

# **Local Control Accountability Plan**

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

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# **Plan Summary [2021-22]**

## **General Information**

A description of the LEA, its schools, and its students.

Elite Academic Academy-Lucerne

#### Mission Statement

Elite Academic Academy is committed to pursuing and maintaining educational excellence and unparalleled flexibility to achieve academic distinction in an independent study platform.

### Vision

Elite Academic Academy harnesses the power of flexible learning environments to provide a superior education for our students. Working with all stakeholders, we will create an individualized learning environment designed to enable each student to gain the skills necessary to achieve their long-term educational, professional, and personal goals and dreams.

### About Elite Academic Academy

Elite Academic Academy-Lucerne (EAA-L) TK-12 is the premier independent study educational option. We focus on flexible individualized home schools and virtual/blended academies for students who are not successful or choose not to attend traditional brick and mortar schools. EAA provides high-quality and rigorous standards-based virtual and traditional curriculum options.. Currently, EAA-Lucerne serves 341 students across its three programs (Virtual, Homeschool, and Flex). Of these programs, 132 students are in grades TK-6 and 209 students are in grades 7-12. EAA-L serves a diverse group of students from all ethnicities, backgrounds, and cultures. The most prevalent race is white, with 47.2% followed by African American or Black with 18.5%. The least prevalent races are Samoan, Nicaraguan, Asian Indian, Filipino, and Korean. 10 students or 2.9% of our student population are English Language Learners, 48.7% of students are socioeconomically disadvantaged, 15.8% are in Special Education and 97.9% of students are in permanent housing.

We also provide unique academies with emphasis on Elite Athletics, Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA), and Career Technical Education (CTE) opportunities to ensure our students graduate ready for the 21st-century workforceElite Academic Academy defines success in the 21st Century for our students as an ability to responsibly and individually set goals and becomes self-motivated, as well as to be competent and prepared for the challenges ahead, and to develop an appreciation for lifelong learning. EAA prepare's students to be individual and motivated thinkers and to ask for help when needed, but also to be prepared and confident when stepping out on their own. We assess for the fulfillment of these signs of success through a variety of measures such as State Standardized testing, Teacher observations and Teacher created tasks, Scranton Testing, Parent/Teacher/Student Learning Period meetings, report cards, portfolios, learning journals, presentations, labs, guizzes, and finals.

We recognize that life is not always easy; however, cognitive processes and inherent self-value are significant in the pursuit and attainment of personal goals and dreams. We challenge students to develop an appreciation for the knowledge, and we make the educational material meaningful for students.

Students enrolled in grades TK-12 will have different learning opportunities and a variety of educational options with which to meet and exceed the demands of being successful in the 21st century.

## **Reflections: Successes**

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

Elite Academic Academy Lucerne is NCAA Approved and WASC Accredited and also has an extensive list of UC/CSU A-G approved courses that have been adopted from online publishers, as well as written by Highly-Qualified Credentialed Subject Matter Experts. EAA-Lucerne also has three complete Career Technical Education (CTE) pathways that are supported by Highly-Qualified CTE credentialed teachers, community partners, and has started to expand with the help of the CTE Incentive Grant. Students are also supported by community partners for the enrichment and athletic support, as well as our own Highly-Qualified Credentialed teachers in Visual and Performing Arts, Marketing, and Hospitality. Elite Academic Academy has also implemented the Social and Emotional Learning pathway by partnering with the Ambassadors Corporations and implementing courses for students in middle and high school to gain social and emotional awareness. Elite Academic Academy has also created a school culture of connections by creating programs, clubs, workshops, and parentteacher meetings that are inclusive of all students. Education Elite Academic Academy focuses on students becoming positive global citizens with the industry and emotional skills to complete in the future workforce. Students participating in the Fast ForWard school-wide literacy intervention program have made significant academic gains, while other students have made significant gains thanks to the high school Study Skills course. These two intervention courses, along with the support of our "At Promise" department, have helped to support the closing of the achievement gap. Student participation and engagement have also improved thanks to the various clubs and virtual field trips throughout the school year. Students are engaging in the Podcast Club, athletic challenges, Visual and Performing Arts activities, and connecting with Nature through the Quest Crew club. Our Social and Emotional Learning courses have also had a significant impact on students, while our Kindness Ambassador students have started to define a school culture of kindness, sharing, and collaboration. Our IT department has expanded and has made significant changes to support students with technology to ensure they have access to curriculum, courses, teachers, and tutors. The IT department has also worked hard to ensure our students who are working from home are safe from internet dangers.

## **Reflections: Identified Need**

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

Closing achievement gaps in ELA and Math continues to be the main goal moving forward. Although we are not able to assess our progress on CAASPP due to the pandemic, we know that our students have made gains in both Math and ELA due to our focused intervention programs. However, our students still have great gains to make in order to reach proficiency. We are often challenged with students who come to our school severely skill and credit deficient; knowing this, we work quickly and swiftly to create academic plans to accelerate their

learning. Students will get access to, and participate in, target intervention using ALEKS Math, Fast ForWord, and small group tutoring sessions. Using our SST process, students who are performing a 1 or 2 on CAASPP, or are identified as below proficiency levels on district assessments, are automatically enrolled in these intervention-based courses/programs with the support of the high-qualified teacher.

