 6.7% for all students and 7.3% for low-income student in 2020-21, to 5.1% for all students and 5.8% of low-income students in 2022-23. High level referrals were also down from the bassline data of 22 in 2019-20 down to 13 in 2023-24.

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

Goal:

This goal will remain unchanged

#### Metrics:

Metric 7: Students will display effective and appropriate behavior at all time in order to meet school wide expectations was removed. This metric was redundant and was able to be measured in Metric 2.4 and 2.5.

All other metrics remain unchanged.

#### Actions:

Action 2: Parent Training for School Sited Council will be removed. Community members will be brought in to the council and members will provide guidance. No official training will be conducted. The communication with parents to update them and the community will be included in the newly created Goal 3: Partners in Education and will have Action 1: Parent and Community Connection.

Action 3: Social Emotional Wellness Professional Development will be removed. This was a 1 year training program and has been completed.

Actions 4 and 5 were combined into one new action; Action 2.3 Director of Student Support to better address the needs of student discipline and attendance the District will fund the School Administrative Manager position to focus on student wellbeing under this changed action. All other Actions will remain unchanged

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

### Instructions

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

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

### **Goals and Actions**

## Goal(s)

### **Description:**

Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.

### **Measuring and Reporting Results**

• Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.

#### **Metric:**

• Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.

#### Baseline:

• Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.

#### Year 1 Outcome:

Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.

#### Year 2 Outcome:

• Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.

#### Year 3 Outcome:

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

### Desired Outcome for 2023-24:

Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.

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

٠,	of completing the incasting and reporting results part of the coal.							
						Desired Outcome		
	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	for Year 3		
						(2023–24)		
					Enter information			
	Copy and paste	Copy and paste	Copy and paste	Copy and paste	in this box when	Copy and paste		
	verbatim from the	verbatim from the	verbatim from the	verbatim from the	completing the	verbatim from the		
	2023–24 LCAP.	2023–24 LCAP.	2023–24 LCAP.	2023–24 LCAP.	2023–24 LCAP	2023–24 LCAP.		
					Annual Update.			

### **Goal Analysis**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

California Department of Education November 2023

## **Local Control and Accountability Plan**

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

Local Educational Agency (LEA) Name	Contact Name and Title	Email and Phone	
Helendale Elementary School District	Joshua Behnke Superintendent	jbehnke@helendalesd.com (760) 952-1180	

## **Plan Summary [2024-25]**

### **General Information**

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

Helendale (HSD) is a small tight knit community located in the high desert on historic Route 66. With just over 5,000 residents, Helendale School District services the community with one elementary school (grades TK – 6) and one middle school (grades 7 – 8). With an enrollment of 703 students in both schools, the demographics represented in the district include White (41.7%), Hispanic (44.4%), African American (7.1%), American Indian (0.2%), Asian (2.1%), Filipino (.6%), Pacific Islander (0.4%), and Two or More Races (3.5%). The unduplicated student population (one or more of the following) comprises Low Income (55.8%), English Learners (3.3%), and Foster Youth (1.6%). Due to the lack of required numbers, HSD does not have a DELAC or ELAC yet meets with parents and students regularly to address needs of the Second Language population.

### **Reflections: Annual Performance**

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

The 2023 California School Dashboard shows that the following student groups are performing at the lowest performance level (Red):

Districtwide

School Climate:

Suspension Rate: English Learner

**Pupil Engagement** 

Chronic Absenteeism: Students with Disabilities (SWD) and White (WH)

School Sites - All Student Groups showing the lowest performance levels

Riverview Middle School: Pupil Engagement: Chronic Absenteeism Any Student Group within any School with Lowest Performance Outcomes: Helendale Elementary: School Climate: Suspension Rate - African American (AA) Pupil Engagement: Chronic Absenteeism - WH Riverview Middle: School Climate: Suspension Rate - Hispanic (HI) Pupil Engagement: Chronic Absenteeism - Socioeconomic Disadvantaged (SED), HI and WH Local Data (2023/2024): Elementary iReady All Students - 33% Low Income - 30% Secondary Edmentum All Students - 28% Low Income - 20% Elementary iReady All Students - 21% Low Income - 19% Secondary Edmentum All Students - 18% Low Income - 16% Successes:

Helendale Elementary School District's performance on the 2023 Dashboard showed no indicators in the lowest performing (red) for all students. Academically the district saw an increase in student performance as indicated on the 2023 California School Dashboard with no student groups performing in the lowest performing (red) in either ELA or Math. Our English Learner Students are 70.6% making progress toward English language proficiency which is an increase of 5.2% from the 2022 CA School Dashboard. The District also saw a decline in our suspension rate from 6.7% to 5.1%.

### Challenges:

Helendale Elementary School District's performance on the 2023 Dashboard showed no indicators in the lowest performing (red), but we had two student groups (SWD and WH) and Riverview Middle school performing in the red for the Chronic Absenteeism. Although we saw an overall decline in chronic absenteeism by 2.2%, the district will focus efforts to decrease our chronic absenteeism rate at all school sites, with a focus on Riverview Middle School. Along with challenges we faced with Chronic Absenteeism, our local data indicates a slight decrease of the past 3 years. In year 2 of the last LCAP Cycle, we changed our local ELA assessment tool from the STAR assessment platform to the iReady assessment platform. At the same time we changed our local Math assessment tool from the curriculum chapter test to the iReady platform.

### **Reflections: Technical Assistance**

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

The San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools provides technical assistance to the district by providing a Program Manager that supports small school districts to address their unique challenges and needs.

## **Comprehensive Support and Improvement**

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

### Schools Identified

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

N/A

## Support for Identified Schools

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

N/A

## Monitoring and Evaluating Effectiveness

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

N/A

## **Engaging Educational Partners**

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

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

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

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

Educational Partner(s)	Process for Engagement
All Educational Partners	All educational partners were notified of the LCAP development meetings through email, all call system and district website.
Parents representing all students at all school sites (English Learners, Socioeconomically disadvantaged, Foster Youth and Students with Disabilities)	LCAP development and input meetings were held in person on May 1st & 2nd, 2024. During the meeting, the district discussed their vision, mission, and their strategic plan. The District presented an overview of the 2023 California Dashboard along with data from local indicators, including iReady and Accelerated Reading. The District also provided attendees with the anticipated LCFF funding amount as well as additional funding sources. The district outlined the previous LCAP's goals, actions to support the goals and the metrics used to evaluate effectiveness. The discussion was focused on input from the parents regarding goals, actions and metrics that should be kept, revised or removed when developing the 2024/2025 LCAP. Parents were encouraged to discuss concerns and way the district can provide support.
Administrative, Certificated, Classified Staff Members, Union Representatives	LCAP development and input meetings were held in person on April 12th & 26th and May 3rd & 6th. During the meetings, the district discussed their vision, mission, and their strategic plan. The District presented an overview of the 2023 California Dashboard along with data from local indicators, including iReady and Accelerated Reading. The District also provided attendees with the anticipated LCFF funding amount as well as additional funding sources. The district outlined the previous LCAP's goals, actions to support the goals and the metrics used to evaluate effectiveness. The discussion was focused on input from the staff members regarding goals, actions and

Educational Partner(s)	Process for Engagement
	metrics that should be kept, revised or removed when developing the 2024/2025 LCAP. Staff members were encouraged to discuss concerns and way the district can provide support.  Both Unions had their local representatives present at the meetings and were active in the discussion and provided feedback on the goals, actions and metrics that should be kept, revised or removed when developing the 2024/2025 LCAP.
Students	LCAP development and input meetings were held in person on May 2nd & 6th, 2024. During the meeting, the district discussed their vision, mission, and their strategic plan. The District presented an overview of the 2023 California Dashboard along with data from local indicators, including iReady and Accelerated Reading. The discussion was focused on input from the students regarding goals, actions and metrics that should be kept, revised or removed when developing the 2024/2025 LCAP. Students were encouraged to discuss concerns and ways the district can provide support.
All Educational Partners	The District developed surveys for all educational partners that focused on seeking input for the development of the 2024/2025 LCAP. The LCAP survey focused on community involvement, culture and climate, areas of improvements and areas of success. On March 25, 2024, the surveys were sent out to all educational partners through email and a link was also sent via text through the district's all call notification system. The survey was kept open from March 25th to May 10th, 2024
Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)	The 2024/2025 LCAP draft was presented to the PAC on May 31st. As no comments were submitted from the PAC, there was not a written response from the superintendent.
SELPA Consultation	The 2024-2025 LCAP Draft was presented to the High Desert SELPA on June 6, 2024 for consultation and feedback.
Governing Board Community Members	The 2024/2025 LCAP draft was posted publicly on the district website on June 20, 2024. The 2024-25 LCAP draft was presented at a regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting on June 24, 2024, for public hearing.

Educational Partner(s)	Process for Engagement
Governing Board	Mid-Year Report was presented to the Governing Board at a regularly scheduled meeting on February 21, 2024
Governing Board Community Members	The 2024/2025 LCAP was adopted at a regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting on June 27, 2024.

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

Collaborating with our educational partners during the LCAP development yielded valuable insights into our students' needs. Through meetings, discussions, and surveys, we identified key areas of focus, which led to the incorporation of targeted goals and actions.

In the 2023-24 HSD Parent Survey, numerous suggestions were made to enhance Helendale Elementary School. Many parents and students emphasized the need for more extracurricular activities, including sports, arts, and technology classes, to create a well-rounded education. Several parents highlighted the importance of addressing bullying more effectively and providing additional support for our SED, EL students as well as our children with special needs including counseling services at the elementary school. Improved communication between parents and staff, especially concerning incidents and awards, was also a common request. Our parents, specifically our SED families, express the concerns about the increased work and services that requires students to use computers and the internet at home and their struggle with providing technology and internet at home and asked about the districts ability to support them. Educations feedback was addressed in Goal 1, actions 1.2, and 1.8 as well as Goal 2 actions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3. Educational partner feedback was particularly influential in developing Goal 3, action 3.1 and 3.2.

