

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.

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Goals and Actions

Goal

Goal #	Description
	Increase the percentage of students who meet Key Performance Indicators by providing an equitable guaranteed viable curriculum (GVC), reflective of student diversity, comprehensive assessments aligned to students' needs, and high-quality instruction to prepare students to successfully enter the next grade level, high school, college and career.

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
California School Dashboard ELA Indicator	2019 All Students: 25.4 points below standard Students with Disabilities: 118.2 points below standard English Learner Students: 101 points below standard African-American Students 54.8 points below standard Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students	2021 MCSD was granted a waiver to use local indicators to measure Reading/ELA progress in 2020-2021. The CAASPP was not administered. MCSD students resumed CAASPP assessments in 2021-2022. Local district progress assessment data for Reading/ELA is included below in metric 4.	All Students: 45.7 points below standard Students with Disabilities: 132.2 points below standard English Learner Students: 82.1 points below standard African-American Students 78.8 points below standard Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students 57.7 points below standard	2023 California School Dashboard Results All Students: 50.3 points below standard Students with Disabilities: 128.8 points below standard English Learner Students: 86.4 points below standard African-American Students 84.4 points below standard	All Students 15 points below standard Students with Disabilities: 100 points below standard English Learner Students: 91 points below standard African-American Students 43 points below standard Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students 29 points below standard

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
	39.1 points below standard Foster Youth Students 77.6 points below standard		Foster Youth Students 78.8 points below standard	Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students 61.3 points below standard Foster Youth Students 87.8 points below standard Homeless Students 95.6 points below standard	Foster Youth Students 66 points below standard
California School Dashboard Math Indicator	2019 All Students: 61.3 points below standard Students with Disabilities: 152.6 points below standard English Learner Students: 85.2 points below standard African-American Students	2021 MCSD was granted a waiver to use local indicators to measure Math progress in 2020-2021. The CAASPP was not administered. MCSD students resumed CAASPP assessments in 2021-2022. Local district progress assessment data for Math is included below in metric 4.	All Students: 84.6 points below standard Students with Disabilities: 167.3 points below standard English Learner Students: 115.5 points below standard African-American Students	2023 California School Dashboard Results All Students: 82.9 points below standard Students with Disabilities: 159.5 points below standard English Learner Students: 112.4 points below standard	All Students 51 points below standard Students with Disabilities: 142 points below standard English Learner Students: 75 points below standard African-American Students

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
	104.2 points below standard Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students 75.2 points below standard Foster Youth Students 109.4 points below standard		127.8 points below standard Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students 96.3 points below standard Foster Youth Students 123.8 points below standard	African-American Students 129.6 points below standard Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students 92.9 points below standard Foster Youth Students 126.3 points below standard Homeless Students 124.8 points below standard	94 points below standard Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students 65 points below standard Foster Youth Students 99 points below standard
California School Dashboard English Language Progress Indicator	2019 MCSD English Learner Students: 52.2% Making Progress State English Learner Students 48.3% Making Progress	MCSD students participated in the administration of the Summative ELPAC remotely and inperson in 2019-2020. As of May 4, 2022, the California School Dashboard has not updated this indicator.	MCSD English Learner Students: 45.1% Making Progress State English Learner Students 50.3% Making Progress	2023 California School Dashboard Results MCSD English Learner Students: 49% Making Progress State English Learner Students 48.7% Making Progress	MCSD English Learner Students: 58% Making Progress

Metric E	Baseline Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
English Student 18% Or Grade-le Student Disabilit 13% Or Grade-le African- Student 30% Or Grade-le Math Overall 28% Or Grade-le English Student 13% Or Grade-le Student 13% Or Grade-le Student	Overall 36% On or Above Grade-level Learner Students 17% On or Above Grade-level s with Students with Disabilities 1 or Above Grade-level American Students 10% On or Above Grade-level American Students 10% On or Above Grade-level American Students 10% On or Above Grade-level Math Overall 10 or Above Grade-level Learner Students 10 or Above Grade-level Learner Students 10 or Above Grade-level Students 13% On or Above Grade-level Students 13% On or Above Grade-level Students with Disabilities 10% On or Above	Reading DPA III, 2022-2023 Reading Overall 36% On or Above Grade-level English Learner Students 15% On or Above Grade-level Students with Disabilities 12% On or Above Grade-level African-American Students 27% On or Above Grade-level Math DPA III, 2022-2023 Overall 27% On or Above Grade-level English Learner Students 13% On or Above Grade-level English Learner Students 13% On or Above Grade-level	Reading DPA III, 2023-24 Overall 40% On or Above Grade-level English Learner Students 20% On or Above Grade-level Students with Disabilities 14% On or Above Grade-level African-American Students 32% On or Above Grade-level Foster Youth 28% On or Above Grade-level *Homeless Students % On or Above Grade-level *Homeless Students % On or Above Grade-level *not reported on iReady DPA Math DPA III, 2023-2024	Reading Overall 53% On or Above Grade-level English Learner Students 33% On or Above Grade-level Students with Disabilities 28% On or Above Grade-level African-American Students 45% On or Above Grade-level Math Overall 43% On or Above Grade-level English Learner Students 29% On or Above Grade-level Students 29% On or Above Grade-level Students with Disabilities 24% On or Above Grade-level

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
	African-American Students 20% On or Above Grade-level	African-American Students 17% On or Above Grade-level	Students with Disabilities 9% On or Above Grade-level African-American Students 15% On or Above Grade-level	Overall 33% On or Above Grade-level English Learner Students 19% On or Above Grade-level Students with Disabilities 14% On or Above Grade-level African-American Students 24% On or Above Grade-level Foster Youth Students 29% On or Above Grade-level *Homeless Students % On or Above Grade-level *Homeless Students % On or Above Grade-level *not reported on iReady DPA	African-American Students 35% On or Above Grade-level
EL Reclassification Rate	EL reclassification rate of 14.4%	EL reclassification rate 7.5% (2020-2021)	EL reclassification rate of 6.7%	EL reclassification rate of 8%, or 172/1,912 English Learners as of 5/30/24	EL reclassification rate of 34%

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
MCSD Personnel Certification and Placement Review (August), and MCOE Assignment Monitoring (October)	95% of teachers are appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in the subject area and for pupils taught	100% of teachers are appropriately assigned fully credentialed in the subject area and for pupils taught	100% of teachers are appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in the subject area and for pupils taught	100% of teachers are appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in the subject area and for pupils taught	100% of teachers are appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in the subject area and for pupils taught
Facilities Inspection Tool	100% of schools rated as Facilities in Good Repair	100% of schools rated as Facilities in Good Repair	100% of schools rated as Facilities in Good Repair	100% of schools rated as Facilities in Good Repair	100% of schools rated as Facilities in Good Repair
Williams Reporting: Student access to standards aligned materials	100% of students have access to standards aligned materials	100% of students have access to standards aligned materials	100% of students have access to standards aligned materials	100% of students have access to standards aligned materials	100% of students have access to standards aligned materials
Student access to required course of study, as indicated on the Master Schedule	All Students 100% Exceptional Needs Students 100% Unduplicated Students 100%	All Students 100% Exceptional Needs Students 100% Unduplicated Students 100%	All Students 100% Exceptional Needs Students 100% Unduplicated Students 100%	All Students 100% Exceptional Needs Students 100% Unduplicated Students 100%	All Students 100% Exceptional Needs Students 100% Unduplicated Students 100%
Research based teacher efficacy surveys of efficacy and implementation of academic content and performance standards, and ELD standards adopted by the State Board of	Surveys developed and base-line established in 2021-2022 Teachers efficacy of content and Performance Standards	A survey was developed and administered in the fall of 2021. Key findings in the areas of professional development perceptions, opportunities,	Surveys developed and base-line established in 2021- 2022 Teachers ability to determine pre-existing knowledge and skills 85%	Teachers ability to determine pre-existing knowledge and skills N/A Teachers' Efficacy with Integrated ELD	Teachers efficacy of content and Performance Standards 80% Teachers efficacy of ELD Standards 80%

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Education in all courses, for all students, including English Learners	TBD Teachers efficacy of ELD Standards TBD	supports and reinforcements, and planning indicated needs to expand collaborative professional learning, SEL training, and respond to staff demands for on-going supports and workshops. Teachers ability to determine pre-existing knowledge and skills 65% Teachers efficacy with Integrated ELD 51%	Teachers efficacy with Integrated ELD 61%	N/A The survey was suspended and was not administered during the 2023-24 school year.	
Middle School Dropout Rate	20190%	2020 0%	2022 0%	2023 0%	0%

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.

There were no substantive differences in planned actions and actual implementation of these actions for Goal 1.

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.

Material differences exist due to all staff increases of salaries and benefits related to a retro-active contract settlements (2022-2023). This will also be true again as bargaining units begin to settle retro-actively for the 2023-2024. At the time of this draft, only our MCTA partners have settled for the 2023-2024 contract year and costs listed in this draft are based on estimates for such increases.

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

Each of the actions were effective per its intent. For example;

Goal 1.1: The staff continues to provide high-quality tiered instruction to students. During the 2023-2024 academic year, there were 5 site principal and 7 learning director and/or assistant principal adjustments across the district. 533 of 533 certificated positions were filled. There were no open certificated positions. All interns participating in the Teacher Induction Program were paired with Mentor Teachers in the 2023-2024 school year. Site administrators received coaching this year from MCSD Executive Cabinet, participated in a formal professional learning network model, and benefitted from monthly Principals' Council learning sessions. Moreover, 27 teachers are participating in the Teacher Induction Program (TIP). However, we have a total 57 teachers being mentored with 18 mentor-teachers providing TIP support.

Goal 1.2: During the 2023-2024 academic year, the Community Day School program increased its enrollment to 34 students, and a third classroom was opened in order to decrease class sizes. Increases in student engagement and attendance may be correlated with the addition of social-emotional learning activities, and hands-on STEAM lessons (e.g. botanical garden experiments). During the 2023-24 school year there were a total of five instructional aide vacancies. Vacancies were filled with substitute instructional aids to ensure the continuity of small group and individualized instruction. Teacher Librarians and Library Media Assistants targeted increasing literacy, especially in the science of teaching reading in the primary grades. Teacher Librarians, a team of site administrators, other teachers, and staff continued the development of a formal literacy plan that will be published in the fall. All MCSD sites were able to maintain an intervention teacher and an aide for the intervention programs at their respective sites.

Goal 1.3:Staff continues to engage with students and monitor their growth. As a result of increased student interactions, more referrals requesting interventions, provision of support, and referrals for special services assessments occurred this year, particularly in our youngest students.

Goal 1.4: MCSD Preschool program is currently serving 569 students ages 3-5 years old at our 13 sites. Our program currently is serving 86 students with IEPs in the general education setting which exceeds the state mandate of 5% or 40 students. The Preschool SDC classroom is currently serving 27 students. Our team uses the Ages and Stages Questionnaire as a screening tool students upon entry to identify any potential areas of concerns so our teams can best support the student and their family and make any necessary referrals for additional services.

Goal 1.5: Efforts to continually improve progress monitoring tools and their processes continued into the 2023-2024 school year to ensure alignment with grade-level standards. The 2023-24 MCSD Assessment calendar was adjusted to meet the practical needs of assessing students in order to improve achievement. An MCSD Assessment Auditing Team was developed to identify and study all MCSD Assessments in order to ensure any district-directed assessment is efficient and impactful towards increasing student achievement.

Goal 1.6: The District continues its investment in providing expanding learning and STEAM-centered learning opportunities for students. Schools offer educational field trips, music instruction, and performances, intramural sports and athletics competitions, extended day programs, student use of maker spaces and learning hubs, and community engagement events such as the Science Fair and the STEAM Fair. The District maintained a STEAM coordinator, added a STEAM Instructional Assistant and offered a program where 1,200-1st, 1,200-3rd, 1,200-5th, and 140-7th grade students from all MCSD sites were able to experience hands-on STEAM activities. During the 2024-25 school year MCSD maintained 6 music teachers, 4 technology teachers, 4 art teachers and had 3 staff to support the MCSD STEAM Center.

Goal 1.7: Professional development for teachers centered on AVID lesson design and delivery strategies continued this year. In addition to site-driven professional learning, teacher attendance at the training offered by AVID Center increased. Approximately 150 staff members are registered to attend the AVID 2024 Summer Institute. The breadth of AVID implementation has been a focus for the District, since adopting a "wall-to-wall" initiative in 2020-2021. All MCSD schools implement AVID at different levels with the goal of creating coherence and equitable access and opportunities for students. The District plans to support implementation with a focus on teacher depth of knowledge to increase the direct application of AVID strategies in classrooms.

Goal 1.8: The district has offered over 140 days of professional development (not including job embedded professional development such as 300 days of Math through MCOE) and provides initial and ongoing professional learning to all certificated staff, administrators, and instructional assistants to support teaching and learning and to be able to meet our district mission of high-quality instruction, mastery of academics, nurturing student confidence in inclusive learning environments, and in support of our district Key Areas of Focus:

- Academic Achievement
- Strengths-Based Approach
- Collaborating in service to Students

During this school year, MCSD has provided over one hundred days of high-quality staff development, along with modeling and demonstrations, followed up by observation, coaching, and feedback, spread among our fourteen elementary schools, four middle schools, 18 preschools, and Community Day School, to support the implementation of the evidence-based strategies and application of the teaching knowledge gained through professional learning.

Professional Learning sessions included, but are not limited to the following:

- Mathematical Knowledge for Teaching by the Merced County Office of Education.
- Literacy and ELD Strategies by the Merced County Office of Education
- Systematic Instruction in Phonological Awareness, Phonics, and Sight Words (SIPPS) by CORE Learn.
- Online Elementary Reading Academy (OERA) and Elementary Reading Academy (ERA) by CORE Learn.

- Professional Learning Communities (PLC) in Action by Solution Tree.
- Conscious Discipline by Merced City School District staff.
- Core Subject Training by Discovery Education, TWIG Education

Goal 1.9: A tutoring/mentoring program was developed in partnership with U.C. Merced's CALTeach and implemented this year. Middle school and elementary teachers across the district serve as mentors to approximately 46 CALTeach interns; interns serve as tutors to students at the school sites. In collaboration with Bali Learning Center, over 200 students received one-on-one and small group tutoring. A data sample consisting of progress assessment scores for students with regular attendance indicated growth in both reading and mathematics. A robust twenty-one day Summer Academy will be offered in 2024.

MCSD launched its Merced Academy of Rising Scholars (MARS) afterschool program. The program looks to extend the school day, providing a 9-hour program inclusive of school hours. Currently, MARS ensures seamless programming with Merced County Office of Education's ASSETS program, but focuses on Transitional Kindergarten (TK) and Kindergarten (K) students. At the time of this draft, MARS is located at 6 of our 13 TK-6th grade sites, with over 100 students enrolled. MCSD aims at providing TK/K programming at all of its 14 elementary sites.

Goal 1.10: The MCSD IT Department continued in 2023-24 with a regular replacement of key pieces of instructional technology, including replacing all of the projectors in 3 schools as part of the annual replacement process. In addition, IT staff replaced 225 classroom PCs, updated 300 VOIP phones in classrooms and refreshed over 30 network cabinet batteries which keep phones and cameras up and operational during power outages on campuses. The IT staff purchased and implemented additional security tools including a new security firewall, a security patch management system and new core servers that provide safe connectivity for all staff and students. The District launched cyber security phishing and training campaigns this year to maintain users awareness to cyber threats through email and browsing. The District is replacing all 75 copiers for all schools and office locations used by teachers and site admin, as well as updating the District Printshop with a brand new set of copiers and additional tools for better efficiency in producing printed material and media for schools.

Goal 1.11: In addition to the professional development content recorded above (1.8), the district continues to maintain a focus on increasing literacy for all students and especially for our student groups who are achieving at the lowest rates; English Learner students, Black/African American students, Students with Disabilities, Foster Youth, and students who are Socio-economically Disadvantaged. Teachers use a district adopted English Language Arts curriculum to teach the grade level California Common Core State Standards, assess students to identify specific needs in early literacy ability, group students strategically for instruction and extra support and provide English Language Development (integrated and designated) daily. Teachers are being trained in specific instructional strategies to support language development in all grade levels and content areas. Job embedded professional learning will be provided, followed by models and demonstrations, then coaching, support and feedback to deepen implementation practices. The district continues to provide ongoing professional development for teachers and administrators around the Science of Reading to increase capacity around building literacy in all grade levels and content areas through online academies, job embedded training at the site and district level, as well as summer and intersession learning opportunities. The MCSD Literacy Plan is nearing completion with a goal of implementation during the 2024-2025 schoolyear. Areas addressed by the Literacy Plan are curriculum for Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 instruction, assessments, pacing, collaboration and data review and analysis, implementation of Structured Reading and professional development. The district continues to partner with organizations to evaluate data, visualize information and data and assist with increasing our response and performance in the areas of

professional development, growth, morale, and self-efficacy in designing and delivering instruction.

Goal 1.12:The District is contracted with a vendor in order to provided pilot administrative and site cohorts for staff diversity, equity, and inclusion training focused on self-reflection, unconscious bias, and cultural responsiveness. In partnership with Hanover Research, the District administered a survey to better understand community, student, and staff perceptions of equity and inclusion, in May 2024. The results of the survey, and an equity audit that will occur in fall 2024, will inform the development of a long-term plan to increase equity and inclusion throughout the District. MCSD also contracted with the Restorative Justice League for May and June of 2023 for middle school students, and will expanded this service to the 2023-2024 school year for all 4 middle school sites.

Goal 1.13 (1.15): As mentioned in Action 2, all MCSD sites were continued to provide an intervention teacher and an aide for the intervention programs at their respective sites. Each site prescribes various interventions to meet its student population's diverse needs.

General challenges for Goal 1 and its subsequent actions include but are not limited to key systemic staffing vacancies such as a Superintendent, Deputy Superintendent, and Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, above-average chronic absenteeism rates of students, and lack of substitute teachers.

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.

In January 2024 MCSD welcomed a new Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services who was charged to immediately analyze MCSD programming in order to bring alignment and coherence - an instructional identity. By Mid-May 2024 the Assistant Superintendent was able to work with the MCSD Literacy Team to come to consensus on the next-best draft of the MCSD Literacy Plan. Many of the planned activities identified within the MCSD Literacy Plan are in practice at many MCSD sites, they remain at the beginning stages of implemenation and are not internalized at all sites. As such, the language for MCSD Goal 1 has minor changes, yet many of its actions are consolidated and redrafted in order to mirror the activities for alignment and coherence. Examples of alignment and coherence that will be reflected in the 2024-25 MCSD LCAP include, but are not limited to:

Goal 1: Action 1: Consolidating Goal 1, Action 4 and Action 5, inclusive of minor language changes;

Goal 1: Action 2: Consolidating Goal 1, Action 3 and 13, inclusive of minor language changes;

Goal 1: Action 3-7: Minor language changes;

Goal 1: Action 8: Major language changes to describe the professional development plan beginning in the 2024-25 school year; and,

Goal 1: Action 9: New English learner goal.

A report of the Estimated Act Table.	e Total Estimated tual Percentages	I Actual Expenditur of Improved Servic	es for last year's ces for last year's	actions may be f actions may be f	ound in the Annua found in the Contr	Il Update Table. A libuting Actions An	report of the nual Update

Goals and Actions

Goal

Goal #	Description
	Provide a welcoming, safe, culturally responsive environment, where students are personally affirmed, explicitly taught social and emotional skills, and receive additional supports to increase their engagement in learning as measured by attendance and suspension rates.

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
California School Dashboard Chronic Absenteeism Rate	10.6% Chronic Absenteeism Rate	2020-2021 20.3% Chronic Absenteeism Rate (Data Quest, 2022)	30% Chronic Absenteeism Rate (as reported by the Student Information System (SIS), 6/21/23) Special Education Students: 38%	21% Chronic Absenteeism Rate (as reported by the Student Information System (SIS))	8% Chronic Absenteeism Rate
California School Dashboard Suspension Rate	3.6% Suspension Rate	2020-2021 0.1% Suspension Rate (Data Quest, 2022)	4.58% Suspension Rate (as reported by the Student Information System (SIS), 6/21/23)	4.8% Suspension Rate (as reported by the Student Information System (SIS)	2.5% Suspension Rate

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Data Quest Expulsion Rate	0.03% Expulsion Rate	2020-2021 0.0% Expulsion Rate (Data Quest, 2022)	0.00% Expulsion Rate	6/11,664 students or 0.0005% Expulsion Rate	0.01% Expulsion Rate
California Healthy Kids Survey: Percent of students reporting their sense of safety and belonging at the school	Safety Third-grade; 80% Fifth-grade; 76% Seventh-grade; 72% Belonging Third-grade; 59% Fifth-grade; 59% Seventh-grade; 68%	2021-2022 (Reflective of Inperson Learning Environments) Safety Third-grade; 81% Fifth-grade; 79% Seventh-grade; 53% Belonging Third-grade; 72% Fifth-grade; 71% Seventh-grade; 52%	Safety Third-grade; 80% Fifth-grade; 71% Seventh-grade; 53% Eighth-grade; 44% Belonging Third-grade; 74% Fifth-grade; 67% Seventh-grade; 54% Eighth-grade; 46%	Safety Third-grade; N/A *did not survey 23-24 School Year Fifth-grade; 69% Sixth-grade; 66% Seventh-grade; 51% Eighth-grade; 49% Belonging Third-grade; N/A *did not survey 23-24 School Year Fifth-grade; 68% Sixth-grade; 62% Seventh-grade; 50% Eighth-grade; 49%	Safety Third-grade; 100% Fifth-grade; 100% Seventh-grade; 100% Belonging Third-grade; 89% Fifth-grade; 89% Seventh-grade; 98%

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
California Healthy Kids Survey: Percent of parents reporting their sense of safety and belonging at the school	Safety 93% Belonging 65%	2021-2022 (Reflective of Inperson Learning Environments) Safety 89% Belonging 68%	Safety 89% Belonging 88%	Safety 86% Belonging 86%	Safety 100% Belonging 95%
California Healthy Kids Survey: Percent of teachers reporting their sense of safety and belonging at the school	Safety 98% Belonging 97%	2021-2022 (Reflective of Inperson Learning Environments) Safety 92% Belonging 89%	Safety 92% Belonging 91%	Safety 95% Belonging 92%	Safety 100% Belonging 100%
Data Quest Attendance Rate	Excused Absences 61% Unexcused Absences 37% Out-of-School Suspension Absences 1%	2020-2021 Excused Absences 26% Unexcused Absences 74% Out-of-School Suspension Absences 0.02%	Excused Absences 63% Unexcused Absences 36% Out-of-School Suspension Absences 1%	Excused Absences 61% Unexcused Absences 37% Out-of-School Suspension Absences 1%	Excused Absences 51% Unexcused Absences 27% Out-of-School Suspension Absences .05%

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
	Incomplete	Incomplete	Incomplete	Incomplete	Incomplete
	Independent Studies				
	Absence	Absence	Absence	Absence	Absence
	0.5%	0.06%	0.01%	0.001%	0.2%

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.

There were no substantive differences in planned actions and actual implementation of these actions for Goal 2.

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

There were no material differences between Budgeted Expenditures and Estimated Actual Expenditures and/or Planned Percentages of Improved Services and Established Actual Percentages of Improved Services. Any differences may be related to unfilled positions and/or increases to salaries and benefits.

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

Each of the actions was effective per their intent. For example;

Goal 2.1: Clinical-level behavioral and mental health and targeted student intervention services increased in 2023-2024. MCSD's social workers serviced 449 families. Many of these referrals were connected with community-based clinical-level services. The professional development efficacy survey indicated staff feels more support is needed to further the classroom application of these important relational skills.

Goal 2.2: Intramural activities including MC Cup, March Madness, MCSD Spotlight, STEAM Fair, Junior Olympics, assemblies, and field trips were fully implemented.

Goal 2.3: Full-time counselors continued to be provided to each school site, and supplemental health technicians, speech therapists, psychologists, and nurses were retained. This resulted in increased health and wellness instruction and emotional and other support for students and their families. Increases student attendance and family engagement were evident (e.g. Open House, 8th-grade Graduation meetings and activities), as well as a decline in requests for long-term independent studies.

Goal 2.4: Middle school sports programming included all sports and provided students with opportunities to engage in safe social and physical activities to increase a sense of belonging and community at school, and student engagement

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.

MCSD will continue with the same goal and actions with adding a counselor to Rivera Elementary and the Community Day School. In addition, MCSD will add a Site Day School Classroom that is inclusive of a teacher and an all-day instructional assistant in order to provide more supports to its students.

