

Local Control Accountability Plan

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

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Plan Summary [2021-22]

General Information

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

Nicasio School is committed to providing a high quality, engaging, and well-rounded educational experience in an environment where all students feel supported and experience success. Nestled in the heart of Marin County, California, Nicasio School is one of the few remaining single-school public school districts in Marin. The rural district itself was established in 1862 with the first Nicasio schoolhouse constructed in 1867. Nicasio School has changed dramatically since the late 1800s. Thanks to voters supporting a \$2.4 million bond in 1999, today's campus is comprised of modern facilities. In addition to large classrooms, students at Nicasio School have access to the school's library, art room, up-to-date technology, and a multi-purpose room equipped with a stage and full kitchen. Having the advantage of a rural environment, students also enjoy working in the school's garden with support from their teachers along with parents and community members.

VISION STATEMENT

Nicasio School prepares students to excel in high school and in life by attracting and maintaining outstanding teachers who deliver a stimulating curriculum through innovative instructional methods. Working with parents and the community, we support all students in reaching their full potential academically, physically, and emotionally by providing a safe and nurturing environment.

MISSION STATEMENT

Benefiting from its unique rural setting, strong sense of community and distinguished history, Nicasio School will educate children to value learning, act with integrity, live a healthful life, and participate as responsible citizens both globally and locally.

During the 2020-21 school year, Nicasio School served 37 students in grades K-8. Approximately 48% of the student body represented the local Hispanic community. The majority of these students entered Nicasio School in primary grades as English Language Learners (ELL) with their primary language being Spanish. By the time our ELL students reach upper elementary school or early middle school, the majority are reclassified as Fluent English Proficient. Approximately 16% of Nicasio School's students received special education support and services (Resource Specialist Program, Speech and Language Program).

Students learn in multi-grade classrooms with highly skilled teachers and support staff who prepare them for transition to high school and life outside of Nicasio. While many graduating 8th graders attend Archie Williams High School (formerly Sir Francis Drake High School) in San Anselmo, others alumni attend private high schools in Marin County and San Francisco.

Reflections: Successes

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

During the 202-21 school year, Nicasio School continued to attract and retain outstanding staff.

Nicasio School continued to maintain optimal class sizes and configurations to enhance learning and social interactions based on student enrollment in 3 multi-age classrooms. 35% of overall enrollment (or 13 students) were students on Interdistrict Transfer agreements. This supports a healthy student population and ensures students have access to same-aged peers, while maintaining a small learning environment. All three classrooms received consistent support from a classroom instructional assistant during the school day, with an emphasis on supporting students designated as English Learners.

Nicasio School reopened for full-day in-person instruction on September 29, 2020. A distance learning option was maintained by each classroom teacher by family request for reasons related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The distance learning option included live instruction during the school day (via Zoom), as well as asynchronous learning tasks. The district was successful in acquiring and maintaining supplies of personal protection equipment (PPE) for students/staff and cleaning supplies as outlined in our School Site-Specific Protection Plan. Students were able to transition into our in-person instructional model at any time during the school year. By April 2021, 100% of students in grades K-5 received full-time in-person instruction and 83% (or 10 of 12 total students) in grades 6-8 received full-time in-person instruction.

Students continued to receive a broad course of study, including enrichment programs in grades K- 8 (Visual Arts and PE).

English Learners continued to receive targeted academic language support through the Learning Center Program. During the 2019-20 school year, a total of 13 students (31%) were identified as English Learners in grades K-6. The most recent English Language Proficiency Assessment (ELPAC) results from Spring 2020 include results from the 5 students who completed all domains prior to the mandated COVID-19 school closure. Of these students, 2 have somewhat developed English language skills (level 2), 2 have moderately developed English language skills (level 3) and 1 has well developed English language skills. Based on these results, 1 student was reclassified as Fluent English Proficient in September 2020.

In the 2020-21 school year, zero students were newly identified as English Learners. A total of 11 students (30%) were identified as English Learners in grades 1-7. The English Language Proficiency Assessment (ELPAC) was administered in Spring 2021. Results will be analyzed to monitor student growth and progress.

Results from the annual school survey (February 2020) indicate that students in grades 5-8 have a positive perception of both classroom and school climate. The classroom climate is rated as positive by 94% of the students. The school climate is rated positively by students. When

asked "I feel happy to be at this school", 76% of students responded "most/all of the time" and 24% responded "sometimes". The school was rated as safe by students. When asked "I feel safe in my school", 94% of students responded "most/all of the time" and 6% responded "sometimes". When asked, "At my school, there is a teacher or some other adult who really cares about me", 94% of students responded either "a little true" or "very true".

Results from the annual school survey (February 2021) indicate that students in grades 5-8 have a positive perception of both classroom and school climate. The school climate is rated positively by students. When asked "I feel happy to be at this school", 80% of students responded "most/all of the time" and 7% responded "sometimes". The school was rated as safe by students. When asked "I feel safe in my school", 93% of students responded "most/all of the time" and 7% responded "sometimes". When asked, "At my school, there is a teacher or some other adult who really cares about me", 93% of students responded either "a little true" or "very true".

Results from our annual parent survey (February 2020) were recorded from 28 families (out of 31 families total). Of this year's 28 respondents, 6 (21%) were from Spanish-speaking households. 96% of respondents agree that "the school keeps me well-informed about school activities" and 100% of respondents "feel welcome to participate at school."