During educational partner engagement, parents of our EL students expressed gratitude that the school has focused on their students language acquisition and recognized the improvements of their students english language acquisition. They express the need for additional support in the classroom for their students. EL students and parents expressed concern that their students are falling behind because of the language barrier. This was addressed in Goal 1 Action 6.

During our educational partner engagement sessions, parents, students, and staff indicated a need to close the achievement gap for our SED, and EL students through after school programs and clubs. This can be seen in Goal 1, action 8.

During meetings and input sessions with our teachers and classified staff, Professional Development was one of the most talked about topics. Our staff indicated that they would like to attend more professional development to ensure they stay up to date on the latest best practices and pedagogies. It was stated that our students have suffered both academically and social emotionally because of the pandemic and our teachers feel like they need additional development to handle the issues that we have seen come out of the pandemic. Along with technology, our SED parents expressed concerns regarding transportation and the fact that if the school does not provide transportation, they would struggle with getting their students to school. These areas were addressed in the 2024/25 LCAP and can be seen in Goal 1 Action 4 and 5.

Additionally, parents suggested enhanced security measures and better-trained staff were other areas of concern. Some parents advocated for more educational field trips and tutoring opportunities, especially for students who fell behind during the pandemic. Overall, while some parents were satisfied with the current state of the school, many offered constructive feedback aimed at fostering a more supportive and enriching environment for all students. This feedback was addressed in Goal 2 action 2.11.

At the same time, parents highlighted several strengths of Helendale School District. A recurring theme was the strong sense of community and safety that the school provides, which is comforting for both parents and students. Many parents appreciated the open communication between the school staff and parents, noting the effectiveness of platforms like Class Dojo in keeping them informed. The staff, particularly teachers, were frequently praised for their dedication, compassion, and efforts to ensure each child's well-being and academic success. Parents also valued the school's commitment to providing a positive learning environment, with various activities and events to keep students engaged and motivated. The emphasis on individualized attention, especially for students with special needs or food allergies, was noted as a significant strength. Overall, the caring and supportive nature of the school staff, coupled with a safe and welcoming atmosphere, were seen as key factors contributing to the school's positive impact on students and the community

## **Goals and Actions**

## Goal

Goal #	Description	Type of Goal
1	Excel in Learning: Drive students' academic success with engaging, challenging curriculum and effective interventions.	Broad Goal

### State Priorities addressed by this goal.

Priority 1: Basic (Conditions of Learning)

Priority 2: State Standards (Conditions of Learning)

Priority 4: Pupil Achievement (Pupil Outcomes)

Priority 5: Pupil Engagement (Engagement)

Priority 7: Course Access (Conditions of Learning)

Priority 8: Other Pupil Outcomes (Pupil Outcomes)

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

Helendale School District and its educational partners believe that educating the youth of the community is our most important task. During the LCAP development process, it was clear that Quality Learning and Instruction for All Students was the priority for all members of the community who were involved in the LCAP development. The California School Dashboard showed our 2023 ELA CAASPP scores for all students at -27.5 Difference From Standard (DFS), Socio-economically Disadvantaged at -40 DFS, English Learners at -16.2 DFS, Students with Disabilities -78 DFS, and our Hispanic students group 26.2 DFS. The California School Dashboard showed our 2023 Math CAASPP scores for All Students at -44.3 DFS, Socioeconomically Disadvantages at -57.6 DFS, English Learners at -32 DFS, Students with Disabilities -95.6 DFS, and our Hispanic student group -47.6 DFS. The 2022-23 CAASPP outcomes also showed 45.65% of all students met or exceeded proficiency in English Language Arts, and 35.38% of all students met or exceeded proficiency in Math. The District is implementing comprehensive actions to improve student engagement and academic performance. These actions include providing and maintaining devices for each student, reduced teacher to student ratio classrooms, provide professional development for our staff, and student transportation. These actions will all work toward a positive outcome for our students to increase their academic achievement.

## **Measuring and Reporting Results**

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
1.1	CAASPP MATH	2023 CA Dashboard			District All : -40 DFS	
	Difference From Standard (DFS)	District All : -44.3 DFS			EL: -27 DFS SED: -48 DFS	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
	Source: California School Dashboard	EL: -32 DFS SED: -57.6 DFS SWD: -95.6 DFS  Riverside Middle School All: -73.9 DFS EL: student population size to small to provide DFS (11 Students) SED: -85.3 DFS			SWD: -75 DFS  Riverside Middle School All: -65 DFS EL: student population size to small to provide DFS (11 Students) SED: -70 DFS	
1.2	CAASPP ELA  Difference From Standard (DFS)  Source: California School Dashboard	District All: -27.5 DFS EL: -16.2 DFS SED: - 40 DFS SWD: -78 DFS  Riverside Middle School All: -52.5 DFS EL: student population size to small to provide DFS (11 Students) SED: -67 DFS			District All: -20 DFS EL: -10 DFS SED: - 28 DFS SWD: -58 DFS  Riverside Middle School All: -40 DFS EL: student population size to small to provide DFS (11 Students) SED: -50 DFS	
1.3	Class size ratio grades K-3  Number of students per class  Source: Local Data	23:1 student to class ratio  Local Data 2022/23			maintain lower that 24:1 student to class ratio	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
1.4	Access to aligned instructional material  Percentage Rate  Source: California School Dashboard (local indicators)	100% of students have access to standard aligned instructional materials.  (Local Data 2022-23)			100% of students have access to standard aligned instructional materials.	
1.5	English Learner Reclassification Percentage Rate Source: Local Data	15% of ELL students were reclassified (Local Data 2022-23)			18% of ELL students were reclassified to	
1.6	State implemented ELPAC Test Percentage Rate Source: California School Dashboard	72.13% of EL students were proficient on ELPAC (ELPAC 2022-23)			75% of EL students were proficient on ELPAC	
1.7	Teacher Misassignment Percentage Rate Source: California School Dashboard	District maintained a 0% teacher misassignment. (Local Data 2023-24)			0% teacher misassignment	
1.8	English Language Arts Benchmark Assessments Percentage Rate	Elementary iReady All Students - 33% Low Income - 30%			Elementary iReady All Students - 45% Low Income - 45%	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
	Source: Local Data	Secondary Edmentum (In progress) All Students - 28% Low Income - 20% (Local Data 2023-24)			Secondary Edmentum (In progress) All Students - 40% Low Income - 40%	
1.9	Math Benchmark Assessments Percentage Rate Source: Local Data	Elementary iReady All Students - 21% Low Income - 19%  Secondary Edmentum (In Progress) All Students - 18% Low Income - 16%  (Local Data 2023-24)			Elementary iReady All Students - 30% Low Income - 30% Secondary Edmentum (In Progress) All Students - 30% Low Income - 30%	
1.10	Attendance Rate Percentage Rate Source: Local Data	92.68% Daily Attendance Rate (Local Data 2022-23)			95% Daily Attendance Rate	
1.11	Chronic Absenteeism Rate  Percentage Rate  Source: California School Dashboard	All Students – 25.3% Low-Income – 29.4% (2023 CA School Dashboard)			All Students – 18% Low-Income – 18%	
1.12	California Science Test (CAST) Results Percentage Rate	Met or Exceeded Standard on CAST All Students - 18.07%			All Students - 22% Socioeconomically Disadvantaged - 22%	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
	Source: California School Dashboard	Socioeconomically Disadvantaged - 12.82% (CAASPP 2022/23)				
1.13	Increase student technology devices Student to Device Ratio Source: Local Data	SY 2023/2024 Students to device ratio is 1:1			Students to device ratio is 2:1	
1.14	Implementation of state board adopted academic content and performance standards implementation Status  Source: California School Dashboard	English Language Arts  — Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts - Full Implementation And Sustainability  English Language Development (Aligned to English Language Arts Standards) - Full Implementation  Mathematics — Common Core State Standards for Mathematics - Full Implementation And Sustainability			English Language Arts – Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts - Full Implementation And Sustainability  English Language Development (Aligned to English Language Arts Standards) - Full Implementation  Mathematics – Common Core State Standards for Mathematics - Full Implementation And Sustainability	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
		Next Generation Science Standards - Full Implementation And Sustainability History - Social Science - Initial Implementation			Next Generation Science Standards - Full Implementation And Sustainability History - Social Science - Initial Implementation	
1.15	Access to a Broad Course of Study Percentage Rate Local Indicator	2022/23  100% of student have access to a broad course of study  Local Indicator			100% of student have access to a broad course of study	

## Goal Analysis [2023-24]

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

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

Not Applicable.

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

Not Applicable.

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

Not Applicable.

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

Not Applicable.

## **Actions**

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
1.1	Technology	Site administration will purchase addition student device to increase the ration to 2:1 and purchase supplemental technology devices in the classroom to provide additional technology access to students (Pilot X interactive podiums, Active Floor systems) to support increase scores in math and ELA. This action is principally directed toward socioeconomic disadvantaged students and will be measured by M1.1 and 1.2	\$45,000.00	Yes
1.2	Supplemental Curriculum	The District will provide supplementary online materials for student use in all grade levels TK - 8 to support academic growth in both ELA and Math. ELA and Math CAASPP scores will be used for progress monitoring as measured by M1.1, 1.2, 1.8, and 1.9. While all students will benefit from this action, it is principally directed to meet the needs of our english learner and socioeconomically disadvantaged students.	\$15,000.00	Yes
1.3	Lower Class Size in all schools	The Superintendent will provide additional teaching staff to reduce the student to teacher ratio in the classroom. This action will allow for a more focused approach to our classroom ELD integration allowing for the growth of our EL students as well as allowing for effective small group instruction to support our SED students in the classrooms. While small class size benefits all students, this action will be principally directed toward our English Learners (EL) and Socioeconomically Disadvantaged students (SED) as measured by M1.1 and M1.2	\$352,000.00	Yes
1.4	Professional Development	School site administration will provide teachers and staff the opportunity to attend professional development to implement a more engaging, collaborative, and interactive learning environment for all students which will increase our academic achievement scores on the ELA and Math CAASPP and local benchmarks. Although all students will benefit, this	\$20,000.00	Yes