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

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	Empower families and educational partners to become full partners in the education of students to ensure all students excel academically, build character, and are productive members of our community.
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Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
The California School Parent Survey is administered in multiple languages and analyzed for feedback and measured by parent, teacher, and student participation rate	Parent Responses; 1,107 Teacher Responses; 450 Student Responses; 1,147 (Only grades 3, 5, and 7)	2021-2022 In-person and Remote Administrations Parent Responses; 878 Teacher Responses; 442 Student Responses; 1,856 (Only grades 3, 5, and 7)	Parent Responses; 1,386 Teacher Responses; 694 Student Responses; 2,634 (Only grades 3, 5, 7, and 8)	Parent Responses; 1,141 Staff Responses; 761 Student Responses; 4,734 (Only grades 5, 6, 7, and 8)	Parent Responses; 2,500 Teacher Responses; 500 Student Responses; 2,000 (Only grades 3, 5, and 7)
Using the California School Parent Survey, the percent of parents who feel welcome to participate in school activities	2020-2021 81% of parents reported feeling welcome to participate	2021-2022 76% of parents reported feeling welcome to participate	84% of parents reported feeling welcome to participate	86% of parents reported feeling welcome to participate	2020-2021 91% of parents reported feeling welcome to participate
Parents, teachers, and other educational partners receive communications through Parent	Parent messages; 32	2021-2022 Parent messages; 35	Parent messages; 273	Parent messages; 355 ParentSquare messages and over 300 Facebook posts	Maintain a system of of parent messages with at least 30 per year

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Square in multiple languages regarding opportunities to participate in district decision-making, governance, and the development of plans.					
Involvement of parents of children with exceptional needs in the IEP process.	2020-2021 98%	2021-2022 99%	2022-23 99%	2022-23 99%	100% of parents of students with exceptional needs will participate in the development and monitoring of their child's education plan.
All site LCAP PAC representatives, including parents of Unduplicated pupils, participate in LCAP PAC meetings.	2020-2021 95%	2021-2022 50%	2022-23 95%	2022-23 95%	100% of all site LCAP PAC representatives, including parents of Unduplicated pupils, particiapte in LCAP PAC meetings.

Goal Analysis

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

There were no substantive differences in planned actions and actual implementation of these actions for Goal 3.

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.

Any differences may be related to unfilled positions and/or increases to salaries and benefits.

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

Each of the actions was effective per its intent. For example;

Goal 3.1: The roles of Community Outreach Specialists (COS) and Site-based Community Liaisons supported educational partner empowerment and the education of students by providing parent education modules, conducting communication and outreach through home visits, telephone calls, and support at Family Help Stations. Parents reported being more welcome to participate and submitted more responses to the California School Parent Survey than in 2022-2023.

Goal 3.2: Resources used to communicate with families that proved effective were increased messaging through Parent Square, services from Language Link to include written translation services, partnering with local community non-profits to provide safe spaces for families to participate in surveys and weekly district communications to families from the Office of the Superintendent.

Goal 3.3:MCSD families were served by the Family Resource Engagement Center throughout the year. The Family Literacy program class size increased to 25 students and Family Help Stations remained fully operational at all school sites this year. MCSD's COS team visited each site twice this year at the time ingress to the campus in order to promote the MCSD FERC to families dropping off their children. This was named, "FERC Fridays".

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.

MCSD is continuing on with Goal 3 and its actions. MCSD added a Family Summer Academy to its 2024 Summer programming. The program used 21 days to provide parenting suggestions and provided training for the suite of Google products. This will continue in the summer of 2025.

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
	To increase academic achievement and a sense of belonging for African-American and Foster Youth the District will
	provide additional targeted programs, services, and supports designed to meet the unique needs of these student groups.

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
California Dashboard: CAASPP: English Language-Arts, grades 3 - 8	2022 California Dashboard: CAASPP: English Language- Arts, grades 3 - 8 African American: 78.8 points below standard, 320 students Foster Youth: 78.8 points below standard, 64 students	MCSD LCAP Goal 4 initiated during the 2023-24 school year.	MCSD LCAP Goal 4 initiated during the 2023-24 school year.	2023 California Dashboard: CAASPP: English Language- Arts, grades 3 - 8 Black/African American: 84.8 points below standard, 318 students Foster Youth: 97.8 points below standard, 69 students	MCSD LCAP Goal 4 initiated during the 2023-24 school year.
California Dashboard: CAASPP: Mathematics, grades 3 - 8	2022 California Dashboard: CAASPP: Mathematics, grades 3 - 8 African American: 127.8 points below standard, 316 students	MCSD LCAP Goal 4 initiated during the 2023-24 school year.	MCSD LCAP Goal 4 initiated during the 2023-24 school year.	2023 California Dashboard: CAASPP: Mathematics, grades 3 - 8 Black/African American:	MCSD LCAP Goal 4 initiated during the 2023-24 school year.

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
	Foster Youth: 123.8 points below standard, 63 students			129.6 points below standard, 318 students Foster Youth: 126.3 points below standard, 68 students	
California Dashboard: Suspension Rates, grades TK - 8	2023 California Dashboard: Suspension Rates, grades TK - 8, TBD (Local Data as reported by the Student Information System (SIS), 6/21/23) African American: 13% suspended at least one day, 67/573 students Foster Youth: 13% suspened at least one day, 19/158 students	MCSD LCAP Goal 4 initiated during the 2023-24 school year.	MCSD LCAP Goal 4 initiated during the 2023-24 school year.	2023 California Dashboard: Suspension Rates, grades TK - 8 Black/African American: 12.4% suspended at least one day, 73/590 students Foster Youth: 12.3% suspended at least one day, 26/211 students 2023-24 MCSD Student Information System, AERIES, to date: Black/African American: 10.9% suspended at least one day; 69/632	MCSD LCAP Goal 4 initiated during the 2023-24 school year.

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
				Foster Youth: 14.8% suspended at least one day; 28/189	
California Dashboard: Attendance Rates, grades TK - 8	2023 California Dashboard: Attendance Rates, grades TK - 8, TBD (Local Data as reported by the Student Information System (SIS), 6/21/23) African American: 48% chronically absent, 263/548 students Foster Youth: 7% chronically absent, 35/132 students	MCSD LCAP Goal 4 initiated during the 2023-24 school year.	MCSD LCAP Goal 4 initiated during the 2023-24 school year.	2023 California Dashboard: Attendance Rates, grades TK - 8 Black/African American: 48% chronically absent, 263/548 students Foster Youth: 7% chronically absent, 35/132 students 2023-24 MCSD Student Information System, ARIES, to date: Black/African American: 38.8% chronically absent; 229 students Foster Youth: 24.7% chronically absent; 40 students	MCSD LCAP Goal 4 initiated during the 2023-24 school year.

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
District Progress Assessment 3: Reading, grades K - 8	2022 - 2023 District Progress Assessment 3: Reading, grades K - 8 *TK will not be assessed with DPA beginning in 2023-24 African American: 25% Above or On Level Foster Youth: Not Reported on i- Ready		MCSD LCAP Goal 4 initiated during the 2023-24 school year.	2023 - 2024 District Progress Assessment 3: Reading, grades K - 8 *TK will not be assessed with DPA beginning in 2023-24 Black/African- American: 32% Above/On Level, a 7% increase from 2023-24 DPA 2 Foster Youth 28% Above/On Level, an 8% increase from 2023-24 DPA 2	•
District Progress Assessment 3: Mathematics, grades K - 8	2022 - 2023 District Progress Assessment 3: Mathematics, grades K - 8 *TK will not be assessed with DPA beginning in 2023-24 African American: 15% Above or On Level Foster Youth:	MCSD LCAP Goal 4 initiated during the 2023-24 school year.	MCSD LCAP Goal 4 initiated during the 2023-24 school year.	2023 - 2024 District Progress Assessment 3: Mathematics, grades K - 8 *TK will not be assessed with DPA beginning in 2023-24 Black/African- American: 24% Above/On Level, a 9% increase from 2023-24 DPA 2	MCSD LCAP Goal 4 initiated during the 2023-24 school year.

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
	Not Reported on i- Ready			Foster Youth 29% Above/On Level, a 22% increase from 2023-24 DPA 2	

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.

Other than the assigned Diversity Champion retiring in February 2024 there were no substantive differences in planned actions and actual implementation of these actions for Goal 4. The position is set to be re-filled on July 1, 2024.

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

There were no material differences between Budgeted Expenditures and Estimated Actual Expenditures and/or Planned Percentages of Improved Services and Established Actual Percentages of Improved Services. Any differences may be related to unfilled positions, increases to salaries and benefits, and/or unfulfilled contracts with vendors.

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

Each of the actions was effective per its intent. For example;

Goal 4.1: MCSD made connections with Historic Black Colleges and Universities' (HBCU) network to ensure job postings. MCSD also provided the Merced Black Parallel School Board with recruitment flyers in order to network with our local community.

Goal 4.2: MCSD assigned a Diversity Champion in order to support the efforts of MCSD's LCAP Goal 4.

Goal 4.3: MCSD continues to search for coursework to provide focused cultural and linguistic responsiveness instruction to its staff.

Goal 4.4: MCSD focused enrollment of its Black/African-American students and students in Foster care into contracted tutoring services. At the time of this draft, 74, or 30% of the nearly 250 MCSD students enrolled in the contracted tutorial service were Black/African-American. Individual calls were made to families and flyers were sent by the district to the families, as well. MCSD continues to vet and search out any other viable programs.

Goal 4.5: MCSD continues to work with school counselors and site administrators to develop Individualized Learning Plans for students in need. MCSD continues to develop its own MCSD Dashboard in order for sites to identify students in need of support efficiently.

Goal 4.6: MCSD developed Advisory Committees for Black/African-American and Students in Foster Care. The teams have met regularly and discuss data related to the student groups.

Goal 4.7: MCSD continues to work with its contracted surveyor to develop these Family Empathy Interviews.

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.

MCSD will continue to pursue diversity, equity, and inclusion staff training.

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 lcff@cde.ca.gov.

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.

		·			Desired Outcome
Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	for Year 3
					(2023–24)
Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.	Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.	Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.	Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.	Enter information in this box when completing the 2023–24 LCAP Annual Update.	Copy and paste verbatim from the 2023–24 LCAP.

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.

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LCFF Budget Overview for Parents

Local Educational Agency (LEA) Name: Merced City School District

CDS Code: 24 65771 000000

School Year: 2024-25 LEA contact information:

Aaron Alexander

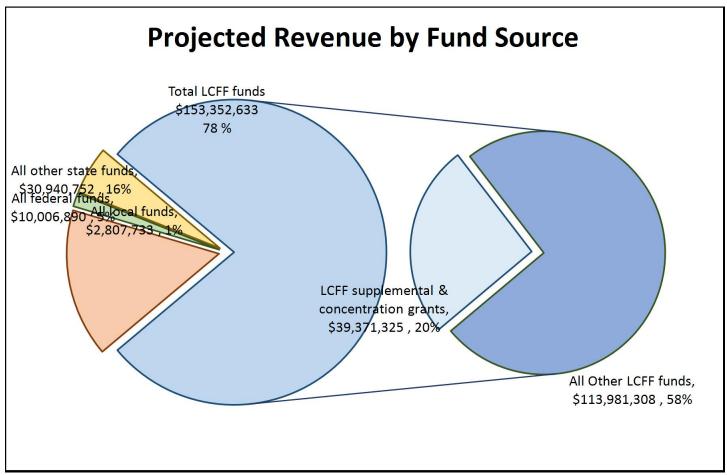
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School districts receive funding from different sources: state funds under the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), other state funds, local funds, and federal funds. LCFF funds include a base level of funding for all LEAs and extra funding - called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

Budget Overview for the 2024-25 School Year

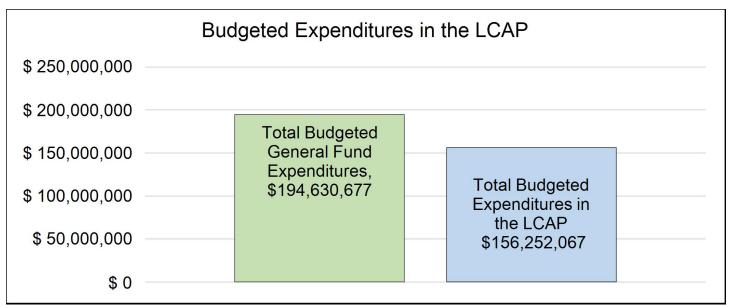


This chart shows the total general purpose revenue Merced City School District expects to receive in the coming year from all sources.

The text description for the above chart is as follows: The total revenue projected for Merced City School District is \$197,108,008, of which \$153,352,633 is Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), \$30,940,752 is other state funds, \$2,807,733 is local funds, and \$10,006,890 is federal funds. Of the \$153,352,633 in LCFF Funds, \$39,371,325 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 Merced City 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: Merced City School District plans to spend \$194,630,677 for the 2024-25 school year. Of that amount, \$156,252,067 is tied to actions/services in the LCAP and \$38,378,610 is not included in the LCAP. The budgeted expenditures that are not included in the LCAP will be used for the following:

Home to school transportation, utilities, and the funding of the Maintenance and Operations Department, Facilities Department, Fiscal Department, Personnel Department, Officer Managers and Clerks, School Nutrition Services Department, and the Office of the Superintendent.

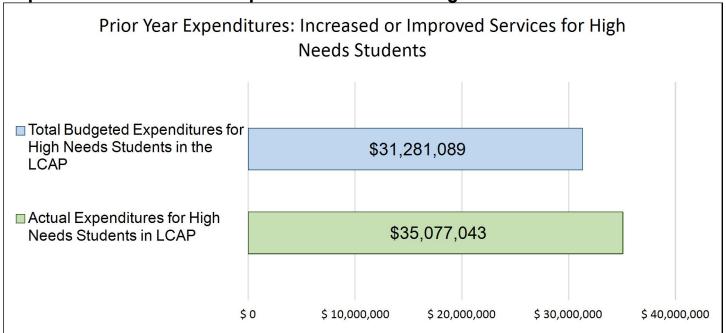
Increased or Improved Services for High Needs Students in the LCAP for the 2024-25 School Year

In 2024-25, Merced City School District is projecting it will receive \$39,371,325 based on the enrollment of foster youth, English learner, and low-income students. Merced City School District must describe how it intends to increase or improve services for high needs students in the LCAP. Merced City School District plans to spend \$42,813,100 towards meeting this requirement, as described in the LCAP.

Factors for the difference includes the impact of salary increases to MCSD employees. In addition, Increased or Improved services may be provided to students in 2024-25 with other revenue streams.

LCFF Budget Overview for Parents

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



This chart compares what Merced City 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 Merced City 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, Merced City School District's LCAP budgeted \$31,281,089 for planned actions to increase or improve services for high needs students. Merced City School District actually spent \$35,077,043 for actions to increase or improve services for high needs students in 2023-24.



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
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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.

Merced City School District's vision strives to have our students to have the academic skills and personal characteristics to continue their learning journey, pursuing their passions and talents. We accomplish this vision by carrying out the mission to ensure equitable access to high-quality instruction in environments that value and build from students' unique talents. Our District team provides positive, inclusive environments where all students feel safe, respected, and connected. We promise to empower all students and nurture them to build personal success and contribute to society.

The MCSD Board of Education revised the aforementioned District vision and mission statements and adopted new core values in the 2022-2023 school year. The Board of Education searched for a Superintendent throughout the entire 2023-2024 school year. In the Spring of 2024, the Board of Education selected Mrs. Julianna Stocking as Superintendent. She began her role on July 1, 2024. During the time of transition, strong leadership was provided by the Governing Board, the Acting Superintendent, members of the Executive Cabinet, as well as school administration, and staff throughout the 2023-2024 school year.

MCSD is one of the largest school districts within Merced County, serving approximately 11,664 students from diverse backgrounds

including:

- 1,874 (16%) English Language Learners
- 9,050 (77%) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students
- 256 (2%) Homeless Students
- 138 (1%) Foster Youth
- 1,359 (11.7%) Students with Disabilities

Source: MCSD Dashboard, March 4, 2024

The District focuses on student success and commits to providing high-quality instructional programs for all children by implementing the Common Core State Standards (CCSS), a robust assessment plan, ongoing professional development, and a Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS). There are fourteen TK-6 elementary schools; 13 of the 14 elementary schools offer State Preschool. There are four middle schools consisting of 7th and 8th grades. A Community Day School program is available for students with special behavioral needs and receives support through the Equity Multiplier. Community Day School was identified to receive Equity Multiplier funds due to the prior year's nonstability rate being greater than 25 percent and the prior year's socioeconomically disadvantaged pupil rates being greater than 70 percent. MCSD recognizes and values the involvement of educational partners in developing the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP). A shared focus promotes high levels of engagement and achievement for all students, especially pupils designated as Unduplicated.

Programs and services supplemental to the district's base offerings are intentionally designed to serve and increase the academic achievement of unduplicated pupils and other students in need. The District partners with local organizations and agencies dedicated to increased equity and inclusion in the Merced community. Funds from the Local Control Funding Formula and other funding streams strengthen academic offerings, increase engagement, provide additional learning time, and provide wrap-around social-emotional support for students. A portion of the funding is used to attract and retain teachers.

Parent and community involvement in education is valued and encouraged. The District supports parents through the Department of Pupil Services, three bilingual Community Outreach Specialists, site-based community liaisons, and specialized staff such as social workers and a Family and Student Engagement Coordinator. Parent education workshops are offered virtually and in person. Parents are encouraged to share their talents with their child's school. Opportunities for parental involvement include volunteering in classrooms, participating in site committees, such as School Site Council (SSC), English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC), Parent Teacher Clubs (PTC), and supporting events such as District March Madness, STEAM Fair, and the Student Spotlight Performance. Parents also represent sites on district-level committees, such as the District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC), and the Local Control and Accountability Plan Parent Advisory Committee (LCAP PAC).

Site-driven LCAP Teams, in conjunction with the community, continue to drive LCAP implementation. School allocations are calculated using a mathematical formula based on the quantity of unduplicated pupils per site. The site-based structure compels school leaders to share

LCAP work transparently. It contributes to meaningful educational partner input during forums for staff, parents, students, and the general public. Budgets are developed in collaboration with SSC, ELAC, and site Leadership Teams. LCAP representation teams from each school are composed of parents, community members, students, and staff.

*Merced City School District does not have a high school (grades 9-12).

The following metrics are not part of the LCAP:

- 1) Share of students that are college and career-ready (graduation rate and graduates completing UC/CSU required courses);
- 2) Share of students that pass Advanced Placement (AP) exams with a 3 or higher;
- 3) Share of students determined to be prepared for college by the Early Assessment Program (EAP);
- 4) High school dropout rates; and,
- 5) High school graduation rates.

Reflections: Annual Performance

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

2023 California School Dashboard Analysis:

The Academic Performance of the Dashboard contains three measures: English Language Arts/Literacy, mathematics, and the English Learner Progress Indicator. These measures show how well students are meeting grade-level standards or how they are making progress in learning English. They are based on student performance on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments and the California Alternate Assessments, which are taken each spring by students in grades three through eight and grade eleven.

English-Language Arts

3rd through 8th-grade students who took the Language Arts California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress, or CASSPP, during the 2022-23 School Year Declined by an average of 4.6 points - which designates us in an Orange, or Low Category, for English Language Arts.

3 subgroups of MCSD students performed at very low rates compared to the year prior: African American (-5 points); English Learners (-4.3 points); and Foster Youth declined by (-9 points), were designated Red.

6 subgroups performed at low rates compared to the prior year and designated Orange: Asian (-3 points), Hispanic (-4.6 points), Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (-3.6 points), and White (-6.1 points). Students with Disabilities and Homeless students, while increasing (5 and 14 points, respectively) were performing at low rates.

The Two or More Races subgroup was categorized as Yellow as they maintained an average Increase of 5.4 points.

Filipino students who took the CAASPP in the Spring of 2023 are performing at high levels as they increased an average of 6.7 points - categorizing them as Green.

We would like to highlight nine schools that Maintained or Increased overall student performance:

Chenoweth; Franklin; Fremont; Gracey; Hoover; Peterson; Reyes; Stefani; and Stowell.

530 current MCSD students in grades 4-8 were 25 points or less from Meeting the Standard in ELA

The following schools were noted to have the lowest status for English Language Arts (ELA): Sheehy, Wright, Muir, and Stowell. The following student groups, district-wide, identified with the lowest status for ELA: English Learners, Foster Youth, and African American. The following student groups, by site, identified with the lowest status by indicator for ELA: Chenoweth, Students with Disabilities; Cruickshank, English Learners and Students with Disabilities; Fremont, English Learners and Hispanic; Givens, English Learners and Socioeconomically Disadvantaged; Gracey, English Learners; Hoover, English Learners and Students with Disabilities; Muir, English Learners, Hispanic, Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Students with Disabilities; Reyes, Hispanic; Rivera Middle, English Learners; Sheehy, English Learners, Hispanic, Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Students with Disabilities; Stowell, English Learners and Students with Disabilities; Wright, English Learners, Hispanic and Socioeconomically Disadvantaged.

Overall State Average for ELA:

13.6 Points Below Average, Orange, Maintained -1.4 points

MCSD All Students for ELA:

50.3 Points Below Average, Orange, Declined 4.6 points

B/AA State Average for ELA

59.6 Points Below Average, Orange, Maintained -2 points

F/Y State Average for ELA

89.2 Points Below Average, Red, Maintained -2.5 points

Homeless State Average for ELA

67.9 Points Below Average, Orange, Declined 5 points

Mathematics

3rd through 8th-grade students who took the Mathematics California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress, or CASSPP, during the 2022-23 School Year Maintained by an average of 1.6 points - which designates MCSD in an Orange, or Low Category, for Mathematics

2 subgroups of MCSD students performed at very low rates compared to the year prior: African American (-1.8 points); and Foster Youth declined by (-2.5 points), were designated Red.

7 subgroups performed at low rates compared to the prior year and designated Orange: Asian and Filipino declined (-4.5 points and -2 points); however the other 5 subgroups within Orange increased their average scores: Hispanic (+2.8 points); English Learners (+3.2 points); White (+0.3 points); Students with Disabilities and Homeless students increased significantly, (+10 and +31.5 points, respectively) were still performing at low rates.

Two or More Races and Socioeconomically Disadvantaged subgroups were categorized as Yellow as they Maintained an average increase of 14.8 points and 3.4 points.

Filipino students who took the CAASPP in the Spring of 2023 are performing at high levels as they increased an average of 6.7 points - categorizing them as Green.

We would like to highlight the thirteen schools that Maintained or Increased overall student performance:

Burbank; Chenoweth; Cruickshank; Franklin; Fremont; Gracey; Hoover; Muir; Peterson; Reyes; Sheehy; Stefani; and Tenaya.

521 current MCSD students in grades 4-8 were 25 points or less from Meeting the Standard in Math.

The following schools had the lowest Mathematics status: Rivera Middle, Stowell, and Tenaya.

The following student groups, district-wide, identified with the lowest status for Math: Foster Youth, and African American.

The following student groups, by site, identified with the lowest status by indicator for Mathematics: Chenoweth, Students with Disabilities; Cruickshank, Socioeconomically Disadvantaged; Fremont, Hispanic; Givens, English Learners; Muir, Students with Disabilities; Peterson, Students with Disabilities; Rivera Elementary, English Learners, Students with Disabilities, and African American; Rivera Middle, English Learners, Hispanic and Socioeconomically Disadvantaged; Sheehy, English Learners, Students with Disabilities; Stefani, English Learners; Stowell, English Learners, Hispanic, Socioeconomically Disadvantaged; Tenaya, Hispanic, Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, and Students with Disabilities; Wright, Hispanic and English Learners.

Overall State Average for Math:

49.1 Points Below Average, Orange, Maintained 2.6 points

MCSD All Students for Math:

82.9 Points Below Average, Orange, Maintained 1.7 points

B/AA State Average for Math

104.5 Points Below Average, Red, Maintained 2.6 points

F/Y State Average for Math

127.4 Points Below Average, Red, Maintained 1.4 points

Homeless State Average for Math

101.3 Points Below Average, Red, Maintained 0.5 points

English Learner Proficiency Indicator

Proficiency in the English language is a first step for students to do well in other subject areas such as reading, writing, mathematics, and science. The English Learner Progress measure looks at the progress that English Learner students are making toward achieving English proficiency. Each spring, English learner students take the Summative Assessment, which measures how well they know and understand English. Results from the ELPAC are used to calculate the English Learner Progress measure.

We are pleased to report that our English Learners in grades Kindergarten through 8th grade continue to make progress on the annual English Language Proficiency Assessments for California, or ELPAC.

As it shows on the graphic, 49%, or an increase of 3.9% compared to the year prior, of our ELs make progress through the levels of EL status and are designated as Green.

While 15.6% of our students declined a level, 35% of English Learners maintained their current level, 4% maintained level 4, the highest level of EL status before being reclassified, and 48.1% of EL students progressed at least one level.

This is a significant HIGHLIGHT for MCSD!

To expand on our success, 13 of our sites showed year-to-year improvement by increasing the percentage of students growing from one level to another.