Results from our annual parent survey (February 2021) were recorded from 20 families (out of 28 families total). Of this year's 20 respondents, 6 (30%) were from Spanish-speaking households. 100% of respondents agree that "the school keeps me well-informed about school activities" and 100% of respondents "feel welcome to participate at school."

Regular, consistent and clear communication between school and home was maintained via weekly updates to the Parent Portal in both English and Spanish. Translation services are provided to 100% of Spanish-speaking households, both orally and in writing. Student reports, school documents and forms, and school news are provided in both English and Spanish.

School grounds continue to be clean and safe. An effective communication system is maintained between school and custodial staff. The site maintains "good" status on the Facility Inspection Tool (FIT) (completed January 2020 and January 2021).

Based on partial data from the 2019-2020 school year (110 instructional days through February 2020), Nicasio School's chronic absenteeism rate decreased from 11.6% to approximately 5%. Chronic absenteeism is defined as the percentage of students who are absent 10% or more of the instructional days they were enrolled. The school staff will remain committed to outreach to families, emphasizing the importance of school attendance, and identifying barriers that prohibit students from attending school.

Reflections: Identified Need

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

Based on the latest results for the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) (Spring 2019), Nicasio student scores for grades 3-8 indicate an increase in scores of "standard met or exceeded" for both English Language Arts (by 20 percentage points)

and Mathematics (by 11 percentage points) as compared to Spring 2018 results. One challenge is the none of the three students designated as English Language Learners received "met or exceeded" scores for either English/Language Arts or Mathematics. School staff will consider these results when planning instructional programs, evaluating curriculum, and identifying supports for students. We will continue to address this concern by offering high-quality, standards-aligned curriculum, textbooks and materials to students. Staff will attend Professional Development opportunities offered by the Marin County Office of Education, as appropriate.

During the 2020-21 school year, staff continued the use of regular benchmark assessments as a means of measuring student progress in reading. One area of identified need is the use of benchmark assessments in mathematics and the use of high-quality benchmark reading assessments in grades K-1. During 2021-22 students will be administered regular benchmark assessments from the STAR Accelerated Reader program in both reading and math (grades 2-8) and Fountas & Pinnell for reading (grades K-1). Results will be analyzed by the Data Inquiry Team and school staff will utilize a Study Study Team (SST) process by which teachers and parents can discuss concerns about student progress and create plans to ensure all students will flourish both academically and socially.

Analysis of attendance data for the 2020-21 school year proved difficult to ascertain an accurate attendance and chronic absenteeism rate. While we demonstrated improvement in this area during the 2019-20 school year, we will continue to address this concern as a staff by regularly conducting outreach to families whose students are excessively absent via phone call, formal letters and parent conferences. We will work with families to remove barriers that prevent students from regularly attending school.

LCAP Highlights

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

The analysis and reflection related to student outcomes in the 2019-20 LCAP and 2020-21 Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan have reinforced the need to prioritize the academic and social emotional needs of students, with particular emphasis on low-income, English learners and pupils with exceptional needs in the Nicasio School District. This is reflected in the increased ongoing monitoring of student progress using local assessment data (STAR benchmark assessments for reading and mathematics in grades 2-8, Fountas and Pinnell reading assessments in grades K/1) (Goal 1, Action 2); the maintenance of a support program for English language development intended for students classified and English learners and supervised by highly-qualified staff (Goal 1, Action 4); the continued offering of appropriate programs and support for pupils with exceptional needs based on their Individual Education Plans (Goal 1, Action 3).

Pupil social-emotional needs will be addressed by an increase in school-based counseling (Goal 2, Action 2) and the adoption of a social-emotional learning program in grades K-8 (Goal 2, Action 1).

Further reflection on the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic highlights the vital role our Spanish-speaking parent liaison plays in encouraging and nurturing family engagement with school staff and the direct impact on student achievement and wellness, particularly of low-income pupils and English learners. This role will be continued in the 2021-24 LCAP (Goal 3, Action 3).

Comprehensive Support and Improvement

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

Schools Identified

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

Support for Identified Schools

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

Monitoring and Evaluating Effectiveness

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

Stakeholder Engagement

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

1. Students in grades 5-8 participated in the school's annual survey in February 2020 and February 2021. Results were analyzed by certificated and classified staff at a meeting on February 10, 2021.
2. Parents were invited to participate in the school's online annual survey during two-week periods in February 2020 and February 2021. Results were considered for the annual update of Goals 2 and 3 and were used to develop newly revised Goal 3 (Family and Community Engagement).
3. Certificated teachers, including Nicasio Teachers Association (NTA) representation, along with classified employees met on March 8, 2021 for a review the 2019-20 LCAP Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan and to provide input for the 2021-24 LCAP development.
4. The LCAP Parent Advisory Committee meeting was held on March 22, 2021. Parents were invited to participate on this committee, including representatives of the Nicasio School Foundation, the Parent Club, and Spanish speaking households. Translation services were provided.
5. The Student Advisory Committee comprising students in grades 6-8 met on April 20, 2021. Input was shared regarding potential actions aligned with three broad goals (Student Achievement, Student Wellness/Safety, Family Community/Engagement) and incorporated in the 2021-24 LCAP development.
6. Marin County SELPA was consulted on March 24, 2021, with a focus on actions related to students with exceptional needs.
7. A public hearing was held during a special meeting of school board trustees on June 16, 2021.
8. A regular meeting meeting of school board trustees was held on June 17, 2021 to review and approve the 2021-24 LCAP.