# **LCAP Highlights**

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

Goal 1 Student Learner Outcomes

Metrics:

LCFF Evaluation Rubrics

Local school-wide assessments such as the I-Ready Assessment

State testing: Smarter Balance, CA Science Test, Early Assessment Program, Physical Fitness testing

Major Actions:

Continued evaluation of students' academic performance.

Continued monitoring EL, LI, FY, SWD for proficiency.

Continued 100% access to materials/learning experiences & curriculum aligned to state standards.

Training/Professional Development: rubrics, curriculum writing, A-G course writing, Canvas LMS training, online/remote teaching, achievement data analysis, Social and Emotional Learning, Student Connections, and targeted interventions.

**SST Process** 

CTE & Dual Enrollment

Social and Emotional Learning support

Training/Professional Development on ELD Instruction, SDAIE, EL Master Plan, and reclassification.

Training/Professional Development teaching students with disabilities, on successful strategies and intervention practices that produce large outcomes.

Extended School year for credit recovery/acceleration 9-12; Extended School Year for intervention Grades K-8

Tutoring Hub to provide 1:1 tutoring

Providing Internship opportunities for CTE students

Increase in student technology

Increase of College and Career Technical Education Curriculum, tools, and courses that align to life goals.

Goal 2 Positive School Climate and High ADA

Metrics:

**Attendance Rates** 

Stakeholder Connectedness Survey Results Student CARES Quarterly Survey

### Major Actions:

Addition of Guidance and Social & Emotional Counselor

Addition of Care Solace Resource for Students, Staff, and Families

Credit Recovery/Acceleration Options for high school students

Intervention/Acceleration options for K-8 students

Highly Qualified Teachers/ Highly Qualified CTE Teachers

Establishment of "At Promise" department to support At-risk students

Creation of school clubs for student participation and engagement

Implementation and expansion of SEL courses

Blog/Marketing posts highlighting student and staff achievements

**Expansion of CTE pathways** 

Development of a Robust tutoring system

Goal 3 Establishing Connections and partnerships to increase engagement and involvement, to support learning and achievement

### Metrics:

Stakeholder Parent Participation Survey Results

Stakeholder Safety and Satisfaction Survey Results

**Community Partnership Meeting Minutes** 

### Major Actions:

Meaningful and transparent communication through phone calls, emails, Parent-Square Communication App, Website and Social Media Parent input opportunities

Parent training and workshops through YouSchool partnership, school counselor, and administration

EL Master Plan training (ELD placement, ELD progress, Reclassification)

Translated notices, reports, statements

Community Partnerships Webinars and Collaboration

SafeSchool Training, School Safe Plan

Community Partnership Meetings

Mental and Physical Health Care for Students and Staff

Goal 4 College and Career Readiness and Career Technical Education

Metrics:

**Graduation Rates** 

AP Courses and Exams UC/CSU A-G Course Enrollment **AP Course Participation** Dual Enrollment with Community Colleges Participation Career Technical Education Courses and Pathways Participation **NCAA** Major Actions: Career Technical Education pathway completion **CAASPP** Preparation Year-Round Learning Option 1st Learning Period Credit Acceleration/Recovery Option 4-Year Graduation Plan NCAA Participation A-G Completion **CTE industry Certifications** Counselor support SAT/PSAT Support Student internship & job shadowing Purchasing of technology support for CTE students Mentoring and Coaching program program

## **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.

### **Support for Identified Schools**

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


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

**Monitoring and Evaluating Effectiveness** 

# Stakeholder Engagement

A summary of the stakeholder process and how the stakeholder engagement was considered before finalizing the LCAP.

Involvement Process for LCAP and Annual Update Family Entrance Survey - Upon Student Enrollment Family and Staff Satisfaction Survey sent in April

LCAP Annual Review Meetings were held. Parents were invited to participate and give input. The meetings were recorded and posted for families who could not attend so that input could still be provided to the CEO. The final version was presented to parents and staff on 5/10/21.

Leadership Meetings were held bi-monthly throughout the school year to inform the LCAP process and gather information about growth towards meeting the goals.

Authorizer Presentation and Update: 6/3/2021

Board of Directors: LCAP Draft Review and Input: 6/3/21

Board of Directors: Public Hearing: 6/3/21

Final Approval: 6/17/21

A summary of the feedback provided by specific stakeholder groups.

All leadership stakeholders completed a summary of work towards our overall goals and objectives. A student and parent survey also helped.

A description of the aspects of the LCAP that were influenced by specific stakeholder input.

Leadership/ Lead Teachers worked to update and provide feedback on every action item for the LCAP. Parents were given assessment data, achievements to date.

# **Goals and Actions**

## Goal

Goal #	Description
1	We will improve the academic achievement of ALL students through effective instruction, a challenging and engaging curriculum, and aligned assessments in language arts and mathematics to promote student progress of English Learners, other unduplicated student groups, and students with disabilities. This will be measured by our ability to meet or exceed our authorizing district CAASPP ELA and Math Scores.

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

To improve the academic achievement of "ALL" students we must review assessment data in ELA and Math, identify SST/RTI and implement best practices to promote student progress and increase our CAASPP Baseline Data. This also was developed meet state and local priorities 1,2,4,5,7,8.