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
		action will be principally directed for our socioeconomically disadvantaged students as measured by M1.1, M1.2, M1.8 and M1.9		
1.5	Transportation	he Superintendent will ensure the district has reliable and available transportation to and from school. This action will be provided to all students but principally directed towards transportation for our SED students, which will play a vital role in maintaining our attendance rate as a district and reducing chronic absenteeism as measured by M1.10 and M1.11	\$320,000.00	Yes
1.6	Bilingual Aides	Site administrators will continue to provide two bilingual aids, one for the elementary school and one for the middle school, to support our EL students to increase language acquisition, increase our English Learner Proficiency Indicator and increase our reclassification rate as measured by M1.5 and M1.6. This action is limited to our EL students.	\$50,000.00	Yes
1.7	Teacher Induction Program	The district will provide a robust Teacher Induction Program designed to provide new teachers with the skills, knowledge and tools to support the need for increased academic performance in ELA and math. M1.1, M1.2, M1.8 and M1.9	\$10,000.00	No
1.8	After School Tutoring	The school site administrator at Riverside Middle School will provide an after-school tutoring program principally directed to our EL and SED students to support a learning environment that provides opportunities for small group instruction, on to one support, and reinforcement of the standards and curriculum taught in the classroom as measured by M1.1 M1.2, M1.8 and M1.9	\$5,000.00	Yes
1.9	Support for Students with Disabilities (SWD)	Site administration will provide supplemental academic curriculum for our Students with Disabilities (SWD) to increase both ELA and Math proficiency as measure by M1.1 and M1.2	\$1,000.00	No

Action #	† Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing

#### **Goals and Actions**

#### Goal

Goal #	Description	Type of Goal
2	Thriving Environment: Create a supportive and welcoming school climate that promotes student well-being.	Broad Goal

#### State Priorities addressed by this goal.

Priority 1: Basic (Conditions of Learning)
Priority 5: Pupil Engagement (Engagement)

Priority 6: School Climate (Engagement)

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

Based upon parent, staff, and student input during the LCAP development process there is a desire to ensure that each school site is organized in such a manner that it provides safety for all students and staff members. Based on the 2023 California School Dashboard suspension outcomes showed All Students 5.1%, African American 7%, English Learners 8.1%, Hispanic 5.8%, Socio-economically Disadvantaged 5.8%, and Students with Disabilities 11.1%. Chronic absenteeism outcomes showed All Students 25.3%, African American 31.6%, Students with Disabilities 38.9%, English learners 24.3%, Hispanic 25.4%, and Socioeconomically Disadvantaged 29.4%. Actions such as PBIS, parent training to increase participation and decision making, partnering with Care Solace to address student social emotional and wellbeing will be implemented to work toward the success of this goal. Additionally, working in teams to identify and address student behaviors, social emotional and well-being will be implemented to work toward an engaging, safe, and secure campus sites.

## **Measuring and Reporting Results**

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
2.1	Number of Site Council Meetings Held Meeting Number of Meetings Held Source: Local Indicator - Meeting Agenda	Helendale Elementary - 9 Riverview Middle - 9 (Local Data 2023-24)			Helendale Elementary - 10 Riverview Middle - 10	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
2.2	Effective Schools Survey Completion Percentage Source: Local Survey	75.4% of parents complete with positive rating 87.3% of students complete with positive rating 84.3% of staff complete with positive rating.  (Local Data 2023-24)			85% of parents complete with positive rating 90% of students complete with positive rating 90% of staff complete with positive rating.	
2.3	ELAC Meetings  Number of meeting per school site  Source: Local Indicator - Meeting Agenda	Helendale Elementary - 0 Riverview Middle - 0 (2023/24 Local Data)			Helendale Elementary - 2 Riverview Middle - 2	
2.4	High Level Office Referrals  Number of High Level Office Referrals for All Students  Source: Local Indicator - Student Information System	All Students - 42 High Level Referral (Local Data 2023/24)			All Students - 20 High Level Referrals	
2.5	Suspension Rate Percentage Rate Source: California School Dashboard	District All Students: 5.1% EL: 8.1% SED: 5.8% SWD: 11.1% African American: 7% Hispanic: 5.8%			District All Students: 3% EL: 3% SED: 3% SWD: 5% African American: 3%	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
		White: 3.7%  Helendale Elementary All Students: 1.7% EL: 0% SED: 2.3% SWD: 3.7% African American: 6.4% Hispanic: .4% White: 2.6%  Riverview Middle All Students: 16.2% EL: less than 15 students - no data provided SED: 18% SWD: 37% African American: 6.4% Hispanic: 20.4% White: 10.3%  California School Dashboard 2022/2023			Hispanic: 3%  Helendale Elementary All Students: 1% EL: 0% SED: 1% SWD: 1.5% African American: 2% Hispanic: 0%  Riverview Middle All Students: 5% EL: less than 15 students - no data provided SED: 5% SWD: 5% African American: 2% Hispanic: 5%	
2.6	Staff Trainings on Social Emotional Needs Number of training sessions Source: Local Data	School Wide - 4 Individual - 13 (Local Data 2023/24)			School Wide - 4 Individual - 15	
2.7	Attendance Rate Percentage Rate	District - 94.86% (Local Data 2023/24)			District - 96%	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
	Source: Local Data - Student Information System					
2.8	Expulsion Rate Percentage Rate Source: Local Data	0% (Local Data 2023/24)			0%	
2.9	Chronic Absenteeism Rate  Percentage Rate  Source: California School Dashboard	District All Students: 25.3% EL: 24.3% SED: 29.4% SWD: 38.9% African American: 31.6% Hispanic: 25.4% White: 23.9%  Helendale Elementary All Students: 22.5% EL: 19.2% SED: 25.9% SWD: 24.7% African American: 27.7% Hispanic: 20% White: 23.2%  Riverside Middle All Students: 29.2% EL: less than 15 students - no data provided SED: 35.4% SWD: 55.6%			District All Students: 5.1% EL: 8.1% SED: 5.8% SWD: 11.1% African American: 7% Hispanic: 5.8%  Helendale Elementary All Students: 1.7% EL: 0% SED: 2.3% SWD: 3.7% African American: 6.4% Hispanic: .4%  Riverside Middle All Students: 16.2% EL: less than 15 students - no data provided SED: 18% SWD: 37%	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
		African American: less than 15 students - no data provided Hispanic: 36.2% White: 21.1% California School Dashboard 2022/2023			African American: 6.4% Hispanic: 20.4%	
2.10	Middle School Drop Out Rate Percentage Rate Source: Local Data	0% (Local Data 2023/24)			0%	
2.11	School Facilities  Number of Instances in the FIT report that does not meet Good Repair standards  Source: Local Data	2023-24 0 Instances (Local Data 2023/24)			0 Instances	

## Goal Analysis [2023-24]

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

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

Not Applicable.

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

Not Applicable.

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

Not Applicable.

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

Not Applicable.

## **Actions**

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
2.1	School Climate and Culture	Administration will continue to develop and implement strategies and best practices, including PBIS, to ensure our student discipline rate remains low. The implementation of these strategies and best practices will provide support to our students, staff and families to help identify potential issues with students and provide students with the support they need. While all students will benefit from this action, it is principally directed to our EL and SED students as measured by M2.7 and M2.9	\$10,000.00	Yes
2.2	School Counselor	School Principal will hire school counselors at each site to provide education, prevention, and intervention services to help meet the academic and personal/social needs of students thereby removing barriers to learning and promoting academic achievement. Although all students will benefit from this action, it is principally directed to our EL and SED students as measured by M2.5 and M2.9	\$150,000.00	Yes
2.3	Director Student Support	The Superintendent will hire a School Administrative Manager (SAM) to develop a program that will reduce the number of suspensions and reduce chronic absenteeism by providing resources for effective positive interventions and parent engagement. Although all students will benefit	\$123,750.00	Yes

Description	Total Funds	Contributing
from this action, it is principally directed toward our EL and SED students as measured by M2.5 and M2.9		
	from this action, it is principally directed toward our EL and SED students	from this action, it is principally directed toward our EL and SED students

#### **Goals and Actions**

#### Goal

Goal #	Description	Type of Goal
3	Partners in Education: Build strong relationships with families and the community to enhance educational outcomes.	Broad Goal

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

Priority 3: Parental Involvement (Engagement)

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

This goal was designed to encourage active participation from our families and community. We have seen a steady decline in parent and community engagement at the school site as well as reduced attendance at Parent Teacher Conferences (elementary went from 86% attendance to 82% attendance in 2023/24). The actions associated with this goal will help develop and foster a collaborative relationship with our families and encourage active participation with the schools. The actions and metrics grouped together will ensure the district leadership remains focused on parent and community involvement through open communication.

## **Measuring and Reporting Results**

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
3.1	Participation with Helendale School District PAC Number of attendees Local Indicator	2023/2024 4 parents attended the May 2024 meeting Local Data			10 Attendees per meeting	
3.2	Family Events at school sites  Number of Events Per Year  Local Metric	2023/2024  Elementary School - 6  Events  Middle School - 2  Events  Local Data			Elementary School - 8 Events Middle School - 4 Events	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
3.3	Parent and Community Communication Number of communication activities Local Indicator	2023/2024  District - 12 videos from Superintendent School Sites - 18 emails from site Principals to families  Local Data			District - 18 videos from Superintendent School Sites - 20 emails from site Principals to families	
3.4	Parents feel welcome on campus  Percentage  Local Metric: Parent Survey	District 94.6%  Elementary School 96.8%  Middle School 81.8%  Local Data			District 96% Elementary School 98% Middle School 90%	
3.5	Seek parent input in making decisions for the LEA and each individual school site through attendance at District or Site level input meeting and events.  Percentage  Local Metric: Parent Survey	District 45.69%  Elementary School 46.4%  Middle School 41.51%  Local Data			District 60% Elementary School 60% Middle School 60%	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
3.6	The district/school provide effective communications to parents  Percentage  Local Metric: Parent Survey	District 89%  Elementary School 95.2%  Middle School 69.5%  Local Data			District 93% Elementary School 97% Middle School 75%	
3.7	District School Encourage Parental Involvement through Volunteerism  Percentage  Local Metric: Parent Survey	District 88.5% Elementary School 94.4% Middle School 54.5% Local Data			District 92% Elementary School 96% Middle School 65%	

## Goal Analysis [2023-24]

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

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

Not Applicable.