ELPI State Average:

48.7% Making Progress; Maintained, -1.6%, Yellow

The following schools were noted to have the lowest status for English Language Proficiency Indicator (ELPI): Burbank

Chronic Absenteeism

The Chronic Absenteeism measure shows how many students were absent for 10 percent or more of the instructional days they were enrolled to attend. For example, if a student was enrolled to attend 180 instructional days and is absent 18 or more of those days, the student would be considered chronically absent. Chronically absent students miss out on important classroom instruction. Capturing this information in the Dashboard allows parents and educators to see if chronic absenteeism is a problem at a school or across a district.

30.1% of our students in grades TK-8 during the 2022-23 school year missed 10% or more of the school year - which Declined Significantly by 11.2% from the year prior, which designates us in a Yellow, or Very High Category, for Chronic Absenteeism Rates.

1 subgroup of MCSD students was absent at a higher rate than the year prior: Students who were experiencing Homelessness increased chronic absenteeism by 9.8% and were categorized by Red.

2 subgroups of MCSD students missed a high level of school: American Indian and Filipino students declined their rates by 19.2 and 6.8% compared to the year prior, but as a group, missed a significant amount of school.

9 other subgroups missed a significant amount of school, but declined their chronic absenteeism rates from the prior year and were categorized as Yellow- Maintaining their status: African American (-6.2%); Asian (-8.4%); English Learners (-14%); Foster Youth (-13.6%); Hispanic (-11.8%); Two or More Races (-11.4%); Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (-12.4%); Students with Disabilities (-13.7%); and White (-11.6%).

Students, their families, and our school staff should be commended for their efforts to improve chronic absenteeism. We look forward to seeing decreases in chronic absenteeism rates.

ALL MCSD schools decreased the Chronic Absenteeism rates. Notably, Peterson, Reyes, and Stefani decreased their rate by over 20%.

The following schools were noted to have the lowest status for Chronic Absenteeism (CA): Rivera Elementary and Wright The following student groups, district-wide, identified with the lowest status for CA: Homeless

The following student groups, by site, identified with the lowest status by indicator for CA: Chenoweth, African American; Fremont, African American and Two or More Races; Hoover, Students with Disabilities; Rivera Elementary, Hispanic and White; Stowell, English Learners; Wright, Hispanic.

Overall State C/A Average:

49.1 Points Below Average, Orange, Maintained 2.6 points

MCSD All Students C/A:

30.1% C/A Average, Yellow, Declined -11.2%

B/AA State C/A Avg:

36.4% C/A Average, Yellow, Declined -6.5%

F/Y State C/A Avg:

33.6% C/A Average, Yellow, Declined -8.5%

Homeless State Average:

38.7% C/A Average, Yellow, Declined 6.4%

Suspension Rate

The Suspension Rate measure shows the percentage of students who were suspended at least one time during the school year. Students who are suspended from school miss out on important classroom instruction. Capturing this information in the Dashboard allows parents and educators to see if there is a suspension problem at a school or across a district and whether certain student groups are suspended more than others. Note: A student is counted as suspended in the suspension rate only once regardless of multiple suspensions or multiple days of suspension.

4.6% of our students in grades TK-8 during the 2022-23 School Year were suspended at least once - which Increased half a percent from the year prior, which designates us in an Orange, or High Category, for Suspension Rates.

4 subgroups of MCSD students were suspended at very high rates than the year prior: African American (+1%); American Indian (+7%); Homeless (+1%), and Foster Youth actually declined by (-0.2), but were still suspended at higher rates and designated Red.

7 subgroups were suspended at higher rates than the prior year and designated Orange: Asian (+0.3%), English Learners (+1.3%), Hispanic (+0.6), Two or More Races (+1.2%), Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (+0.6%), White (-0.1), and Students with Disabilities, while decreasing -1%, were still considered to be suspended at high rates.

We also see that Filipino students were suspended less than the previous year, a decrease of 4%, which categorizes them in a Blue Category, or Very Low.

Nine MCSD sites decreased their Suspension Rates: Burbank, Chenoweth, Cruickshank, Franklin, Fremont, Givens, Reyes, Rivera Elementary, and Tenaya.

The following schools were noted to have the lowest status for Suspension Rates: Hoover, Rivera Middle, Sheehy, and Stowell. The following student groups, district-wide, identified with the lowest status for Suspension Rates: Foster Youth, Homeless, American Indian, and African American.

The following student groups, by site, identified with the lowest status by indicator for Suspension Rates: Cruickshank, English Learners and African American; Gracey, English Learners; Hoover, English Learners, Hispanic, Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, African American, and Students with Disabilities; Rivera Middle, English Learners, Hispanic, Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Students with Disabilities; Stefani, White and African American; Stowell, English Learners, Hispanic, Socioeconomically Disadvantaged;

Overall State SUS Average:

3.5% SUS at least one day Orange, Increased 0.4%

MCSD All Students SUS:

4.6% SUS at least one day Orange, Increased 0.5%

B/AA State SUS Avg:

8.8% SUS at least one day Red, Increased 0.9%

F/Y State SUS Avg:

13.6% SUS at least one day Red, Increased 1.2%

Homeless State SUS Avg:

6.5% SUS at least one day, Orange, Increased 1%

Reflections: Technical Assistance

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

Merced City School District has worked with the Merced County Office of Education (MCOE) in order to identify school sites that require technical assistance, otherwise known as Differentiated Assistance (DA). School sites that were identified as eligible received written notification and were consulted by MCSD's Director of State and Federal Programs. The consultation consisted of eligibility of Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) and/or Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI), resources to inform site-based educational partners, and required language to be included in their School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA).

MCSD is eligible for DA for Foster Youth and African American Students for Mathematics, English Language Arts, and Suspension. Also, MCSD qualifies its Homeless students for Chronic Absenteeism and Suspension Rates.

During the 2023-24 school year MCSD met with Merced County Office of Education to reflect on areas needing improvement. For approximately 5 meetings, the team met to reflect on the California School Dashboard data and ultimately found that the enrollment process that identifies students eligible as Foster Youth needed improvement. The team spent significant time creating processes that office staff will use to accurately indicate a student's status in the district's student information system. The team found this vital to ensure students were able to access the resources available to them within MCSD. Goal 4 was developed to meet the needs of the student groups identified as needing support through the technical assistance process. Actions 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.5, 4.6, and 4.7 are related to the work underway as part of technical assistance.

The following sites are eligible for ATSI:

Donn B. Chenoweth Elementary School is eligible for Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) based on the following subgroups:

Black/African-American: Chronic Absenteeism

Joe Stefani Elementary School is eligible for Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) based on the following subgroups:

Black/African-American: Suspension

John C. Fremont Elementary School is eligible for Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) based on the following subgroups:

Black/African-American: Chronic Absenteeism

Herbert Hoover Middle School is eligible for Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) based on the following subgroups:

Students with Disabilities: Chronic Absenteeism, Suspension, and Mathematics Achievement

Black/African-American: Suspension

Margeret Sheehy Elementary School is eligible for Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) based on the following subgroups:

English Learner: English Language Arts (ELA), Mathematics, Suspension

Students with Disabilities: Suspension, ELA, and Math

Rudolph Rivera Middle School is eligible for Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) based on the following subgroups:

Black/African-American: Suspension

Herbert Cruickshank Middle School is eligible for Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) based on the following subgroups:

Black/African-American: Suspension

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.

Don Stowell Elementary School, a TK-6 school site, is eligible for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) based on the following subgroups:

All Students: English Language Arts (ELA), Mathematics (Math), and Suspension

Sociologically Disadvantaged: ELA, Math, and Chronic Absenteeism

English Learner: ELA, Math, Suspension, and Chronic Absenteeism

Hispanic: ELA, Math, and Suspension

Support for Identified Schools

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

Merced City School District will strategically support Don Stowell Elementary. MCSD will connect Stowell with the Merced County Office of Education so that the third party can provide data analysis training for the staff. Don Stowell will then be able to identify targeted actions and designate funding, such as the California Department of Education's GMART grant, that can support identified actions to support student

success. The team will also identify and monitor indicators for the effectiveness of the actions. All supportive actions will be described in Don Stowell's School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA), which will serve as their CSI Plan.

More specifically, Merced County Office of Education worked with Don Stowell's Leadership team in the Spring of 2024 to complete Root Cause Analysis in order to create their CSI plan (to be included in the site SPSA). Stowell's Team aims to 'Focus on Student-Centered Instruction to Increase ELA/Mathematics Performance/Reclassification Rates and Student and Staff Efficacy & Growth Mindset'. The team also identified change ideas such as, "Trauma-informed practices professional development; Mathematics Professional Development; and "just-in-time" Tier 1 Interventions."

Monitoring and Evaluating Effectiveness

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

Merced City School District (Local Education Agency (LEA)) will set up regular meetings to work with the Don Stowell Elementary site leadership to ensure identified actions are implemented with fidelity every quarter, or as requested or needed. The CSI team will look at data points such as CAASPP ELA/Mathematics, ELPAC, monthly attendance and suspension rates, as well as local indicators such as District Progress Assessment results.

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
California School Employees Association (CSEA) #530	These partners were engaged on the following dates: September 20, 2023; January 23, 2024; and, March 12, 2024. During the meetings, the partners were able to review current LCAP actions with their corresponding data points, provide feedback and input, and ask any clarifying questions.
Merced City Teachers Association (MCTA)	These partners were engaged on the following dates: September 20, 2023; January 23, 2024; March 12, 2024. During the meetings, the partners were able to review current LCAP actions with their corresponding data points, provide feedback and input, and ask any clarifying questions.
Merced Black Parallel School Board (MBPSB)	These partners were engaged on the following dates: September 20, 2023; January 17, 2024; March 19, 2024. During the meetings, the partners were able to review current LCAP actions with their corresponding data points, provide feedback and input, and ask any clarifying questions.
Merced City School District Local Accountability Plan Parent Advisory Committee (MCSD LCAP PAC)	These partners were engaged on the following dates: September 19, 2023; November 14, 2023; January 16, 2024; and April 23, 2024. During the meetings, the partners were able to review current LCAP actions with their corresponding data points, provide feedback and input, and ask any clarifying questions.
Merced City School District - District English Learner Advisory Committee (MCSD DELAC)	These partners were engaged on the following dates: October 10, 2023; November 7, 2023; January 23, 2024; April 16, 2024; and May 14, 2024. During the meetings, the partners were able to review

Educational Partner(s)	Process for Engagement
	current LCAP actions with their corresponding data points, provide feedback and input, and ask any clarifying questions.
Merced City School District Cabinet	These partners were engaged on the following dates: August 30, 2023; September 20, 2023; October 18, 2023; December 6, 2023; January 17, 2024; March 13, 2024; April 11, 2024; May 2, 2024. During the meetings, the partners were able to review current LCAP actions with their corresponding data points, provide feedback and input, and ask any clarifying questions.
Merced City School District Principal's Council	These partners were engaged on the following dates: August 23, 2023; September 13, 2023; September 27, 2023; October 11, 2023; October 25, 2023; November 8, 2023; November 29, 2023; January 10, 2024; January 24, 2024; February 7, 2024; March 6, 2024; March 27, 2024; April 17, 2024; April 24, 2024; May 8, 2024; May 22, 2024. During the meetings, the partners were able to review current LCAP actions with their corresponding data points, provide feedback and input, and ask any clarifying questions.
Merced City School District Assistant Principal/Learning Director Council	These partners were engaged on the following dates: August 24, 2023; September 14, 2023; October 26, 2023; November 30, 2023; January 11, 2024; March 28, 2024; April 25, 2024; May 23, 2024. During the meetings, the partners were able to review current LCAP actions with their corresponding data points, provide feedback and input, and ask any clarifying questions.
Merced City School District Black/African American Advisory Council	These partners were engaged on the following dates: December 5, 2023; February 6, 2024; March 5, 2024; April 9, 2024; June 4, 2024. During the meetings, the partners were able to review current LCAP actions with their corresponding data points, provide feedback and input, and ask any clarifying questions.
Merced City School District Foster Youth Advisory Council	These partners were engaged on the following dates: December 5, 2024; February 6, 2024; April 12, 2024. During the meetings, the partners were able to review current LCAP actions with their corresponding data points, provide feedback and input, and ask any clarifying questions.
Merced City School District Foster Youth Reconciliation Team	These partners were engaged on the following dates: January 9, 2024; February 13, 2024; March 5, 2024; March 25, 2024. During the meetings, the partners were able to review current LCAP actions with

Educational Partner(s)	Process for Engagement
	their corresponding data points, provide feedback and input, and ask any clarifying questions.
Merced City School District Local Control Accountability Community Forums (MCSD LCAP Community Forums)	These partners were engaged on the following dates: October 12, 2023; February 15, 2024; May 16, 2024. During the meetings, the partners were able to review current LCAP actions with their corresponding data points, provide feedback and input, and ask any clarifying questions.
Merced County Office of Education: Special Education Consultation	This partner was engaged on June 11, 2024. MCOE Special Education was able to identify that MCSD utilizes inclusive practices as evidenced through its LCAP Goals and Actions.
Community Day School Staff	The staff of Community Day School were engaged on August 2 and 7, 2024 to gather input regarding the Equity Multiplier goal, metrics, and actions.
Merced City School District LCAP Surveys: Teachers & Staff	The LCAP Surveys, conducted three times per year, were made available to teachers and staff during the 2023-24 school year.
Merced City School District LCAP Surveys: Students	The LCAP Surveys, conducted three times per year, were made available to students during the 2023-24 school year.

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

Merced City School District's Educational Partners offered feedback as follows:

California School Employees (CSEA) #530:

- Maintain staffing, inclusive of new Campus Security Liaison positions (Goal 1, Actions 1,2,3,6; Goal 2, Actions 1-4, Goal 3, Actions 1-3)
- Provide staff training (Goal 1, Action 8)

Merced City Teachers Association (MCTA):

- Maintain staffing, inclusive of counselors and Teacher Librarian positions (Goal 1, Actions 1,2,3,6; Goal 2, Actions 1-4)
- Continue staff development (Goal 1, Action 8)
- Create, adopt and implement Literacy plan (Goal 1, Action 1 & 2)

Merced Black Parallel School Board (MBPSB):

- Hire diverse staff to provide focused support for Black/African American families and their students (Goal 4, Action 1)
- Provide High-Quality Tier 1 instruction (Goal 1, Action 1)
- Strong support for Goal 4 Actions (Goal 4)

Merced City School District Local Accountability Plan Parent Advisory Committee (MCSD LCAP PAC):

- Identify Black/African American authors to speak at school sites (Goal 4)
- Reach out to the Merced Black Parallel School Board and any other community resources to support students (Goal 4)
- Provide seasonal parent opportunities to collaborate with each other (Goal 3, Actions 1-3)
- Provide School Site Councils with regular and recurring agenda items to support district-wide collaboration (Goal 3, Action 3)

Merced City School District - District English Learner Advisory Committee (MCSD DELAC):

• Provide targeted tutorials at school sites across the district for more time to learn (Goal 1, Action 6)

Merced City School District Cabinet:

• Goal 1, Actions 1-3 are most important to our district (Goal 1, Actions 1-3)

Merced City School District Principal's/Assistant Principal/Learning Director Council Council:

- Provide Campus Security Liaisons (Goal 2)
- Provide Professional Development opportunities for all staff (Goal 1, Action 8)

Merced City School District Black/African American Advisory Council:

- Provide tutoring services using community/elite services (Goal 1, Action 6)
- Continue implementation of current MCSD LCAP Goal 4 Actions (Goal 4)

Merced City School District Foster Youth Advisory Council:

- Provide materials, supplies and supplemental services (Goal 1, Action 5)
- Ensure students are connected to the site (Goal 2)
- Ensure staff that the student is assigned to is knowledgeable about the student's status with updates (Goal 3)

Merced City School District Foster Youth Reconciliation Team:

- Work the Merced County in order to identify methods to share student information more efficiently (Goal 3)
- Develop a process and protocol that all MCSD school offices adhere to (Goal 3)

Merced City School District LCAP Community Forums

- Ensure physical health and emotional well-being (Goal 2)
- Provide appropriate safety training (Goal 2)
- Provide Social-emotional support (Goal 2)
- Provide extra support for Reading and Mathematics (Goal 1, Action 2)
- Ensure consistent school administration (retaining employees) (Goal 1, Action 1)
- Provide counseling (Goal 2)
- Provide extra-curricular activities (Goal 2)
- Provide healthy eating options (Goal 2)

Community Day School Staff

- Provide social-emotional supports (Goal 5)
- Provide family engagement opportunities (Goal 5)
 Incorporate an attendance plan (Goal 5)

Goals and Actions

Goal

Goal #	Description	Type of Goal
1	Increase the percentage of students who meet Key Performance Indicators by providing an	Broad Goal
	equitable guaranteed viable curriculum (GVC), reflective of student diversity, comprehensive	
	assessments aligned to students' needs, and high-quality instruction to prepare students to	
	successfully enter the next grade level, high school and/or identifying college and career aspirations.	

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)

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

This goal was developed in response to state Priorities 1, 2, 4, 5, and 7 to ensure students are served by: (a) appropriately assigned and fully credentialed teachers who deliver state-adopted academic content including Designated and Integreated ELD; (b) state-aligned instructional materials and facilities in good repair; (c) assessments for academic progress utilzing state-approved metrics including the English Language Proficiency Assessment for California (ELPAC), California Assessment for Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) and local measures; and, (d) programming that meets unique, special, and unduplicated student needs.

DPA data indicates approximately two-thirds of MCSD students are performing below grade level in both reading and mathematics. Students benefit from a well-designed Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum (GVC) from knowledgeable, culturally competent staff, who understand student needs and can differentiate instruction to serve all students.

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
	California School Dashboard: English Language Arts Indicator	2023 California School Dashboard Results			By 2026-2027, MCSD students will increase their	
		All Students:			CAASPP English	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
		50.3 points below standard Students with Disabilities: 128.8 points below standard English Learner Students: 86.4 points below standard African-American Students 84.4 points below standard Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students: 61.3 points below standard Foster Youth Students 87.8 points below standard Homeless Students 95.6 points below standard			Language Arts average scores by 25%.	
1.2	California School Dashboard: Mathematics Indicator	2023 California School Dashboard Results All Students: 82.9 points below standard			By 2026-2027, MCSD students will increase their CAASPP Mathematics average scores by 25%.	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
		Students with Disabilities: 159.5 points below standard English Learner Students: 112.4 points below standard African-American Students 129.6 points below standard Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students 92.9 points below standard Foster Youth Students 126.3 points below standard Homeless Students 124.8 points below standard				
1.3	California School Dashboard: English Learner Progress Indicator	2023 California School Dashboard Results MCSD English Learner Students: 49% Making Progress			By 2026-2027, 60% of MCSD English Learner students will make progress towards English proficiency.	
1.4	California Science Test (CAST)	16.02% of MCSD 5th and 8th grade students met or exceeed standards on the 2022-23 CAST.			By 2026-2027 25% of MCSD 5th and 8th grade students will meet or	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
					exceeds standards.	
1.5	District Progress Assessment: Reading	Reading DPA III, 2023-24 Overall 40% On or Above Grade-level English Learner Students 20% On or Above Grade-level Students with Disabilities 14% On or Above Grade-level African-American Students 32% On or Above Grade-level Foster Youth Students 28% On or Above Grade-level Socioeconomically Disadvantaged 38% On or Above Grade Level *Homeless Students % On or Above Grade-level *not reported on iReady DPA			By 2026-2027, 65% of MCSD students will be On or Above Grade- Level on the Reading DPA.	
1.6	District Progress Assessment: Mathematics	Math DPA III, 2023-24			By 2026-2027, 60% of MCSD students will be On	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
		Overall 33% On or Above Grade-level English Learner Students 19% On or Above Grade-level Students with Disabilities 14% On or Above Grade-level African-American Students 24% On or Above Grade-level Foster Youth Students 29% On or Above Grade-level Socioeconomically Disadvantaged 31% On or Above Grade Level *Homeless Students % On or Above Grade-level and reported on iReady DPA			or Above Grade- Level on the Mathematics DPA.	
1.7	Williams Act Report: Student Access to Standards Aligned Materials	100% of students have access to standards-aligned materials as measured by board resolution of materials.			100% of students have access to standards-aligned materials as measured by board resolution of materials.	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
1.8	Student Access to Required Course of Study: Master Schedule	All Students: 100% Exceptional Needs Students: 100%			By 2026-2027, 100% of all MCSD students, including those with exceptional needs, will have access to the required course of study.	
1.9	English Learner Reclassification Rate	EL reclassification rate of 8%, or 172/1,912 - as of 5/30/24			By 2026-2027, MCSD will reclassify 35% of its English Learners.	
1.10	MCSD Personnel Certification and Placement Review / MCOE Assignment Monitoring	100% of teachers are appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in the subject area and for pupils taught.			By 2026-2027 MCSD will ensure 100% of teachers are appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in the subject area and for pupils they teach.	
1.11	Research based teacher efficacy surveys of efficacy and implementation of academic content and performance standards, and ELD standards adopted by the State Board of Education in all courses, for all students, including English Learners.	Local Survey Data: Teachers ability to determine pre-existing knowledge and skills: 85% Teachers efficacy with Integrated ELD: 61%			By 2026-2027 MCSD teachers will report:Ability to determine pre- existing knowledge and skills: 95%Efficacy with Integrated ELD: 80%	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
1.12	Targeted Programs and Services	100% of MCSD unduplicated and students with exceptional needs have access to targeted programs and services as evidenced through MCSD Master Schedules.			By 2026-2027 100% of MCSD unduplicated and students with exceptional needs have access to targeted programs and services as evidenced through MCSD Master Schedules.	

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	Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS): Tier 1 - High Quality First Instruction	***REVISED, 8/15/24***"Staff ensure all students receive access to equitable and productive learning experiences and promote academic achievement through a multi-tiered system of support (MTSS). The system, which addresses the needs of all students TK-8, consists of high-quality first instruction (Tier 1) and data-driven practices. The District will continue to support student-to-teacher ratios of 24-to-1 in grades TK-3 to the extent possible in order to better address student achievement.	\$73,836,339.00	No
1.2	Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS): Tier 2 and 3 - Strategic and Intensive Interventions and Supports	Staff provide identified students strategic interventions and supports to provide access, accelerate learning, and close the achievement gap through the MTSS model. The District will maintain low student-to-teacher ratios in the Community Day School (CDS) and Site Day School (SDS) programs that provides a challenging curriculum and individual attention to student learning, development of social-emotional skills, and student self-esteem and resilience. The District provides Learning Directors to monitor the implementation of strategic and intensive intervention supports, and services to English Learners, socio-economically disadvantaged students, Foster Youth, students with Individualized Education Plans (IEPs), learning and behavior plans, Black/African American students, and/or students struggling in core academic areas. The District provides staff to provide coordinated and targeted intervention services for students who are performing two grade levels or below in local and State indicators. Staff ensure all students with disabilities have equitable access to the support and resources necessary to promote academic achievement in alignment with IEP goals. The District provides Instructional Aides to support small group instruction, ELD, and individualized support within the general education setting.	\$18,355,706.00	Yes

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
	The District provides Teacher Librarians and Library Media Assistants to support 21st Century Learning environments, assist classroom teachers with literacy instruction, promote site-based literacy campaigns, and maintain high-quality libraries. The District provides intervention teachers to support small group instruction and targeted support in core academic areas. The District continues implementing a high-quality pre-kindergarten program for all income-eligible students, including students with an individualized education plan. The District sustains a balanced assessment system of summative, interim, and formative tools to monitor student progress and inform instruction.			
1.3	Retaining High- Quality Staff	***NEW ACTION AS OF 8/15/24*** The highly qualified and trained staff ensures that all TK-8 grade students receive a learning experience that is accessible, equitable, and productive. Student learning is addressed through a Multi-tiered System of Supports (MTSS) which encompasses high-quality first instruction, targeted supports, and data driven practices. The District aims to provide this experience through class size ratios (grades TK-3), professional learning, providing safe and secure environments, and recruitment efforts that attract and retain high quality staff. Staff is provided to instruct, support, secure, upkeep, and maintain both comprehensive and supplemental learning programs and sites.	\$4,500,000.00	Yes
1.4	Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM)	The District continues to focus on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Mathematics), including the provision of 21st Century Learning Environments and Maker/Innovation Spaces to support student inquiry, dialogue, and critical thinking skills.	\$3,315,476.00	Yes

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
		The District maintains middle school and elementary band/music programs, career and technical education opportunities, and learning excursions. Under the leadership of a Science Coordinator, the future of MCSD's		
		STEAM program will be continually re-envisioned and refined.		
		The District continues to invest in maker spaces and learning hubs to support STEAM activities.		
1.5	District-Wide Achievement Via Individual Determination (AVID)	The District maintains and deepens the implementation of a District-wide AVID program at all elementary and middle schools to prepare students, including English Learners, unduplicated, and students with disabilities, for high school and college success.	\$556,187.00	No
1.6	Teacher Resources	The District equips staff with district-approved supplemental resources, professional development, and targeted instructional materials to provide all students including English Learners, socio-economically disadvantaged, students in Foster Care, and students with disabilities high-quality first instruction.	\$843,118.00	Yes
1.7	Expanded Learning Opportunities	The District implements an expanded learning opportunity program and when possible, provides transportation to support students of color and other at-promise students who will benefit from personal relationships that inspire and encourage their academic and personal success. The District continues partnerships with external academic and behavioral	\$11,326,996.00	Yes
		support programs to support all students through tutoring services and family support in their primary language.		
		The District supports extended day and summer programming, including Extended Year programs for students with disabilities.		