# **Measuring and Reporting Results**

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
CAASPP	ELA: 33% Math: 6%				ELA: 55% Math: 30%
CA Dashboard					

## **Actions**

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
1	Student Academic Performance	Evaluate students' levels of academic performance based on local and state assessment results and provide targeted intervention or acceleration, such as:	\$337,500.00	No
		<ul> <li>Participate in the SST process</li> <li>Receive tutor support from in house and approved partners Learn test-taking and time -management strategies</li> </ul>		

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
		<ul> <li>Enroll in Dual Enrollment, CTE, or other elective opportunities         Social and Emotional Learning Opportunities     </li> <li>Implement processes for curricular review (including course rubrics) and evaluation, including graduation requirements, credits, and grading policies.</li> <li>Fast ForWord Curriculum Interventions</li> <li>(All Students)</li> </ul>		
2	Targeted Monitoring	Monitor Low-Income pupils, Foster Youth, English Learners, and Students With Disabilities for proficiency on state and local assessments to ensure academic success and refer to the RtI/SST or IEP team or provide academic acceleration. ELPAC results will be reviewed each year, analyzed, shared with parents, and curriculum and EL minutes verified. Also, re-designation completed for students who qualify. (LI, FY, EL, SWD)	\$236,316.00	Yes
3	Equal Access to Common Core Aligned Materials/Content	All students will have access to materials/learning experiences aligned to common core standards (All Students) Online courses, credit recovery, core programs Supplemental curriculum and materials supporting common core standards Extended School year intervention for grades K-8 Extended School year credit recovery/acceleration for grades 9-12 Digital curriculum aligned to common core UC/CSU A-G approved curriculum Service vendors offering educational opportunities across a geographical area Integrated Core CTE courses A-G Approved	\$935,000.00	No

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
4	Professional Development	Professional development and ongoing training and discussions on engaging teaching practices, EL Masterplan, the use of rubrics and student academic achievement data to inform instruction, and identifying effective targeted interventions for students struggling to meet grade-level proficiency will be provided.	\$84,135.00	No
7	Expanded Student Support Team Services	Expand the services of the Student Support team to provide additional academic support to struggling students (ALL Students).  Academic Coaches, Content Teachers, TOSAs, and Instructional Aides to provide targeted intervention  Develop a tutoring hub to provide 1:1 academic support that targets Math and ELA content standards  Increase Chromebook deployment to provide access to digital intervention tools  Increase SEL courses and programs to support student success Implement MTSS school-wide	\$80,000.00	Yes

# Goal Analysis [2021-22]

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2	We will promote a high ADA and climate outcomes by providing high-quality teachers, best practices, streamlined communication and interventions to ensure student success. We will work to reach a goal of 95% ADA and decrease chronic absenteeism by 1% annually (until less that 5%) and maintaining 0% expulsion and suspension rate.

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

We recognize that students who attend school regularly have been shown to be engaged, achieve at higher levels, and graduate from high school.

# **Measuring and Reporting Results**

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Chronic Absenteeism	11.5%				8.5%
Suspension	0%				0%
Expulsion	0%				0%
ADA					95%

## **Actions**

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
1	MTSS/RTI/At- Promise	Focus on school climate and student engagement, and maintain a high rate of ADA Availability of RTI at all levels, support student engagement by focusing on time management and organization, provide access to Guidance Counselor, Social Worker and provide Credit Recovery options for Secondary Level. (WASC) (All Students)	\$50,000.00	No

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
2	Highly Qualified Teaching Staff and Professional Development	Improve instructional practice through recruiting and maintaining the appropriate assignment and professional development of teachers who are fully credentialed in the subject areas of the pupils they are teaching, as well as highly qualified classified staff. (WASC) (All Students)	\$2,805,000.00	No
5	School Based Enrichment Activities	School-Based Enrichment Activities (All Students) Support of VAPA programs at Elementary and Middle school level Support Athletics and Math Field day Continue to support innovative projects that support student learning and growth	\$868,451.00	No

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3	Establish connections and partnerships with our families and community to increase engagement, involvement, ensure safety and satisfaction, and to support student learning and achievement.

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

As an independent study charter school, we have our parent community all over southern California and we need to try to engage stakeholders despite geographic hardships.

# **Measuring and Reporting Results**

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Parent participation will increase by 2% as measured by participation rate of surveys and sign-in sheets at meetings.	10% of parents participated in surveys last year.				16% of families will participate in surveys.
Parent and student satisfaction will increase by 2% until we reach 95% or greater as measured by survey results.	90% of families surveyed were satisfied with the child's education.				95% or greater of parents and student surveyed are satisfied with their education.

# **Actions**

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
1	Meaningful and Transparent Communication	Provide meaningful and transparent communication to ensure a positive learning environment, by the Marketing Coordinator and Administration, through social media, marketing, communication apps, technology and in-person meetings with all stakeholders so that parents, students, and teachers feel that our schools are providing opportunities for participation and input.  Surveys Parent Meetings Important updates and Information SEL Surveys Anti-bullying Webinars, Parent Training, Suicide Awareness, State Testing, Test Prep communication, and more. ParentSquare, website (All Students)	\$200,000.00	No
2	Mental/Physical Health	<ul> <li>Establish Mental and Physical Health Services for Students</li> <li>Social Work for Student Success</li> <li>School Counselor</li> <li>Social and Emotional Courses</li> <li>Parent Workshops</li> </ul>	\$160,000.00	Yes
3	Safe Learning Environment	The charter will continue to maintain a safe learning environment for all students by training the teachers on safe practices and participation in mandated training through Safe Schools. Fingerprinting and vetting all contracted service providers. School-wide safety plans will be created and implemented, as necessary. IT will continue safe technology by monitoring student web access through student-issued Chromebooks.	\$25,500.00	No