A summary of the feedback provided by specific stakeholder groups.

1. Provided data for annual update for Goal 2. This method for measuring student engagement will continue for 2021-24 (Goal 2: Student Wellness and Safety).
2. Provided data for annual update for Goal 3. This provided feedback to inform actions to engage parents to be active participants in our school community. This method for measuring family engagement will continue for 2021-24 (Goal 3: Family and Community Engagement).
3. 2019-20 goals and the 2020-21 Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan were reviewed. Suggestions were made with the following outcomes:
 - Actions from 2019-20 Goal 1 will be consolidated and moved to Goal 1 (Student Achievement) for 2021-24.
 - Staff will use Accelerated Reader STAR Assessment System for reading and will include mathematics (new for 2021-24) in grades 2-8. Fountas and Pinnell will be utilized to assess reading in grades K/1. Benchmark assessments will be administered throughout the year (fall, winter, spring) to monitor student progress and implement appropriate interventions as necessary.
 - Due to privacy concerns and unreliable results, the alumni survey to assess successful transition to high school will be discontinued.

- A comprehensive social-emotional program with common language and features will be utilized in grades K-8.
- An increase in counseling services for all students will be included in 2021-22.
- A learning management system (i.e. Google Classroom) will be maintained in each classroom to facilitate communication of assignments and supplemental materials with students and families (Goal 3, Action 6)

4. A general overview was provided of the LCAP's purpose and the state's eight priorities. The parent advisory group reviewed 2019-20 goals and discussed baseline data for 2021-24 goals. They provided positive feedback about the actions/services for 2019-20. Input was provided about the current parent survey (Goal 3), the student transition to high school (in support to discontinue the alumni survey), and the value of the learning management systems (Google Classroom) during remote learning. Parents were also highly in favor of the use of a social-emotional curriculum across all grade levels K-8 and the increase in counseling support (Goal 2: Student Wellness and Safety).

5. Students expressed agreement with the three broad goal areas (Student Achievement, Student Wellness and Safety, Family and Community Engagement) and offered suggested actions to reflect these goals on the school campus. Suggested actions for Goal 1 included high-quality teachers, access to textbooks and technology, and maintaining a schedule with variety and specialist programs. Suggested actions for Goal 2 included a life skills/social emotional program, counseling support, and continued emergency safety plans and drills. Suggested actions for Goal 3 included providing information to families in English and Spanish and an increase in school/community parent presentations.

6. Marin County SELPA agreed with actions as presented to support students with exceptional needs.

7. An overview of the LCAP was presented as well as the LCAP Annual Update and Budget Overview for Parents. There was no public comment.

8. The 2021-24 LCAP was approved.

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

The broad goals, actions and services for the 2021-24 LCAP were influenced by input from all stakeholder groups (staff, students, families). Specific examples include the increase in benchmark assessments (Goal 1, Action 2), the utilization of a social-emotional curriculum across all grade levels (Goal 2, Action 1), an increase in counseling services (Goal 2, Action 2) and the maintenance of a learning management system (Goal 3, Action 6).

Goals and Actions

Goal

Goal #	Description
1	Student Achievement- Increase the academic achievement in English Language Arts and Mathematics for all students with a focus on narrowing the achievement gap for English Learners, low-income students and students with exceptional needs.

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

Based on stakeholder input and review of district data related to student achievement (including state and local assessment data, staff placement/retention data, enrollment and master scheduling) the district has decided to pursue this goal to increase the academic achievement in English Language Arts and Mathematics for all students with a focus on narrowing the achievement gap for English Learners, low-income students and students with exceptional needs. This goal addresses both local priorities and state priorities 1, 2, 4, 7 and 8.

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
School Accountability Report Card (adopted curricula)	In 2020-21, implementation of previously adopted state-standards aligned curriculum for English Language Arts (McGraw Hill's Reading Wonders Program for grades TK-5), Math (My Math in grades TK-5 and Glencoe Math in grades 6-8), Science (FOSS in grades TK-5, CPO in grades 6-8) and Social Studies (Scott Foresman in grades TK-5, History				By 2023-24 subject-area curricula will be updated and board adopted in accordance with the district's adoption cycle in English-Language Arts, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies. Anticipated adoption dates are as follows: English-Language Arts (No new adoption. Continuation of current adoption

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	<p>Alive! TCI in grades 6-8) was maintained.</p> <p>During the 2019-20 school year, the district adopted McGraw Hill's Study Sync English Language Arts program for grades 6-8 (board adoption November 2019)</p> <p>A pilot of new Science curriculum aligned to CA Next Generation Science Standards began during the 2019-20 school year. This pilot was interrupted by the school closure due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This pilot continued during the 2020-21 school year with an anticipated adoption for the 2021-22 school year.</p>				<p>cycle. Original adoption K-5 in 2017-18; grades 6-8 in 2019-20)</p> <p>Mathematics- review and adoption in 2022-23</p> <p>Science- adoption in 2021-22</p> <p>Social Studies- adoption in 2022-23</p>
Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints	In 2020-21 zero complaints were recorded.				Zero complaints will be recorded in Year 1, Year 2 or Year 3.

