2023-24 California State Budget May Revise Summary: Early Learning and Care Investments

May Revision Summary: [https://ebudget.ca.gov/FullBudgetSummary.pdf](https://ebudget.ca.gov/FullBudgetSummary.pdf)

**Transitional Kindergarten (TK):**
- **$953 million** to continue to support implementation of TK. Expected to be $2.6 billion once fully implemented in 2025-26.
- Reduction from $337 million to **$283 million** to adjust based on actualized first-year costs to add one additional certificated or classified staff person to every TK classroom to establish ratios of 12:1.
- Reduction of $604 million to **$357 million** to adjust based on actualized first-year costs of implementation to expand access to all children (29,000 additional children) turning five years old between September 2nd and February 2nd in the 2022-23 school year.
- Reduction from $690 million to **$597 million** for second-year implementation costs to expand access to all children (42,000 additional children) turning five between September 2nd and April 2nd in the 2023-24 school year. Second-year costs include one additional staff person in TK classrooms to maintain ratios of 12:1.

**California State Preschool Program (CSPP):**
- **$4.4 million** non-Prop 98 General Fund and **$5.3 million** Prop 98 General Fund to continue family fee waivers from July 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023.
- **$112 million** federal funds to provide 2022-23 temporary employee stipends for CSPP.
- **$54.3 million** General Fund decrease in CSPP technical adjustments to reflect revised estimates of the General Fund resources needed to support recent reimbursement rate increases that are currently supported by limited-term federal funds.
- Increased Cost-of-Living-Adjustment (COLA) from 8.13 percent to **8.22 percent**.

**Child Care:**
- **$6.6 billion** (3 billion General Fund) for child care programs.
- **$29.4 million** in federal funds to waive family fees from July 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023.
- **$169 million** in federal funds to provide temporary stipends to state-subsidized child care providers for 2022-23.
- **$183.3 million** General Fund for Child Care and Development Programs and **$840,000** for the Child and Adult Care Food Program to reflect a statutory COLA of **8.22 percent**.
- Revised General Child Care funding to reflect one-time savings of **$588 million** General Fund in 2022-23 based on estimated general child care expenditures that will go into contract at the end of the fiscal year.
- State expressed its commitment to continuing to work with Child Care Providers United (CCPU) to negotiate a successor agreement to the current agreement expiring June 30, 2023.
Bilingual Teacher Professional Development Program:
- **$20 million** one-time increase from Prop 98 General Fund through the 2028-29 fiscal year to support the Bilingual Teacher Professional Development Program.

CA Preschool, TK, and Full Day Kindergarten (FDK) Facilities Grant Program:
- **Delay of $550 million**: The 2022 budget included $100 million one-time and included a planned $550 million General Fund for 2023-24, with the Governor proposing to delay the **$550 million** investment to 2024-25.

Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP):
- The Governor’s Budget proposed statutory changes so that local educational agencies (LEAs) do not incur fiscal penalties that were greater than their ELOP entitlement and clarified that LEAs can offer 30 non-school days during the summer if they choose, without being penalized.
- The May Revision proposes further statutory changes to provide LEAs with additional time to expend the ELOP funding allocations by extending the expenditure deadline for ELOP funds received in 2021-22 and 2022-23 from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024. This extension will allow LEAs to have more time for planning and implementation.

Other Relevant Investments:
- **Golden State Teacher Grant Program**: Increase of **$6 million** one-time federal funds to support those enrolled in a special education teacher prep program at high-need school sites.
- **Accountability Improvements and Equity Multiplier**: **$2 million** ongoing Prop 98 General Fund to support the critical work of the newly proposed Equity Leads within the Statewide System of Support.
- **Professional Development and Leadership Training**: **$1 million** ongoing Prop 98 General Fund for Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) to support professional development and leadership training for education professionals in regards to anti-bias education and the creation of inclusive and equitable schools.