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
4	English Language Family Support	Notices, reports, statements, or records, and conferences to a parent or guardian, will be translated in parent/guardian native language, as needed and required by law. (EL)	\$20,000.00	Yes
5	Leadership	Operations of the charter are maintained and controlled through the management, oversight, and provision of basic operating services, to all, by the Business Department, Directors, and Cabinet: Chief Executive Officer, Chief Academic Innovation Officer, and Chief Student Services officer.	\$666,057.00	No
6	Operations	Operations and business services that are contracted with industry experts to ensure high quality reporting, compliance and alignment with Education Code.	\$757,271.00	No
7	Mental and Physical Health	<ul> <li>Establish Mental and Physical Health Services for students and staff.</li> <li>Mental health Awareness</li> <li>Solace Care Mental Health Community Partnership</li> <li>Staff Mental and Physical Awareness with Sports Academy</li> <li>Staff and Student Physical Step Challenges in Partnership with Fitbit</li> <li>Social and Emotional Courses</li> <li>Parent Workshops</li> </ul>	\$63,750.00	No

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4	We will ensure that secondary students are on-track to graduate from high school, are college and career ready, and have career technical education opportunities.

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

It is our goal to ensure that when students graduate from Elite Academic Academy they are prepared for their 21st century future.

# **Measuring and Reporting Results**

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Increase % of Graduation Rate by 2% annually	61%				67%
Increase the % of UC/CSU enrolled courses by 2% annually	85%				91%
Increase students who complete CTE certification course by 2% annually	0%				6%

## **Actions**

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
1	CTE Program Creation	Develop a comprehensive Career Technical Education Program for middle and high school, students that help align student strengths and interests to post-secondary goals and interests and increases Career Technical Education Pathways (CTE) to prepare students for the 21st-	\$255,000.00	No

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
		<ul> <li>Develop CTE integrated Curriculum in Core Academics</li> <li>Continue to provide Professional Development for CTE teachers</li> <li>Continue to fund CTE Director</li> <li>Continue to provide and implement pathways and support for CTE in grades 7-12</li> <li>Create a pathway in grades 7-8 to bridge to high school CTE pathway</li> <li>Create a Career Exploration course for middle school students</li> <li>Continue to fund participation costs and training</li> <li>Establish Community Partnerships with local businesses to serve on the CTE Advisory board for industry insight and expertise in development of CTE pathways.</li> <li>(All Students)</li> </ul>		
3	Assessment Preparation	Ensure all students have the opportunity for intensive CAASPP/ACT and SAT preparation; specifically, low income, EL, Foster Youth students and students with disabilities.  Provide opportunities for students to take the PSAT for 8th, 9th, & 10th-grade students and provide opportunities for AP courses and exams.  • Provide for the cost of PSAT and SAT Fee waivers for students who are eligible low-income students.  • Continue providing AP courses through accredited Curriculum providers  • Continue providing AP students with AP course textbook/materials (LI, FY, EL, SWD)	\$110,000.00	Yes

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
4	Year Round Track	Provide a Year-round track to increase the academic days and reduce the summer slide for low-income, EL, Foster Youth students that allow for credit recovery, CTE pathway discovery, reviewing of essential skills, and the opportunity for students to get ahead.  • DASS Opportunities for graduation	\$270,000.00	Yes
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6	College and Career Counseling	College and career counseling and high school courses/curriculum and tools that will be meaningfully connected to life goals.  • Students will complete courses that satisfy UC or CSU entrance requirements or programs that align with the State Board-approved CTE standards and framework  • Create internship and project experiences to create a more diverse understanding of life opportunities.  • Create externships, job shadowing experiences, and internships for Career Technical Education Students.  • Increase relationships with community college partners to increase the number of students taking college coursework concurrently, dual enrollment or CTE courses.  • Develop a comprehensive college application and support series for 9-12th grade students.  • Purchase of Industry Certification opportunities for CTE or college-bound students.  • Purchase of appropriate technology to support CTE learning goals/objectives.  (All Students)  • Continue with College and Career Counselor to guide and plan students' 4-year plan and post-secondarydesires	\$178,000.00	No

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
		<ul> <li>CTE completion, A-G completion, and NCAA completion (All Students).</li> </ul>		
7	Mentoring and Coaching	Creation of Mentoring and Coaching program for Middle/High School students.  • Create a robust Mentoring and Coaching program for Middle and High School students and implement Mentoring and Coaching program strategies throughout the school. (All Students)	\$85,000.00	Yes
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# Increased or Improved Services for Foster Youth, English Learners, and Low-Income Students [2021-22]

Percentage to Increase or Improve Services	Increased Apportionment based on the Enrollment of Foster Youth, English Learners, and Low-Income students
8.16%	904,678

The Budgeted Expenditures for Actions identified as Contributing may be found in the Increased or Improved Services Expenditures Table.