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Master Schedule (access to broad course of study)	In 2020-21 All students (100%) in grades K-8 were enrolled in broad courses of study as evidenced by the Master schedule and had access to standards-aligned textbooks, materials, and assessments.				The Master Schedule will demonstrate all students had access to a broad course of student in Year 1, Year 2, and Year 3.
Statewide Assessments (CAASPP)	<p>The California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) was not administered in Spring 2020 due to the COVID-19 school closure. The following results indicate proficiency rates on statewide assessments (CAASPP) given May 2019:</p> <p>70% of all students tested (grades 3-8) met or exceeded standard on English Language Arts assessment. 22% of</p>				<p>By 2023-24:</p> <p>80% of all students tested (grades 3-8) will meet or exceeded standard on English Language Arts assessment.</p> <p>70% of all students tested (grades 3-8) will meet or exceeded standard on Mathematics assessment.</p> <p>50% of students designated as English Language Learners (grades 3-8) will meet or exceeded standards on English</p>

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
	<p>all students tested nearly met standard.</p> <p>57% of all students tested (grades 3-8) met or exceeded standard on Mathematics assessment. 26% of all students tested nearly met standard.</p> <p>0% of 3 students designated as English Language Learners (grades 3-8) met or exceeded standards on English Language Arts assessment.</p> <p>0% of 3 students designated as English Language Learners (grades 3-8) met or exceeded standards on Mathematics assessment.</p>				<p>Language Arts assessment.</p> <p>50% of students designated as English Language Learners (grades 3-8) will meet or exceeded standards on Mathematics assessment.</p>
English Language Proficiency rates (ELPAC)	The Summative ELPAC was not administered to all students designated as English Learners during Spring 2020 due to the COVID-19 school closure. Only				All students designated as English Learners will be administered the ELPAC assessment in Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3.

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
	<p>students who had completed all portions of the test prior to the campus closure received scores. Therefore data is not currently available to measure an increase in student performance on the ELPAC assessment. During the 2019-20 school year, a total of 13 students (31%) were identified as English Learners in grades TK-6. The most recent English Language Proficiency Assessment (ELPAC) results from Spring 2020 include results from the 5 students who completed all domains prior to the school closure. Of these students, 2 have somewhat developed English language skills (level 2), 2 have moderately developed English language skills (level 3) and 1 has well developed English</p>				<p>85% of EL students will demonstrate appropriate annual growth, including an increase in overall proficiency level and reclassification as appropriate.</p>

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
	language skills. Based on these results, 1 student was reclassified as Fluent English Proficient in September 2020.				
English Learner reclassification rate	In 2020-21, 1 student (8%) was reclassified as Fluent English Proficient				By 2023-24, 90% of English Learners in grades 6-8 will be reclassified as Fluent English Proficient before the completion of 6th grade.
Progress Reports for students with exceptional needs	In 2020-21 students receiving special education services made adequate yearly progress on goals as reported on Individualized Education Plan progress reports. Goals were monitored and updated as appropriate by special education staff through the IEP process.				By 2023-24, 100% of students receiving special education services will make adequate yearly progress on goals as reported on Individualized Education Plan progress reports.
School Accountability Report Card (Teacher Credentials; Teacher Misassignments; Highly Qualified Teachers)	In 2020-21 all students received instruction from highly qualified teachers, 100% of whom will be appropriately				By 2023-24, 100% of classroom teachers will be appropriately assigned and credentialed.

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
	assigned and credentialed.				
Credential Monitoring Report	In 2020-21 all teachers were appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in the subject areas and for the pupils they were teaching.				By 2023-24, all teachers will be appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in the subject areas and for the pupils they are teaching.

Actions

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
1	Textbooks and Materials	All students will have access to current state-adopted textbooks and materials.	\$24,005.00	No
2	Student assessments	Utilize benchmark assessments in all grades (STAR reading and STAR math in grades 2-8; Fountas and Pinnell in grades K-1) to evaluate level of proficiency in reading and math and determine individual learning needs for targeted intervention. Implement a Student Study Team to discuss and monitor progress of at-risk students.	\$9,161.00	No
3	Placement for pupils with exceptional needs	Place special education students in appropriate instructional programs and provide specialized services in accordance with Individualized Education Plan (IEP). Monitor special education placement and services through IEP progress reports and annual IEP review to ensure students are making adequate yearly progress toward IEP goals.	\$165,662.00	No

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
4	Designated language instruction	Maintain designated language instruction time in the Master Schedule that provides additional instructional support for English Learners by qualified staff. Provide emphasis on building academic vocabulary and skills in mathematics. Provide access to the Lexia Reading Core 5 Program.	\$38,877.00	Yes
5	Attract and retain highly-qualified staff	<p>Review Credential Monitoring Report provided by Marin County Office of Education. Communicate with teachers as needed to ensure that all credentials are current. Ensure all teachers have appropriate credential to instruct English Learners.</p> <p>Maintain current configuration for school administration: .60 FTE principal; .80 FTE office manager; 11 days/year superintendent; .40 FTE chief business official; .10 FTE accounting assistant;</p> <p>maintain office phone & internet communications and student information systems (SIS).</p>	\$252,116.00	No
6	Employee salary and benefits	Maintain a competitive salary schedule and provide competitive health and welfare benefits as a result of labor negotiations. Provide comparable salary increases for classified staff based on the outcome of certificated labor negotiations.	\$56,007.00	No
7	Professional development	Make professional development opportunities available to all teachers and staff through on-site and off-site trainings and workshops as needed. For certificated teachers, three in-service professional development days will be included in the annual school calendar. In addition, certificated teachers will meet weekly for one hour within their instructional day (PLC meeting) with a focus on professional growth.	\$8,162.00	No