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
		The District will continue to support Categorical Programs Offices and Special Projects through site-based Categorical support staff.		
1.8	Technology	The District maintains high-quality technology resources, infrastructure, and staff to ensure all students have equitable access to 21st-century learning opportunities.	\$5,746,479.00	Yes
1.9	and staff to ensure all students have equitable access to 21st-century		\$4,002,156.00	Yes

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
1.10	English Learners	The District will ensure a daily, protected Designated English Language Development (D-ELD) time is included in each site's daily instructional schedule. The District will ensure faculty who teach D-ELD are properly credentialed. The District will establish and maintain a District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) and ensure each school site establishes and maintains an English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC). The District will establish and maintain an English Learner Master Plan which includes the specific aspects of a well-run English learner program including, but not limited to: English learner programs, reclassification procedures, and/or enrollment processes. The District will offer English learners more time to learn through opportunities such as extended day, summer academy, and/or through third-party partnerships. The District will identify pre-Long Term English Learners (pLTEL) and Long Term English Learners and ensure supports are offered in order to meet English fluency standards.	\$239,279.00	No
1.11	Special Education	Staff ensure all students with disabilities have equitable access to the support and resources necessary to promote academic achievement in alignment with IEP goals.	\$15,847,054.00	No

Goals and Actions

Goal

Goal #	Description	Type of Goal
2	Provide a welcoming, safe, culturally responsive environment, where students are personally affirmed, explicitly taught social and emotional skills, and receive additional support to increase their engagement in learning.	Broad Goal

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

Priority 5: Pupil Engagement (Engagement)

Priority 6: School Climate (Engagement)

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

This goal was developed in response to state Priorities 5 and 6. Students deserve to learn in clean, caring, 21st-century indoor and outdoor learning environments where they feel they belong. According to MCSD's 2023 administration of the Califonia Healthy Kids Survey, 69% of fifth-grade, 66% of sixth-grade, 51% of seventh-grade, and 49% of eighth-grade students reported a sense of safety and belonging. The actions in this goal support the development of the whole child (e.g. PBIS services and supports, student wellness, mental health, and engagement in sports and music).

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
2.1	California School Dashboard: Chronic Absenteeism Rate	21% Chronic Absenteeism Rate (as reported by the Student Information System (SIS))			By 2026-2027 less than 10% of MCSD students will be chronically absent.	
2.2	California School Dashboard: Suspension Rate	4.8% Suspension Rate (as reported by the Student Information System (SIS)			By 2026-2027 less than 2.5% of MCSD students will be suspended at least once.	
2.3	DataQuest: Attendance Rate	Average Daily Attendance: 92.57			By 2026-2027 MCSD reasons for	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
		Excused Absences: 61% Unexcused Absences: 37% Out-of-School Suspension Absences: 1% Incomplete Independent Studies Absences: 0.001%			absences will improve: Average Daily Attendance: 95% Excused Absences: 71% Unexcused Absences: 27% Out-of-School Suspension Absences: 0.5% Incomplete Independent Studies Absences: 0.001%	
2.4	DataQuest: Expulsion Rate	6/11,664 students or 0.0005% Expulsion Rate			By 2026-2027 MCSD will have improved services so that no students are expelled.	
2.5	Williams Act: Facilities Inspection Tool	100% of schools rated as Facilities in Good Repair			By 2026-2027 100% of MCSD school facilities will be rated as in Good Repair.	
2.6	California Healthy Kids Survey: Percent of students reporting their sense of safety and belonging at the school	Safety: Fifth-grade; 69% Sixth-grade; 66% Seventh-grade; 51% Eighth-grade; 49% Belonging:			By 2026-2027 MCSD California Healthy Kids Survey will report students: Safety:	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
		Fifth-grade; 68% Sixth-grade; 62% Seventh-grade; 50% Eighth-grade; 49%			Fifth-grade; 100% Sixth-grade; 100% Seventh-grade; 100% Eighth- grade; 100% Belonging: Fifth-grade; 100% Sixth-grade; 100% Seventh-grade; 100% Eighth- grade; 100%	
2.7	California Healthy Kids Survey: Percent of parents reporting their sense of safety and belonging at the school	Safety: 86% Belonging: 86%			By 2026-2027 MCSD California Healthy Kids Survey will report parents: Safety: 100% Belonging: 100%	
2.8	California Healthy Kids Survey: Percent of teachers reporting their sense of safety and belonging at the school	Safety: 95% Belonging: 92%			By 2026-2027 MCSD California Healthy Kids Survey will report staff: Safety: 100% Belonging: 100%	
2.9	Middle School Dropout Rates	2023-24: 0% Middle School Dropout Rate			By 2026-27 MCSD will continue to ensure that no MCSD middle	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
					school student drops out.	

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	Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) - Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) The District ensures all students are supported through a Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) for behavioral and social-emotional nee Pupil Services staff including district administrators, Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBAs), and behavior aides provide students we targeted, positive interventions.		\$3,827,157.00	Yes
		The District builds staff capacity and deepens the implementation of PBIS through training through internal and external partners. Training focuses on strategies to effectively respond to adverse childhood experiences (ACES)		

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
		and trauma-informed practices to engage students and families in addressing students' social-emotional health needs. Staff and students engage in restorative practices to resolve conflict, build community, and strengthen positive relationships. The District provides social workers and clinical-level mental health services for students and families. The District partners with the Merced County Office of Education (MCOE) to share services of county court staff to support families with students who are chronically absent to increase student attendance and engagement. Services include connecting families with social services available through the community and the school.		
2.2	Safe Schools and Healthy Students	The District ensures safe schools by providing intramural activities and coaches, health and wellness noon duty staff, health and wellness equipment, safety liaisons, school resource officers, and contracted services to detect illegal or prohibited substances at school, and maintain student safety through the use of security mechanisms (e.g. cameras, fencing, locks).	\$2,984,160.00	Yes
2.3	Student Wellness	The District ensures the physical and mental health of all students by providing additional nurses, health aides, counselors, and psychologists to increase students' sense of well-being, attendance, and engagement in learning.	\$8,554,446.00	Yes
2.4	Middle School Sports	The District continues funding middle school sports such as coaches, referees and services, transportation, and a cycle of replacement for athletic uniforms to increase students' sense of belonging to the school.	\$277,390.00	Yes

Goals and Actions

Goal

Goal #	Description	Type of Goal
3	Empower families and educational partners to become full partners in the education of students to ensure all students excel academically, build character, and are productive members of our community.	Broad Goal

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

Priority 3: Parental Involvement (Engagement)

Priority 6: School Climate (Engagement)

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

This goal was developed in response to state priorities 3 and 6. Families and community are valued resources in support of students' education and development. The District promotes parent participation and makes effort to seek the input of educational partners when making decisions. Partnership with families increases student engagement, attendance, and a sense of community necessary to ensure student success. The actions to support Goal 3 focus on bringing resources to students and their families through the use of key staff (multilingual liaisons and outreach) and capacity building for families in support of building stronger school to home relationships and strengthening families' navigation of the school system to benefit their child.

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
3.1	California Healthy Kid Survey, California School Staff Survey, and the California School Parent Survey: Participation Rates	Parent Responses; 1,141 Staff Responses; 761 Student Responses; 4,734 (Only grades 5, 6, 7, and 8)			By 2026-2027 MCSD will improve its CHKS/CSSS/CSP S response rates to: Parent Responses; 1,500 Staff Responses; 800 Student Responses; 4,800 (Only grades 5, 6, 7, and 8)	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
3.2	California School Parent Survey: percent of parents who feel welcome to participate in school activities	feeling welcome to participate			By 2026-2027, 100% of MCSD parents will report feeling welcome to participate in school activities.	
3.3	ParentSquare / Facebook Communications	Parent messages; 355 ParentSquare messages and over 300 Facebook posts			By 2026-2027, MCSD will engage with its parents more by sending the following number of Parent messages: 500 ParentSquare messages 300 Facebook posts	
3.4	Parental Involvment in the IEP Process	99% of parents participated in the IEP process.			By 2026-2027, 100% of MCSD parents of students with exceptional needs will participate in the development and monitoring of their child's education plan.	
3.5	MCSD Local Control Accountability Plan Parent Advisory Committee Participation	95% of MCSD LCAP PAC participated in the MCSD LCAP PAC			By 2026-2027, 100% of all site LCAP PAC representatives, including parents	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
					of unduplicated pupils, participate in LCAP PAC meetings.	
3.6	Parental Participation Regarding Unduplicated Student Programs	0% of MCSD Unduplicated families are communicated directly and intentionally regarding MCSD's programs through ParentSquare as evidenced by ParentSquare active contacts.			By 2026-2027 100% of MCSD Unduplicated families will be communicated with intentionally via ParentSquare as evidenced by ParentSquare active contacts.	

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	Community Outreach	Community Outreach Specialists and Community Liaisons ensure schools are welcoming, inclusive, informative, and organized communities where families feel empowered to participate fully as partners in their child's education, and in their home language.	\$734,145.00	Yes
3.2	Communication	The Director of Communications and the Communications Specialist serve as the creative architects for internal and external communications. They focus on engaging traditionally disenfranchised families and students from low-income families, including students whose language is not English; building school-family partnerships through effective communication, and strengthening trust-based relationships by serving as a bridge to all educational partners. The District invests in professional learning and resources to support effective and appropriate communication as well as providing interpretation equipment, and customer service training for office staff.	\$468,060.00	Yes
3.3	Family Engagement	The District provides families with a Family Engagement Resource Center (FERC) that offers parent education opportunities such as parenting, English language, technology, school governance, nutrition classes, and access to community resources to strengthen the relationship between parents and the school. FERC staff support site-based parent education by developing learning modules and providing module training to site designees to ensure parents are informed and can participate fully in their child's education. The District supports bilingual staff, materials, and supplies necessary to maintain the program.	\$159,659.00	No

Goals and Actions

Goal

Goal #	Description	Type of Goal
4	LCAP Goal 4 focuses specifically on services and support for Black/African American students, students in foster care, and students experiencing homelessness, three MCSD groups identified by the State of California as achieving below standard for 3 or more years in academic achievement (English Language Arts and Math), attendance, and suspension rates.	Focus Goal

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

Priority 1: Basic (Conditions of Learning)

Priority 2: State Standards (Conditions of Learning)

Priority 3: Parental Involvement (Engagement)

Priority 4: Pupil Achievement (Pupil Outcomes)

Priority 5: Pupil Engagement (Engagement)

Priority 6: School Climate (Engagement)

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

MCSD is committed to offering staff the necessary resources to ensure each student is provided with instruction and the support to help them achieve their potential. MCSD also commits to ensuring students achieve proficiency in academic areas as they advance through school so they are on track for continued success on their learning journey. Merced City School District's Black/ African American, Homeless, and Foster Youth students have been underperforming in the areas of English Language Arts and Mathematics compared to their peers on the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP). These same students, inclusive of were also suspended more and were chronically absent more than their peers. Because these groups have underperformed for more than two years in these areas, MCSD resolved to develop an additional LCAP goal with supporting actions within the LCAP to improve outcomes. Actions within the goal must not already exist in previous goals. To this end, actions to identify and serve Black/ African American, Homeless, and students in foster care will increase. Supports include the development of an internal student success dashboard specific to Black/ African American, Homeless, and Foster Youth students and the assignment of a specialized staff person dedicated to coordinating activities to increase the adult-to-student care ratio at all district sites; inclusive of counselors and mentors.

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
4.1	California School Dashboard: CAASPP:	2023 California Dashboard: CAASPP:			By 2026-2027, MCSD focus	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
	English Language-Arts, grades 3 - 8	English LanguageArts, grades 3 - 8 Black/African American: 84.8 points below standard, 318 students Foster Youth: 97.8 points below standard, 69 students Homeless: 95.6 points below standard, 71 students			students will increase their CASPP English Language Arts average scores by 25%.	
4.2	California School Dashboard: CAASPP: Mathematics, grades 3 - 8	2023 California Dashboard: CAASPP: Mathematics, grades 3 - 8 Black/African American: 129.6 points below standard, 318 students Foster Youth: 126.3 points below standard, 68 students Homeless: 124.8 points below standard, 71 students			By 2026-2027, MCSD focus students will increase their CASPP English Language Arts average scores by 25%.	
4.3	District Progress Assessment 3: Reading, grades K - 8	Black/AfricanAmerican: 32% Above/On Level Foster Youth:			By 2026-2027 the following student groups will	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
		28% Above/On Level Homeless: Not Reported on iReady DPA			improve their DPA Reading scores to: Black/AfricanAmeri can: 58% Above/On Level Foster Youth: 53% Above/On Level Homeless: Not Reported on iReady DPA	
4.4	District Progress Assessment 3: Mathematics, grades K - 8	Black/AfricanAmerican: 24% Above/On Level Foster Youth: 29% Above/On Level Homeless: Not Reported on iReady DPA			By 2026-2027 the following student groups will improve their DPA Reading scores to: Black/AfricanAmerican: 50% Above/On Level Foster Youth: 55% Above/On Level Homeless: Not Reported on iReady DPA	
4.5	California School Dashboard: Suspension Rates, grades TK - 8	Black/African American: 12.4% suspended at			By 2026-2027 the following student groups will be	

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
		least one day, 73/590 students Foster Youth: 12.3% suspened at least one day, 26/211 students Homeless: 8.5% suspended at least one day, 15/176 students			suspended less, at the follwing rates: Black/African American: 5% suspended at least one day Foster Youth: 5% suspened at least one day Homeless: 5% suspended at least one day	
4.6	California School Dashboard: Chronic Absenteeism Indicator, grades TK - 8	Black/African American: 47.9% chronically absent, 269/562 students Foster Youth: 30.7% chronically absent, 58/189 students Homeless: 72.3% chronically absent, 120/166 students			By 2026-2027 the following student groups will be chronically absent less, at the follwing rates: Black/African American: 25% chronically absent Foster Youth: 15% chronically absent Homeless: 40% chronically absent	

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
4.1	Recruitment, Hiring, and Retention of Diverse Staff	Purposefully conduct outreach to recruit, hire, and retain culturally, racially, and linguistically diverse staff; and conduct targeted recruitment at diverse colleges and universities (e.g. Historically Black Colleges and Universities, National Hispanic University, Drew University), with teacher preparation and/or ethnic studies programs.	\$11,846.00	Yes
4.2	Student Success Coordinator	Assign a coordinator to identify Black/African Americans, students in foster care, and students experiencing homelessness with academic, attendance, and engagement needs to coordinate, communicate, and monitor tutorial and mentorship programs.	\$198,962.00	Yes
4.3	Staff Training	Develop and create a long-term system that promotes and incentivizes the completion of coursework focused on cultural and linguistic	\$7,442.00	Yes

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
		responsiveness and assets-based instruction for teachers and instructional support staff.		
4.4	Student Mentorship	Institute and expand small group and/or individualized elite mentoring and tutoring services for Black/African American, students in foster care, and students experiencing homelessness.	\$260,584.00	Yes
4.5	Differentiated Instruction	Explore and provide professional development grounded in competency- based education structures and methods to support the academic progress of African American, Homeless, and students in foster care.	\$100.00	Yes
4.6	Advisory Committees	Develop advisory committees consisting of families and advocates focused on increasing communication and partnership with families and advocates of African American students, students in foster care, and students experiencing homelessness.	\$16,426.00	Yes
4.7	Equity Survey	Expand research to continue the development of a multi-year equity plan by including in-depth empathy interviews and listening sessions to further identify and address the needs of Black/African American students, students in foster care, and students experiencing homelessness.	\$132,900.00	Yes

Goals and Actions

Goal

G	oal#	Description	Type of Goal
		By the end of the 2026-27 school year, Community Day School (CDS) will increase the support for students qualifying for the Equity Multiplier at CDS to decrease Chronic Absenteeism by 10% and decrease Suspension Rates by 2.5% per year, or by 8% over three years.	Equity Multiplier Focus Goal

State Priorities addressed by this goal.

Priority 1: Basic (Conditions of Learning)

Priority 2: State Standards (Conditions of Learning)

Priority 3: Parental Involvement (Engagement)

Priority 4: Pupil Achievement (Pupil Outcomes)

Priority 5: Pupil Engagement (Engagement)

Priority 6: School Climate (Engagement)

Priority 7: Course Access (Conditions of Learning)

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

Merced City School District receives funding to support students enrolled at its Community Day School (CDS). In the Spring of 2024, MCSD received \$50,000 to increase student achievement for students at identified schools. MCSD will use this funding to co-fund a School Counselor. More specifically, this goal will ensure students receive the supplemental support needed to succeed in school and in our community. 2023-24 CDS data provided to CALPADS highlights the need for improvement in the Suspension Rate and Chronic Absenteeism Rate.

Suspension Rate: 11.1%, and increase of 3.2% from the year prior;

Chronic Absenteeism Rate: 47%, an increase of 2% from the year prior.

MCSD consulted with CDS staff, MCSD Executive Cabinet, and MCSD Cabinet in order to craft the Goal and subsequent actions.

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric #	Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Target for Year 3 Outcome	Current Difference from Baseline
5.1	CDS Suspension Rate	2023-24: 11.1% Suspension Rate			5% Suspension Rate	
5.2	CDS Chronic Absenteeism Range	2023-24: 47% Chronic Absenteeism Rate			25% Chronic Absenteeism Rate	

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
5.1	Social-Emotional Supports	MCSD will provide social-emotional supports for students enrolled at its Community Day School (CDS) in order for students to meet their behavioral, attendance, and academic goals.	\$50,000.00	No
5.2	Parent Involvement	CDS will develop a quarterly newsletter in order to communicate school behavior expectations, strategies for at-home discipline, self-regulation, and attendance. The newsletter will also seek input and feedback from parents by way of a brief survey.	\$0.00	No
5.3	Student Attendance Plan	CDS will implement an attendance plan to include student and class recognition in order to celebrate meeting specific schoolwide goals.	\$0.00	No

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing

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
\$\$39,371,325	\$4,786,034

Required Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the LCAP Year

Projected Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year		1	Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year
35.010%	2.290%	\$2,566,326.00	37.300%

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
1.2	Action: Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS): Tier 2 and 3 - Strategic and Intensive Interventions and Supports Need: Per the California School Dashboard results published in December 2023, many student groups are underperforming in English Language Arts and/or Mathematics.	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a need for the service described.	

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
	English Language Arts Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • English Learners • Foster Youth • Black/African-American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • John Muir Elementary • Don Stowell Elementary • Margaret Sheehy Elementary Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary • Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle • English Learners • Students with Disabilities John C. Fremont Elementary • English Learners • Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary • English Learners • Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Leontine Gracey Elementary • English Learners Herbert Hoover Middle • English Learners Herbert Hoover Middle • English Learners • Students with Disabilities John Muir Elementary • English Learners • Students with Disabilities John Muir Elementary • English Learners • Students with Disabilities		
	Allan Peterson Elementary		

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
	Students with Disabilities Alicia Reyes Elementary Hispanic Rivera Middle School English Learners Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani Students with Disabilities Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle English Learner Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged English Learner Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged English Learner Mathematics Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Foster Youth Black/African American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Don Stowell Elementary Rivera Middle School Tenaya Middle School		

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
	Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary		

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
	Hispanic		
	English Language Profisioney Indicator		
	English Language Proficiency Indicator		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Luther Burbank Elementary		
	Scope: LEA-wide		
1.3	Action: Retaining High-Quality Staff Need: Per the California School Dashboard results published in December 2023, many student groups are underperforming in English Language Arts and/or Mathematics. English Language Arts Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • English Learners • Foster Youth • Black/African-American	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to ensure the students recieve the best instruction, in the best environments, with the most highly qualified staff in order to strategically intervene to increase student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a need for the service described. The action will provide MCSD staff opportunities to refine teaching practices in order to engage and deliver high quality instruction on a daily basis.	Metrics to monitor effectiveness will include, but not limited to: CAASPP - ELA CAASPP - Mathematics CAST Summative ELPAC District Progress Assessment (DPA) - Reading DPA - Mathematics Monthly, District-based Student Information System (SIS), or AERIES, reports California School
2024 25 1 222	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • John Muir Elementary Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary • Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle • English Learners	liatriot	Dashboard: Chronic Absenteeism Indicator California School Dashboard: Suspension Rate Indicator California Healthy Kids Survey, California School Staff Survey, California School Parent Survey.

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
	Students with Disabilities John C. Fremont Elementary English Learners Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary English Learners Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Leontine Gracey Elementary English Learners Herbert Hoover Middle English Learners Herbert Hoover Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Allan Peterson Elementary Hispanic Students with Disabilities Alicia Reyes Elementary Hispanic Rivera Middle School English Learners Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani Students with Disabilities Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle English Learner		

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
	 Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged 		
	Mathematics Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Foster Youth • Black/African American		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator:		
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary • Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle • Socioeconomically Disadvantaged John C. Fremont Elementary		
	 Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary English Learners John Muir Elementary School Students with Disabilities Allan Peterson Elementary Students with Disabilities 		
	Rivera Elementary		

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	Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani English Learners Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary English Learners Hispanic English Language Proficiency Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Luther Burbank Elementary Scope: LEA-wide		
1.4	Action: Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM) Need: Per the California School Dashboard results published in December 2023, many student groups are underperforming in English Control and Accountability Plan for Merced City School II	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a need for the service described. More specifically,	Metrics to monitor effectiveness will include, but not limited to: CAASPP - ELA CAASPP - Mathematics CAST Summative ELPAC

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
	Language Arts and/or Mathematics. English Language Arts Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: English Learners Foster Youth Black/African-American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: John Muir Elementary Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle English Learners Students with Disabilities John C. Fremont Elementary English Learners Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary English Learners Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary English Learners Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Leontine Gracey Elementary English Learners Herbert Hoover Middle English Learners Herbert Hoover Middle English Learners Students with Disabilities John Muir Elementary English Learners Students with Disabilities John Muir Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Allan Peterson Elementary	the action will provide enrichment and other learning opportunities for all MCSD students as they pursue interests and knowledge-based in STEAM activities.	District Progress Assessment (DPA) - Reading DPA - Mathematics

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	Students with Disabilities Alicia Reyes Elementary Hispanic Rivera Middle School English Learners Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani Students with Disabilities Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle English Learner Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Mathematics Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Foster Youth Black/African American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Don Stowell Elementary Rivera Middle School Tenaya Middle School Tenaya Middle School		

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
	Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary		

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	Hispanic		
	English Language Proficiency Indicator		
	English Earlydage i Tolloleney Indicator		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator:Luther Burbank Elementary		
	Scope: LEA-wide		
1.6	Action: Teacher Resources	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth,	Metrics to monitor effectiveness will include, but not limited to:
	Need: Per the California School Dashboard results	and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase	
	published in December 2023, many student groups are underperforming in English Language Arts and/or Mathematics.	student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a need for the service described. The action will	Summative ELPAC District Progress
	English Language Arts Indicator	provide teachers the necessary materials to deliver high-quality instruction to all MCSD	Assessment (DPA) - Reading
	MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator:	students.	DPA - Mathematics
	 English Learners 		
	Foster YouthBlack/African-American		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • John Muir Elementary		
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators:		
	Don Chenoweth Elementary		
	Students with Disabilities		
	Herbert Cruickshank Middle		
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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
	Students with Disabilities John C. Fremont Elementary English Learners Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary English Learners Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Leontine Gracey Elementary English Learners Herbert Hoover Middle English Learners Herbert Hoover Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Allan Peterson Elementary Hispanic Students with Disabilities Alicia Reyes Elementary Hispanic Rivera Middle School English Learners Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani Students with Disabilities Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle English Learner		

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	 Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged 		
	Mathematics Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Foster Youth • Black/African American		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator:		
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary • Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle • Socioeconomically Disadvantaged John C. Fremont Elementary		
	 Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary English Learners John Muir Elementary School Students with Disabilities Allan Peterson Elementary Students with Disabilities 		
	Rivera Elementary		