# **Required Descriptions**

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

To improve services for English Learners, an English Learner Master Plan was created to ensure that instructional services are provided to pupils with limited English proficiency, in conformity with federal requirements that are designed to ensure that all pupils have reasonable access to educational opportunities necessary for the pupils to achieve at high levels in English and in other core curriculum areas of instruction (SB1109). Since 2.9%(EI) and 48.7%(SED) of students are EL and Socio-economically disadvantaged (LI), EAA is committed to providing essential resources to remove opportunity gaps that exist for these pupils and ensure supports are in place to improve their academic outcomes and learning environment.

- Teacher, staff, and parent training/professional development, on the EL Master Plan, ELD instruction, SDAIE strategies, ELD progress, and reclassification will be provided. (EL)
- Notices, reports, statements, or records sent to a parent or guardian will be translated as needed. ((EL)
- Low-income students are four and a half times more likely to drop out of high school; and, even those who are academically
  proficient, are far less likely to complete college. Programs must be implemented in a way that considers flexible scheduling,
  increasing engagement, and successful completion (The Science of Learning, 2016).]
- Provide high-quality instruction and curriculum that promotes college and career readiness with academic interventions. (All Students includes EL, FY, LI)

- Develop a comprehensive college and career readiness program for middle and high school students that helps align student strengths and interests to post-secondary goals; Increase Career Technical Education (CTE) opportunities (CDE) to prepare students for the 21st-century workforce and global competencies (All Students includes EL, FY, LI)
- Ensure all students have the opportunity for intensive CAASPP preparation; specifically, low-income, EL, Foster Youth students, and students with disabilities. (LI, FY, EL, SWD)
- Provide Year-Round Track to increase the academic days for services for low-income, EL, Foster Youth students that allow for credit recovery, reviewing of essential skills, and the opportunity for students to get ahead. (LI, FY, EL)
- SST processes to support students academically with proper systems of support and scaffolding (EL, FY, SWD, LI)
- Provide students with Community Partnerships and Athletic opportunities.
- Provide counseling services and community resources to students and parents.
- Multi-Tiered Systems of Support.
- Directing services to foster youth to support enrollment assistance, academic support, and social-emotional counseling necessary to meet college and career.
- Increase opportunities for parents to participate and provide input/decision-making through LCAP advisory meetings.

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

Closing the achievement gap and student outcomes are done through strategic investment, curriculum, and instruction. Elite Academic Academy is committed to ensuring all students graduate high school ready for college and career. Elite Academic Academy will establish connections and partnerships with families, community partners, and all stakeholders to increase engagement, involvement, ensure safety and satisfaction to support student learning and achievement. (All Students includes EL, FY, LI) Elite Academic Academy has budgeted a commensurate increase in funding to reach these subgroups that are principally directed and effective in meeting school-wide goals; specifically, the school will provide:

- Adaptive online/traditional content from a variety of curriculum options
- College & Career Readiness courses/curriculum from A-G Curriculum providers or Elite's own adopted A-G course catalog
- Technology equipment to support unduplicated pupils

- Local assessments to drive instruction and needs of unduplicated pupils
- Enhanced project-based learning
- SEL support through the hiring of a Social Worker, School Counselor and adopting an A-G SEL curriculum.
- College and Career options for EL, Foster, students
- A comprehensive curriculum for EL learners
- Assessment tools that drive and provides customized instructional resources for the Response to Intervention (RTI) program.
- Increased tutoring and intensive intervention support will be provided beyond for unduplicated pupils who are struggling and, in an effort, to close the achievement gap.
- Professional Development, TOSA positions, FastForWard, and At Promise/Student Services Department are specific to helping unduplicated pupils close the achievement gap
- Adding Mentoring and Coaching program programs and CTE pathways to support students and give hands-on real-world experiences for learning.

## **Total Expenditures Table**

LCFF Funds	Other State Funds	Local Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds
\$7,251,041.00	\$400,488.00		\$535,451.00	\$8,186,980.00

Totals:	Total Personnel	Total Non-personnel
Totals:	\$2,173,644.00	\$6,013,336.00

Goal	Action #	Student Group(s)	Title	LCFF Funds	Other State Funds	Local Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds
1	1	All	Student Academic Performance	\$25,000.00			\$312,500.00	\$337,500.00
1	1 2 English Learners Foster Youth Low Income		Targeted Monitoring	\$150,000.00			\$86,316.00	\$236,316.00
1	3	All	Equal Access to Common Core Aligned Materials/Content	\$935,000.00				\$935,000.00
1	4	All	Professional Development	\$70,000.00			\$14,135.00	\$84,135.00
1	1 7 English Learners Foster Youth Low Income		Expanded Student Support Team Services	\$80,000.00				\$80,000.00
2	1	All	MTSS/RTI/At-Promise	\$50,000.00				\$50,000.00
2	2	All	Highly Qualified Teaching Staff and Professional Development	\$2,422,500.00	\$382,500.00			\$2,805,000.00
2	5	All	School Based Enrichment Activities	\$868,451.00				\$868,451.00
3	3 1 All		Meaningful and Transparent Communication	\$200,000.00				\$200,000.00
3	2	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	Mental/Physical Health	\$80,000.00			\$80,000.00	\$160,000.00
3	3	All Students with Disabilities	Safe Learning Environment	\$25,500.00				\$25,500.00
3	4	English Learners	English Language Family Support	\$20,000.00				\$20,000.00
3	5	All	Leadership	\$666,057.00				\$666,057.00