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
8	Classroom configuration	Support multi-grade classrooms with 3.0 FTE teachers. Each of the three homeroom teachers (3.0 FTE) will support three grade levels. During core instruction of math and language arts, a part-time classroom aide will provide additional support as need to designated student groups	\$347,144.00	No
9	Enrollment	Update and maintain enrollment projections. Outreach to parents, community members, local newspaper and local preschools to identify potential incoming students. Review the interdistrict transfer policy and determine the future of renewal requests as well as new requests with the intent of serving the best interest of students and the Nicasio School District community	\$1,500.00	No
10	Broad course of study	Enhance student learning by providing a broad course of study beyond state required subject areas and offer enrichment programs to students in grades K-8 (Spanish, Art, and PE).	\$29,391.00	No
11	Technology	Maintain district technology infrastructure and hardware. Support technology software and web-based curricular platforms. Maintain Student Information System (SIS).	\$30,707.00	No

Goal Analysis [2021-22]

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.

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

An explanation of material differences between Budgeted Expenditures and Estimated Actual Expenditures.

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

An explanation of how effective the specific actions were in making progress toward the goal.

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

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.

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

A report of the Estimated Actual Expenditures for last year's actions may be found in the Annual Update Expenditures Table.

Goals and Actions

Goal

Goal #	Description
2	Student Wellness and Safety- Increase student connectedness and social-emotional health while ensuring facilities are up-to-date, functional and safe.

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

Based on stakeholder input and review of district data related to student wellness and safety (including student survey results, attendance data, and Facilities Inspection Reports) the district has decided to pursue this goal to increase student connectedness and social-emotional health while ensuring facilities are up-to-date, functional and safe. This addresses local priorities as well as state priorities 1, 5 and 6.

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
School attendance rates	In 2019-20 school records indicate a 96% attendance rate. This reflects the most accurate baseline due to the revised attendance requirements during the 2020-21 school year.				By 2023-24 school records will indicate a 96% or higher attendance rate.
Chronic absenteeism rates	In 2019-20 school records indicate a chronic absenteeism rate of 5%. This reflects the most accurate baseline due to the revised attendance				By 2023-24, school records will indicate a 5% or lower chronic absenteeism rate.

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
	requirements during the 2020-21 school year.				
Pupil suspension/expulsion rates	In 2019-20 and 2021-21 there were zero (0) suspensions and expulsions.				By 2023-24 there will be zero suspensions or expulsions
Annual student survey results	Results from the annual school survey (February 2021) indicate that students in grades 5-8 have a positive perception of both classroom and school climate. The school climate is rated positively by students. When asked "I feel happy to be at this school", 80% of students responded "most/all of the time" and 7% responded "sometimes". The school was rated as safe by students. When asked "I feel safe in my school", 93% of students responded "most/all of the time" and 7% responded "sometimes". When				<p>By 2023-24, student survey results will indicate a positive perception of classroom and school climate. At least 90% of respondents will respond "most/all of the time" to the following statements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "I feel happy to be at this school" • "I feel safe in my school" • "At my school, there is a teacher or some other adult who really cares about me"

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
	asked, "At my school, there is a teacher or some other adult who really cares about me", 93% of students responded either "a little true" or "very true".				
Annual Facilities Inspection Report	The site maintained "good" status on the Facility Inspection Tool (FIT) (completed January 2020 and January 2021).				By 2023-24, records will indicate the site maintained a "good" status on the Facility Inspection Tool (FIT) in Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3

Actions

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
1	Social-emotional learning	Implement a school- wide social emotional learning program to support student interaction and enhance student engagement.	\$6,800.00	No
2	Counseling services	Provide individual/small group counseling services to identified students by the Student Success Team (SST)	\$17,432.00	No
3	Facilities inspection	Conduct an annual facilities inspection in December/January and complete related report; use data collected to prepare the section for facilities on the School Accountability Report Card (SARC). Maintain membership in Marin Schools Insurance Authority JPA.	\$7,294.00	No
4	Custodial work order system	Maintain communication system between administration and custodian for work order requests from teachers and staff.	\$42,060.00	No

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
5	Deferred maintenance	Maintain and monitor a deferred maintenance schedule.	\$10,000.00	No
6	Water system	Maintain existing potable water system. Continue to pursue viable options for long-term potable water system and availability of potable water.	\$16,900.00	No
7	Risk management	Review facility risk management report provided by Keenan Insurance to identify and implement corrective action when necessary.		No
8	Emergency communication systems	Maintain emergency communication systems (School Messenger, MERA radio)	\$3,145.00	No
9	Emergency preparedness	Maintenance of emergency preparedness training and supplies. Annual adoption of Comprehensive School Safety Plan.	\$5,471.00	No
10	School lunch program	Provide school lunches to qualifying students	\$20,000.00	No

Goal Analysis [2021-22]

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.

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

An explanation of material differences between Budgeted Expenditures and Estimated Actual Expenditures.

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

An explanation of how effective the specific actions were in making progress toward the goal.

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

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.

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

A report of the Estimated Actual Expenditures for last year's actions may be found in the Annual Update Expenditures Table.