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
	 Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani English Learners Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary English Learners Hispanic English Language Proficiency Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Luther Burbank Elementary 		
1.7	Action: Expanded Learning Opportunities Need: Per the California School Dashboard results published in December 2023, many student groups are underperforming in English Language Arts and/or Mathematics. Control and Accountability Plan for Merced City School I	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a need for the service described. The action will	Metrics to monitor effectiveness will include, but not limited to: CAASPP - ELA CAASPP - Mathematics CAST Summative ELPAC

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
	English Language Arts Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator:	ensure all MCSD students have access to resources and opportunities that allow them more time to learn.	District Progress Assessment (DPA) - Reading DPA - Mathematics

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
	Alicia Reyes Elementary		

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
	Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle Socioeconomically Disadvantaged John C. Fremont Elementary Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary English Learners John Muir Elementary School Students with Disabilities Allan Peterson Elementary Students with Disabilities Rivera Elementary English Learners Students with Disabilities Rivera Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Students with Disabilities Back/African American Rivera Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani English Learners Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Widdle Hispanic Hispanic		

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
	English Language Proficiency Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Luther Burbank Elementary Scope: LEA-wide		
1.8	Action: Technology Need: Per the California School Dashboard results published in December 2023, many student groups are underperforming in English Language Arts and/or Mathematics. English Language Arts Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • English Learners • Foster Youth • Black/African-American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • John Muir Elementary Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary • Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle • English Learners • Students with Disabilities	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a need for the service described. The action will provide the infrastructure necessary for all MCSD students to interact with information, knowledge, core adoptions, and supplemental programming.	Metrics to monitor effectiveness will include, but not limited to: CAASPP - ELA CAASPP - Mathematics CAST Summative ELPAC District Progress Assessment (DPA) - Reading DPA - Mathematics

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
	John C. Fremont Elementary		

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
Action #	Charles Wright Elementary	Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Effectiveness
	English LearnersHispanic		

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
	Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani English Learners Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary English Learners Hispanic English Language Proficiency Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Luther Burbank Elementary Scope:		
	LEA-wide		
1.9	Action: Professional Development Need: Per the California School Dashboard results published in December 2023, many student groups are underperforming in English Language Arts and/or Mathematics.	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a need for the service described. The action will provide MCSD staff opportunities to refine	Metrics to monitor effectiveness will include, but not limited to: CAASPP - ELA CAASPP - Mathematics CAST Summative ELPAC

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	English Language Arts Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator:	teaching practices in order to engage and deliver high quality instruction on a daily basis.	District Progress Assessment (DPA) - Reading DPA - Mathematics

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	 Hispanic Rivera Middle School English Learners Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani Students with Disabilities Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle English Learner Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Mathematics Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Foster Youth Black/African American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Don Stowell Elementary Rivera Middle School Tenaya Middle School Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary Students with Disabilities 		

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
	Herbert Cruickshank Middle		
	English Edingdage Frontieries Indicator		

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
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Luther Burbank Elementary		
	Scope: LEA-wide		
2.1	Action: Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) - Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Need: Chronic Absenteeism Rate Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator:	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a need for the service described. The action will support all MCSD students' social-emotional development so that they are ready to be successful progressing through content standards.	Metrics to monitor effectiveness will include, but not limited to: Monthly, District-based Student Information System (SIS), or AERIES, reports California School Dashboard: Chronic Absenteeism Indicator California School Dashboard: Suspension Rate Indicator
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary • Black/African American John C. Fremont • Black/African American • Multiple Races Herbert Hoover Middle • Students with Disabilities Rivera Elementary		
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	Don Stowell Elementary		
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Herbert Cruickshank Middle		

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
	 Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Black/African American Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani White Black/African American Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Scope: LEA-wide 		
2.2	Action: Safe Schools and Healthy Students Need: Chronic Absenteeism Rate Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Charles Wright Elementary • Rivera Elementary MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Homeless Student Groups within Sites with Lowest	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a need for the service described. This action will engage all MCSD students in order to promote positive attenance and peer-to-peer interactions while at school.	Metrics to monitor effectiveness will include, but not limited to: Monthly, District-based Student Information System (SIS), or AERIES, reports California School Dashboard: Chronic Absenteeism Indicator California School Dashboard: Suspension Rate Indicator

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
	Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary		California Healthy Kids Survey, California School Staff Survey, California School Parent Survey.

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
Leontine Gracey Elementary		
Action: Student Wellness Need: Chronic Absenteeism Rate Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator:	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a	
	Leontine Gracey Elementary	Leontine Gracey Elementary

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	Charles Wright Elementary Rivera Elementary MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Homeless Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary Black/African American John C. Fremont Black/African American Herbert Hoover Middle Students with Disabilities Rivera Elementary Hispanic White Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Suspension Rate Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Herbert Hoover Middle Rivera Middle Margaret Sheehy Elementary Don Stowell Elementary MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Foster Youth	need for the service described. This action will support all MCSD students' social-emotional and physical health. It will also promote positive peer-to-peer interactions and seek to provide the supports our students may need to successfully master content standards.	System (SIS), or AERIES, reports California School Dashboard: Chronic Absenteeism Indicator California School Dashboard: Suspension Rate Indicator California Healthy Kids Survey, California School Staff Survey, California School Parent Survey.
	Students Experiencing Homelessness		

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
	Black/African American American Indian Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Herbert Cruickshank Middle English Learners Black/African American Leontine Gracey Elementary English Learners Herbert Hoover English Learner Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Rivera Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Black/African American Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Black/African American Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani White Black/African American Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged		
	Scope:		

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	LEA-wide		
2.4	Action: Middle School Sports Need: Chronic Absenteeism Rate Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator:	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a need for the service described. This action will engage all MCSD students in order to promote positive attenance and peer-to-peer interactions while at school.	Metrics to monitor effectiveness will include, but not limited to: Monthly, District-based Student Information System (SIS), or AERIES, reports California School Dashboard: Chronic Absenteeism Indicator California School Dashboard: Suspension Rate Indicator California Healthy Kids Survey, California School Staff Survey, California School Staff Survey.

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
	 Herbert Hoover Middle Rivera Middle Margaret Sheehy Elementary Don Stowell Elementary MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator:		
	Foster YouthStudents Experiencing HomelessnessBlack/African AmericanAmerican Indian		
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Herbert Cruickshank Middle		
	 English Learners Herbert Hoover English Learner Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Rivera Middle English Learners 		
	 Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Black/African American Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners 		
	 Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani White 		

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
	 Black/African American Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Scope: LEA-wide		
3.1	Action: Community Outreach Need: Per the California School Dashboard results published in December 2023, many student groups are underperforming in English Language Arts, and Mathematics, chronically absent and/or have high suspension rates. English Language Arts Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • English Learners • Foster Youth • Black/African-American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • John Muir Elementary Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary • Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle • English Learners	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a need for the service described. The action will ensure that all MCSD parents can access school information in order to fully participate with their child's education.	

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	Students with Disabilities John C. Fremont Elementary English Learners Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary English Learners Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Leontine Gracey Elementary English Learners Herbert Hoover Middle English Learners Herbert Hosentary English Learners Herbert Hoover Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Allan Peterson Elementary Students with Disabilities Allan Peterson Elementary Hispanic Rivera Middle School English Learners Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle English Learner		

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	 Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged 		
	Mathematics Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Foster Youth • Black/African American		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator:		
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary • Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle • Socioeconomically Disadvantaged John C. Fremont Elementary		
	 Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary English Learners John Muir Elementary School Students with Disabilities Allan Peterson Elementary Students with Disabilities 		
	Rivera Elementary		

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	Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani English Learners Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary English Learners Hispanic English Language Proficiency Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Luther Burbank Elementary Chronic Absenteeism Rate Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Charles Wright Elementary Rivera Elementary MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Homeless Student Groups within Sites with Lowest		
	Student Groups within Siles with Lowest		

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	Leontine Gracey Elementary		
3.2	Action: Communication Need: Per the California School Dashboard results published in December 2023, many student	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase student achievement across the district. The action	Metrics to monitor effectiveness will include, but not limited to: CAASPP - ELA CAASPP - Mathematics
2224.251	groups are underperforming in English Control and Accountability Plan for Merced City School D	may serve other student groups that indicate a	Summative ELPAC Page 87 of

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	Language Arts, and Mathematics, chronically absent and/or have high suspension rates. English Language Arts Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • English Learners • Foster Youth • Black/African-American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • John Muir Elementary Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary • Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle • English Learners • Students with Disabilities John C. Fremont Elementary • English Learners • Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary • English Learners • Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Leontine Gracey Elementary • English Learners Herbert Hoover Middle • English Learners • Students with Disabilities John Muir Elementary • English Learners • Students with Disabilities John Muir Elementary • English Learners • Hispanic • Socioeconomically Disadvantaged • Students with Disabilities	need for the service described. The action will provide a variety of ways all MCSD families can access district and/or school based information in a timely manner.	District Progress Assessment (DPA) - Reading DPA - Mathematics Monthly, District-based Student Information System (SIS), or AERIES, reports California School Dashboard: Chronic Absenteeism Indicator California School Dashboard: Suspension Rate Indicator California Healthy Kids Survey, California School Staff Survey, California School Parent Survey.

Allan Peterson Elementary • Students with Disabilities Alicia Reyes Elementary • Hispanic Rivera Middle School • English Learners Margaret Sheehy Elementary • English Learners * Hispanic • Socioeconomically Disadvantaged • Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani • Students with Disabilities Don Stowell Elementary • English Learners • Hispanic • Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle • English Learner • Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary • Hispanic • Socioeconomically Disadvantaged * Tenaya Middle because of the state of the stat	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
Student Groups within Sites with Lowest		Students with Disabilities Alicia Reyes Elementary Hispanic Rivera Middle School English Learners Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani Students with Disabilities Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle English Learner Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Mathematics Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Foster Youth Black/African American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Don Stowell Elementary Rivera Middle School Tenaya Middle School		

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	Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary		

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	Hispanic		
	English Language Proficiency Indicator		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Luther Burbank Elementary		
	Chronic Absenteeism Rate Indicator		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator:Charles Wright ElementaryRivera Elementary		
	MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Homeless		
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary Black/African American John C. Fremont Black/African American Herbert Hoover Middle Students with Disabilities Rivera Elementary Hispanic White Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic		
	Suspension Rate Indicator		

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	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Herbert Hoover Middle Rivera Middle Margaret Sheehy Elementary Don Stowell Elementary MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Foster Youth Students Experiencing Homelessness Black/African American American Indian Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Herbert Cruickshank Middle English Learners Black/African American Leontine Gracey Elementary English Learners Herbert Hoover English Learner Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Rivera Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Rivera Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Black/African American Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners		
	 Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities 		

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	Joe Stefani		
	LEA-wide		
4.1	Action: Recruitment, Hiring, and Retention of Diverse Staff Need: Per the California School Dashboard results published in December 2023, many student groups are underperforming in English Language Arts, and Mathematics, chronically absent and/or have high suspension rates. English Language Arts Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • English Learners • Foster Youth • Black/African-American	,	CAASPP - Mathematics Summative ELPAC District Progress Assessment (DPA) - Reading DPA - Mathematics Monthly, District-based Student Information System (SIS), or AERIES, reports California School Dashboard: Chronic
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: John Muir Elementary Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators:		Absenteeism Indicator California School Dashboard: Suspension Rate Indicator California Healthy Kids Survey, California School
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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
	Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle English Learners Students with Disabilities John C. Fremont Elementary English Learners Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary English Learners Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Leontine Gracey Elementary English Learners Herbert Hoover Middle English Learners Herbert Hoover Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities John Muir Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Allan Peterson Elementary Students with Disabilities Alicia Reyes Elementary Hispanic Rivera Middle School English Learners Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani Students with Disabilities Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic		Staff Survey, California School Parent Survey. MCSD Equity Survey

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
	Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle English Learner Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Mathematics Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Foster Youth Black/African American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Don Stowell Elementary Rivera Middle School Tenaya Middle School Tenaya Middle School Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle Socioeconomically Disadvantaged John C. Fremont Elementary Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary English Learners John Muir Elementary School Students with Disabilities Allan Peterson Elementary Students with Disabilities Rivera Elementary English Learners Students with Disabilities		
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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
	Black/African American Rivera Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani English Learners Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Understand Hispanic English Learners Hispanic English Learners Hispanic English Learners Hispanic English Language Proficiency Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Understand Hispanic Hidicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Charles Wright Elementary Rivera Elementary MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Homeless		

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
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary Black/African American John C. Fremont Black/African American Herbert Hoover Middle Students with Disabilities Rivera Elementary Hispanic White Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Suspension Rate Indicator		
	 MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Herbert Hoover Middle Rivera Middle Margaret Sheehy Elementary Don Stowell Elementary 		
	MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Foster Youth • Students Experiencing Homelessness • Black/African American • American Indian		
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Herbert Cruickshank Middle		

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
	 English Learners Black/African American Leontine Gracey Elementary English Learners Herbert Hoover English Learner Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Rivera Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Black/African American Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani White Black/African American Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Scope: LEA-wide 		
4.2	Action: Student Success Coordinator Need:	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase	Metrics to monitor effectiveness will include, but not limited to:

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
	Per the California School Dashboard results published in December 2023, many student groups are underperforming in English Language Arts, and Mathematics, chronically absent and/or have high suspension rates. English Language Arts Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • English Learners • Foster Youth • Black/African-American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • John Muir Elementary Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary • Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle • English Learners • Students with Disabilities John C. Fremont Elementary • English Learners • Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary • English Learners • Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Leontine Gracey Elementary • English Learners Herbert Hoover Middle • English Learners • Students with Disabilities John Muir Elementary • English Learners	student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a need for the service described. The action will provide an MCSD staff member to focus on the identified students within the group in order to ensure their success.	CAASPP - Mathematics Summative ELPAC District Progress Assessment (DPA) - Reading DPA - Mathematics Monthly, District-based Student Information System (SIS), or AERIES, reports California School Dashboard: Chronic Absenteeism Indicator California School Dashboard: Suspension Rate Indicator California Healthy Kids Survey, California School Staff Survey, California School Parent Survey. MCSD Equity Survey

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
	Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Allan Peterson Elementary Students with Disabilities Alicia Reyes Elementary Hispanic Rivera Middle School English Learners Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani Students with Disabilities Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle English Learner Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle Finglish Learner Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Mathematics Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Foster Youth Black/African American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Don Stowell Elementary Rivera Middle School		

Tenaya Middle School	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
Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle Socioeconomically Disadvantaged John C. Fremont Elementary Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary Finglish Learners John Muir Elementary School Students with Disabilities Allan Peterson Elementary English Learners John Students with Disabilities Rivera Elementary English Learners Students with Disabilities Rivera Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Students with Disabilities Black/African American Rivera Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani English Learners On Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged		Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary		

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
	 Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary English Learners Hispanic 		
	English Language Proficiency Indicator		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Luther Burbank Elementary		
	Chronic Absenteeism Rate Indicator		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator:Charles Wright ElementaryRivera Elementary		
	MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Homeless		
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary Black/African American John C. Fremont Black/African American Herbert Hoover Middle Students with Disabilities Rivera Elementary Hispanic White Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic		

Suspension Rate Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator:	

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
	 Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani White Black/African American Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Scope: LEA-wide		
4.3	Action: Staff Training Need: Per the California School Dashboard results published in December 2023, many student groups are underperforming in English Language Arts, and Mathematics, chronically absent and/or have high suspension rates. English Language Arts Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • English Learners • Foster Youth • Black/African-American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • John Muir Elementary Student Groups within Sites with Lowest	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a need for the service described. The action will provide a long-term approach to systemically provide diversity, equity, and inclusionary training to all MCSD staff.	Metrics to monitor effectiveness will include, but not limited to: CAASPP - ELA CAASPP - Mathematics Summative ELPAC District Progress Assessment (DPA) - Reading DPA - Mathematics Monthly, District-based Student Information System (SIS), or AERIES, reports California School Dashboard: Chronic Absenteeism Indicator California School Dashboard: Suspension Rate Indicator

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
	Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary		California Healthy Kids Survey, California School Staff Survey, California School Parent Survey. MCSD Equity Survey

Goal and Action # Identified Need(s)		Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadva Tenaya Middle English Learner Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadva Mathematics Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Low Indicator: Foster Youth Black/African American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicate Don Stowell Elementary Rivera Middle School Tenaya Middle School Tenaya Middle School Student Groups within Sites with Lindicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle Socioeconomically Disadva John C. Fremont Elementary Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary English Learners John Muir Elementary School Students with Disabilities Allan Peterson Elementary Students with Disabilities Rivera Elementary	ntaged est or:	

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
	 English Learners Students with Disabilities Black/African American Rivera Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani English Learners Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary English Learners Hispanic English Learners Hispanic English Learners Hispanic English Language Proficiency Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Luther Burbank Elementary Chronic Absenteeism Rate Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Charles Wright Elementary Chronic Absenteeism Rate Indicator: Charles Wright Elementary Rivera Elementary 		

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
	MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Homeless Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary • Black/African American John C. Fremont • Black/African American Herbert Hoover Middle • Students with Disabilities Rivera Elementary • Hispanic • White Don Stowell Elementary • English Learners • Hispanic Charles Wright Elementary		
	 Hispanic Suspension Rate Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Herbert Hoover Middle Rivera Middle Margaret Sheehy Elementary Don Stowell Elementary MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Foster Youth Students Experiencing Homelessness Black/African American American Indian 		

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
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Herbert Cruickshank Middle		
	LEA-wide		

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4.4	Need: Per the California School Dashboard results published in December 2023, many student groups are underperforming in English Language Arts, and Mathematics, chronically absent and/or have high suspension rates. English Language Arts Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • English Learners • Foster Youth • Black/African-American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • John Muir Elementary Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary • Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle • English Learners • Students with Disabilities John C. Fremont Elementary • English Learners • Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary • English Learners • Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Leontine Gracey Elementary • English Learners Herbert Hoover Middle	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a need for the service described. The action will provide identified students within the group tutoring and/or mentoring opportunities.	Metrics to monitor effectiveness will include, but not limited to: CAASPP - ELA CAASPP - Mathematics Summative ELPAC District Progress Assessment (DPA) - Reading DPA - Mathematics Monthly, District-based Student Information System (SIS), or AERIES, reports California School Dashboard: Chronic Absenteeism Indicator California School Dashboard: Suspension Rate Indicator California Healthy Kids Survey, California School Staff Survey, California School Parent Survey. MCSD Equity Survey

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
	 English Learners Students with Disabilities John Muir Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Allan Peterson Elementary Students with Disabilities Alicia Reyes Elementary Hispanic Rivera Middle School English Learners Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani Students with Disabilities Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle English Learner Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Mathematics Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Foster Youth Black/African American 		

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MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator:	

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
	 Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary English Learners Hispanic English Language Proficiency Indicator 		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Luther Burbank Elementary Chronic Absenteeism Rate Indicator		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator:		
	MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Homeless		
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary Black/African American		
	John C. Fremont		
	Hispanic White Don Stowell Elementary		

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
	 English Learners Hispanic Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic 		
	Suspension Rate Indicator		
	 MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Herbert Hoover Middle Rivera Middle Margaret Sheehy Elementary Don Stowell Elementary 		
	MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Foster Youth • Students Experiencing Homelessness • Black/African American • American Indian		
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Herbert Cruickshank Middle		
	 Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Rivera Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities 		

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
	 Black/African American Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani White Black/African American Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Scope: LEA-wide		
4.5	Action: Differentiated Instruction Need: Per the California School Dashboard results published in December 2023, many student groups are underperforming in English Language Arts, and Mathematics, chronically absent and/or have high suspension rates. English Language Arts Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • English Learners • Foster Youth • Black/African-American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator:	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a need for the service described. The action will provide professional development opportunities to learn more about differentiated instruction in order to engage all learners.	Metrics to monitor effectiveness will include, but not limited to: CAASPP - ELA CAASPP - Mathematics Summative ELPAC District Progress Assessment (DPA) - Reading DPA - Mathematics Monthly, District-based Student Information System (SIS), or AERIES, reports California School Dashboard: Chronic Absenteeism Indicator

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
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary		California School Dashboard: Suspension Rate Indicator California Healthy Kids Survey, California School Staff Survey, California School Parent Survey. MCSD Equity Survey

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
	Joe Stefani		
	Students with Disabilities		

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
	Allan Peterson Elementary		
	English Language Proficiency Indicator		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Luther Burbank Elementary		
	Chronic Absenteeism Rate Indicator		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Charles Wright Elementary		

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
Action #	Rivera Elementary MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Homeless Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary Black/African American John C. Fremont Black/African American Herbert Hoover Middle Students with Disabilities Rivera Elementary Hispanic White Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Suspension Rate Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Herbert Hoover Middle Rivera Middle Rivera Middle Margaret Sheehy Elementary	Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Effectiveness
	 Don Stowell Elementary MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Foster Youth Students Experiencing Homelessness Black/African American 		

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
	American Indian Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Herbert Cruickshank Middle English Learners Black/African American Leontine Gracey Elementary English Learners Herbert Hoover English Learner Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Rivera Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Black/African American Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Black/African American Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani White Black/African American Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged		
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4.6	Action: Advisory Committees Need: Per the California School Dashboard results published in December 2023, many student groups are underperforming in English Language Arts, and Mathematics, chronically absent and/or have high suspension rates. English Language Arts Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • English Learners • Foster Youth • Black/African-American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • John Muir Elementary Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary • Students with Disabilities Herbert Cruickshank Middle • English Learners • Students with Disabilities John C. Fremont Elementary • English Learners • Hispanic Ada Givens Elementary • English Learners • Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Leontine Gracey Elementary • English Learners Herbert Hoover Middle	The action is developed to serve the needs of Merced City School District (MCSD) Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, Foster Youth, and English learners (unduplicated students) and will focus staff to strategically intervene to increase student achievement across the district. The action may serve other student groups that indicate a need for the service described. The action will provide a team of educational partners to provide input and feedback on the implementation of Goal 4's actions.	

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
	 English Learners Students with Disabilities John Muir Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Allan Peterson Elementary Students with Disabilities Alicia Reyes Elementary Hispanic Rivera Middle School English Learners Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani Students with Disabilities Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle English Learner Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Mathematics Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Foster Youth Black/African American 		

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MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator:	

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
	 Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Tenaya Middle Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Charles Wright Elementary English Learners Hispanic English Language Proficiency Indicator 		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Luther Burbank Elementary Chronic Absenteeism Rate Indicator		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator:		
	MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Homeless		
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary Black/African American		
	John C. Fremont		
	Hispanic White Don Stowell Elementary		

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
	 English Learners Hispanic Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic 		
	Suspension Rate Indicator		
	 MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Herbert Hoover Middle Rivera Middle Margaret Sheehy Elementary Don Stowell Elementary 		
	MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • Foster Youth • Students Experiencing Homelessness • Black/African American • American Indian		
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Herbert Cruickshank Middle		
	 Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Rivera Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities 		

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
	 Black/African American Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani White Black/African American Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Scope: LEA-wide		
4.7	Action: Equity Survey Need: Per the California School Dashboard results published in December 2023, many student groups are underperforming in English Language Arts, and Mathematics, chronically absent and/or have high suspension rates. English Language Arts Indicator MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: • English Learners • Foster Youth • Black/African-American MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator:	J ,	Metrics to monitor effectiveness will include, but not limited to: CAASPP - ELA CAASPP - Mathematics Summative ELPAC District Progress Assessment (DPA) - Reading DPA - Mathematics Monthly, District-based Student Information System (SIS), or AERIES, reports California School Dashboard: Chronic Absenteeism Indicator

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
	Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary		California School Dashboard: Suspension Rate Indicator MCSD Equity Survey

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
	Joe Stefani		
	Students with Disabilities		

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
	Allan Peterson Elementary		
	English Language Proficiency Indicator		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Luther Burbank Elementary		
	Chronic Absenteeism Rate Indicator		
	MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Charles Wright Elementary		

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
Action #	Rivera Elementary MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Homeless Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Don Chenoweth Elementary Black/African American John C. Fremont Black/African American Herbert Hoover Middle Students with Disabilities Rivera Elementary Hispanic White Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Charles Wright Elementary Hispanic Suspension Rate Indicator MCSD Site(s) with Lowest Indicator: Herbert Hoover Middle Rivera Middle Rivera Middle Margaret Sheehy Elementary	Provided on an LEA-wide or Schoolwide Basis	Effectiveness
	 Don Stowell Elementary MCSD Student Group(s) with Lowest Indicator: Foster Youth Students Experiencing Homelessness Black/African American 		

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
	American Indian Student Groups within Sites with Lowest Indicators: Herbert Cruickshank Middle English Learners Black/African American Leontine Gracey Elementary English Learners Herbert Hoover English Learner Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Rivera Middle English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Black/African American Margaret Sheehy Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Black/African American Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students with Disabilities Joe Stefani White Black/African American Don Stowell Elementary English Learners Hispanic Socioeconomically Disadvantaged		
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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
1.4	Action: Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM) Need: Scope:		
1.10	Action: English Learners Need: English Language Arts Indicator MCSD Student Groups:	The action will ensure English learners are provided the structures in which to progress through the levels of English proficiency in a timely manner.	MCSD will monitor the effectiveness of the action(s) pertaining to the English Language Arts Indicator utilizing the following metrics: • English Language Arts Results from the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress, or CAASPP; and, • Reading District Progress Results

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) are Designed to Address Need(s)	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
	 Rivera Elementary Rivera Middle School Margaret Sheehy Elementary Don Stowell Elementary Tenaya Middle Charles Wright Elementary Mathematics Indicator Ada Givens Elementary Rivera Elementary Rivera Middle Margaret Sheehy Elementary Joe Stefani Don Stowell Elementary Charles Wright English Language Proficiency Indicator MCSD Student Groups: None Sites with Lowest Indicators: Luther Burbank Elementary Scope:		Assessment, or DPA. MCSD will monitor the effectiveness of the action(s) pertaining to the Mathematics Indicator utilizing the following metrics: • Mathematics Results from the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress, or CAASPP; and, • Mathematics District Progress Results Assessment, or DPA. MCSD will monitor the effectiveness of the action(s) pertaining to the English Learner Progress Indicator utilizing the following metrics: • English Language Arts Results from the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress, or CAASPP;

Goal and Action #	Identified Need(s)	How the Action(s) are Designed to Address Need(s)	Metric(s) to Monitor Effectiveness
			 Reading District Progress Results Assessment, or DPA; and, Results from the English Language Proficiency Assessments for California, or ELPAC.