Goal	Action #	Student Group(s)	Title	LCFF Funds	Other State Funds	Local Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds
3	6	All	Operations	\$757,271.00				\$757,271.00
3	7	All	Mental and Physical Health	\$63,750.00				\$63,750.00
4	1	All	CTE Program Creation	\$237,012.00	\$17,988.00			\$255,000.00
4	3	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	Assessment Preparation	\$110,000.00				\$110,000.00
4	4	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	Year Round Track	\$227,500.00			\$42,500.00	\$270,000.00
4	6	All	College and Career Counseling	\$178,000.00				\$178,000.00
4	7	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	Mentoring and Coaching	\$85,000.00				\$85,000.00

## **Contributing Expenditures Tables**

Totals by Type	Total LCFF Funds	Total Funds	
Total:	\$752,500.00	\$961,316.00	
LEA-wide Total:	\$752,500.00	\$961,316.00	
Limited Total:	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Schoolwide Total:	\$0.00	\$0.00	

Goal	Action #	Action Title	Scope	Unduplicated Student Group(s)	Location	LCFF Funds	Total Funds
1	2	Targeted Monitoring	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$150,000.00	\$236,316.00
1	7	Expanded Student Support Team Services	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income		\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00
3	2	Mental/Physical Health	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income		\$80,000.00	\$160,000.00
3	4	English Language Family Support	LEA-wide	English Learners	All Schools	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
4	3	Assessment Preparation	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income		\$110,000.00	\$110,000.00
4	4	Year Round Track	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income		\$227,500.00	\$270,000.00
4	7	Mentoring and Coaching	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income		\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00

## **Annual Update Table Year 1 [2021-22]**

Annual update of the 2021-22 goals will occur during the 2022-23 update cycle.

Last Year's Goal #	Last Year's Action #	Prior Action/Service Title	Contributed to Increased or Improved Services?	Last Year's Total Planned Expenditures	Total Estimated Actual Expenditures

Totals:	Planned Expenditure Total	Estimated Actual Total
Totals:		

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For additional questions or technical assistance related to the completion of the LCAP template, please contact the local 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>.

# **Introduction and Instructions**

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

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

- Comprehensive Strategic Planning: The process of developing and annually updating the LCAP supports comprehensive strategic planning (California Education Code [EC] 52064(e)(1)). Strategic planning that is comprehensive connects budgetary decisions to teaching and learning performance data. Local educational agencies (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 Stakeholder Engagement:** The LCAP development process should result in an LCAP that reflects decisions made through meaningful stakeholder engagement (*EC* 52064(e)(1)). Local stakeholders possess valuable perspectives and insights about an LEA's programs and services. Effective strategic planning will incorporate these perspectives and insights in order to identify potential goals and actions to be included in the LCAP.
- **Accountability and Compliance:** The LCAP serves an important accountability function because aspects of the LCAP template require LEAs to show that they have complied with various requirements specified in the LCFF statutes and regulations, most notably:
  - Demonstrating that LEAs are increasing or improving services for foster youth, English learners, and low-income students in proportion to the amount of additional funding those students generate under LCFF (EC 52064(b)(4-6)).
  - Establishing goals, supported by actions and related expenditures, that address the statutory priority areas and statutory metrics (EC 52064(b)(1) & (2)).

o Annually reviewing and updating the LCAP to reflect progress toward the goals (EC 52064(b)(7)).

The LCAP template, like each LEA's final adopted LCAP, is a document, not a process. LEAs must use the template to memorialize the outcome of their LCAP development process, which should: (a) reflect comprehensive strategic planning (b) through meaningful engagement with stakeholders 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 stakeholder engagement tool.

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

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

At its most basic, the adopted LCAP should attempt to distill not just what the LEA is doing, but also allow stakeholders 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 stakeholders 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 stakeholder engagement functions:

Given present performance across the state priorities and on indicators in the California School Dashboard, how is the LEA using its budgetary resources to respond to 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 or a set of actions that the LEA believes, based on input gathered from stakeholders, research, and experience, will have the biggest impact on behalf of its students.

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

# **Plan Summary**

## **Purpose**

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

### **Requirements and Instructions**

**General Information** – Briefly describe the students and community. For example, information about an LEA in terms of geography, enrollment, or employment, the number and size of specific schools, recent community challenges, and other such information as an LEA wishes to include can enable a reader to more fully understand an LEA's LCAP.

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

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

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

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

- Schools Identified: Identify the schools within the LEA that have been identified for CSI.
- **Support for Identified Schools**: Describe how the LEA has or will support the identified schools in developing CSI plans that included a school-level needs assessment, evidence-based interventions, and the identification of any resource inequities to be addressed through the implementation of the CSI plan.
- **Monitoring and Evaluating Effectiveness**: Describe how the LEA will monitor and evaluate the implementation and effectiveness of the CSI plan to support student and school improvement.

# Stakeholder Engagement

## **Purpose**

Significant and purposeful engagement of parents, students, educators, and other stakeholders, 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 stakeholder engagement should support comprehensive strategic planning, accountability, and improvement across the state priorities and locally identified priorities (*EC* 52064(e)(1)). Stakeholder engagement is an ongoing, annual process.