Goals and Actions

Goal

Goal #	Description
3	Family and Community Engagement- Ensure all families are active participants in the school community

An explanation of why the LEA has developed this goal.

Based on stakeholder input and review of district data related to family and community engagement (including parent survey results, attendance data, representation in parent advisory committees, access to translation/family liaison services) the district has decided to pursue this goal to ensure all families are active participants in the school community. This addresses both local priorities and state priority 3.

Measuring and Reporting Results

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Annual Parent Survey	Results from our annual parent survey (February 2021) were recorded from 20 families (out of 28 families total). Of this year's 20 respondents, 6 (30%) were from Spanish-speaking households. 100% of respondents agree that "the school keeps me well-informed about school activities" and 100% of respondents "feel welcome to participate at school."				<p>Response rate will be 90% or higher of all families and 80% or higher of Spanish-speaking families.</p> <p>95% of respondents will agree "the school keeps me well-informed about school activities."</p> <p>95% of respondents will "feel welcome to participate at school."</p>

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
Attendance at school events	In 2020-21 there were no in-person school events due to the COVID-19 pandemic.				Family attendance rates at school-sponsored events (Back to School Night, Winter Performance, Open House) will be 80% or higher.
Representation of all pupil groups in parent advisory committee (English Learner, low-income, exceptional needs)	In 2020-21 the parent advisory committee included parents of English Learner, low-income and exceptional needs students.				All parent advisory committees will include parents of English Learner, low-income and exceptional needs students in Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3.
Access to interpretation/translation services	<p>In 2020-21 100% of communications from school/classroom to home were translated into Spanish. Translation services were available for 100% of virtual events and parent-teacher conferences.</p> <p>Results from our annual parent survey (February 2021) were recorded from 20 families (out of 28 families total). Of this year's 20 respondents, 6 (30%) were from Spanish-</p>				<p>100% of communications from school/classroom to home will be translated into Spanish.</p> <p>Translation services will be available for 100% of virtual events and parent-teacher conferences.</p> <p>On the annual parent survey, 95% of Spanish-speaking respondents will agree "the school keeps me well-informed about school activities."</p>

Metric	Baseline	Year 1 Outcome	Year 2 Outcome	Year 3 Outcome	Desired Outcome for 2023–24
	speaking households. 100% of respondents agree that "the school keeps me well-informed about school activities" and 100% of respondents "feel welcome to participate at school."				95% of Spanish-speaking respondents will "feel welcome to participate at school."

Actions

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
1	School to home communication	Ensure regular, consistent and clear communication between school and the home for both English-speaking and Spanish-speaking households.	\$11,905.00	No
2	Communication preferences	Through a Back-to-School questionnaire and an annual parent survey, identify the preferred communication methods of each parent/guardian. Mid-way through the year, distribute an annual survey to identify communication methods that are effective and where communications can improve.		No
3	Parent liaison and translation services	Employ a part-time English/Spanish translator to serve as school-to-home communicator (oral and written) and parent liaison. Spanish translation services will be provided to 100% of Spanish-speaking households, both orally and in writing. Student reports, student records, school documents and forms, and school news will be provided in both English and Spanish languages.	\$1,487.00	No

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds	Contributing
4	School board communications	Ensure regular, consistent and clear communication between the school board and home by including the board agenda and approved minutes on a monthly basis in the Parent Portal or other routine school-to-home communication system.	\$1,850.00	No
5	Volunteer communication platform	Maintain online platform in both English/Spanish to facilitate family involvement and volunteerism for campus events and activities throughout the school year.		No
6	Learning management system	Maintain a learning management system (i.e. Google Classroom) in each classroom to facilitate communication of assignments and supplemental materials with students and families		No

Goal Analysis [2021-22]

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.

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

An explanation of material differences between Budgeted Expenditures and Estimated Actual Expenditures.

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

An explanation of how effective the specific actions were in making progress toward the goal.

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

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.

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

A report of the Estimated Actual Expenditures for last year's actions may be found in the Annual Update Expenditures Table.

Increased or Improved Services for Foster Youth, English Learners, and Low-Income Students [2021-22]

Percentage to Increase or Improve Services	Increased Apportionment based on the Enrollment of Foster Youth, English Learners, and Low-Income students
6.06%	\$ 23,908

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

Required Descriptions

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

After assessing the needs, conditions, and circumstances of our English Learner and low-income students, we learned that the academic performance of our English Learners on both state and local assessments is lower than the academic performance of all students.

In Spring 2019, 70% of all students tested (grades 3-8) met or exceeded standard on English Language Arts assessment. However, no students designated as English Language Learners (grades 3-8) met or exceeded standards on English Language Arts assessment. 57% of all students tested (grades 3-8) met or exceeded standard on Mathematics assessment. No students designated as English Language Learners (grades 3-8) met or exceeded standards on Mathematics assessment.

In Spring 2021, students in grades 3-8 were administered STAR reading benchmark assessments. Of the 22 total students assessed, 9 were designated as English Learners. Of these designated EL students, 55% were reading below grade level. In contrast, 23% students not designated as English Learners were reading below grade level.

In order to address this lower performance of our English Learner and low-income students, we will maintain designated language instruction time in the Master Schedule that provides instructional support for English Learners by additional qualified staff (Goal 1, Action 4). During this designated language support time, an additional staff member will provide targeted instruction to develop English language skills for all EL students within the regular school day. This supplemental grant also allows for push-in support for English Learners during their core academic instruction.