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.

All 18 MCSD schools meet the threshold of 55 percent or more low-income, English learner (EL), and/or foster youth. Therefore, Merced City School District plans to utilize additional concentration grant add-on funding in the 2024-2025 school year to increase direct services staff for Unduplicated students.

Merced City School District will continue to provide the following resources listed below:

- 9 School Counselors, current district total is 18; Goal 2, Action 3
- 1 Nurse plus 1 additional Nurse to bring the district total to 9; Goal 2, Action 3
- 1 School Psychologist plus 2 additional to bring the district total to 14; Goal 2, Action 3
- 1 Social Worker to bring the district total to 4; Goal 2, Action 1
- 2 Teacher Librarians to bring the district total to 9; Goal 1, Action 2
- 4 Resource Specialists; Goal 1, Action 3
- 2 Special Day Class Teachers; Goal 1, Action 3
- 1 Pre-school Resource Specialist; Goal 1, Action 4

MCSD will continue to maintain increased hours of service provided by 18 Health Assistants.

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	0	TK-3: 1:24; 4-8: 1:34
Staff-to-student ratio of certificated staff providing direct services to students	0	TK-3: 1:24; 4-8: 1:34

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	\$112,457,187	\$39,371,325	35.010%	2.290%	37.300%

Totals	LCFF Funds	Other State Funds	Local Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Total Personnel	Total Non-personnel
Totals	\$116,649,439.00	\$30,799,611.00	\$179,133.00	\$8,623,884.00	\$156,252,067.00	\$138,294,308.00	\$17,957,759.00

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
1	1.1	Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS): Tier 1 - High Quality First Instruction	All	No			All Schools	2024-2027	\$73,836,33 9.00	\$0.00	\$73,836,339.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$73,836, 339.00	
1	1.2	Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS): Tier 2 and 3 - Strategic and Intensive Interventions and Supports	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	2024-2027	\$17,206,16 9.00	\$1,149,537.00	\$13,000,171.00	\$2,831,087.00	\$0.00	\$2,524,448 .00	\$18,355, 706.00	
1	1.3	Retaining High-Quality Staff	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	2024-2027	\$4,500,000 .00	\$0.00	\$4,500,000.00				\$4,500,0 00.00	
1	1.4	Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM)		Yes	LEA- wide		All Schools	2024-2027	\$1,832,512 .00	\$1,482,964.00	\$1,984,060.00	\$646,476.00	\$0.00	\$684,940.0 0	\$3,315,4 76.00	
1	1.5	District-Wide Achievement Via Individual Determination (AVID)	All	No			All Schools	2024-2027	\$0.00	\$556,187.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$556,187.0 0	\$556,187 .00	
1	1.6	Teacher Resources	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	2024-2027	\$0.00	\$843,118.00	\$614,530.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$228,588.0 0	\$843,118 .00	
1	1.7	Expanded Learning Opportunities	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	2024-2027	\$6,469,575 .00	\$4,857,421.00	\$1,964,825.00	\$8,290,183.00	\$0.00	\$1,071,988 .00	\$11,326, 996.00	
1	1.8	Technology	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	2024-2027	\$2,615,921 .00	\$3,130,558.00	\$5,729,285.00	\$8,688.00	\$0.00	\$8,506.00	\$5,746,4 79.00	
1	1.9	Professional Development	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide	English Learners Foster Youth	All Schools	2024-2027	\$1,736,721 .00	\$2,265,435.00	\$1,808,739.00	\$1,194,438.00	\$0.00	\$998,979.0 0	\$4,002,1 56.00	

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
						Low Income										
1	1.10	English Learners	All	No			All Schools	2024-2027	\$209,962.0 0	\$29,317.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$239,279.0 0	\$239,279 .00	
1	1.11	Special Education	Students with Disabilities	No			All Schools	2024-2027	\$14,859,79 9.00	\$987,255.00	\$0.00	\$14,065,416.00	\$0.00	\$1,781,638 .00	\$15,847, 054.00	
2	2.1	Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) - Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS)	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	2024-2027	\$2,528,392 .00	\$1,298,765.00	\$3,026,017.00	\$744,240.00	\$0.00	\$56,900.00	\$3,827,1 57.00	
2	2.2	Safe Schools and Healthy Students	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	2024-2027	\$2,562,601 .00	\$421,559.00	\$857,743.00	\$2,126,417.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,984,1 60.00	
2	2.3	Student Wellness	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	2024-2027	\$8,398,470 .00	\$155,976.00	\$7,898,435.00	\$476,878.00	\$179,133.00	\$0.00	\$8,554,4 46.00	
2	2.4	Middle School Sports	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	2024-2027	\$136,729.0 0	\$140,661.00	\$277,390.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$277,390 .00	
3	3.1	Community Outreach	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	2024-2027	\$734,145.0 0	\$0.00	\$526,677.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$207,468.0 0	\$734,145 .00	
3	3.2	Communication	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	Yes	LEA- wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	2024-2027	\$343,453.0 0	\$124,607.00	\$468,060.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$468,060 .00	
3	3.3	Family Engagement	All	No			All Schools	2024-2027	\$62,912.00	\$96,747.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$159,659.0 0	\$159,659 .00	
4	4.1	Recruitment, Hiring, and Retention of Diverse Staff	Foster Youth	Yes	LEA- wide	Foster Youth	All Schools	2024-2027	\$11,746.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$5,873.00	\$0.00	\$5,873.00	\$11,846. 00	
4	4.2	Student Success Coordinator	Foster Youth	Yes	LEA- wide	Foster Youth	All Schools	2024-2027	\$198,862.0 0	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$99,431.00	\$0.00	\$99,431.00	\$198,962 .00	
4	4.3	Staff Training	Foster Youth	Yes	LEA- wide	Foster Youth	All Schools	2024-2027	\$0.00	\$7,442.00	\$7,442.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,442.0 0	
4	4.4	Student Mentorship	Foster Youth	Yes	LEA- wide	Foster Youth	All Schools	2024-2027	\$0.00	\$260,584.00	\$100.00	\$260,484.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$260,584 .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
4	4.5	Differentiated Instruction	Foster Youth		LEA- wide	Foster Youth	All Schools	2024-2027	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	
4	4.6	Advisory Committees	Foster Youth	Yes	LEA- wide	Foster Youth	All Schools	2024-2027	\$0.00	\$16,426.00	\$16,426.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$16,426. 00	
4	4.7	Equity Survey	Foster Youth		LEA- wide	Foster Youth	All Schools	2024-2027	\$0.00	\$132,900.00	\$132,900.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$132,900 .00	
5	5.1	Social-Emotional Supports	All	No			Specific Schools: Communi ty Day School	2024-25	\$50,000.00	\$0.00		\$50,000.00			\$50,000. 00	
5	5.2	Parent Involvement	All	No			Specific Schools: Communi ty Day School		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00			\$0.00	
5	5.3	Student Attendance Plan	All	No			Specific Schools: Communi ty Day School		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00			\$0.00	

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	4. Total Planned Contributing Expenditures (LCFF Funds)	5. Total Planned Percentage of Improved Services (%)	Planned Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year (4 divided by 1, plus 5)	Totals by Type	Total LCFF Funds
\$112,457,187	\$39,371,325	35.010%	2.290%	37.300%	\$42,813,100.0 0	0.000%	38.071 %	Total:	\$42,813,100.00
								LEA-wide Total:	\$42,813,100.00
								Limited Total:	\$0.00
								Schoolwide	\$0.00

Goal	Action #	Action Title	Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?	Scope	Unduplicated Student Group(s)	Location	Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds)	Planned Percentage of Improved Services (%)
1	1.2	Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS): Tier 2 and 3 - Strategic and Intensive Interventions and Supports	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$13,000,171.00	
1	1.3	Retaining High-Quality Staff	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$4,500,000.00	
1	1.4	Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM)	Yes	LEA-wide		All Schools	\$1,984,060.00	
1	1.6	Teacher Resources	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$614,530.00	
1	1.7	Expanded Learning Opportunities	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$1,964,825.00	
1	1.8	Technology	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$5,729,285.00	

\$0.00

Total:

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	1.9	Professional Development	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$1,808,739.00	
2	2.1	Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) - Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS)	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$3,026,017.00	
2	2.2	Safe Schools and Healthy Students	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$857,743.00	
2	2.3	Student Wellness	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$7,898,435.00	
2	2.4	Middle School Sports	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$277,390.00	
3	3.1	Community Outreach	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$526,677.00	
3	3.2	Communication	Yes	LEA-wide	English Learners Foster Youth Low Income	All Schools	\$468,060.00	
4	4.1	Recruitment, Hiring, and Retention of Diverse Staff	Yes	LEA-wide	Foster Youth	All Schools	\$100.00	
4	4.2	Student Success Coordinator	Yes	LEA-wide	Foster Youth	All Schools	\$100.00	
4	4.3	Staff Training	Yes	LEA-wide	Foster Youth	All Schools	\$7,442.00	
4	4.4	Student Mentorship	Yes	LEA-wide	Foster Youth	All Schools	\$100.00	
4	4.5	Differentiated Instruction	Yes	LEA-wide	Foster Youth	All Schools	\$100.00	
4	4.6	Advisory Committees	Yes	LEA-wide	Foster Youth	All Schools	\$16,426.00	
4	4.7	Equity Survey	Yes	LEA-wide	Foster Youth	All Schools	\$132,900.00	

2023-24 Annual Update Table

Totals	Last Year's Total Planned Expenditures (Total Funds)	Total Estimated Expenditures (Total Funds)
Totals	\$123,337,813.00	\$141,500,926.00

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	MTSS Tier I - High quality first instruction	No	\$62,812,761.00	\$75,304,618.00
1	1.2	MTSS Tier II and Tier III - Strategic and Intensive Interventions and Supports	Yes	\$15,988,751.00	\$16,685,297.00
1	1.3	Special Education	No	\$12,904,630.00	\$14,262,267.00
1	1.4	Early Intervention	Yes	\$426,084.00	\$668,221.00
1	1.5	Assessment System	Yes	\$375,000.00	\$276,861.00
1	1.6	STEAM	Yes	\$2,831,831.00	\$2,121,847.00
1	1.7	District-Wide AVID	No	\$503,982.00	\$369,730.00
1	1.8	Teacher Resources	Yes	\$379,967.00	\$258,933.00
1	1.9	Expanded Learning Opportunities	Yes	\$3,359,076.00	\$3,835,506.00
1	1.10	Technology	Yes	\$5,359,929.00	\$7,071,803.00
1	1.11	Professional Development	Yes	\$1,754,420.00	\$2,039,511.00

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	1.12	Equity, Access, and Inclusion	Yes	\$21,200.00	\$0.00
1	1.15	Supplemental Services for Students Performing Below Grade Level	Yes	\$1,209,935.00	\$1,191,536.00
2	2.1	MTSS - Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS)	Yes	\$4,287,036.00	\$3,082,261.00
2	2.2	Safe Schools and Healthy Students	Yes	\$2,824,958.00	\$4,196,073.00
2	2.3	Student Wellness	Yes	\$6,621,006.00	\$8,457,533.00
2	2.4	Middle School Sports	Yes	\$248,496.00	\$262,741.00
3	3.1	Community Outreach	Yes	\$550,843.00	\$718,215.00
3	3.2	Communication	Yes	\$399,356.00	\$328,182.00
3	3.3	Family Education	No	\$135,082.00	\$141,551.00
4	4.1	Staff Recruitment, Hiring, and Retention	Yes	\$5,000.00	\$12,599.00
4	4.2	Diversity Champion	No	\$110,816.00	\$50,397.00
4	4.3	Systemic Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Training Program	Yes	\$14,004.00	\$3,257.00
4	4.4	Targeted Mentoring and Tutoring	Yes	\$200,000.00	\$90,560.00

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)
4	4.5	Differentiated Instruction	Yes	\$6,504.00	\$0.00
4	4.6	Advisory Committee	Yes	\$3,023.00	\$0.00
4	4.7	Family Empathy Interviews	Yes	\$4,123.00	\$71,427.00

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)
\$37,643,369.00	\$31,281,089.00	\$35,077,043.00	(\$3,795,954.00)	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	1.2	MTSS Tier II and Tier III - Strategic and Intensive Interventions and Supports	Yes	\$9,297,573.00	\$10,754,909.00		
1	1.4	Early Intervention	Yes	\$422,184.00	\$446,799.00		
1	1 1.5 Assessment System		Yes	\$260,000.00	\$276,861.00		
1	1 1.6 STEAM		Yes	\$1,636,823.00	\$1,541,471.00		
1	1.8	Teacher Resources	Yes	\$206,527.00	\$132,242.00		
1	1.9	Expanded Learning Opportunities	Yes	\$1,338,225.00	\$1,281,875.00		
1	1.10	Technology	Yes	\$5,191,929.00	\$4,962,033.00		
1	1.11	Professional Development	Yes	\$932,579.00	\$728,581.00		
1	1.12	Equity, Access, and Inclusion	Yes	\$21,200.00	\$0.00		
1	1.15	Supplemental Services for Students Performing Below Grade Level	Yes	\$1,209,935.00	\$1,286,859.00		
2	2.1	MTSS - Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS)	Yes	\$2,300,152.00	\$1,942,503.00		
2	2.2	Safe Schools and Healthy Students	Yes	\$795,603.00	\$2,299,743.00		

Last Year's Goal #	Last Year's Action #	Prior Action/Service Title	Contributing to Increased or Improved Services?	Last Year's Planned Expenditures for Contributing Actions (LCFF Funds)	Estimated Actual Expenditures for Contributing Actions (Input LCFF Funds)	Planned Percentage of Improved Services	Estimated Actual Percentage of Improved Services (Input Percentage)
2	2.3	Student Wellness	Yes	\$6,408,428.00	\$8,256,177.00		
2	2.4	Middle School Sports	Yes \$248,496.00		\$262,741.00		
3	3.1	Community Outreach	Yes	\$379,425.00	\$501,033.00		
3	3.2	Communication	Yes	\$399,356.00	\$328,182.00		
4	4.1	Staff Recruitment, Hiring, and Retention	Yes	\$5,000.00	\$0.00		
4	4.3	Systemic Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Training Program	Yes	\$14,004.00	\$3,257.00		
4	4.4	Targeted Mentoring and Tutoring	Yes	\$200,000.00	\$0.00		
4	4.5	Differentiated Instruction	Yes	\$6,504.00	\$0.00		
4	4.6	Advisory Committee	Yes	\$3,023.00	\$350.00		
4	4.7	Family Empathy Interviews	Yes	\$4,123.00	\$71,427.00		

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)
\$112,067,641	\$37,643,369.00	0.00%	33.590%	\$35,077,043.00	0.000%	31.300%	\$2,566,326.00	2.290%

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 LCFF@cde.ca.gov.

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 CDE's LCAP webpage.

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 Education Code Section 52068 (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.

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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:
 - o 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.
 - o Indicate the school year to which the baseline data applies.
 - The baseline data must remain unchanged throughout the three-year LCAP.
 - This requirement is not intended to prevent LEAs from revising the baseline data if it is necessary to do so. For example, if an LEA identifies that its data collection practices for a particular metric are leading to inaccurate data and revises its practice to obtain

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

Year 1 Outcome

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

Year 2 Outcome

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

Target for Year 3 Outcome

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

Current Difference from Baseline

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

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

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

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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)

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)

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

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

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

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

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Optional Narrative (500 characters):

MCSD uses state and local data to gauge student progress in Reading, English Language Development, and Mathematics. The California Healthy Kids Survey results inform social-emotional learning and programming for students. Teacher responses to the California Staff Survey and a locally administered equity survey also influence program development. The District values input from the educational partnership engagement process and uses it to construct new actions to increase student achievement.

LCFF Priority 1 Self-Reflection Tool



Self-Reflection Tool (Priority 2) - Implementation of State Academic Standards

Option 2: Reflection Tool Recently Adopted Academic Standards and/or Curriculum Frameworks 1. Rate the local educational agency's progress in providing professional learning for teaching to the recently adopted academic standards and/or curriculum frameworks identified below. Rating Scale (lowest to highest): 1 - Exploration and Research Phase; 2 - Beginning Development; 3 - Initial Implementation; 4 - Full Implementation; 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability Fundish Language Arts - Common Core State Standards for Fundish Language Ar

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English Language Development (Aligned to English Language Arts Standards)*				
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Mathematics – Common Core State Standards for Mathematics *				
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Next Generation Science Standards*				
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History-Social Science*				
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2. Rate the local educational agency's progress in making instructional materials that are aligned to the recently adopted academic standards and/or curriculum frameworks identified below available in all classrooms where the subject is taught.
Rating Scale (lowest to highest): 1 – Exploration and Research Phase; 2 – Beginning Development; 3 – Initial Implementation; 4 – Full Implementation; 5 – Full Implementation and Sustainability
English Language Arts – Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts*
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English Language Development (Aligned to English Language Arts Standards)*
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Mathematics – Common Core State Standards for Mathematics *
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Next Generation Science Standards*
O 1 O 2 O 3 O 4 O 5 History-Social Science*
○ 1 ○ 2 ○ 3 ○ 4 ○ 5
3. Rate the local educational agency's progress in implementing policies or programs to support staff in identifying areas where they can improve in delivering instruction aligned to the recently adopted academic standards and/or curriculum frameworks identified below (e.g., collaborative time, focused classroom walkthroughs, teacher pairing)
Rating Scale (lowest to highest): 1 – Exploration and Research Phase; 2 – Beginning Development; 3 – Initial Implementation; 4 – Full Implementation; 5 – Full Implementation and Sustainability
English Language Arts – Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts*
○ 1 ○ 2 ○ 3 ● 4 ○ 5
English Language Development (Aligned to English Language Arts Standards) *
○ 1 ○ 2 ○ 3 ○ 4 ○ 5
Mathematics – Common Core State Standards for Mathematics*
O 1 O 2 O 3 ● 4 O 5
Next Generation Science Standards*
○ 1 ○ 2 ○ 3 ○ 4 ○ 5

Education for all students.
Rating Scale (lowest to highest): 1 – Exploration and Research Phase; 2 – Beginning Development; 3 – Initial Implementation; 4 – Full Implementation; 5 – Full Implementation and Sustainability
Career Technical Education*
○ 1 ○ 2 ○ 3 ● 4 ○ 5 ○ N/A Health Education Content Standards*
○ 1 ○ 2 ● 3 ○ 4 ○ 5 Physical Education Model Content Standards*
○ 1 ○ 2 ○ 3 ● 4 ○ 5 Visual and Performing Arts*
○ 1 ○ 2 ○ 3 ● 4 ○ 5 World Language*
○ 1 ○ 2 ○ 3 ○ 4 ○ 5 ○ N/A
Support for Teachers and Administrators
Rate the LEA's success at engaging in the following activities with teachers and school administrators during the prior school year (including the summer preceding the prior school year).
Rating Scale (lowest to highest): 1 – Exploration and Research Phase; 2 – Beginning Development; 3 – Initial Implementation; 4 – Full Implementation; 5 – Full Implementation and Sustainability
Identifying the professional learning needs of groups of teachers or staff as a whole*
○ 1 ○ 2 ○ 3 ○ 4 ○ 5
Identifying the professional learning needs of individual teachers*
O 1 O 2 O 3 O 4 ● 5
Providing support for teachers on the standards they have not yet mastered*
O 1 O 2 O 3 O 4 ○ 5

4. Rate the local educational agency's progress implementing each of the following academic standards adopted by the State Board of

Other Adopted Academic Standards

Section 1: Building Relationships Between School Staff and Families

1. Rate the LEA's progress in developing the capacity of staff (i.e. administrators, teachers, and classified staff) to build trusting and respectful relationships with families.* Rating Scale (lowest to highest): 1 - Exploration and Research Phase; 2 - Beginning Development; 3 - Initial Implementation; 4 - Full Implementation; 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability 2. Rate the LEA's progress in creating welcoming environments for all families in the community.* Rating Scale (lowest to highest): 1 - Exploration and Research Phase; 2 - Beginning Development; 3 - Initial Implementation; 4 - Full Implementation; 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability 4 - Full Implementation 3. Rate the LEA's progress in supporting staff to learn about each family's strengths, cultures, languages, and goals for their children.* Rating Scale (lowest to highest): 1 - Exploration and Research Phase; 2 - Beginning Development; 3 - Initial Implementation; 4 - Full Implementation; 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability 4 - Full Implementation 4. Rate the LEA's progress in developing multiple opportunities for the LEA and school sites to engage in 2-way communication between families and educators using language that is understandable and accessible to families.* Rating Scale (lowest to highest): 1 - Exploration and Research Phase; 2 - Beginning Development; 3 - Initial Implementation; 4 - Full Implementation; 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability 4 - Full Implementation

Building Relationships Dashboard Narrative Boxes

1. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe the LEA's current strengths and progress in Building Relationships Between School Staff and Families.*

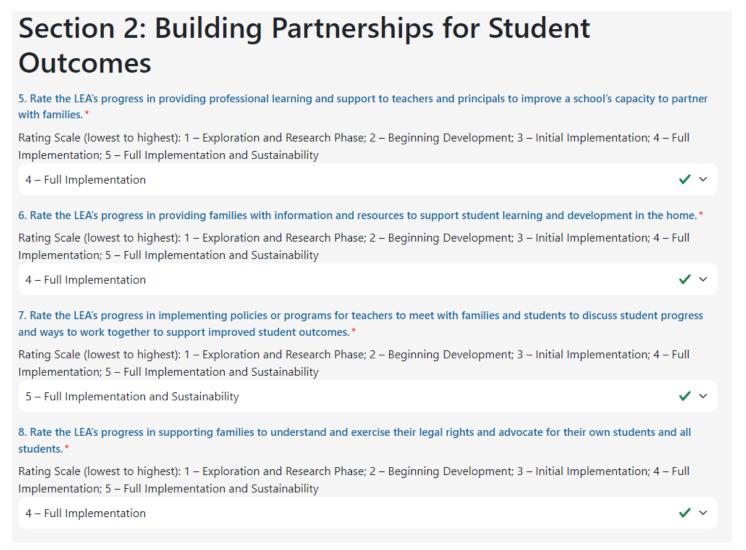
Strengths and progress relative to Building Partnerships and Student outcomes include conducting Parent-Teacher Conferences and progress reporting at least twice per school year. Resources for parents and families, including video tutorials focused on accessing learning, are available on the District webpage in multiple languages. The Aeries Parent Portal and Gradebook connect families to student progress information at times convenient for families. MCSD and its' school sites utilize ParentSquare to actively inform families of important messages and engaging events. A variety of community resource representatives (e.g., Merced Adult School, UC Merced, and the City of Merced Parks and Recreation Department) link with the Family Engagement Resource Center to support expanding partnerships beyond the school community.

2. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe the LEA's focus area(s) for improvement in Building Relationships Between School Staff and Families.*

MCSD continues to strive to meet its' families unique needs in order to improve the development of partnerships and thus, student outcomes. Identified areas of improvement include, but are not limited to: (a) flexible times for family engagement opportunities; (b) flexible locations for family engagement opportunities; and, (c) materials for family engagements are presented in a variety of home languages.

3. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe how the LEA will improve engagement of underrepresented families identified during the self-reflection process in relation to Building Relationships Between School Staff and Families.*

MCSD will improve the engagement of underrepresented families in a variety of ways. As previously mentioned, MCSD will strive to hold district and school-based engagement opportunities in various locations and times around our district, as well as ensure materials are presented in appropriate home languages.



