

OPTIMIZED FINANCIAL RESOURCES A critical measure of the Department's

A critical measure of the Department's performance is the effectiveness with which it utilizes and generates resources. Our goal is to ensure that all fiscal and capital resources maximize educational opportunities for students

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Topics of Discussion

- Governor's January Budget Proposal
- Changes Since First Interim
- Second Interim Financial Report
- Budget Challenges
- Next Steps in the Budgeting Process

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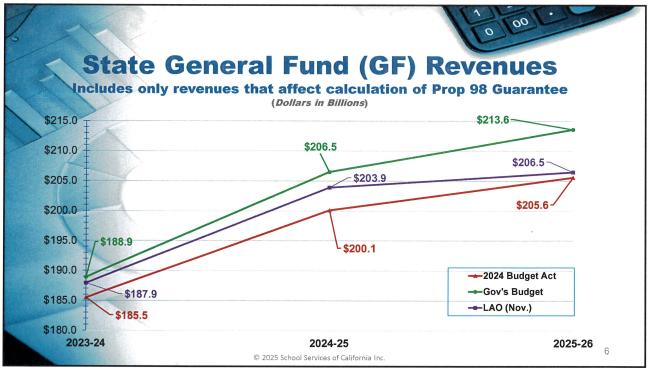
Governor's Budget Proposal

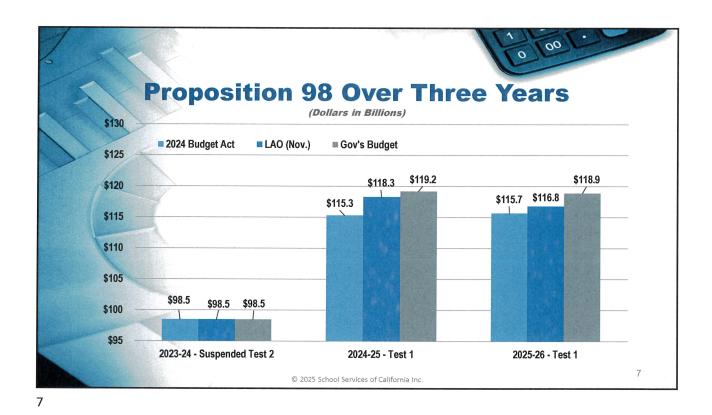


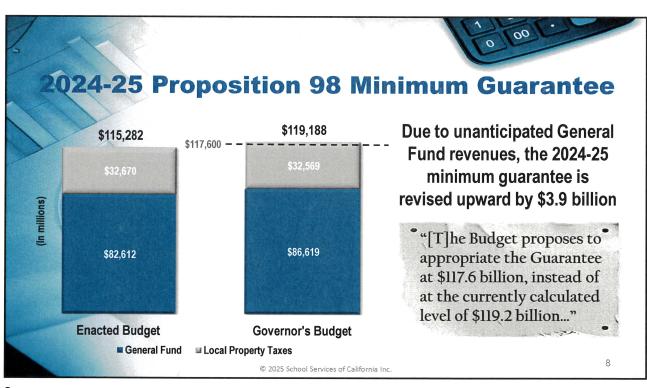
- Governor Newsom is estimating a \$17 billion budget surplus and healthy reserves for next fiscal year, 2025-26, due largely to an improved economic outlook and strong tax receipts since enactment of the 2024-25 State Budget
- The DOF now estimates GF revenue over the three-year budget window (2023-24 through 2025-26) to exceed levels contained in the 2024-25 State Budget by approximately \$17 billion
- The LAO's revenue projections are roughly \$10 billion lower than the Governor over the three-year budget window, but the LAO notes the DOF's projections are reasonable and find the State Budget roughly balanced
- Both the LAO and the DOF point to the value of the two-year plan to address one of the largest budget deficits in State history last year. The 2024-25 State Budget included about \$28 billion of solutions for the 2025-26 budget year