Additional English language instructional time within the Master Schedule is being provided on an LEA-wide basis and we expect/hope that all students will benefit and demonstrate improved academic performance on both local and state assessments. However, access to an

additional staff member to provide targeted instruction for EL students is prioritized because of the significantly lower academic performance of English Learner and low-income students. Because the increased support by a qualified staff member addresses the needs most associated with the chronic stresses and experiences of a limited language proficiency and socio-economically disadvantaged status, we expect that the academic performance for our English Learner and low-income students will increase significantly more than the average academic performance of all other students.

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

Nicasio School District's supplemental grant is estimated at \$23,908. These funds are being expended to maintain designated language instruction time in the Master Schedule that provides instructional support for English Learners by qualified staff (Goal 1, Action 4). During this designated language support time, an additional staff member will provide targeted instruction to develop English language skills for all EL students within the regular school day. This supplemental grant also allows for push-in support for English Learners during their core academic instruction. Beginning in 2018-19, an additional reading program (Lexia Core 5) was utilized with students designated as English Learners. Access to this additional program will continue for 2021-22. The designated language instruction time provides an increase in services as compared to all Nicasio School students in English language instruction by providing access for EL students to both a trained instructor and online program for targeted English language development.

The district uses the Supplemental Grant to maintain designated language instruction time in the Master Schedule because experience has shown this program, initially implemented in the 2013-14 school year, is principally directed to support EL students and has proven effective in assisting English Learners to meet academic growth. During the 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years, 100% of students in grade 7 or above were reclassified as Fluent English Proficient. During the 2020-21 school year, 33% of middle school students were reclassified as Fluent English Proficient.

Total Expenditures Table

LCFF Funds	Other State Funds	Local Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds
\$759,214.00	\$43,997.00	\$275,338.00	\$28,527.00	\$1,107,076.00

Totals:	Total Personnel	Total Non-personnel
Totals:	\$684,503.00	\$422,573.00

Goal	Action #	Student Group(s)	Title	LCFF Funds	Other State Funds	Local Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds
1	1	All	Textbooks and Materials	\$3,000.00	\$945.00	\$17,560.00	\$2,500.00	\$24,005.00
1	2	All	Student assessments	\$3,106.00	\$3,250.00	\$2,805.00		\$9,161.00
1	3	Students with Disabilities	Placement for pupils with exceptional needs	\$36,964.00	\$3,239.00	\$119,476.00	\$5,983.00	\$165,662.00
1	4	English Learners Low Income	Designated language instruction	\$29,055.00		\$9,822.00		\$38,877.00
1	5	All	Attract and retain highly-qualified staff	\$252,116.00				\$252,116.00
1	6	All	Employee salary and benefits	\$47,564.00		\$3,300.00	\$5,143.00	\$56,007.00
1	7	All	Professional development	\$100.00	\$6,967.00		\$1,095.00	\$8,162.00
1	8	All	Classroom configuration	\$267,270.00	\$2,743.00	\$77,131.00		\$347,144.00
1	9	All	Enrollment	\$1,500.00				\$1,500.00
1	10	All	Broad course of study			\$29,391.00		\$29,391.00
1	11	All	Technology	\$13,388.00		\$8,000.00	\$9,319.00	\$30,707.00
2	1	All	Social-emotional learning	\$1,850.00	\$4,950.00			\$6,800.00
2	2	All	Counseling services		\$17,432.00			\$17,432.00
2	3	All	Facilities inspection	\$7,294.00				\$7,294.00
2	4	All	Custodial work order system	\$42,060.00				\$42,060.00
2	5	All	Deferred maintenance	\$10,000.00				\$10,000.00
2	6	All	Water system	\$16,900.00				\$16,900.00
2	7	All	Risk management					
2	8	All	Emergency communication systems	\$145.00			\$3,000.00	\$3,145.00

Goal	Action #	Student Group(s)	Title	LCFF Funds	Other State Funds	Local Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds
2	9	All	Emergency preparedness	\$1,000.00	\$4,471.00			\$5,471.00
2	10	All	School lunch program	\$20,000.00				\$20,000.00
3	1	All	School to home communication	\$4,052.00		\$7,853.00		\$11,905.00
3	2	All	Communication preferences					
3	3	All	Parent liaison and translation services				\$1,487.00	\$1,487.00
3	4	All	School board communications	\$1,850.00				\$1,850.00
3	5	All	Volunteer communication platform					
3	6	All	Learning management system					

Contributing Expenditures Tables

Totals by Type	Total LCFF Funds	Total Funds
Total:	\$29,055.00	\$38,877.00
LEA-wide Total:	\$29,055.00	\$38,877.00
Limited Total:	\$0.00	\$0.00
Schoolwide Total:	\$0.00	\$0.00

Goal	Action #	Action Title	Scope	Unduplicated Student Group(s)	Location	LCFF Funds	Total Funds
1	4	Designated language instruction	LEA-wide	English Learners Low Income		\$29,055.00	\$38,877.00

Annual Update Table Year 1 [2021-22]

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

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

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For additional questions or technical assistance related to the completion of the LCAP template, please contact the local COE, or the California Department of Education's (CDE's) Local Agency Systems Support Office by phone at 916-319-0809 or by email at lcff@cde.ca.gov.