Building Partnerships Dashboard Narrative Boxes

1. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe the LEA's current strengths and progress in Building Partnerships for Student Outcomes.*

The District continued using the California Healthy Kids Survey, California Schools Parent Survey, and California Schools Staff Survey during the 2023-2024 academic year. The results from the survey served as a comparison to the 2022-2023 surveys. Response rates for students and teachers were the same or more than the prior year. Approximately 86% of parents reported feeling welcome at the school, a 2% decrease compared to the previous year. Students in grade five reported feeling less safe at school (71%; 69%) and more sense of belonging (67%; 68%). The District added crowdsourcing to collect qualitative measures from families through the ThoughtExchange platform to identify common themes in parent and community reporting. Frequent Parent Square messages and social media posts (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) continue to be ways for parents to receive information and connect to their child's school. Family Help Stations installed at each MCSD

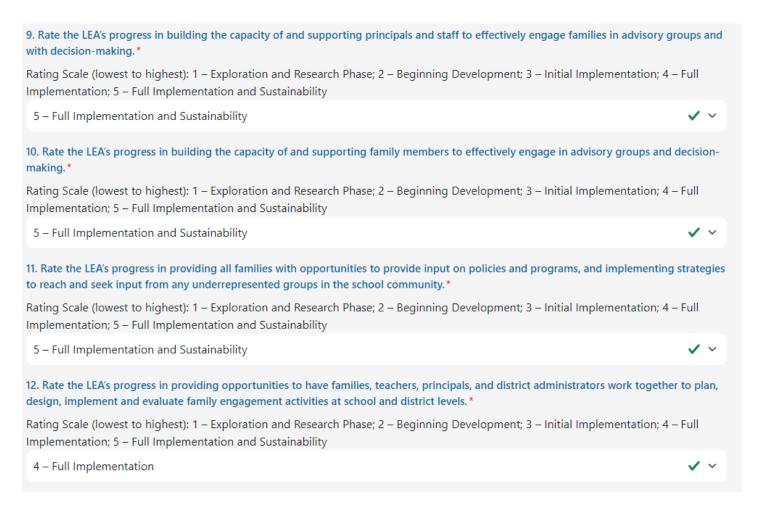
site as well as staff to support helping families access information through electronic and other resources are available.

2. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe the LEA's focus area(s) for improvement in Building Partnerships for Student Outcomes.*

The District continues to emphasize ensuring families are aware of programs and supports available from the Family Engagement Resource Center, or FERC. Additionally, families requested opportunities to be heard, therefore, time to listen to families and stakeholders is included on agendas as a standing item for family and community meetings.

3. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe how the LEA will improve engagement of underrepresented families identified during the self-reflection process in relation to Building Partnerships for Student Outcomes.

The District will continue to bring awareness of the resources available to families by instituting "FERC Fridays". Three district Community Outreach Specialists (COSs) will be at the front gate of each school site two times a year (18 x 2) at the time of student ingress to engage our families as they drop their children off at school. They will be able to interact with the families and provide information. The District will also conduct bi-monthly virtual engagements that promote family efficacy. Finally, our staff will be attending at least one staff meeting at each site where we share FERC opportunities with our staff so our district employees are privy to the support available.



Seeking Input for Decision-Making Dashboard Narrative Boxes

1. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe the LEA's current strengths and progress in Seeking Input for Decision-Making.*

Community participation in local Governing Board meetings and community forums is easily accessible in both in-person and remote formats. Surveys, crowdsourcing results, and district and site-level committees provide families with a voice and influence in decision-making. District and school staff provide governance instruction to families and committee representatives so they can participate fully in the decision-making process.

2. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe the LEA's focus area(s) for improvement in Seeking Input for Decision-Making.*

Based on input from educational partners, MCSD will continue to set aside time in its' LCAP Forums to capture community voice. Other opportunities, such as Coffee with the Superintendent may continue in the 2024-25 school year.

3. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe how the LEA will improve engagement of underrepresented families identified during the self-reflection process in relation to Seeking Input for Decision-Making.*

MCSD will strive to hold district and school-based engagement opportunities in various locations and times around our district, as well as ensure materials are presented in appropriate home languages. Time will be set aside to capture the input from our community.

Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) Priority 6 Self-Reflection Tool School Climate

Prompt 1 (DATA): Describe the local climate survey data, including available data disaggregated by student groups. LEAs using surveys that provide an overall score, such as the California Healthy Kids Survey, are encouraged to report the overall score for all students as well as available student group scores. Responses may also include an analysis of a subset of specific items on a local survey and additional data collection tools that are particularly relevant to school conditions and climate.

The District offered its annual Equity Survey in the Spring of 2024. Respondents included 6th-8th grade Merced City School District students, parents/guardians of an MCSD student, staff members, and/or community members affiliated with MCSD. Sites offered time for students to take this anonymous, voluntary survey during the school day, and employees were offered time during their workday to participate, as well. Parents were notified via ParentSquare messaging with embedded links, and stakeholders were offered time to take part, as well.

The most recent results available indicate while most students and staff agree that adults encourage students to learn from their mistakes (76%), only about half of staff, parents, and students agree that students feel safe at school (51%). Reports of bullying have increased (50% vs. 57%), and significantly more students (60%) than parents and staff (43% and 44%) say bullying is a problem at their school.

In regards to Staff Diversity, a high percentage of staff agree that schools hire (83%) and retain (78%) staff from diverse backgrounds. Significantly more students this year agree that their teachers come from many different backgrounds (81% vs. 73%).

When it comes to student and staff relationships, overall student-staff relationships at MCSD are strong and equitable. Over four-fifths of staff, parents, and students agree that they have classmates (82%-94%) and close friends from different backgrounds (77%-92%). However, significantly fewer students (72%) than staff (83%) agree that adults at their school care about and support students beyond schoolwork. Even though student opinions have improved about the adults' understanding of their culture and background, less than half of students say adults understand them and their experiences (47%).

Prompt 2 (MEANING): Describe key learnings, including identified needs and areas of strength determined through the analysis of data described in Prompt 1, including the available data disaggregated by student group.

Results indicate students and staff express differing opinions on the extent to which teachers are engaging students in such conversations. MCSD will continue to support staff in their efforts to educate through an equity lens. The District will focus on reducing instances of bullying and harassment and promoting school safety. MCSD may leverage this perspective and understanding to help students demonstrate more respectful behavior toward each other and their school environments. MCSD may also consider implementing additional bullying prevention measures and focusing on messaging that helps promote safety.

Prompt 3 (USE): Describe any changes to existing plans, policies, or procedures that the LEA determines necessary in order to address areas of need identified through the analysis of local data and the identification of key learnings. Include any revisions, decisions, or actions the LEA has, or will, implement for continuous improvement purposes.

The District will also support students' and families' feelings of inclusion, especially at the middle school level. MCSD will aim to help teachers and staff strengthen the links between students' home and school lives; demonstrating relevance and fostering connections between school and students' personal lives strengthens both academic and social-emotional outcomes. MCSD will continue to work to foster connections among students and demonstrate the value of having meaningful conversations about diversity. MCSD will be leveraging a partnership with a local vendor to promote elements of restorative justice in our four middle schools.

Self-Reflection Tool (Priority 7) - Access to a Broad Course of Study

Approach for Self-Reflection Tool to Use as Evidence

LEAs provide a narrative summary of the extent to which all students have access to and are enrolled in a broad course of study by addressing, at a minimum, the following four prompts:

1. Briefly identify the locally selected measures or tools that the LEA is using to track the extent to which all students have access to, and are enrolled in, a broad course of study, based on grade spans, unduplicated student groups, and individuals with exceptional needs served.

MCSD looks to continue utilizing the California Healthy Kids Survey, the California School Staff Survey, and the California School Parent Survey as well as conduct its annual Equity Survey in order to track student access to a broad course of study. In addition, it will run regular reports from its Student Information System (SIS), AERIES, and CALPADS in order to provide multiple opportunities to ensure students are accounted for.

2. Using the locally selected measures or tools, summarize the extent to which all students have access to, and are enrolled in, a broad course of study. The summary should identify any differences across school sites and student groups in access to, and enrollment in, a broad course of study. LEAs may describe progress over time in the extent to which all students have access to, and are enrolled in, a broad course of study.

All MCSD students have access to a broad course of study. Our annual equity survey revealed that MCSD ensures a welcoming and safe environment, the availability of high-quality resources across schools for students from diverse backgrounds (86%), and MCSD promotes access to all courses and extracurricular activities to students from diverse backgrounds (89%).

3. Given the results of the tool or locally selected measures, identify the barriers preventing the LEA from providing access to a broad course of study for all students.

Potential barriers that may exist limiting students' awareness of specific courses include, but not limited to: chronic absenteeism, staff turnover, and limited promotion of all programs and courses to families.

4. In response to the results of the tool or locally selected measures, what revisions, decisions, or new actions will the LEA implement, or has the LEA implemented, to ensure access to a broad course of study for all students?

MCSD will continue to promote its courses to all students and their families and monitor enrollment through student information system audits that occur quarterly (AERIES queries). MCSD will continue its annual 6th grade Middle School Orientation in order to promote the various courses that are offered at the middle school campuses.

Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Federal Addendum Template

School Year

2024-2025

Date of Board Approval

June 25, 2024

LEA Name

Merced City School District

CDS Code:

24 65771 000000

Link to the LCAP:

(optional)

https://www.mcsd.k12.ca.us/District/Portal/lcap

For which ESSA programs apply to your LEA?

Choose From:

TITLE I, PART A

Improving Basic Programs Operated by State and Local Educational Agencies

TITLE II, PART A

Supporting Effective Instruction

TITLE III, PART A

Language Instruction for English Learners and Immigrant Students

TITLE IV, PART A

Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants

(note: This list only includes ESSA programs with LEA plan requirements; not all ESSA programs.)

Presented to the Governing Board in conjunction with the LCAP on June 27, 2023.

In the following pages, ONLY complete the sections for the corresponding programs.

Instructions

The LCAP Federal Addendum is meant to supplement the LCAP to ensure that eligible LEAs have the opportunity to meet the Local Educational Agency (LEA) Plan provisions of the ESSA.

The LCAP Federal Addendum Template must be completed and submitted to the California Department of Education (CDE) to apply for ESSA funding. LEAs are encouraged to review the LCAP Federal Addendum annually with their LCAP, as ESSA funding should be considered in yearly strategic planning.

The LEA must address the Strategy and Alignment prompts provided on the following page.

Each provision for each program must be addressed unless the provision is not applicable to the LEA.

In addressing these provisions, LEAs must provide a narrative that addresses the provision within the LCAP Federal Addendum Template.

Under State Priority Alignment, state priority numbers are provided to demonstrate where an ESSA provision aligns with state priorities. This is meant to assist LEAs in determining where ESSA provisions may already be addressed in the LEA's LCAP, as it demonstrates the LEA's efforts to support the state priorities.

The CDE emphasizes that the LCAP Federal Addendum should not drive LCAP development. ESSA funds are supplemental to state funds, just as the LCAP Federal Addendum supplements your LCAP. LEAs are encouraged to integrate their ESSA funds into their LCAP development as much as possible to promote strategic planning of all resources; however, this is not a requirement. In reviewing the LCAP Federal Addendum, staff will evaluate the LEA's responses to the ESSA plan provisions. There is no standard length for the responses. LEAs will be asked to clarify insufficient responses during the review process.

This template is designed to be used by LEAs who already have completed their LCAP Federal Addendum and received approval from CDE. This template will support LEAs with the review of their LCAP Federal Addendum and revision.

The review and revision of the LCAP Federal Addendum do not need to be submitted to CDE for approval. However, an LEA should have their local Board approve any revisions.

Even if the LEA plans to transfer all of its title funds, it must still address all of the provisions of the title from which it is transferring its funds. The LEA must first meet the application requirements of those funds before it can elect to transfer those funds to another title.

California's ESSA State Plan significantly shifts the state's approach to the utilization of federal resources in support of underserved student groups. This LCAP Federal Addendum provides LEAs with the opportunity to document their approach to maximizing the impact of federal investments in support of underserved students.

The implementation of ESSA in California presents an opportunity for LEAs to innovate with their federally-funded programs and align them with the priority goals they are realizing under the state's Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF).

LCFF provides LEAs flexibility to design programs and provide services that meet the needs of students in order to achieve readiness for college, career, and lifelong learning. The LCAP planning process supports continuous cycles of action, reflection, and improvement.

Please respond to the prompts below, and in the pages that follow, to describe the LEA's plan for making the best use of federal ESEA resources in alignment with other federal, state, and local programs as described in the LEA's LCAP.

Strategy

Explain the LEA's strategy for using federal funds to supplement and enhance local priorities or initiatives funded with state funds, as reflected in the LEA's LCAP. This shall include describing the rationale/evidence for the selected use(s) of federal funds within the context of the LEA's broader strategy reflected in the LCAP.

Approximately 80% of the Merced City School District students are Unduplicated. Metrics such as the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (2023), the California School Dashboard (2023), as well as local measures (District Progress Assessments), indicate at least two-thirds of Merced City students have not met grade-level standards in the areas of language arts and mathematics. The California Healthy Kids Survey (2023) indicated that students felt that parents were more involved at school this year; elementary students felt safer and more connected to school; middle school students reported feeling less connected to school and students expressed feeling the same amount of sadness as last year. Federal and local funds are aligned to address school readiness, parent involvement, mastery of standards, provide more time to learn through a variety of targeted extended day activities, as well as supplemental program support during the course of the school day (e.g. Targeted instructional assistance in grade 1, Title I Student and Parent Engagement Coordinator, Response to Instruction and Intervention; Advancement Via Individual Determination). In addition to direct services to Unduplicated and At-risk students, federal funds are used to supplement professional development for staff to enhance the delivery of instruction through evidence-based strategies, such as science and research-based reading instruction, a universal design for learning, direct instruction, differentiation, culturally and linguistically responsive teaching, and social-emotional learning.

Alignment

Describe the efforts that the LEA will take to align use of federal funds with activities funded by state and local funds and, as applicable, across different federal grant programs.

Each school site in the District is required to continually inform the School Site Council, English Learner Advisory Committee, and site Leadership Team of the use of both Federal and State funds. Schools review student progress data, discuss services available to students, and plan actions to address student needs monthly. Title I and Local Control Funding Formula allocations are reviewed in detail. Budget changes resulting from needs assessments are shared with site Leadership, PBIS teams, School Site Councils, and English Learner Advisory Committees and submitted to the Fiscal Department. All School Plans for Student Achievement are aligned to the District's Local Control Accountability Plan, specifically in the areas of achievement for Language Arts and Mathematics, School Climate and Culture, and Parent Engagement. The District's Local Control Accountability Plan's overarching goals are focused on student achievement, wellness, professional learning, staff development, and family and community empowerment. Thus, all other plans are reviewed and analyzed to ensure coherence. Parents, students, classified, and certificated staff representatives are identified at each school site and participate in the District's Local Control Accountability Plan Parent Advisory Committee and attend meetings and forums designed to seek stakeholder input. Through the engagement of educational partners, the District gathers important information and feedback regarding student engagement and wellness, academic achievement, school culture, and climate. This information informs the planning of Federal and State-funded activities.

ESSA Provisions Addressed Within the LCAP

Within the LCAP an LEA is required to describe its goals and the specific actions to achieve those goals, for each of the LCFF state priorities. In an approvable LCAP, it will be apparent from the descriptions of the goals, actions, and services how an LEA is acting to address the following ESSA provisions through the aligned LCFF state priorities and/or the state accountability system.

Monitoring Student Progress Towards Meeting Challenging State Academic Standards

ESSA SECTION	STATE PRIORITY ALIGNMENT
1112(b)(1) (A–D)	1, 2, 4, 7, 8 (as applicable)

Describe how the LEA will monitor students' progress in meeting the challenging state academic standards by:

- (A) developing and implementing a well-rounded program of instruction to meet the academic needs of all students;
- (B) identifying students who may be at risk for academic failure;
- (C) providing additional educational assistance to individual students the LEA or school determines need help in meeting the challenging State academic standards; and
- (D) identifying and implementing instructional and other strategies intended to strengthen academic programs and improve school conditions for student learning.

Overuse in Discipline Practices that Remove Students from the Classroom

ESSA SECTION	STATE PRIORITY ALIGNMENT
1112(b)(11)	6 (as applicable)

Describe how the LEA will support efforts to reduce the overuse of discipline practices that remove students from the classroom, which may include identifying and supporting schools with high rates of discipline, disaggregated by each of the student groups, as defined in Section 1111(c)(2).

Career Technical and Work-based Opportunities

ESSA SECTION	STATE PRIORITY ALIGNMENT
1112(b)(12)(A–B)	2, 4, 7 (as applicable)

If determined appropriate by the LEA, describe how such agency will support programs that coordinate and integrate:

- (A) academic and career and technical education content through coordinated instructional strategies, that may incorporate experiential learning opportunities and promote skills attainment important to in-demand occupations or industries in the State; and
- (B) work-based learning opportunities that provide students in-depth interaction with industry professionals and, if appropriate, academic credit.

TITLE II, PART A

Title II, Part A Activities

ESSA SECTION	STATE PRIORITY ALIGNMENT
2102(b)(2)(A)	1, 2, 4 (as applicable)

Provide a description of the activities to be carried out by the LEA under this Section and how these activities will be aligned with challenging State academic standards.

TITLE III, PART A

Parent, Family, and Community Engagement

ESSA SECTION	STATE PRIORITY ALIGNMENT
3116(b)(3)	3, 6 (as applicable)

Describe how the eligible entity will promote parent, family, and community engagement in the education of English learners.

ESSA Provisions Addressed in the Consolidated Application and Reporting System

An LEA addresses the following ESSA provision as part of completing annual reporting through the Consolidated Application and Reporting System (CARS).

TITLE I, PART A

Poverty Criteria

ESSA SECTION(S)	STATE PRIORITY ALIGNMENT
1112(b)(4)	N/A

Describe the poverty criteria that will be used to select school attendance areas under Section 1113.

The poverty criteria used to select school attendance areas will continue to be based on the number of children eligible for free and reduced meals (Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act).

ESSA Provisions Not Addressed in the LCAP

For the majority of LEAs, the ESSA provisions on the following pages do not align with state priorities. **Each provision for each program provided on the following pages must be addressed** unless the provision is not applicable to the LEA. In addressing these provisions, LEAs must provide a narrative that addresses the provision **within this addendum**.

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TITLE I, PART A

Educator Equity

ESSA SECTION 1112(b)(2) - Not Applicable to Charters and Single School Districts.

Describe how the LEA will identify and address, as required under State plans as described in Section 1111(g)(1)(B), any disparities that result in low-income students and minority students being taught at higher rates than other students by ineffective, inexperienced, or out-of-field teachers.

NOTE: In this section, LEAs must identify and address disparities. Tools on the CDEs website (https://www.cde.ca.gov/pd/ee/peat.asp) can help with this process. LEAs are required to specifically address the following at comparable sites:

- 1. What # and % of teachers at sites are inexperienced, misassigned, or out-of-field in relation to:
 - a. Number of low-income students
 - b. Number of minority students
- 2. Does the LEA have an educator equity gap
 - a. If yes, must create a plan which must include root cause analysis of the disparity
 - b. A plan must be created with meaningful educational partner engagement.

Educator Equity Data Tables available here.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

The District's Personnel Department works closely with the Merced County Office of Education and reviews bi-annually teacher certification, placement, and assignment. Additionally, the District supports an active Teacher Induction Program, in which mentor teachers provide guidance and coaching for new teachers. The California Standards of the Teaching Profession, classroom management, lesson design, and delivery are program areas of focus. Approximately 80% of Merced City School District students report being from low-income families: Within the district, no schools report less than 65% low-income levels. Data, based on research support instructional strategies and grade-level standards content, is collected and analyzed. Recommendations are then shared with the site principal and staff to shape site-based professional development and continuous improvement efforts.

On November 6, 2019, the SBE approved updated definitions for "ineffective" and "out-of-field" teachers to be included in the amended California ESSA Consolidated State Plan.

Term	Definition
Ineffective teacher	An ineffective teacher is any of the following:
	An individual whose assignment is legally authorized by an emergency permit that does not require possession of a full teaching license; or

	 A teacher who holds a teaching credential but does not possess a permit or authorization that temporarily allows them to teach outside of their credentialed area (misassigned) An individual who holds no credential, permit, or authorization to teach in California. Under this definition, teachers with the following limited emergency permits would be considered ineffective: Provisional Internship Permits, Short-Term Staff Permits Variable Term Waivers Substitute permits or Teaching Permits for Statutory Leave (TSPL) holders serving as
	the teacher of record
Out-of-field teacher	A credentialed out-of-field teacher is: A credentialed teacher who has not yet demonstrated subject matter competence in the subject area(s) or for the student population to which he or she is assigned. Under this definition, the following limited permits will be considered out of the field:
	General Education Limited Assignment Permit (GELAP)
	Special Education Limited Assignment Permit (SELAP)
	 Short-Term Waivers Emergency English Learner or Bilingual Authorization Permits
	Local Assignment Options (except for those made pursuant to the <i>California Code of Regulations</i> , Title 5, Section 80005[b])
Inexperienced Teacher	A teacher who has two or fewer years of teaching experience.
Minority Student	A student who is American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian, African American, Filipino, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, Hispanic, or Two or More Races Not Hispanic.
Low-Income Student	A student who is eligible to receive Free or Reduced-Price Meals

Parent and Family Engagement

ESSA SECTIONS 1112(b)(3) and 1112(b)(7)

Describe the strategy the LEA will use to implement effective parent and family engagement under Section 1116.

The District has effective structures to engage parents. Examples include the District English Learner Advisory Committee, the Local Control Accountability Plan Parent Advisory Committee, instruction for adults through the Family Engagement Resource Center, and regularly planned district-wide functions such as the annual MCSD Spotlight and the MCSD STEAM Fair. These opportunities are vital to engaging parents and families for the coordination of classes and events, conducted by the District's Title I Student and Family Engagement Coordinator, Community Outreach Specialists, and site-based liaisons. Communications with parents and families are presented in multiple formats and languages.

To meet this requirement, LEAs must provide a description of the following:

ESSA Section 1112(b)(3): how the LEA will carry out its responsibilities under paragraphs (1) and (2) of Section 1111(d);

- 1. How the LEA will involve parents and family members at identified schools in jointly developing Comprehensive Support and Improvement plans
- 2. How the LEA will involve parents and family members in identified schools in jointly developing the Targeted Support and Improvement plans

3. In the absence of the identification of any schools for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) or any schools for Targeted Assistance and Intervention (TSI), the LEA may write N/A. This provision will not be reviewed.

ESSA Section 1112(b)(7): the strategy the LEA will use to implement effective parent and family engagement under Section 1116; shall include how the LEA and its schools will build capacity for parent and family engagement by:

- 1. Describe the LEA parent and family engagement policy, and how it was developed jointly with, agree on with, and distribute to, parents and family members of participating children a written parent and family engagement policy (ESSA Section 1116(a)).
- 2. Describe how the LEA will provide assistance to parents of children served by the school or local educational agency, as appropriate, in understanding such topics as the challenging State academic standards, State and local academic assessments, the requirements of this part, and how to monitor a child's progress and work with educators to improve the achievement of their children; (ESSA Section 1116(e)(1))
- 3. Describe how the LEA will provide materials and training to help parents to work with their children to improve their children's achievement, such as literacy training and using technology (including education about the harms of copyright piracy), as appropriate, to foster parental involvement; (ESSA Section 1116(e)(2))
- 4. Describe how the LEA will educate teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, principals, other school leaders, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and the school; (ESSA Section 1116(e)(3))
- 5. Describe how the LEA will to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs and activities with other Federal, State, and local programs, including public preschool programs, and conduct other activities, such as parent resource centers, that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children; (ESSA Section 1116(e)(4))
- 6. Describe how the LEA will ensure that information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to the parents of participating children in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand (ESSA Section 1116(e)(5))
- 7. Describe how the LEA will provide such other reasonable support for parental involvement activities as parents may request (ESSA Section 1116(e)(14).
- 8. Describe how the LEA will provide opportunities for the informed participation of parents and family members (including parents and family members who have limited English proficiency, parents and family members with disabilities, and parents and family members of migratory children), including providing information and school reports in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language, such parents understand (ESSA Section 1116(f)).