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

Not Applicable.

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

Not Applicable.

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

Not Applicable.

## **Actions**

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
3.1	Parent and Community Communication	The Administration will ensure relevant, engaging communication with parents and the community is conducted regularly, with specific focus on SED and SWD families, to ensure our families have updated and relevant information regarding school and district activities and programs as measured by M3.1	\$2,000.00	No
3.2	Parent and Community Involvement	Site administration will continue to engage parents and the community in school sponsored events. The district administration will conduct focused events and engagement activities with our SED and SWD families. The district, schools, teachers and parents are able to better support our students and families and bring awareness about all community events at the school sites as measured by M3.1 and M3.2.	\$1,000.00	No

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

Total Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants	Projected Additional 15 percent LCFF Concentration Grant
\$980313	\$36245

#### Required Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the LCAP Year

Projected Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year		LCFF Carryover — Dollar	Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year
13.748%	0.000%	\$0.00	13.748%

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

## **Required Descriptions**

#### LEA-wide and Schoolwide Actions

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

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
1.1	Action: Technology  Need: Our district's commitment to equitable access to educational resources is reflected in our 1:1 device initiative, ensuring every student has a device for school use. However, our local data have revealed a significant disparity: many socioeconomically disadvantaged (SED) students lack access to computers or	The initiative to provide additional student devices and updated classroom technology is a pivotal step in addressing the unique needs of Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (SED) students within our district. Research has consistently shown that equitable access to technology is crucial for closing the achievement gap between SED students and their peers. By ensuring that every student has access to personal devices, we are not only leveling the playing field but also enhancing their ability to engage with the	This action will be measured by the metrics identified in the action description

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
	technology at home, severely limiting their ability to engage with resources and curriculum outside of school hours. This was corroborated during meetings with parents of our SED students, who expressed concerns about the lack of home technology.  The outdated technology in our classrooms further compounds these challenges, hindering effective instruction and student engagement. Therefore, there is a critical need for increased technology access at home for SED students and updated classroom technology to support their academic growth. This initiative is essential to bridge the digital divide and ensure all students have the necessary tools to succeed academically.  Scope:  LEA-wide	curriculum in a more meaningful way. This approach is supported by studies indicating that technology integration in the classroom can significantly improve student performance and engagement, particularly among students from low-income backgrounds (Warschauer & Matuchniak, 2010).  While this initiative specifically targets the SED population, the decision to implement it on an LEA-wide basis reflects our commitment to equity and inclusivity. Providing these resources universally helps to foster a more cohesive and collaborative learning environment, where all students, regardless of their socio-economic status, can benefit from enhanced educational opportunities. This LEA-wide approach also ensures that no student is left behind, promoting a culture of shared responsibility and mutual support across the district. By investing in updated classroom technology and additional student devices, we are not only addressing the immediate needs of our SED students but also laying the foundation for long-term academic success and digital literacy for all students.	
1.2	Action: Supplemental Curriculum  Need: CAASPP Data shows all student groups are scoring below standard.  Math All: -44.3 DFS EL: -32 DFS	The CAASPP data reveals significant achievement gaps in both English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics across all student groups, with our Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (SED) students performing well below the state average. To address these disparities, the Helendale School District is implementing an additional supplemental curriculum designed to provide targeted support to our SED students. This initiative is informed by educational research and tailored to address the	This action will be measured by the metrics identified in the action description.

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
	SED: -57.6 DFS  ELA All: -27.5 DFS EL: -16.2 DFS SED: - 40 DFS  When compared to the state for students who met or exceeded the standard, our students are far below the state as indicated below.  ELA: Helendale School District - 37.42% State: 46.66%  Math: Helendale School District - 25.79% State: 34.62%  The data demonstrates a disparity between the All Student group and our SED students. When compared to the State, the data indicates our students score below the state average.  During our educational partner engagement sessions, both parents and staff indicated a need to close the achievement gap for our SED and EL students.  Scope: LEA-wide	specific academic needs identified during our educational partner engagement sessions.  By incorporating a supplemental curriculum, we are enhancing our existing instructional programs with focused interventions that include additional instructional time, specialized materials, and personalized learning opportunities. For example, the curriculum will integrate adaptive learning technologies that provide real-time feedback and individualized learning paths, ensuring that each student receives instruction at their appropriate level.  Providing this supplemental curriculum on an LEA-wide basis, while targeting SED students, ensures that all students benefit from the enhanced educational resources. This approach fosters an inclusive learning environment where all students can access high-quality instruction and support. Moreover, by implementing these supports universally, we create a culture of high expectations and academic excellence that benefits every student, while specifically addressing the needs of our most vulnerable populations. The district's commitment to equitable education means that every student, regardless of their socioeconomic status, has the opportunity to succeed and reach their full potential.	

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
1.3	Action: Lower Class Size in all schools  Need: CAASPP Data shows all student groups are scoring below standard.  Math All: -44.3 DFS EL: -32 DFS SED: -57.6 DFS  ELA All: -27.5 DFS EL: -16.2 DFS SED: - 40 DFS  The 2023 CA School Dashboard shows student outcomes on the CAASPP English Language Arts (ELA) for All Students at -65.9 Distance from Standard (DFS), English Learners (EL) scored -115.2 DFS, and Socioeconomic Disadvantaged students scored -51.5 DFS. CAASPP Math for All Students is -105.3 DFS, EL scored -149.7. The data demonstrates a disparity between the All Student group and EL and SED students, thus highlighting the need for increased services to be provided to respond to the needs of these identified student groups. The district is committed to providing services and supports for these student group to provide opportunities of growth in ELA.	To address these disparities, the district is committed to providing small class sizes, which is a research-backed strategy to improve educational outcomes for EL and SED students.  Small class sizes facilitate more personalized and focused instruction, which is particularly beneficial for EL and SED students. With fewer students in each class, teachers can dedicate more time to individual students, providing tailored support that addresses their unique learning needs. This personalized approach is crucial for EL students, who may require additional help with language acquisition, and SED students, who often benefit from more direct engagement and support due to varying socioeconomic challenges. By reducing the student-to-teacher ratio, teachers can implement differentiated instruction more effectively, use supplemental materials tailored to individual learning levels, and provide immediate feedback, which accelerates learning and helps close achievement gaps.  Additionally, small class sizes allow for the integration of specific program supports, such as the incorporation of highly trained teachers who specialize in EL and SED instructional strategies, and the use of supplemental materials designed to enhance learning for these student groups. Research consistently shows that small class sizes lead to better student performance, particularly for disadvantaged students. According to the Tennessee STAR (Student/Teacher Achievement Ratio) project, students in smaller classes significantly outperformed their peers in larger classes, with the most pronounced benefits	This action will be measured by the metrics identified in the action description.

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
	Educational partner feedback from our SED and EL parents indicated that they are very concerned that their students are constantly performing lower academically when compared to all students.  Scope:  LEA-wide	seen in minority and economically disadvantaged students. By implementing this strategy on an LEA-wide scale, the district ensures equitable access to high-quality education for all students, while strategically targeting the resources to support EL and SED students. This approach not only aims to elevate overall student performance but also to ensure that every student, regardless of their background, has the opportunity to succeed academically	
1.4	Action: Professional Development  Need: CAASPP Data shows our SED student groups are scoring below the All Student Group.  Math All: -44.3 DFS EL: -32 DFS SED: -57.6 DFS  ELA All: -27.5 DFS EL: -16.2 DFS SED: - 40 DFS  Our local data also shows the following reading At or Above Grade Level percentages by grade level: Elementary iReady All - 33% SED - 30%	These disparities highlight the urgent need for targeted professional development (PD) to equip our educators with the skills and strategies necessary to support our SED students effectively.  To address these needs, we are implementing a comprehensive professional development program designed to create an engaging, collaborative, and interactive learning environment. This program will focus on several key areas, including differentiated instruction, culturally responsive teaching, and the use of formative assessments to tailor instruction to individual student needs. Teachers will receive training on effective strategies for integrating technology into the classroom, which is crucial for providing equitable access to learning resources, especially for SED students who may lack such resources at home.  Research supports the effectiveness of these approaches. For instance, differentiated instruction has been shown to improve student engagement and achievement by addressing diverse learning styles and needs. Culturally responsive teaching helps bridge the gap between students' home and	This action will be measured by the metrics identified in the action description

oal and ction #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
	Our local data also shows the following Math assessment data for at or above grade level:  Elementary iReady All - 21% SED - 19%  The CAASPP data and local assessment results underscore a significant achievement gap between our Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (SED) students and the All Student group, particularly in mathematics and English Language Arts (ELA). Our SED students are scoring notably lower than their peers, with a Distance from Standard (DFS) of -57.6 in math and -40 in ELA, compared to the All Student group's DFS of -44.3 and -27.5, respectively. Additionally, only 30% of SED students are reading at or above grade level, and a mere 19% are at or above grade level in math according to iReady assessments.  Educational partner feedback from our staff indicate that they need professional development that helps them stay current on best practices for creating a learning environment that supports our students academic success.  Scope: LEA-wide	school experiences, making learning more relevant and accessible. Moreover, formative assessments provide real-time feedback, allowing teachers to adjust their instruction to better meet students' needs. By providing this PD on an LEA-wide basis, we ensure that all educators, not just those directly teaching SED students, are equipped with these essential skills. This approach fosters a consistent, high-quality learning environment across the district, ultimately benefiting all students while strategically targeting the specific needs of our SED population.	
1.5	Action: Transportation	Providing reliable transportation to and from school is crucial in addressing the educational needs of Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (SED)	This action will be measured by the metrics

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
	Need: Student chronic absenteeism is currently districtwide at 25.3% and SED at 29.4%. The District's overall attendance rate is at 92.7%. Although the districts attendance rate has seen improvement, we are still below our prepandemic rates. Local data indicates that when the district does not have a bus to transport, then our attendance drops. Our daily attendance rate is significantly impacted when busing is not available - particularly for our SED students.  During parent engagement opportunities, it has been shared that without school transportation, SED parents would struggle to get their students to school and therefore, our attendance rate is impacted when transportation isn't available.  Scope:  LEA-wide	students. Ensuring that busing is consistently available can mitigate these attendance issues, fostering a stable educational environment for SED students and improving overall attendance rates.  Providing transportation extends beyond merely getting students to school; it encompasses a broader commitment to creating an equitable learning environment. By ensuring that SED students have reliable transportation, the district supports their consistent participation in educational programs, access to supplemental materials, and engagement with highly qualified teachers. For instance, students benefit from continuous learning without interruptions, making full use of the district's educational resources. Research has shown that regular school attendance is linked to higher academic achievement and better long-term educational outcomes.  Offering transportation on an LEA-wide basis, despite targeting SED students, ensures that all students can benefit. This holistic approach supports inclusivity and equity, allowing the district to address broader attendance issues while specifically targeting the needs of SED students. By implementing such comprehensive transportation solutions, the district demonstrates a commitment to removing barriers to education, thereby promoting better academic performance and fostering a supportive and inclusive school community.	identified in the action description.