Introduction and Instructions

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

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

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

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

The LCAP template, like each LEA's final adopted LCAP, is a document, not a process. LEAs must use the template to memorialize the outcome of their LCAP development process, which should: (a) reflect comprehensive strategic planning (b) through meaningful engagement with stakeholders that (c) meets legal requirements, as reflected in the final adopted LCAP. The sections included within the LCAP template do not and cannot reflect the full development process, just as the LCAP template itself is not intended as a stakeholder engagement tool.

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

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

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

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

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

LEAs are encouraged to focus on a set of metrics or a set of actions that the LEA believes, based on input gathered from stakeholders, research, and experience, will have the biggest impact on behalf of its students.

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

Plan Summary

Purpose

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

Requirements and Instructions

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

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

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

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

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

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

Stakeholder Engagement

Purpose

Significant and purposeful engagement of parents, students, educators, and other stakeholders, including those representing the student groups identified by LCFF, is critical to the development of the LCAP and the budget process. Consistent with statute, such stakeholder engagement should support comprehensive strategic planning, accountability, and improvement across the state priorities and locally identified priorities (EC 52064(e)(1)). Stakeholder engagement is an ongoing, annual process.

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

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

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

Requirements and Instructions

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

Local Control and Accountability Plan:

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

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

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

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

Describe the stakeholder engagement process used by the LEA to involve stakeholders in the development of the LCAP, including, at a minimum, describing how the LEA met its obligation to consult with all statutorily required stakeholder groups as applicable to the type of LEA. A sufficient response to this prompt must include general information about the timeline of the process and meetings or other engagement strategies with stakeholders. A response may also include information about an LEA’s philosophical approach to stakeholder engagement.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Goals and Actions

Purpose

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

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

Requirements and Instructions

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

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

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

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

Focus Goal(s)

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

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

Broad Goal

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

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

Maintenance of Progress Goal

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

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

Measuring and Reporting Results:

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

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

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

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

Complete the table as follows:

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

Timeline for completing the “**Measuring and Reporting Results**” part of the Goal.

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

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

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

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

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

Goal Analysis:

Enter the LCAP Year

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

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

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

Purpose

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

Requirements and Instructions

This section must be completed for each LCAP year.

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

Percentage to Increase or Improve Services: Identify the percentage by which services for unduplicated pupils must be increased or improved as compared to the services provided to all students in the LCAP year as calculated pursuant to 5 CCR Section 15496(a)(7).

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

Required Descriptions:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For School Districts Only:

Actions Provided on an LEA-Wide Basis:

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

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

Actions Provided on a Schoolwide Basis:

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

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

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

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

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

Expenditure Tables

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

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

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

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

In the Data Entry table, provide the following information for each action in the LCAP for the relevant LCAP year:

- **Goal #:** Enter the LCAP Goal number for the action.
- **Action #:** Enter the action’s number as indicated in the LCAP Goal.
- **Action Title:** Provide a title of the action.
- **Student Group(s):** Indicate the student group or groups who will be the primary beneficiary of the action by entering “All”, or by entering a specific student group or groups.
- **Increased / Improved:** Type “Yes” if the action **is** included as contributing to meeting the increased or improved services; OR, type “No” if the action is **not** included as contributing to meeting the increased or improved services.
- If “Yes” is entered into the Contributing column, then complete the following columns:

- **Scope:** The scope of an action may be LEA-wide (i.e. districtwide, countywide, or charterwide), schoolwide, or limited. An action that is LEA-wide in scope upgrades the entire educational program of the LEA. An action that is schoolwide in scope upgrades the entire educational program of a single school. An action that is limited in its scope is an action that serves only one or more unduplicated student groups.
- **Unduplicated Student Group(s):** Regardless of scope, contributing actions serve one or more unduplicated student groups. Indicate one or more unduplicated student groups for whom services are being increased or improved as compared to what all students receive.
- **Location:** Identify the location where the action will be provided. If the action is provided to all schools within the LEA, the LEA must indicate “All Schools”. If the action is provided to specific schools within the LEA or specific grade spans only, the LEA must enter “Specific Schools” or “Specific Grade Spans”. Identify the individual school or a subset of schools or grade spans (e.g., all high schools or grades K-5), as appropriate.
- **Time Span:** Enter “ongoing” if the action will be implemented for an indeterminate period of time. Otherwise, indicate the span of time for which the action will be implemented. For example, an LEA might enter “1 Year”, or “2 Years”, or “6 Months”.
- **Personnel Expense:** This column will be automatically calculated based on information provided in the following columns:
 - **Total Personnel:** Enter the total amount of personnel expenditures utilized to implement this action.
 - **Total Non-Personnel:** This amount will be automatically calculated.
- **LCFF Funds:** Enter the total amount of LCFF funds utilized to implement this action, if any. LCFF funds include all funds that make up an LEA’s total LCFF target (i.e. base grant, grade span adjustment, supplemental grant, concentration grant, Targeted Instructional Improvement Block Grant, and Home-To-School Transportation).
- **Other State Funds:** Enter the total amount of Other State Funds utilized to implement this action, if any.
- **Local Funds:** Enter the total amount of Local Funds utilized to implement this action, if any.
- **Federal Funds:** Enter the total amount of Federal Funds utilized to implement this action, if any.
- **Total Funds:** This amount is automatically calculated based on amounts entered in the previous four columns.