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

Statute and regulations specify the stakeholder groups that school districts and COEs must consult when developing the LCAP: teachers, principals, administrators, other school personnel, local bargaining units of the LEA, parents, and students. Before adopting the LCAP, school districts and COEs must share it with the Parent Advisory Committee and, if applicable, to its English Learner Parent Advisory Committee. The superintendent is required by statute to respond in writing to the comments received from these committees. School districts and COEs must also consult with the special education local plan area administrator(s) when developing the LCAP. Statute requires charter schools to consult with teachers, principals, administrators, other school personnel, parents, and students in developing the LCAP. The LCAP should also be shared with, and LEAs should request input from, schoolsite-level advisory groups, as applicable (e.g., schoolsite councils, English Learner Advisory Councils, student advisory groups, etc.), to facilitate alignment between schoolsite and district-level goals and actions.

Information and resources that support effective stakeholder engagement, define student consultation, and provide the requirements for advisory group composition, can be found under Resources on the following web page of the CDE's website: https://www.cde.ca.gov/re/lc/.

## Requirements and Instructions

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

### **Local Control and Accountability Plan:**

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

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

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

Prompt 1: "A summary of the stakeholder process and how the stakeholder engagement was considered before finalizing the LCAP."

Describe the stakeholder engagement process used by the LEA to involve stakeholders in the development of the LCAP, including, at a minimum, describing how the LEA met its obligation to consult with all statutorily required stakeholder groups 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 stakeholders. A response may also include information about an LEA's philosophical approach to stakeholder engagement.

Prompt 2: "A summary of the feedback provided by specific stakeholder groups."

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

**Prompt 3**: "A description of the aspects of the LCAP that were influenced by specific stakeholder input."

A sufficient response to this prompt will provide stakeholders and the public clear, specific information about how the stakeholder engagement process influenced the development of the LCAP. The response must describe aspects of the LCAP that were influenced by or developed in response to the stakeholder feedback described in response to Prompt 2. This may include a description of how the LEA prioritized stakeholder requests within the context of the budgetary resources available or otherwise prioritized areas of focus within the LCAP. For the purposes of this prompt, "aspects" of an LCAP that may have been influenced by stakeholder input can include, but are not necessarily limited to:

- Inclusion of a goal or decision to pursue a Focus Goal (as described below)
- Inclusion of metrics other than the statutorily required metrics
- Determination of the desired outcome on one or more metrics
- Inclusion of performance by one or more student groups in the Measuring and Reporting Results subsection
- Inclusion of action(s) or a group of actions
- Elimination of action(s) or group of actions
- Changes to the level of proposed expenditures for one or more actions
- Inclusion of action(s) as contributing to increased or improved services for unduplicated services
- Determination of effectiveness of the specific actions to achieve the goal
- Determination of material differences in expenditures

- Determination of changes made to a goal for the ensuing LCAP year based on the annual update process
- Determination of challenges or successes in the implementation of actions

## **Goals and Actions**

## **Purpose**

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

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

### **Requirements and Instructions**

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

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

- Focus Goal: A Focus Goal is relatively more concentrated in scope and may focus on a fewer number of metrics to measure improvement. A Focus Goal statement will be time bound and make clear how the goal is to be measured.
- Broad Goal: A Broad Goal is relatively less concentrated in its scope and may focus on improving performance across a wide range of metrics.
- Maintenance of Progress Goal: A Maintenance of Progress Goal includes actions that may be ongoing without significant changes and allows an LEA to track performance on any metrics not addressed in the other goals of the LCAP.

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

### Focus Goal(s)

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

**Explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal:** Explain why the LEA has chosen to prioritize this goal. An explanation must be based on Dashboard data or other locally collected data. LEAs must describe how the LEA identified this goal for focused attention, including relevant consultation with stakeholders. LEAs are encouraged to promote transparency and understanding around the decision to pursue a focus goal.

### **Broad Goal**

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

**Explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal:** Explain why the LEA developed this goal and how the actions and metrics grouped together will help achieve the goal.

### Maintenance of Progress Goal

**Goal Description:** Describe how the LEA intends to maintain the progress made in the LCFF State Priorities not addressed by the other goals in the LCAP. Use this type of goal to address the state priorities and applicable metrics not addressed within the other goals in the LCAP. The state priorities and metrics to be addressed in this section are those for which the LEA, in consultation with stakeholders, has determined to maintain actions and monitor progress while focusing implementation efforts on the actions covered by other goals in the LCAP.

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

### Measuring and Reporting Results:

For each LCAP year, identify the metric(s) that the LEA will use to track progress toward the expected outcomes. LEAs are encouraged to identify metrics for specific student groups, as appropriate, including expected outcomes that would reflect narrowing of any existing performance gaps.

Include in the baseline column the most recent data associated with this metric available at the time of adoption of the LCAP for the first year of the three-year plan. LEAs may use data as reported on the 2019 Dashboard for the baseline of a metric only if that data represents the most recent available (e.g. high school graduation rate).

Using the most recent data available may involve reviewing data the LEA is preparing for submission to the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) or data that the LEA has recently submitted to CALPADS. Because final 2020–2021 outcomes on some metrics may not be computable at the time the 2021–24 LCAP is adopted (e.g. graduation rate, suspension rate), the most recent data available may include a point in time calculation taken each year on the same date for comparability purposes.