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
1.8	Action: After School Tutoring  Need: CAASPP Data shows our SED student groups are scoring below the All Student Group.  Math District All: -44.3 DFS EL: -32 DFS SED: -57.6 DFS  Riverside Middle School All: -73.9 DFS EL: student population size to small to provide DFS (11 Students) SED: -85.3 DFS  ELA District All: -27.5 DFS EL: -16.2 DFS SED: - 40 DFS  Riverside Middle School All: -52.5 DFS EL: student population size to small to provide DFS (11 Students) SED: -67 DFS  Our local data also shows the following reading At or Above Grade Level percentages by grade level: Elementary iReady All - 33%	Our district is committed to closing the achievement gap for our Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (SED) and English Learner (EL) students, as highlighted by the CAASPP data showing their scores below the All Student Group in both Math and ELA. To address this, we are implementing an after-school tutoring program designed to provide targeted support and resources to these student groups.  The program will offer small-group tutoring sessions led by qualified teachers with experience in working with SED and EL students. Teachers will use research-based strategies and supplemental materials tailored to the specific needs of these students, such as bilingual resources for EL students and differentiated instruction for SED students. Additionally, the program will provide access to technology and online resources to support learning outside of the classroom.  Research has shown that after-school tutoring programs can significantly improve academic performance for SED and EL students. A study by the U.S. Department of Education found that such programs can lead to increased test scores, improved homework completion rates, and better attendance records. By providing this program district-wide, we are ensuring that all SED and EL students have access to the support they need to succeed academically, regardless of their school or grade level.  Offering after school tutoring on an LEA-wide basis, despite targeting SED students, ensures	This action will be measured by the metrics identified in the action description

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
	Our local data also shows the following Math assessment data for at or above grade level:  Elementary iReady All - 21% SED - 19%  Our local data and the 2023 CA Dashboard reveal significant disparities in academic performance between all students and our Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (SED) and English Learner (EL) students. For elementary students, only 21% of all students and 19% of SED students are at or above grade level in Math according to iReady assessments. This trend is mirrored in the CA Dashboard data, where the district's Distance from Standard (DFS) scores are -44.3 for all students, -32 for EL students, and -57.6 for SED students. Riverside Middle School's performance is notably lower, with a DFS of -73.9 for all students and -85.3 for SED students.  Educational partner engagement sessions have highlighted the urgent need to close these achievement gaps, especially for our SED and EL students. Parents and staff have emphasized the necessity of targeted interventions to support these groups. Therefore, our focus will be on implementing after-school tutoring programs specifically designed to address the unique learning needs of our SED and EL students, aiming to	that all students can benefit. This approach supports inclusivity and equity, allowing the district to address broader academic issues while specifically targeting the needs of SED students. By implementing after school tutoring, the district demonstrates a commitment to removing barriers to education, thereby promoting better academic performance and fostering a supportive and inclusive school community.  Overall, the after-school tutoring program will play a crucial role in our efforts to close the achievement gap for SED and EL students. By offering targeted support, resources, and access to technology, we aim to improve academic outcomes and empower these students to reach their full potential.	

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
	enhance their academic performance and provide equitable educational opportunities.		
	Scope: Schoolwide		
2.1	Action: School Climate and Culture  Need: There is a need to improve the school culture and climate on all sites. Our Suspension Rate is: District All Students: 5.1% EL: 8.1% SED: 5.8%  Helendale Elementary All Students: 1.7% EL: 0% SED: 2.3%  Riverview Middle All Students: 16.2%	Creating a positive school culture and climate is essential for addressing the unique needs of Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (SED) and English Learner (EL) students, as highlighted by the data. By fostering a sense of belonging and pride within the school community, these students are more likely to feel engaged and motivated, leading to improved attendance and academic performance. One key area to focus on is providing a variety of extracurricular activities, clubs, and events that cater to diverse interests and backgrounds. For example, offering culturally relevant clubs or activities that celebrate the heritage of EL and SED students can help them feel valued and connected to the school community.  Additionally, providing targeted supports, such as	This action will be measured by the metrics identified in the action description.
	EL: less than 15 students - no data provided SED: 18%	access to teachers or mentors who understand their unique challenges, can be instrumental.  These supports can include tutoring programs that focus on language development for EL students or	
	Our chronic absenteeism rate shows a	workshops for SED students to build social-	
	disparity between our All Student Group -	emotional skills and resilience. Supplemental	
	25.3% and our SED students - 29.4%.	materials, such as culturally responsive curriculum resources, can also enhance the learning	
	The data clearly indicates that	experience for these students and help bridge any	
	Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (SED) and	gaps in their education.	
	English Learner (EL) students face unique		

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
	challenges within our school community, particularly regarding school culture and climate. While the district's overall suspension rate stands at 5.1%, SED students face a higher rate of 5.8%, and EL students even higher at 8.1%. Similarly, chronic absenteeism rates are significantly higher for SED students (29.4%) compared to the district 25.3%.  Feedback from student engagement sessions emphasizes a desire for more activities, clubs, and events that promote school pride and a sense of community. Addressing these needs will not only enhance the overall campus environment but also contribute to improved academic outcomes for SED and EL students, bridging the gap in their educational experiences compared to their peers.  Scope:  LEA-wide	The district's decision to provide these supports on an LEA-wide level, rather than solely targeting SED and EL students, is crucial for creating a more inclusive and supportive environment for all students. Research suggests that a positive school culture benefits all students, not just those who are disadvantaged. For example, a study by Cohen and Geier (2010) found that schools with a strong sense of community and positive climate had higher academic achievement and lower dropout rates across all student groups. Therefore, by investing in a positive culture and climate for everyone, the district is not only meeting the specific needs of SED and EL students but also creating a more enriching educational experience for all students	
2.2	Action: School Counselor  Need: It is clear that Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (SED) and English Learner (EL) students in our district face unique challenges compared to all students, particularly in terms of suspension rates and chronic absenteeism. SED students have a suspension rate of 5.8%, which is higher than the district's 5.1% for all students, indicating a need for targeted interventions to address	Providing a school counselor is crucial to addressing the identified needs of Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (SED) and English Learner (EL) students in the district. With higher suspension rates and chronic absenteeism among these groups, a counselor can offer targeted support to address underlying issues contributing to these challenges. For example, the counselor can work with teachers to implement culturally responsive teaching practices that better support EL students' learning styles and linguistic needs. They can also provide social-emotional learning (SEL) interventions to help SED students	This action will be measured by the metrics identified in the action description.

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
	behavior and disciplinary issues. Similarly, EL students have a suspension rate of 8.1%, also higher than the districts all student rate, suggesting a need for additional support and resources to help these students succeed.  Chronic absenteeism is also a concern, with SED students having a rate of 29.4% and EL students at 24.3%, both higher than the district's 25.3%. This data highlights the importance of providing resources and support to address the underlying issues contributing to absenteeism.  Educational partner feedback emphasizes the need for increased counseling services at the elementary level to support SED and EL students. By focusing on providing additional counseling support, schools can address the root causes of behavioral issues and absenteeism, helping these students succeed academically and reducing disparities in disciplinary actions and attendance rates.  Scope:  LEA-wide	cope with stressors that may lead to behavioral issues or absenteeism. Additionally, the counselor can collaborate with families to address any barriers to attendance or engagement, such as lack of transportation or communication barriers.  Research supports the effectiveness of school counseling in improving outcomes for SED and EL students. A study by Dahir and Stone (2019) found that students who received counseling services showed improvements in attendance, behavior, and academic performance. Another study by Villares and others (2020) highlighted the role of counselors in creating a positive school climate that supports the social and emotional well-being of students, particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds.  Providing a school counselor on an LEA-wide level, even though it targets EL and SED students, is beneficial for several reasons. Firstly, it ensures that all students have access to the support they need, as challenges faced by EL and SED students often reflect broader issues within the school environment. Secondly, a comprehensive approach to student support promotes equity and inclusivity, aligning with the district's commitment to serving all students equitably. Finally, by addressing the needs of EL and SED students, the district can create a more supportive and inclusive school culture that benefits the entire student population.	
2.3	Action: Director Student Support	Research has shown that implementing a comprehensive supports can lead to significant improvements in student outcomes. For example,	This action will be measured by the metrics

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
	Need: Our district faces a pressing need to address the social-emotional development and support services for our Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (SED) and English Learner (EL) students, particularly in light of the significant disparities in suspension rates and chronic absenteeism. The suspension rate for SED students is notably higher at 5.8% compared to the district's overall rate of 5.1%, indicating a specific challenge in this subgroup. Similarly, EL students have a suspension rate of 8.1%, which is considerably higher than the district all student suspension rate. Chronic absenteeism is also a concern, with SED students exhibiting a rate of 29.4%, higher than the district's 25.3%. EL students follow closely behind with a rate of 24.3%.  During partner feedback sessions, educational partners expressed a strong desire for increased support staff to assist students with social-emotional development. They emphasized the need for programs that specifically target the challenges faced by SED and EL students, such as culturally responsive practices and trauma-informed care. Additionally, partners stressed the need for professional development opportunities for staff to enhance their ability to support SED and EL students effectively.  Scope:  LEA-wide	Student Support will significantly address the identified needs of Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (SED) and English Learner (EL) students. This role will focus on implementing targeted programs and supports to improve social-emotional development and reduce suspension rates and chronic absenteeism. This is an additional role at Helendale School District.  The Director will be committed to overseeing the implementation of culturally responsive practices and trauma-informed care programs, addressing the specific challenges faced by SED and EL students. The Director of Student support will lead	identified in the action description

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) Address Need(s) and Why it is Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
		implicit bias, cultural competence, and strategies for supporting students with trauma.  Despite focusing on SED and EL students, providing this support on an LEA-wide level is crucial. It creates a school culture that values the social-emotional well-being of all students, fosters inclusivity, and supports a positive school climate. Additionally, by addressing the root causes of suspension and chronic absenteeism for SED and EL students, the overall school environment and outcomes for all students can improve.	