Also, include how the LEA will align parent involvement required in Section 1116 with the LCAP educational partner engagement process.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

Educational partner engagement is a focus at district and site levels. The Local Control Accountability Plan Parent Advisory Committee is composed of a parent representative from each site and middle school students. The group meets quarterly to discuss parent, student, and family needs, and ways to support student achievement, as well as District initiatives. The meetings are well attended, as evidenced by meeting minutes. Representatives are entrusted to act as vehicles of information both from and to the school site and community. A system of parent/family education is established and utilized at district and site levels. Community outreach specialists have developed an evidence-based curriculum of modules specifically to foster achievement for students and increase the participation of families in school planning and improvement.

planning and improvement.
Modules include:
Oral Language Development
Listening to Your Child Read
Improving Homework Skills

Discipline and Guidance

Foundation Family Science

Foundation Family Math

Mysteries of Adolescents

Ages and Stages, Single Parenting, Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports

Opening Doors/Abriendo Puertas

PASSport to Success

Suicide Prevention: What every parent should know

Accessing the Parent Portal

Additionally, site-based community liaisons conduct parent education modules during family events and assist parents in accessing student, site, and district information through Family Help Stations located at each school office. Parent empowerment workshops are available to grade 6 and middle school parents, in multiple languages. Each school is responsible for coordinating classes for parents, as well as transportation, interpretation, and child care. In addition to parent education classes, parents are encouraged to attend parent-teacher conferences twice yearly; events such as Back to School Night, Open House, and student performances are scheduled regularly. Attendance evidence indicates a majority of parents participate. Parents are surveyed regularly. Outcomes of the comprehensive needs assessment inform site and district decision-making. The Parent Involvement Policy is provided in the Parent Handbook, and is published at the district web page: School-Parent Compacts are reviewed during Parent Teacher Conferences. Site Councils are active and in place at each school site: School Plans for Student Achievement are reviewed and updated throughout the year. Changes to school plans are driven by the close monitoring of the District Progress Assessment, the California School Dashboard, and other local indicators. California School Parent Survey (2023) results revealed concerns regarding academic motivation, student connectedness, and student well-being. In response, additional services provided by the District's Title I Student and Family Engagement Coordinator, school counselors, site-based community liaisons, school social workers, and nurses increase support for student academic progress, and health and well-being.

Schoolwide Programs, Targeted Support Programs, and Programs for Neglected or Delinquent Children

ESSA SECTIONS 1112(b)(5) and 1112(b)(9)

Describe, in general, the nature of the programs to be conducted by the LEA's schools under sections 1114 and 1115 and, where appropriate, educational services outside such schools for children living in local institutions for neglected or delinquent children, and for neglected and delinquent children in community day school programs.

Not applicable.

Describe how teachers and school leaders, in consultation with parents, administrators, paraprofessionals, and specialized instructional support personnel, in schools operating a targeted assistance school program under Section 1115, will identify the eligible children most in need of services under this part.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

Programs and professional development designed to increase student achievement include District driven diagnostic and progress monitoring assessment in Language Arts and Math at least three times yearly for students, site-based fluid Response to Instruction and Intervention programs in which students receive additional instruction and support from specialized certificated and classified staff with differentiated materials designed to promote access and mastery of grade-level standards. Students in grade 1, who are identified as being below standard in reading, receive specialized lessons, in addition to and outside of required instructional minutes, from part-time Title I Instructional Aides. Merced City School District is an Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) district. Students in the program are taught and practice research-supported models for learning, such as note-taking, organization, and study skills. Summer academies, extended day, specific to reading, writing, and math, as well as tutorials, are also funded. Professional

development for staff is ample, as evidenced by the professional development calendar. Staff training is informed by the results of the comprehensive needs assessment and other surveys. This year's offerings supported include Phonemic awareness, phonics, word attack, fluency, Advancement Via Individual Determination, social/emotional learning, as well as training in materials only used in the Title I program.

Homeless Children and Youth Services

ESSA SECTION 1112(b)(6)

Describe the services the LEA will provide homeless children and youths, including services provided with funds reserved under Section 1113(c)(3)(A), to support the enrollment, attendance, and success of homeless children and youths, in coordination with the services the LEA is providing under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 United States Code 11301 et seq.).

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

Funds for homeless children and youth are used to provide services such as social work case management and advocacy, transportation, housing referral services, referrals to health and human service providers, and information referral services for in-district supports and programs. All office staff members are trained yearly regarding policy and regulations regarding the identification and enrollment of homeless, foster, and other at-risk youth. Under the supervision of the Pupil Services Department, designated school office staff members are directed to document in the Student Information System each homeless youth and monitor the child's attendance. Students who are unable to attend school regularly or who have special needs are referred to the Department of Pupil Service to ensure appropriate services are provided.

Student Transitions

ESSA SECTIONS 1112(b)(8), 1112(b)(10), and 1112(b)(10) (A-B)

Describe, if applicable, how the LEA will support, coordinate, and integrate services provided under this part with early childhood education programs at the LEA or individual school level, including plans for the transition of participants in such programs to local elementary school programs.

The District offers a Title I Preschool class. Title I preschool students and their families are supported in the transition to Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten in a variety of ways. Teachers identify the academic and other needs of each student and report them to the school where the child will attend Transition Kindergarten/Kindergarten, so the placement of the student is a priority, and services can be provided immediately. Additionally, a school psychologist supports assessment for the early identification of special learning needs. Students learn about Kindergarten through specially designed units of instruction. The Family Specialist offers parent workshops designed to facilitate the transition from Title I Preschool to the elementary. Home/School communication, expectations, registration, and actual identification of the student's home school are included in the workshop. A Positive Behavior Intervention Support Teacher actively teaches lessons regarding appropriate classroom behavior and works with families one-on-one for students who need Tier 2 and 3 levels of support to ensure a smooth transition to elementary school.

Describe, if applicable, how the LEA will implement strategies to facilitate effective transitions for students from middle grades to high school and from high school to postsecondary education including:

- (A) through coordination with institutions of higher education, employers, and other local partners; and
- (B) through increased student access to early college high school or dual or concurrent enrollment opportunities, or career counseling to identify student interests and skills.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

College awareness and college readiness are a district-wide focus, as Merced City School District is an AVID district. Middle school students transitioning to high school have multiple opportunities to explore and research career pathways and to visit colleges, virtually and in person as part of AVID School-Wide. College readiness skills including organization, focused-note taking, inquiry, collaborative projects, and student leadership are key strategies to prepare middle school students for high school success. Middle School students participate in the Paxton Patterson curriculum to gain

information on Career Technical Education opportunities available in high school and college. Additionally, middle school transition to high school is facilitated through a course selection process supported by school counselors, who provide middle school students with information about high school graduation and college entrance requirements. Merced City School District has a collaborative articulation data sharing system with Merced Union High School District to support academic success through appropriate course placement.

Additional Information Regarding Use of Funds Under this Part

ESSA SECTION 1112(b)(13) (A-B)

Provide any other information on how the LEA proposes to use funds to meet the purposes of this part, and that the LEA determines appropriate to provide, which may include how the LEA will:

- (A) assist schools in identifying and serving gifted and talented students; and
- (B) assist schools in developing effective school library programs to provide students an opportunity to develop digital literacy skills and improve academic achievement.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

School library programs are supported with the use of Title I funds to purchase digital/e books and resources, as well as literature sets outside of the adopted curriculum.

TITLE I, PART D

Description of Program

ESSA SECTION 1423(1)

Provide a description of the program to be assisted [by Title I, Part D].

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

N/A

Formal Agreements

ESSA SECTION 1423(2)

Provide a description of formal agreements, regarding the program to be assisted, between the

- (A) LEA; and
- (B) correctional facilities and alternative school programs serving children and youth involved with the juvenile justice system, including such facilities operated by the Secretary of the Interior and Indian tribes.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

N/A

Comparable Education Program

ESSA SECTION 1423(3)

As appropriate, provide a description of how participating schools will coordinate with facilities working with delinquent children and youth to ensure that such children and youth are participating in an education program comparable to one operating in the local school such youth would attend.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

N/A

Successful Transitions

ESSA SECTION 1423(4)

Provide a description of the program operated by participating schools to facilitate the successful transition of children and youth returning from correctional facilities and, as appropriate, the types of services that such schools will provide such children and youth and other at-risk children and youth.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

N/A

Educational Needs

ESSA SECTION 1423(5)

Provide a description of the characteristics (including learning difficulties, substance abuse problems, and other special needs) of the children and youth who will be returning from correctional facilities and, as appropriate, other at-risk children

and youth expected to be served by the program, and a description of how the school will coordinate existing educational programs to meet the unique educational needs of such children and youth. THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW: N/A Social, Health, and Other Services ESSA SECTION 1423(6) As appropriate, provide a description of how schools will coordinate with existing social, health, and other services to meet the needs of students returning from correctional facilities, at-risk children or youth, and other participating children or youth, including prenatal health care and nutrition services related to the health of the parent and the child or youth, parenting and child development classes, child care, targeted reentry and outreach programs, referrals to community resources, and scheduling flexibility. THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW: N/A Postsecondary and Workforce Partnerships

ESSA SECTION 1423(7)

As appropriate, provide a description of any partnerships with institutions of higher education or local businesses to facilitate postsecondary and workforce success for children and youth returning from correctional facilities, such as through participation in credit-bearing coursework while in secondary school, enrollment in postsecondary education, participation in career and technical education programming, and mentoring services for participating students.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

N/A

Parent and Family Involvement

ESSA SECTION 1423(8)

As appropriate, provide a description of how the program will involve parents and family members in efforts to improve the educational achievement of their children, assist in dropout prevention activities, and prevent the involvement of their children in delinquent activities.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

N/A

Program Coordination

ESSA SECTION 1423(9-10)

Provide a description of how the program under this subpart will be coordinated with other Federal, State, and local programs, such as programs under title I of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and career and technical education programs serving at-risk children and youth.

Include how the program will be coordinated with programs operated under the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 and other comparable programs, if applicable.

N/A	
	Officer Coordination TION 1423(11)
As appropri	iate, provide a description of how schools will work with probation officers to assist in meeting the needs of

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

children and youth returning from correctional facilities.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

N/A

Individualized Education Program Awareness

ESSA SECTION 1423(12)

Provide a description of the efforts participating schools will make to ensure correctional facilities working with children and youth are aware of a child's or youth's existing individualized education program.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

N/A

Alternative Placements

ESSA SECTIONS 1423(13)

As appropriate, provide a description of the steps participating schools will take to find alternative placements for children and youth interested in continuing their education but unable to participate in a traditional public school program.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

N/A

TITLE II, PART A

Professional Growth and Improvement

ESSA SECTION 2102(b)(2)(B)

Provide a description of the LEA's systems of professional growth and improvement, such as induction for teachers, principals, or other school leaders and opportunities for building the capacity of teachers and opportunities to develop meaningful teacher leadership.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

Address these questions:

- 1. Please provide a description of the LEA's systems of professional growth and improvement for teachers, principals, and other school leaders.
- 2. Please address principals, teachers, and other school leaders separately.
- 3. Please explain how the systems promote professional growth and ensure improvement, including how the LEA measures growth and improvement
- 4. Please describe how the systems support principals, teachers, and other school leaders from the beginning of their careers, throughout their careers, and through advancement opportunities
- 5. Please describe how the LEA evaluates its systems of professional growth and improvement and makes adjustments to ensure continuous improvement within these systems.

The District's system of professional growth includes a Principal Induction Program, MCOE's Principal Network, Administrative Keys, Cognitive Coaching training, and a Teacher Induction Program to build capacity and leadership. Professional development is also supported through the service of teacher librarians who work with individual school leaders and teachers at multiple school sites to increase staff knowledge about literacy and the Science of Reading, as well as improve instructional practices. Lesson study, side-by-side teaching, modeling of lessons; and standards mastery for language arts, mathematics, science, physical education, and technology is a focus of the work for the teachers on special assignment.

Prioritizing Funding

ESSA SECTION 2102(b)(2)(C)

Provide a description of how the LEA will prioritize funds to schools served by the agency that are implementing comprehensive support and improvement activities and targeted support and improvement activities under Section 1111(d) and have the highest percentage of children counted under Section 1124(c).

Address these questions:

- 1. Please describe the LEA's process for determining Title II, Part A funding among the schools it serves.
- 2. Please describe how the LEA determines funding that prioritizes CSI and TSI schools and schools serving the highest percentage of children counted under Section 1124(c).
- 3. Please describe how CSI and TSI schools and schools that have the highest percentage of children counted under Section 1124(c) that the LEA serves receive priority in Title II, Part A funding decisions compared to other schools the LEA serves.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

All schools in the district exceed the established federal poverty threshold. Seven (7) schools in MCSD were identified as eligible for Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) per the release of the 2023 California Dashboard. One (1) school was identified as Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI).

Data and Ongoing Consultation to Support Continuous Improvement

ESSA SECTION 2102(b)(2)(D)

Provide a description of how the LEA will use data and ongoing consultation described in Section 2102(b)(3) to continually update and improve activities supported under this part.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

Address these questions:

- 1. Please explain how the LEA coordinates its Title II, Part A activities with other related strategies, programs, and activities.
- 2. Please describe how the LEA uses data to continually update and improve activities supported under Title II, Part A.
- 3. Please describe how the LEA uses ongoing consultation described in Section 2102(b)(3) to continually update and improve activities supported under Title II, Part A.
- 4. Please describe the sources of data the LEA monitors to evaluate Title II, Part A activities and how often it analyzes this data.
- 5. Please describe the ways in which the LEA meaningfully consults with the following educational partners to update and improve Title II, Part A-funded activities:
 - a. Teachers
 - b. Principals and other school leaders
 - c. Paraprofessionals (including organizations representing such individuals)
 - d. Specialized instructional support personnel
 - e. Charter school leaders (in a local educational agency that has charter schools)
 - f. Parents
 - g. Community partners
 - h. Organizations or partners with relevant and demonstrated expertise in programs and activities
- 6. Please explain how often the LEA meaningfully consults with these educational partners.

In addition to monitoring student progress data, which is a direct result of instruction, the District continues to offer a professional development surveys and focus group dialogue opportunities with the support of Hanover Research, and the California School Staff Survey, for principals and teachers. Survey results, opportunities for staff to present modules based on expressed needs, and collaboration result in improved instructional strategies, resources and materials, technology, as well as information design effective professional learning activities.

TITLE III, PART A

Title III Professional Development

ESSA SECTION 3115(c)(2)

Describe how the eligible entity will provide effective professional development to classroom teachers, principals and other school leaders, administrators, and other school or community-based organizational personnel.

Complete responses will:

Address professional development activities specific to English learners/Title III purposes that are:

- 1. designed to improve the instruction and assessment of English learners;
- 2. designed to enhance the ability of such teachers, principals, and other school leaders to understand and implement curricula, assessment practices and measures, and instructional strategies for English learners;
- 3. effective in increasing children's English language proficiency or substantially increasing the subject matter knowledge, teaching knowledge, and teaching skills of such teachers;
- 4. of sufficient intensity and duration (which shall not include activities such as one-day or short-term workshops and conferences) to have a positive and lasting impact on the teachers' performance in the classroom; and
- 5. supplemental to all other funding sources for which the LEA is eligible.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

Merced City School District staff receive training in evidence-based instructional strategies designed and intended to support the achievement of English learner students. Trainings include ongoing local and contracted professional development opportunities such as:

English Language Developent;

Guided Language Acquisition Design;

Systematic Instruction in Phonological Awareness, Phonics, and Sight Words;

Designing and delivering higher-order questions;

Application and use of sentence frames to promote academic language;

Using Claims, Evidence and Reasoning;

Explicit Direct Instruction;

Advancement Via Individual Determination;

Diversity, equity and inclusion;

Concrete Representational Abstract (CRA) by way of Number Talks;

Consortium of Reading Excellence (CORE) professional development for early literacy instruction - based on the Science of Reading;

Conscious Discipline, and;

Utilization of assessment to monitor language progress, and academic vocabulary development.

Professional learning opportunities are offered throughout the academic year in person and virtually, in the summer, after school and during the instructional day with substitutes provided. Evidence of staff participation is available through the District's Online Management System.

The District shares accountability for the progress of English learner students with school sites. Teachers participate in activities, such as professional development in the English-Language Arts and English Language Development Framework, and apply instructional strategies supported by current research to be most effective for English learner students. All MCSD teachers are teachers of language and literacy and content. Ongoing evaluation of local, District and State assessments occurs with site administrators, teachers, and parents through faculty, site, and District English Learner Advisory Committees, School Site Council meetings, Local Control Accountability Plan educational partner engagement, and parent education events. Staff identify, provide services both during the instructional day and after school, and monitor the progress of students identified as Long-term English Learners.

Enhanced Instructional Opportunities

ESSA SECTIONS 3115(e)(1) and 3116

Describe how the eligible entity will provide enhanced instructional opportunities for immigrant children and youth.

Complete responses will:

1. Describe the activities implemented, supplemental to all other funding sources for which the LEA is eligible, that provide enhanced instructional opportunities for immigrant children and youth.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

The District provides a Common Core-aligned base program designed to promote proficiency in English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science for English learners and migrant students. Title III programming provides one-on-one and small group tutoring through the Bali Learning Center and extended day programs. Community, family, and parent participation opportunities include literacy classes, and the provision of activities specific to parents of English learner students. The Family Engagement Resource Center offers an English literacy and technology program, and provides local community resources to families, to increase the involvement of English learner parents in the education of their children.

The actions presented in the Improving Education for English Learners: Research-Based Approaches (California Department of Education, 2010), provide a framework for MCSD's English learner program. Goals include:

- Creating a climate where students' primary language and culture are valued and viewed as a resource;
- Communicating a sense that English learner students and their families are a part of the school community;
- Assisting families with integration into an unfamiliar school system;
- Encouraging parents to read to their children and engage their children in academic conversations/tasks and:
- Teaching parents how to be actively involved in school and their child's education

Title III Programs and Activities

ESSA SECTIONS 3116(b)(1)

Describe the effective programs and activities, including language instruction educational programs, proposed to be developed, implemented, and administered under the subgrant that will help English learners increase their English language proficiency and meet the challenging State academic standards.

Complete responses will:

- 1. Address the effective language instruction programs specific to English learners.
- 2. Address Title III activities that:
 - o are focused on English learners and consistent with the purposes of Title III;
 - o enhance the core program; and
 - o are supplemental to all other funding sources for which the LEA is eligible.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

Increasing the achievement of English learner students, through integrated and designated ELD was a focus in the adoption of English Language Arts and English Language Development materials. The materials include Designated

components, designed to support the acquisition of grade-level standards, aligned to language development content and academic vocabulary. Staff training to fully implement the materials is ongoing, and classrooms at all schools are visited throughout the year to ensure teachers are utilizing the appropriate state and district-adopted materials for English Language Arts and English Language Development. Research-based instructional strategies, such as Explicit Direct Instruction, Academic Discourse, Guided Language Acquisition Design, Close Reading, Repeated Interactive Read Aloud, Higher Oder Thinking Prompts, Sentence Frames and Comprehensive Delivery supports the achievement of English learner students in classrooms throughout the District.

English Proficiency and Academic Achievement

ESSA SECTIONS 3116(b)(2)(A-B)

Describe how the eligible entity will ensure that elementary schools and secondary schools receiving funds under Subpart 1 assist English learners in:

- (A) achieving English proficiency based on the State's English language proficiency assessment under Section 1111(b)(2)(G), consistent with the State's long-term goals, as described in Section 1111(c)(4)(A)(ii); and
- (B) meeting the challenging State academic standards.

Complete responses will:

- 1. Address how sites will be held accountable for meeting English acquisition progress and achievement goals for English learners.
- 2. Address site activities that are supplemental to all other funding sources for which the LEA is eligible.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

The English Language Proficiency Assessments for California are the primary metric in determining English Learner student progress in acquiring English. English Learner students become proficient in English and meet rigorous academic standards through focused and integrated instruction that emphasizes academic discourse, vocabulary development, and writing. The District's Student Information System (SIS) allows the isolation of progress variables by student groups to support the monitoring of English Learner student progress on local benchmarks and State exams. Under the direction of the Department of State and Federal Programs, all school Learning Directors within the District report progress for English learners at least three times each year. Special attention is given to the monitoring of students who are at risk of becoming long-term English Learners. Records of students enrolled as English Learners for more than four years are analyzed by site teams to determine if more targeted instruction or additional support is needed.

TITLE IV, PART A

Title IV, Part A Activities and Programs

ESSA SECTION 4106(e)(1)

Each LEA, or consortium of LEAs, shall conduct the Title IV needs assessment once every 3 years. (see below)

Describe the activities and programming that the LEA, or consortium of such agencies, will carry out under Subpart 1, including a description of:

- (A) any partnership with an institution of higher education, business, nonprofit organization, community-based organization, or other public or private entity with a demonstrated record of success in implementing activities under this subpart:
- (B) if applicable, how funds will be used for activities related to supporting well-rounded education under Section 4107:
- (C) if applicable, how funds will be used for activities related to supporting safe and healthy students under Section 4108:
- (D) if applicable, how funds will be used for activities related to supporting the effective use of technology in schools under Section 4109; and
- (E) the program objectives and intended outcomes for activities under Subpart 1, and how the LEA, or consortium of such agencies, will periodically evaluate the effectiveness of the activities carried out under this section based on such objectives and outcomes.

NOTE: If the LEA received more than \$30,000 in Title IV, Part A funding and did not transfer the allocation, the LEA must:

- 1. use not less than 20 percent of Title IV, Part A funds to support one or more safe and healthy student activities;
- 2. use not less than 20 percent of Title IV, Part A funds to support one or more well-rounded education activities;
- 3. use a portion of Title IV, Part A funds to support one or more effective use of technology activities; and a) 15 percent max cap on effective use of technology for purchasing technology infrastructure.

THIS ESSA PROVISION IS ADDRESSED BELOW:

The District's Title IV program increases student access to a well-rounded education including student health and wellness, enhances school conditions for student learning, and improves the use of technology in order to improve school engagement, academic achievement, and digital literacy of students. The main components of the program are opportunities for individual and small group tutoring; the provision of teachers on special assignment to coach and advise school staff in the areas of health and physical education standards; the provision of a family engagement resource center; as well as partnerships with the University of California at Merced, and Merced County Behavior Health Center and Human Services Agency.

Title IV, Part A Needs Assessment

According to the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), all local educational agencies (LEAs) receiving at least \$30,000 must conduct a needs assessment specific to Title IV, Part A (ESSA Section 4106[f]). Each LEA, or consortium of LEAs, shall conduct the needs assessment once every three year (ESSA Section 4106[d][3]).

Well-rounded Education Opportunities (ESSA Section 4107)

Identify any indicators, or measures/data points to examine needs for improvement of the Title IV, Part A priority content areas.

2023 California Dashboard Results, released December 2023:

California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP):

English Language Arts

All Students: 50.3 points below standard;

Students with Disabilities: 128.2 points below standard;

English Learner Students: 86.4 points below standard;

African-American Students 84.8 points below standard;

Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students 61.3 points below standard; and,

Foster Youth Students 87.8 points below standard.

Mathematics

All Students: 82.9 points below standard;

Students with Disabilities: 159.5 points below standard;

English Learner Students: 112.4 points below standard;

African-American Students 129.6 points below standard;

Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students 92.9 points below standard; and,

Foster Youth Students 126.3 points below standard.

What activities will be included within the support for a well-rounded education?

Tutorials are made available to all MCSD students with priority enrollment offered to the students with the most need.

How will the activities be evaluated for the effectiveness of strategies and activities funded under Title IV, Part A. Include the indicators, or measures/data points used to determine future program planning?

Program activities will be evaluated using the following metrics:

CAASPP English Language Arts:

CAASPP Mathematics;
Suspension Rates; and,
Attendance Rates.
Safe and Healthy Students (ESSA Section 4108)
Identify any indicators, or measures/data points to examine needs for improvement of the Title IV, Part A priority content areas.
Chronic Absenteeism Rate:
21% Chronic Absenteeism Rate
Suspension Rate:
4.8% Suspension Rate
Expulsion Rate:
0.00% Expulsion Rate
What activities will be included within the support for safety and health of students?
Fach site refines their attendance and behavior plans in order to attend to points for improvement

Each site refines their attendance and behavior plans in order to attend to points for improvement.

How will the activities be evaluated for the effectiveness of strategies and activities funded under Title IV, Part A. Include the indicators, or measures/data points used to determine future program planning?

The activities that are described within site-based attendance and behavior plans will be evaluated using attendance, suspension, and/or expulsion rates.

Effective Use of Technology (ESSA Section 4109)

Identify any indicators, or measures/data points to examine needs for improvement of the Title IV, Part A priority content areas.

The district will continue to block unapproved websites and/or applications in the 2024-25 school year in order to ensure our infrastructure and student privacy is protected.

What activities will be included within the support of effective use of technology? Note: No more than 15 percent on technology infrastructure (ESSA Section 4109[b])

Technology will be used to block attempted access to unapproved websites and/or applications.

How will the activities be evaluated for the effectiveness of strategies and activities funded under Title IV, Part A. Include the indicators, or measures/data points used to determine future program planning?

Quarterly reports will be ran to validate the effectiveness of the program.

Note: All planned activities must meet the authorized use of funds criteria located on the Title IV, Part A
Authorized Use of Funds web page at https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/st/tivpaauthuseoffunds.asp.

Date of LEA's last conducted needs assessment:

2023-24 school year.

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