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

Complete the table as follows:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### Goal Analysis:

Enter the LCAP Year

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

- Describe the overall implementation of the actions to achieve the articulated goal. Include a discussion of relevant challenges and successes experienced with the implementation process. This must include any instance where the LEA did not implement a planned action or implemented a planned action in a manner that differs substantively from how it was described in the adopted LCAP.
- Explain material differences between Budgeted Expenditures and Estimated Actual Expenditures. Minor variances in expenditures do not need to be addressed, and a dollar-for-dollar accounting is not required.
- Describe the effectiveness of the specific actions to achieve the articulated goal as measured by the LEA. In some cases, not all actions in a goal will be intended to improve performance on all of the metrics associated with the goal. When responding to this prompt, LEAs may assess the effectiveness of a single action or group of actions within the goal in the context of performance on a single metric or group of specific metrics within the goal that are applicable to the action(s). Grouping actions with metrics will allow for more robust analysis of whether the strategy the LEA is using to impact a specified set of metrics is working and increase transparency for stakeholders. LEAs are encouraged to use such an approach when goals include multiple actions and metrics that are not closely associated.
- Describe any changes made to this goal, expected outcomes, metrics, or actions to achieve this goal as a result of this analysis and analysis of the data provided in the Dashboard or other local data, as applicable.

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

## **Purpose**

A well-written Increased or Improved Services section provides stakeholders with a comprehensive description, within a single dedicated section, of how an LEA plans to increase or improved services for its unduplicated students as compared to all students 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 stakeholders to facilitate their ability to provide input. An LEA's description in this section must align with the actions included in the Goals and Actions section as contributing.

### **Requirements and Instructions**

This section must be completed for each LCAP year.

When developing the LCAP in year 2 or year 3, copy the "Increased or Improved Services" section and enter the appropriate LCAP year. Using the copy of the section, complete the section as required for the relevant LCAP year. Retain all prior year sections for each of the three years within the LCAP.

**Percentage to Increase or Improve Services:** Identify the 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).

Increased Apportionment based on the enrollment of Foster Youth, English Learners, and Low-Income Students: Specify the estimate of the amount of funds apportioned on the basis of the number and concentration of unduplicated pupils for the LCAP year.

### Required Descriptions:

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

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

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

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

As such, the response provided in this section may rely on a needs assessment of unduplicated students.

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

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

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

In order to address this condition of our low-income students, we will develop and implement a new attendance program that is designed to address some of the major causes of absenteeism, including lack of reliable transportation and food, as well as a school

climate that does not emphasize the importance of attendance. Goal N, Actions X, Y, and Z provide additional transportation and nutritional resources as well as a districtwide educational campaign on the benefits of high attendance rates. (Contributing Action(s))

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

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

### For School Districts Only:

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

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

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

### Actions Provided on a Schoolwide Basis:

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

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

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

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

Consistent with the requirements of 5 *CCR* Section 15496, describe how services provided for unduplicated pupils are increased or improved by at least the percentage calculated as compared to the services provided for all students in the LCAP year. To improve services means to grow services in quality and to increase services means to grow services in quantity. Services are increased or improved by those actions in the LCAP that are included in the Goals and Actions section as contributing to the increased or improved services requirement. This description must address how these action(s) are expected to result in the required proportional increase or improvement in services for unduplicated pupils as compared to the services the LEA provides to all students for the relevant LCAP year.

# **Expenditure Tables**

Complete the Data Entry table for each action in the LCAP. The information entered into this table will automatically populate the other Expenditure Tables. All information is entered into the Data Entry table. Do not enter data into the other tables.

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

- Table 1: Actions
- Table 2: Total Expenditures
- Table 3: Contributing Expenditures
- Table 4: Annual Update Expenditures

The Data Entry table may be included in the LCAP as adopted by the local governing board or governing body, but is not required to be included.

In the Data Entry table, provide the following information for each action in the LCAP for the relevant 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.
- **Increased / Improved**: Type "Yes" if the action **is** included as contributing to meeting the increased or improved services; OR, type "No" if the action is **not** included as contributing to meeting the increased or improved services.
- If "Yes" is entered into the Contributing column, then complete the following columns:

- Scope: The scope of an action may be LEA-wide (i.e. districtwide, countywide, or charterwide), schoolwide, or limited. An action that is LEA-wide in scope upgrades the entire educational program of the LEA. An action that is schoolwide in scope upgrades the entire educational program of a single school. An action that is limited in its scope is an action that serves only one or more unduplicated student groups.
- Unduplicated Student Group(s): Regardless of scope, contributing actions serve one or more unduplicated student groups.
   Indicate one or more unduplicated student groups for whom services are being increased or improved as compared to what all students receive.
- Location: Identify the location where the action will be provided. If the action is provided to all schools within the LEA, the LEA must indicate "All Schools". If the action is provided to specific schools within the LEA or specific grade spans only, the LEA must enter "Specific Schools" or "Specific Grade Spans". Identify the individual school or a subset of schools or grade spans (e.g., all high schools or grades K-5), 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".
- **Personnel Expense**: This column will be automatically calculated based on information provided in the following columns:
  - o **Total Personnel**: Enter the total amount of personnel expenditures utilized to implement this action.
  - o **Total Non-Personnel**: This amount will be automatically calculated.
- 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).
- Other State Funds: Enter the total amount of Other State Funds utilized to implement this action, if any.
- Local Funds: Enter the total amount of Local Funds utilized to implement this action, if any.
- Federal Funds: Enter the total amount of Federal Funds utilized to implement this action, if any.
- Total Funds: This amount is automatically calculated based on amounts entered in the previous four columns.