#### **Limited Actions**

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

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) are Designed to Address Need(s)	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
1.6	Action: Bilingual Aides  Need: The Helendale EL reclassification rate has not increased as the district has planned. The 2021 reclassification rate was 6% in 2021, 9% in 2022 and 15% in 2023, falling short of our goal of 28%.  Our EL parents indicated that they see progress in their student English acquisition,	TO address this need, the district will provide bilingual aids in our educational programs. Bilingual aids play a crucial role in bridging the language gap for EL students, offering them tailored support that enhances their comprehension and engagement in the classroom. This targeted assistance can significantly improve their academic performance and expedite their language acquisition, thus positively impacting reclassification rates.	This action will be measured by the metrics identified in the action description

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) are Designed to Address Need(s)	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
	but stressed the importance of having the Bilingual aids to support students in the classroom and on campus.  Scope: Limited to Unduplicated Student Group(s)	Specific areas of the program that would benefit from bilingual aids include classroom instruction, where these aides can provide real-time translation and clarification, ensuring that EL students fully grasp the lesson content.  Additionally, bilingual aids can support teachers by assisting with differentiated instruction, helping to develop and implement strategies that cater to the diverse linguistic needs of EL students.  Research supports the effectiveness of bilingual aids in improving educational outcomes for EL students. For example, a study by the National Education Association (NEA) found that schools employing bilingual aides saw a marked improvement in student performance and engagement. Furthermore, the use of bilingual aids aligns with the recommendations of the American Educational Research Association (AERA), which advocates for the inclusion of culturally and linguistically responsive teaching practices. By integrating bilingual aids into our programs, we can provide the necessary support to our EL students, addressing their unique needs and fostering an inclusive and equitable learning environment.	

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

Not Applicable

#### Additional Concentration Grant Funding

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

During the 2024-25 school year, the district will continue to have an additional teacher that is assigned to 5th grade. Not only will the additional teacher reduce the number of students in a class in 5th grade directly, it will prevent the creation of a combination class and it will reduce the number of students per class schoolwide. This is supported by Goal 1.3.

Staff-to-student ratios by type of school and concentration of unduplicated students	Schools with a student concentration of 55 percent or less	Schools with a student concentration of greater than 55 percent
Staff-to-student ratio of classified staff providing direct services to students	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Staff-to-student ratio of certificated staff providing direct services to students	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

# **2024-25 Total Expenditures Table**

LCAP Year	1. Projected LCFF Base Grant (Input Dollar Amount)	2. Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants (Input Dollar Amount)	3. Projected Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year (2 divided by 1)	LCFF Carryover — Percentage (Input Percentage from Prior Year)	Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year (3 + Carryover %)
Totals	7130568	980313	13.748%	0.000%	13.748%

Totals	LCFF Funds	Other State Funds	Local Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Total Personnel	Total Non-personnel
Totals	\$1,100,750.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,104,750.00	\$685,750.00	\$419,000.00

Goal #	Action #	Action Title	Student Group(s)	Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?	Scope	Unduplicated Student Group(s)	Location	Time Span	Total Personnel	Total Non- personnel	LCFF Funds	Other State Funds	Local Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Planned Percentage of Improved Services
1	1.1	Technology	Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide	Low Income	All Schools	Ongoing	\$0.00	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00				\$45,000. 00	
1	1.2	Supplemental Curriculum	English Learners Low Income	Yes	wide	English Learners Low Income	All Schools	Ongoing	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00				\$15,000. 00	
1	1.3	Lower Class Size in all schools	English Learners Low Income	Yes	wide	English Learners Low Income	All Schools	Ongoing	\$352,000.0 0	\$0.00	\$352,000.00				\$352,000 .00	
1	1.4	Professional Development	Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide	Low Income	All Schools	Ongoing	\$5,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$20,000.00				\$20,000. 00	
1	1.5	Transportation	Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide	Low Income		Ongoing	\$0.00	\$320,000.00	\$320,000.00				\$320,000	
1	1.6	Bilingual Aides	English Learners	Yes	Limited to Undupli cated Student Group( s)	English Learners	All Schools	Ongoing	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00				\$50,000. 00	
1	1.7	Teacher Induction Program	All	No			All Schools	Ongoing	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00				\$10,000. 00	
1	1.8	After School Tutoring	English Learners Low Income	Yes		English Learners Low Income	All Schools	Ongoing	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00				\$5,000.0 0	
1	1.9	Support for Students with Disabilities (SWD)	Students with Disabilities	No			All Schools	Ongoing	\$0.00	\$1,000.00				\$1,000.00	\$1,000.0 0	
2	2.1	School Climate and Culture	English Learners Low Income	Yes	wide	English Learners Low Income	All Schools	Ongoing	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00				\$10,000. 00	

Goal #	Action #	Action Title	Student Group(s)	Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?		Unduplicated Student Group(s)	Location	Time Span	Total Personnel	Total Non- personnel	LCFF Funds	Other State Funds	Local Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Planned Percentage of Improved Services
2	2.2	School Counselor	English Learners Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide	English Learners Low Income	All Schools	Ongoing	\$150,000.0 0	\$0.00	\$150,000.00				\$150,000 .00	
2	2.3	Director Student Support	English Learners Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide		All Schools	Ongoing	\$123,750.0 0	\$0.00	\$123,750.00				\$123,750 .00	
3	3.1	Parent and Community Communication	All	No			All Schools	Ongoing	\$0.00	\$2,000.00			\$2,000.00		\$2,000.0	
3	3.2	Parent and Community Involvement	All	No			All Schools	Ongoing	\$0.00	\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00		\$1,000.0 0	

# **2024-25 Contributing Actions Table**

1. Projected LCFF Base Grant	2. Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants	3. Projected Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year (2 divided by 1)	LCFF Carryover — Percentage (Percentage from Prior Year)	Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year (3 + Carryover %)	Contributing Expenditures (LCFF Funds)	5. Total Planned Percentage of Improved Services (%)	Planned Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year (4 divided by 1, plus 5)	Totals by Type	Total LCFF Funds
7130568	980313	13.748%	0.000%	13.748%	\$1,090,750.00	0.000%	15.297 %	Total:	\$1,090,750.00
								LEA-wide	04 005 750 00

i otai:	\$1,090,750.00
LEA-wide Total:	\$1,035,750.00
Limited Total:	\$50,000.00
Schoolwide Total:	\$5,000.00

Goal	Action #	Action Title	Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?	Scope	Unduplicated Student Group(s)	Location	Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds)	Planned Percentage of Improved Services (%)
1	1.1	Technology	Yes	LEA-wide	Low Income	All Schools	\$45,000.00	
1	1.2	Supplemental Curriculum	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Low Income	All Schools	\$15,000.00	
1	1.3	Lower Class Size in all schools	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Low Income	All Schools	\$352,000.00	
1	1.4	Professional Development	Yes	LEA-wide	Low Income	All Schools	\$20,000.00	
1	1.5	Transportation	Yes	LEA-wide	Low Income		\$320,000.00	
1	1.6	Bilingual Aides	Yes	Limited to Unduplicated Student Group(s)	English Learners	All Schools	\$50,000.00	
1	1.8	After School Tutoring	Yes	Schoolwide	English Learners Low Income	All Schools	\$5,000.00	
2	2.1	School Climate and Culture	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Low Income	All Schools	\$10,000.00	
2	2.2	School Counselor	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Low Income	All Schools	\$150,000.00	

Goal	Action #	Action Title	Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?	Scope	Unduplicated Student Group(s)	Location	Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds)	Planned Percentage of Improved Services (%)
2	2.3	Director Student Support	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Low Income	All Schools	\$123,750.00	

# 2023-24 Annual Update Table

Totals	Last Year's Total Planned Expenditures (Total Funds)	Total Estimated Expenditures (Total Funds)
Totals	\$932,000.00	\$1,072,088.00

Last Year's Goal #	Last Year's Action #	Prior Action/Service Title	Contributed to Increased or Improved Services?	Last Year's Planned Expenditures (Total Funds)	Estimated Actual Expenditures (Input Total Funds)
1	1.1	Technology	Yes	80000	30000
1	1.2	Grade Level Curriculum and Assessment	Yes	25000	42000
1	1.3	Class Size Reduction	Yes	300000	431134
1	1.4	Increased Instructional Time	Yes	25000	13086
1	1.5	Staff Development	Yes	32000	33750
1	1.6	HSD Field Trips	No	5000	7000
1	1.7	Transportation	Yes	312000	434918
1	1.8	Center for Teacher Induction Program	Yes	10000	10500
1	1.9	Language Acquisition for English Learners	Yes	40000	43500
1	1.10	Parent Training	No	1000	1000
1	1.11	After School Tutoring	Yes	6000	2200

