



2022-23 California State Budget Proposal Summary of Early Learning and Care Provisions

Early Learning and Care Investments

Universal Transitional Kindergarten (TK)

- Fulfilling commitment made in the 2021-22 State Budget, the Proposition 98 Guarantee is rebenched from 38.02% to approximately 38.4% of the General Fund to support TK expansion. Rebenching increases the minimum guarantee for programs shifted into Proposition 98 by allocating funds from the state's General Fund. Rebenching ensures local educational agencies (LEAs) do not see their funding effectively lowered by adding programs without readjusting the minimum guarantee.
 - **\$639.2M** General Fund (as part of rebench) to expand TK entrance date from the current date of December 2nd, to enroll children who turn 5 by February 2nd in the 2022-23 school year.
- **\$383M** Proposition 98 General Fund to add one additional certified or classified staff person to every TK class to reduce the child to adult ratio.

California State Preschool Programs (CSPPs)

- **Total \$309M**; \$197.8M Proposition 98 General Fund plus \$110.6M General Fund to increase CSPP adjustment factors for students with disabilities and Dual Language Learners (DLLs). These funds fund new requirements for CSPP providers to:
 - Serve at least 10% of students with disabilities.
 - Provide additional supportive services for DLLs.
 - Ensure all CSPP students maintain continuous eligibility for 24 months (an increase from 12 months).
 - Ensure children with an Individualized Education Program are categorically eligible to participate in CSPP.
- CSPP providers that have demonstrated that they have served all 3- and 4-year-olds in their service area will be allowed to serve 2-year-olds.
- **\$500M** One-time Proposition 98 General Fund to support Inclusive Early Education Expansion Program, which funds infrastructure necessary to support general education and special education students in inclusive classrooms.
- **\$166.2M** Proposition 98 General Fund to cover full-year costs of CSPP rate increases that began January 1, 2022 and were committed to in the 2021-22 State Budget.

Child Care

- **\$5.8B** - These funds support annualized funding for programs, reimbursement rates, and child care slots that were committed to in the 2021-22 State Budget. This includes:
 - **\$373M** to support a full-year of reimbursement rate increases.
 - Supplemental funding to providers.
 - Infrastructure grant program funds.

- **\$823.7M** for 36,000 additional subsidized slots. Combined with 2021-22 slots, this brings the total to 145,000 slots. Will ultimately fund 200,000 slots.
- **\$25M** to fund Child Care Initiative Project through June 30, 2023. Focuses on providing child care in underserved areas, increasing child care slots, and supporting providers who want to become licensed.
- **\$10.6M** through June 30, 2023 for the California Infant & Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation Program.
- **\$4.8M** General Fund to support infrastructure, planning, and design of a child care data system called California Supporting Providers and Reaching Kids (CalSPARKS) as part of the Brilliant Beginnings data initiative.
- **\$3.1M** from the Preschool Development Grant Renewal - Birth through 5 Grant (PDGR-B5) from 2020-2023 to support the Brilliant Beginnings data initiative.

Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) Changes

- **\$1.2B** Ongoing Proposition 98 General Fund - Budget amends the LCFF calculation to consider the greater of a school district's current year, prior year, or the average of three prior years' Average Daily Attendance (ADA) dollars. This formula change will help districts with significant declining enrollment and better serve remaining students.