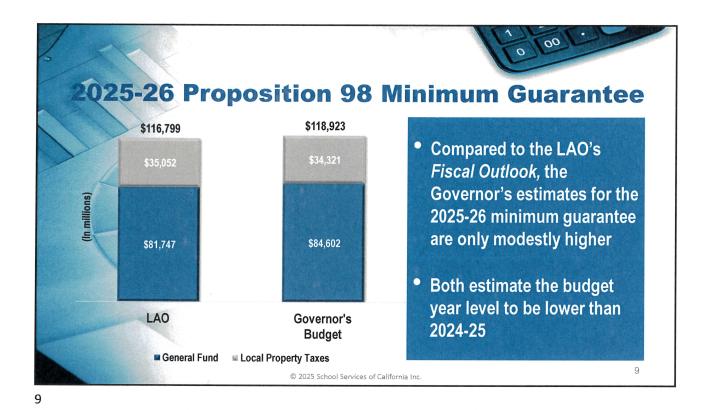
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Risks to the State
Budget

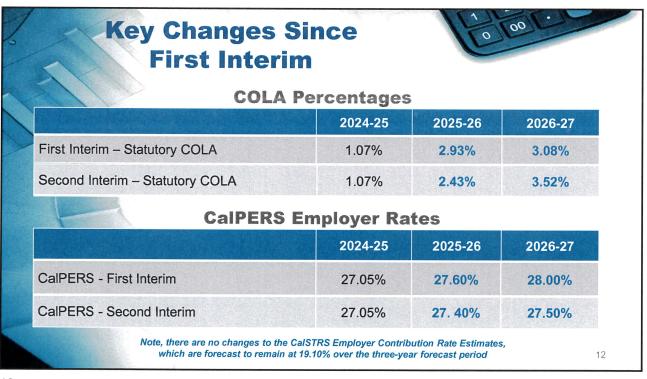
Stock market volatility
Elevated unemployment

Delayed tax deadlines due to natural disasters

Sluggish consumer spending
Federal policy uncertainty (Tariffs & Immigration)

Operating deficits in out years





Key Changes Since First Interim (cont.) Average Daily Attendance (ADA) Estimates						
	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27			
First Interim ADA	4,385	4,324	4,268			
Second Interim ADA	4,309	4,243	4,182			
Estimated ADA Decline	(76)	(81)	(86)			



Second Interim Report Purpose



- The Second Interim Report represents the second official revision to the Department's 2024-25 Adopted Budget
- The Second Interim Report includes actual financial information through January 31, 2025 and revised projections for the remainder of the fiscal year
- County offices of education are required to certify their financial condition twice during the fiscal year. This certification addresses the Department's ability to meet its financial obligations for the current year and two subsequent years

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Second Interim Multi-Year Projection Assumptions				
	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	
Salaries	Negotiations Completed (OCSEA & CSEA)	Pending Negotiations	Pending Negotiations	
Statutory COLA	1.07%	2.43%	3.52%	
Average Daily Attendance (ADA)	4,309	4,243	4,182	
LCFF Revenue Projections	\$103,642,689	\$102,679,910	\$103,319,482	
Tuition (ACCESS / Special Schools)	\$ 45,182,283	\$ 46,164,198	\$ 47,621,124 ₁₆	



Multi-Year Projections - Combined General Fund					
	2024-25 Second Interim	2025-26 Projected	2026-27 Projected		
Revenues, and Other Financing Sources	\$384,162,683	\$360,372,246	\$368,749,957		
Expenditures, and Other Financing Uses	\$402,755,576	\$360,527,981	\$354,498,786		
Surplus/(Deficit) - Revenues Minus Expenditures	(\$18,592,893)	(\$155,735)	\$14,251,171		
Beginning Balance	\$452,290,329	\$433,697,436	\$433,541,701		
Ending Balance	\$433,697,436	\$433,541,701	\$447,792,872		

2024-25 Second Interim Certification Options



Positive Certification *

Based on current projections, a school district will be able to meet its Financial obligations for the current and two subsequent fiscal years

Qualified Certification

Based on current projections, a school district <u>may not</u> be able to meet its financial obligations for the current or two subsequent fiscal years

Negative Certification

Based on current projections, a school district <u>will be unable</u> to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the current year, or subsequent year

* Staff recommends a Positive Certification

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Challenges Ahead



- Costs for Step and Column, CalPERS and CalSTRS
 Pensions, and Health and Welfare Benefits Premiums
 Continue to Rise
- Inflationary Cost Pressures for Other Items Such as Supplies, Services and Equipment Remain Persistent
- Expiration of One-time Federal and State COVID-19 Relief
 Funding
- Minimum State Aid / Excess Tax Status

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