Last Year's Goal #	Last Year's Action #	Prior Action/Service Title	Contributed to Increased or Improved Services?	Last Year's Planned Expenditures (Total Funds)	Estimated Actual Expenditures (Input Total Funds)
2	2.1	PBIS Training and Implementation	Yes	3000	3000
-		1 Die Hammig and Implementation	100	0000	0000
2	2.2	Parent Training for School Site Council	No	1000	1000
2	2.3	Social Emotional Wellness Professional Development	Yes	90000	17000
2	2.4	Attendance Measures	No	1000	1000
2	2.5	Suspension Mitigation	Yes	1000	1000

## **2023-24 Contributing Actions Annual Update Table**

6. Estimated LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants (Input Dollar Amount)	4. Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (LCFF Funds)	7. Total Estimated Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds)	Difference Between Planned and Estimated Expenditures for Contributing Actions (Subtract 7 from 4)	5. Total Planned Percentage of Improved Services (%)	8. Total Estimated Percentage of Improved Services (%)	Difference Between Planned and Estimated Percentage of Improved Services (Subtract 5 from 8)
988891	\$924,000.00	\$1,062,088.00	(\$138,088.00)	0.000%	0.000%	0.000%

Last Year's Goal #	Last Year's Action #	Prior Action/Service Title	Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?	Last Year's Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds)	Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (Input LCFF Funds)	Planned Percentage of Improved Services	Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (Input Percentage)
1	1.1	Technology	Yes	80000	30000		
1	1.2	Grade Level Curriculum and Assessment	Yes	25000	42000		
1	1.3	Class Size Reduction	Yes	300000	431134		
1	1.4	Increased Instructional Time	Yes	25000	13086		
1	1.5	Staff Development	Yes	32000	33750		
1	1.7	Transportation	Yes	312000	434918		
1	1.8	Center for Teacher Induction Program	Yes	10000	10500		
1	1.9	Language Acquisition for English Learners	Yes	40000	43500		
1	1.11	After School Tutoring	Yes	6000	2200		
2	2.1	PBIS Training and Implementation	Yes	3000	3000		
2	2.3	Social Emotional Wellness Professional Development	Yes	90000	17000		
2	2.5	Suspension Mitigation	Yes	1000	1000		

## 2023-24 LCFF Carryover Table

9. Estimated Actual LCFF Base Grant (Input Dollar Amount)	6. Estimated Actual LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants	LCFF Carryover  — Percentage  (Percentage from Prior Year)	Services for the	for Contributing Actions	8. Total Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (%)	11. Estimated Actual Percentage of Increased or Improved Services (7 divided by 9, plus 8)	12. LCFF Carryover — Dollar Amount (Subtract 11 from 10 and multiply by 9)	13. LCFF Carryover — Percentage (12 divided by 9)
7055058	988891	0%	14.017%	\$1,062,088.00	0.000%	15.054%	\$0.00	0.000%

## **Local Control and Accountability Plan Instructions**

**Plan Summary** 

**Engaging Educational Partners** 

**Goals and Actions** 

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

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

## **Introduction and Instructions**

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

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

- Comprehensive Strategic Planning: The process of developing and annually updating the LCAP supports comprehensive strategic planning, particularly to address and reduce disparities in opportunities and outcomes between student groups indicated by the California School Dashboard (California Education Code [EC] Section 52064[e][1]). Strategic planning that is comprehensive connects budgetary decisions to teaching and learning performance data. LEAs should continually evaluate the hard choices they make about the use of limited resources to meet student and community needs to ensure opportunities and outcomes are improved for all students.
- **Meaningful Engagement of Educational Partners:** The LCAP development process should result in an LCAP that reflects decisions made through meaningful engagement (*EC* Section 52064[e][1]). Local educational partners possess valuable perspectives and insights about an LEA's programs and services. Effective strategic planning will incorporate these perspectives and insights in order to identify potential goals and actions to be included in the LCAP.
- Accountability and Compliance: The LCAP serves an important accountability function because the nature of some LCAP template sections
  require LEAs to show that they have complied with various requirements specified in the LCFF statutes and regulations, most notably:
  - Demonstrating that LEAs are increasing or improving services for foster youth, English learners, including long-term English learners, and low-income students in proportion to the amount of additional funding those students generate under LCFF (*EC* Section 52064[b][4-6]).
  - Establishing goals, supported by actions and related expenditures, that address the statutory priority areas and statutory metrics (EC sections 52064[b][1] and [2]).
    - NOTE: As specified in EC Section 62064(b)(1), the LCAP must provide a description of the annual goals, for all pupils and each subgroup of pupils identified pursuant to EC Section 52052, to be achieved for each of the state priorities. Beginning in 2023–24, EC

Section 52052 identifies long-term English learners as a separate and distinct pupil subgroup with a numerical significance at 15 students.

- Annually reviewing and updating the LCAP to reflect progress toward the goals (EC Section 52064[b][7]).
- Ensuring that all increases attributable to supplemental and concentration grant calculations, including concentration grant add-on funding and/or LCFF carryover, are reflected in the LCAP (EC sections 52064[b][6], [8], and [11]).

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## **Plan Summary**

## **Purpose**

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

## Requirements and Instructions

### **General Information**

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

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

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

### **Reflections: Annual Performance**

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

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

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

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

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

### **Reflections: Technical Assistance**

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

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

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

### **Comprehensive Support and Improvement**

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

### Schools Identified

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

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

### Support for Identified Schools

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

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

### Monitoring and Evaluating Effectiveness

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

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

# **Engaging Educational Partners Purpose**

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

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

## Requirements

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

- For school districts, see Education Code Section 52062 (California Legislative Information);
  - o Note: Charter schools using the LCAP as the School Plan for Student Achievement must meet the requirements of EC Section 52062(a).

- For COEs, see <u>Education Code Section 52068</u> (California Legislative Information); and
- For charter schools, see <u>Education Code Section 47606.5 (California Legislative Information)</u>.
- **NOTE:** As a reminder, the superintendent of a school district or COE must respond, in writing, to comments received by the applicable committees identified in the *Education Code* sections listed above. This includes the parent advisory committee and may include the English learner parent advisory committee and, as of July 1, 2024, the student advisory committee, as applicable.

### Instructions

### Respond to the prompts as follows:

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

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

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

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

### Complete the table as follows:

**Educational Partners** 

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

### **Process for Engagement**

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

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

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

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

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

# Goals and Actions

## **Purpose**

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

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

## **Requirements and Instructions**

LEAs should prioritize the goals, specific actions, and related expenditures included within the LCAP within one or more state priorities. LEAs must consider performance on the state and local indicators, including their locally collected and reported data for the local indicators that are included in the Dashboard, in determining whether and how to prioritize its goals within the LCAP. As previously stated, strategic planning that

is comprehensive connects budgetary decisions to teaching and learning performance data. LEAs should continually evaluate the hard choices they make about the use of limited resources to meet student and community needs to ensure opportunities and outcomes are improved for all students, and to address and reduce disparities in opportunities and outcomes between student groups indicated by the Dashboard.

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

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

### Requirement to Address the LCFF State Priorities

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

Respond to the following prompts, as applicable:

### Focus Goal(s)

Description

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

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

### Type of Goal

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

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

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

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

2024-25 Local Control and Accountability Plan for Helendale Elementary School District

Explain why the LEA has chosen to prioritize this goal.

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

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

Description

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

Focus goals for Equity Multiplier schoolsites must address the following:

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

### Type of Goal

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

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

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

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

Explain why the LEA has chosen to prioritize this goal.

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

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

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

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

### **Broad Goal**

### Description

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

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

### Type of Goal

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

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

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

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

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

### **Maintenance of Progress Goal**

Description

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

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

### Type of Goal

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

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

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

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

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

### **Measuring and Reporting Results:**

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

- LEAs must identify metrics for specific student groups, as appropriate, including expected outcomes that address and reduce disparities in outcomes between student groups.
- The metrics may be quantitative or qualitative; but at minimum, an LEA's LCAP must include goals that are measured using all of the applicable metrics for the related state priorities, in each LCAP year, as applicable to the type of LEA.
- To the extent a state priority does not specify one or more metrics (e.g., implementation of state academic content and performance standards), the LEA must identify a metric to use within the LCAP. For these state priorities, LEAs are encouraged to use metrics based on or reported through the relevant local indicator self-reflection tools within the Dashboard.

- Required metrics for LEA-wide actions: For each action identified as 1) contributing towards the requirement to increase or improve services for foster youth, English learners, including long-term English learners, and low-income students and 2) being provided on an LEA-wide basis, the LEA must identify one or more metrics to monitor the effectiveness of the action and its budgeted expenditures.
  - These required metrics may be identified within the action description or the first prompt in the increased or improved services section, however the description must clearly identify the metric(s) being used to monitor the effectiveness of the action and the action(s) that the metric(s) apply to.
- Required metrics for Equity Multiplier goals: For each Equity Multiplier goal, the LEA must identify:
  - o The specific metrics for each identified student group at each specific schoolsite, as applicable, to measure the progress toward the goal, and/or
  - The specific metrics used to measure progress in meeting the goal related to credentialing, subject matter preparation, or educator retention at each specific schoolsite.

### Complete the table as follows:

### Metric #

Enter the metric number.

#### Metric

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

#### Baseline

- Enter the baseline when completing the LCAP for 2024–25.
  - Use the most recent data associated with the metric available at the time of adoption of the LCAP for the first year of the three-year plan.
     LEAs may use data as reported on the 2023 Dashboard for the baseline of a metric only if that data represents the most recent available data (e.g., high school graduation rate).
  - Using the most recent data available may involve reviewing data the LEA is preparing for submission to the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) or data that the LEA has recently submitted to CALPADS.
  - Indicate the school year to which the baseline data applies.
  - The baseline data must remain unchanged throughout the three-year LCAP.
    - This requirement is not intended to prevent LEAs from revising the baseline data if it is necessary to do so. For example, if an LEA identifies that its data collection practices for a particular metric are leading to inaccurate data and revises its practice to obtain

- accurate data, it would also be appropriate for the LEA to revise the baseline data to align with the more accurate data process and report its results using the accurate data.
- If an LEA chooses to revise its baseline data, then, at a minimum, it must clearly identify the change as part of its response to the description of changes prompt in the Goal Analysis for the goal. LEAs are also strongly encouraged to involve their educational partners in the decision of whether or not to revise a baseline and to communicate the proposed change to their educational partners.
- o Note for Charter Schools: Charter schools developing a one- or two-year LCAP may identify a new baseline each year, as applicable.