K-12 Educator Workforce & Early Learning Career Pathways

- **\$54.4M** in a mix of Proposition 98 General Fund and General Fund to build upon the multi-year investments included in the 2021 Budget Act to support efforts to enhance schools' ability to hire qualified teachers and substitutes. This includes:
 - **\$24M** One-time General Fund to waive certain teacher examination fees.
 - **\$12M** One-time General Fund to extend the waiver of select credentials fees.
 - **\$10M** One-time General Fund to support a competitive grant program that provides grants to public and private institutions to develop and implement integrated teacher preparation programs.
 - **\$5.2M** Proposition 98 General Fund and **\$322,000** General Fund to re-establish the Personnel Management Assistance Teams to assist LEAs in improving hiring and recruitment practices.
 - **\$1.4M** General Fund to establish career counselors for prospective educators at the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC).
 - **\$924,000** General Fund, of which \$161,000 is one-time, to support the CTC's administration of multiple grant programs and fee waivers.
 - **\$900,000** General Fund for the CTC to contract for public outreach to highlight the value and benefits of educational careers in California's Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 12 schools.
 - Extending statute authorizing any holder of a credential or permit issued by the CTC to serve in a substitute teaching assignment aligned with their authorization, including for staff vacancies, for up to 60 cumulative days for any one assignment.
 - **\$5M** One-time Proposition 98 General Fund for community college-university teacher credentialing collaboratives.

- **\$1.5B** One-time Proposition 98 General Fund over four years to support the development of pathway programs focused on technology, healthcare, education (early education), and climate-related fields.
- **\$500M** One-time Proposition 98 General Fund, over four years, to strengthen and expand student access and participation in dual enrollment opportunities that are also coupled with student advising and support services.
- **\$45M** in higher education funding for curricular pathways software and public-private partnerships for STEM, education, and health care career preparation.

Early Literacy

- **\$500M** One-time Proposition 98 General Fund, available over five years, for grants to high-needs schools to train and hire literacy coaches and reading specialists to guide productive classroom instruction and to offer one-on-one and small group intervention for struggling readers.
- **\$200M** One-time Proposition 98 General Fund to establish a grant program to enable LEAs to create or expand multilingual school or classroom libraries offering culturally relevant texts to support reading instruction.
- **\$10M** One-time General Fund for the Department of Public Health to partner with First 5 California on the Books for Children Program.
- **\$2M** One-time General Fund to incorporate early identification for learning disabilities into the state's preschool assessment tools, including a process for follow-up by expert evaluators.
 - **\$60M** One-time Proposition 98 General Fund to provide training for educators on effective use of these tools.
- Budget clarifies that Expanded Learning Opportunities Program funds may be used to hire literacy tutors that would assist students as part of the program's enrichment activities.

Improving Services to Students and Young Children with Disabilities

- **\$500M** Ongoing Proposition 98 General Fund for the special education funding formula paired with policy changes to further the state's commitment to improving special education instruction and services in K-12.
- **\$849,000** General Fund and 6 staff positions to support the California Department of Education's (CDE) efforts to strengthen the transition process of young children with disabilities from federal Part C services (provided by regional centers) to federal Part B services (provided by school districts). Federal law requires this transition at age 3.
 - **\$65.5M** in 2022-23 and **\$82.5M** in 2023-24 for the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and regional centers to support this transition.
- **\$51M** in 2022-23 and **\$68.M** ongoing to reduce regional service coordinator caseload ratios to 1:40 for children through age five.
- **\$10M** General Fund to promote inclusion in preschool of 3- and 4-year olds served by regional centers to improve accessibility of programs and have children to learn alongside with peers with different abilities.
- **\$3.2M** to establish IDEA Specialists at each regional center.

- **\$1.2M** to increase DDS resources to make improvements to the Early Start Programs to provide inclusive services, streamline intake processes, align systems, and increase interagency collaboration with CDE.

Expanded Learning Opportunities Program

- **\$3.4B** Ongoing Proposition 98 General Fund for the Expanded Learning Opportunities Program, increasing per pupil funding for the program and expanding the number of LEAs offering no-cost services. This brings total ongoing program funding to \$4.4 billion, when combined with the funding in last year's budget.
- **\$937M** One-time Proposition 98 General Fund to support Expanded Learning Opportunities Program infrastructure, with a focus on integrating arts and music programming into the enrichment options for students.
- **\$148.7M** Ongoing Proposition 98 General Fund to continue the one-time reimbursement rate increases from the 2021 Budget Act for the After School Education and Safety and 21st Century Community Learning Centers programs.