### Year 1 Outcome

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

### Year 2 Outcome

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

### Target for Year 3 Outcome

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

### **Current Difference from Baseline**

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

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

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

### **Goal Analysis:**

Enter the LCAP Year.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### Actions:

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

### Action #

• Enter the action number.

### Title

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

### Description

• Provide a brief description of the action.

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

### **Total Funds**

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

### Contributing

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

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

### **Required Actions**

- LEAs with 30 or more English learners and/or 15 or more long-term English learners must include specific actions in the LCAP related to, at a minimum:
  - Language acquisition programs, as defined in EC Section 306, provided to students, and
  - o Professional development for teachers.
  - o If an LEA has both 30 or more English learners and 15 or more long-term English learners, the LEA must include actions for both English learners and long-term English learners.
- LEAs eligible for technical assistance pursuant to *EC* sections 47607.3, 52071, 52071.5, 52072, or 52072.5, must include specific actions within the LCAP related to its implementation of the work underway as part of technical assistance. The most common form of this technical assistance is frequently referred to as Differentiated Assistance.

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

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

## **Purpose**

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

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

### **Statutory Requirements**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### For School Districts Only

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

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

## **Requirements and Instructions**

Complete the tables as follows:

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

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

### Projected Additional 15 percent LCFF Concentration Grant

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

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

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

### LCFF Carryover — Percentage

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

### LCFF Carryover — Dollar

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

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

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

## **Required Descriptions:**

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

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

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

Complete the table as follows:

### Identified Need(s)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### **Limited Actions**

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

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

Complete the table as follows:

### Identified Need(s)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### **Additional Concentration Grant Funding**

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

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

Provide the following descriptions, as applicable to the LEA:

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

### Complete the table as follows:

- Provide the staff-to-student ratio of classified staff providing direct services to students with a concentration of unduplicated students that is 55 percent or less and the staff-to-student ratio of classified staff providing direct services to students at schools with a concentration of unduplicated students that is greater than 55 percent, as applicable to the LEA.
  - o The LEA may group its schools by grade span (Elementary, Middle/Junior High, and High Schools), as applicable to the LEA.

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

### **Action Tables**

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

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

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

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

## **Total Planned Expenditures Table**

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

- LCAP Year: Identify the applicable LCAP Year.
- 1. Projected LCFF Base Grant: Provide the total amount estimated LCFF entitlement for the coming school year, excluding the supplemental and concentration grants and the add-ons for the Targeted Instructional Improvement Block Grant program, the former Home-to-School Transportation program, and the Small School District Transportation program, pursuant to 5 CCR Section 15496(a)(8).

Note that the LCFF Base Grant for purposes of the LCAP also includes the Necessary Small Schools and Economic Recovery Target allowances for school districts, and County Operations Grant for COEs.

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

- 2. Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants: Provide the total amount of LCFF supplemental and concentration grants estimated on the basis of the number and concentration of unduplicated students for the coming school year.
- 3. Projected Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year: This percentage will not be entered; it is calculated based on the Projected LCFF Base Grant and the Projected LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants, pursuant to 5 CCR Section 15496(a)(8). This is the percentage by which services for unduplicated pupils must be increased or improved as compared to the services provided to all students in the coming LCAP year.
- LCFF Carryover Percentage: Specify the LCFF Carryover Percentage identified in the LCFF Carryover Table from the prior LCAP year. If a carryover percentage is not identified in the LCFF Carryover Table, specify a percentage of zero (0.00%).
- Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year: This percentage will not be entered; it is calculated based on the Projected Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year and the LCFF Carryover Percentage. This is the percentage by which the LEA must increase or improve services for unduplicated pupils as compared to the services provided to all students in the coming LCAP year.
- Goal #: Enter the LCAP Goal number for the action.
- Action #: Enter the action's number as indicated in the LCAP Goal.
- Action Title: Provide a title of the action.
- **Student Group(s)**: Indicate the student group or groups who will be the primary beneficiary of the action by entering "All," or by entering a specific student group or groups.
- Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?: Type "Yes" if the action is included as contributing to meeting the increased or improved services requirement; OR, type "No" if the action is **not** included as contributing to meeting the increased or improved services requirement.
- If "Yes" is entered into the Contributing column, then complete the following columns:
  - Scope: The scope of an action may be LEA-wide (i.e., districtwide, countywide, or charterwide), schoolwide, or limited. An action that is LEA-wide in scope upgrades the entire educational program of the LEA. An action that is schoolwide in scope upgrades the entire educational program of a single school. An action that is limited in its scope is an action that serves only one or more unduplicated student groups.

- Unduplicated Student Group(s): Regardless of scope, contributing actions serve one or more unduplicated student groups.
   Indicate one or more unduplicated student groups for whom services are being increased or improved as compared to what all students receive.
- Location: Identify the location where the action will be provided. If the action is provided to all schools within the LEA, the LEA must indicate "All Schools." If the action is provided to specific schools within the LEA or specific grade spans only, the LEA must enter "Specific Schools" or "Specific Grade Spans." Identify the individual school or a subset of schools or grade spans (e.g., all high schools or grades transitional kindergarten through grade five), as appropriate.
- **Time Span**: Enter "ongoing" if the action will be implemented for an indeterminate period of time. Otherwise, indicate the span of time for which the action will be implemented. For example, an LEA might enter "1 Year," or "2 Years," or "6 Months."
- **Total Personnel**: Enter the total amount of personnel expenditures utilized to implement this action.
- **Total Non-Personnel**: This amount will be automatically calculated based on information provided in the Total Personnel column and the Total Funds column.
- **LCFF Funds**: Enter the total amount of LCFF funds utilized to implement this action, if any. LCFF funds include all funds that make up an LEA's total LCFF target (i.e., base grant, grade span adjustment, supplemental grant, concentration grant, Targeted Instructional Improvement Block Grant, and Home-To-School Transportation).
  - Note: For an action to contribute towards meeting the increased or improved services requirement, it must include some measure
    of LCFF funding. The action may also include funding from other sources, however the extent to which an action contributes to
    meeting the increased or improved services requirement is based on the LCFF funding being used to implement the action.
- Other State Funds: Enter the total amount of Other State Funds utilized to implement this action, if any.
  - Note: Equity Multiplier funds must be included in the "Other State Funds" category, not in the "LCFF Funds" category. As a reminder, Equity Multiplier funds must be used to supplement, not supplant, funding provided to Equity Multiplier schoolsites for purposes of the LCFF, the ELO-P, the LCRS, and/or the CCSPP. This means that Equity Multiplier funds must not be used to replace funding that an Equity Multiplier schoolsite would otherwise receive to implement LEA-wide actions identified in the LEA's LCAP or that an Equity Multiplier schoolsite would otherwise receive to implement provisions of the ELO-P, the LCRS, and/or the CCSPP.
- Local Funds: Enter the total amount of Local Funds utilized to implement this action, if any.
- Federal Funds: Enter the total amount of Federal Funds utilized to implement this action, if any.
- **Total Funds**: This amount is automatically calculated based on amounts entered in the previous four columns.
- Planned Percentage of Improved Services: For any action identified as contributing, being provided on a Limited basis to unduplicated students, and that does not have funding associated with the action, enter the planned quality improvement anticipated for the action as 2024-25 Local Control and Accountability Plan for Helendale Elementary School District

  Page 76 of 80

a percentage rounded to the nearest hundredth (0.00%). A limited action is an action that only serves foster youth, English learners, and/or low-income students.

As noted in the instructions for the Increased or Improved Services section, when identifying a Planned Percentage of Improved Services, the LEA must describe the methodology that it used to determine the contribution of the action towards the proportional percentage. The percentage of improved services for an action corresponds to the amount of LCFF funding that the LEA estimates it would expend to implement the action if it were funded.

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

## **Contributing Actions Table**

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

## **Annual Update Table**

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

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

## **Contributing Actions Annual Update Table**

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

- **6. Estimated Actual LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants:** Provide the total amount of LCFF supplemental and concentration grants estimated based on the number and concentration of unduplicated students in the current school year.
- Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions: Enter the total estimated actual expenditure of LCFF funds used to implement this action, if any.

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

## **LCFF Carryover Table**

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

### **Calculations in the Action Tables**

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

### **Contributing Actions Table**

- 4. Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (LCFF Funds)
  - This amount is the total of the Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds) column.
- 5. Total Planned Percentage of Improved Services
  - o This percentage is the total of the Planned Percentage of Improved Services column.
- Planned Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the coming school year (4 divided by 1, plus 5)

• This percentage is calculated by dividing the Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (4) by the Projected LCFF Base Grant (1), converting the quotient to a percentage, and adding it to the Total Planned Percentage of Improved Services (5).

### **Contributing Actions Annual Update Table**

Pursuant to *EC* Section 42238.07(c)(2), if the Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (4) is less than the Estimated Actual LCFF Supplemental and Concentration Grants (6), the LEA is required to calculate the difference between the Total Planned Percentage of Improved Services (5) and the Total Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (7). If the Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (4) is equal to or greater than the Estimated Actual LCFF Supplemental and Concentration Grants (6), the Difference Between Planned and Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services will display "Not Required."

### • 6. Estimated Actual LCFF Supplemental and Concentration Grants

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

### • 4. Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (LCFF Funds)

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

### • 7. Total Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions

- This amount is the total of the Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds).
- Difference Between Planned and Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (Subtract 7 from 4)
  - This amount is the Total Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (7) subtracted from the Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (4).

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

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

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

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

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

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

### **LCFF Carryover Table**

• 10. Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Current School Year (6 divided by 9 plus Carryover %)

• This percentage is the Estimated Actual LCFF Supplemental and/or Concentration Grants (6) divided by the Estimated Actual LCFF Base Grant (9) plus the LCFF Carryover – Percentage from the prior year.

### • 11. Estimated Actual Percentage of Increased or Improved Services (7 divided by 9, plus 8)

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

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

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

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

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

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

California Department of Education November 2023