

### August 10, 2023

# Special Education Business 101

#### Business Meetings and Professional Learning Opportunities

The close of each school year brings a flurry of activity at a time when attention spans are short but the need for focus and accuracy is acute.

SpEd Business<br/>101Buzz<br/>SessionYear End<br/>WorkshopFiscal<br/>Committee

The business side of special education in California is unique. These virtual, half-day workshops are designed to prepare special education program/business teams for the new school year. For convenience, two SpEd Business 101 workshops are held during the summer. The two sessions cover the same content. The agenda:

- A review of the El Dorado Charter SELPA Allocation Plan; budget advice for the upcoming year;
- Details regarding special education cash flow schedules;
- The mechanics of reporting via the online Fiscal Portal; and tracking SELPA fiscal-related communications.

This workshop is an excellent educational opportunity for first-year SELPA partners, new members of your internal and/or outsourced school program/business team, as well as any program or business contributor wanting to build an understanding of SELPA fiscal processes. The presentation materials are posted on our website following the final workshop.

#### ARCHIVED FISCAL TRAININGS

- Archived Fiscal Committee Meetings
- Archived Fiscal Workshops
- SpEd Business 101
- 2023 Recorded SpEd 101 Presentation
- 2023 SpEd 101 Presentation

## Introductions



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Today's Topics

- SpEd Funding Big Picture
- Charter SELPA Allocation Plan
- SpEd Funding Overview
- SpEd Expenditure Accounting Considerations
- Funding/Cash Flow Details
- Reporting to SELPA
- Federal Funding Compliance
- Mental Health Funding Compliance
- SpEd Compliance: Significant Disproportionality



AB602 funding in California consists of federal and state SpEd dollars.





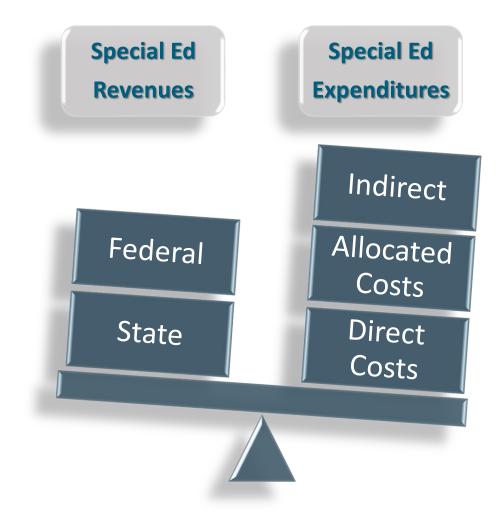
committee is composed of the LEA members of the SELPA. The governance committee adopts an Allocation Plan to manage AB602 dollars.



The Allocation Plan defines the methodology for passing through SpEd revenue to each LEA. The Allocation Plan dictates funds that are pooled to share risk among SELPA members.

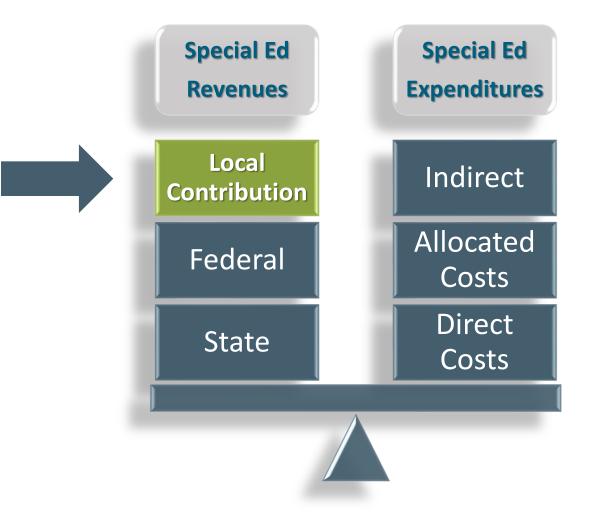
## **Local Contribution**

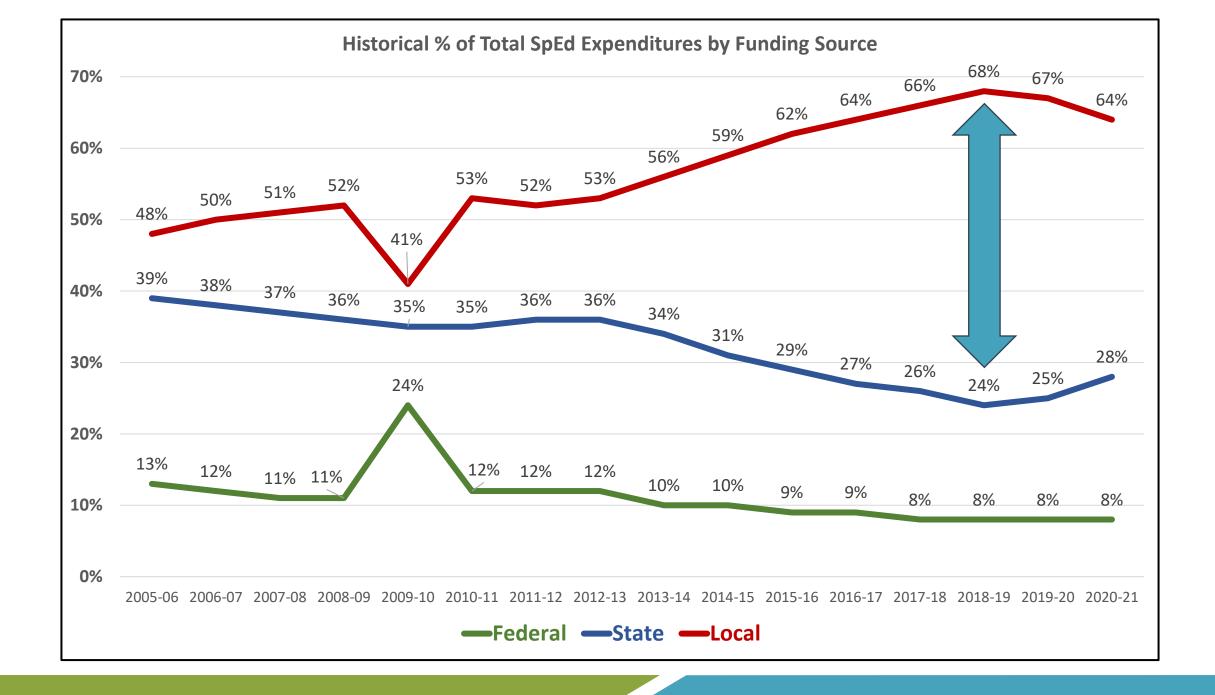
For most charter schools, special education revenue does not cover the total cost of special education programs



## **Local Contribution**

The Local contribution "balances" the costs of your program by transferring funds from your LCFF revenue





# Special Education Funding El Dorado Charter Allocation Plan

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### Allocation Plan Executive Summary



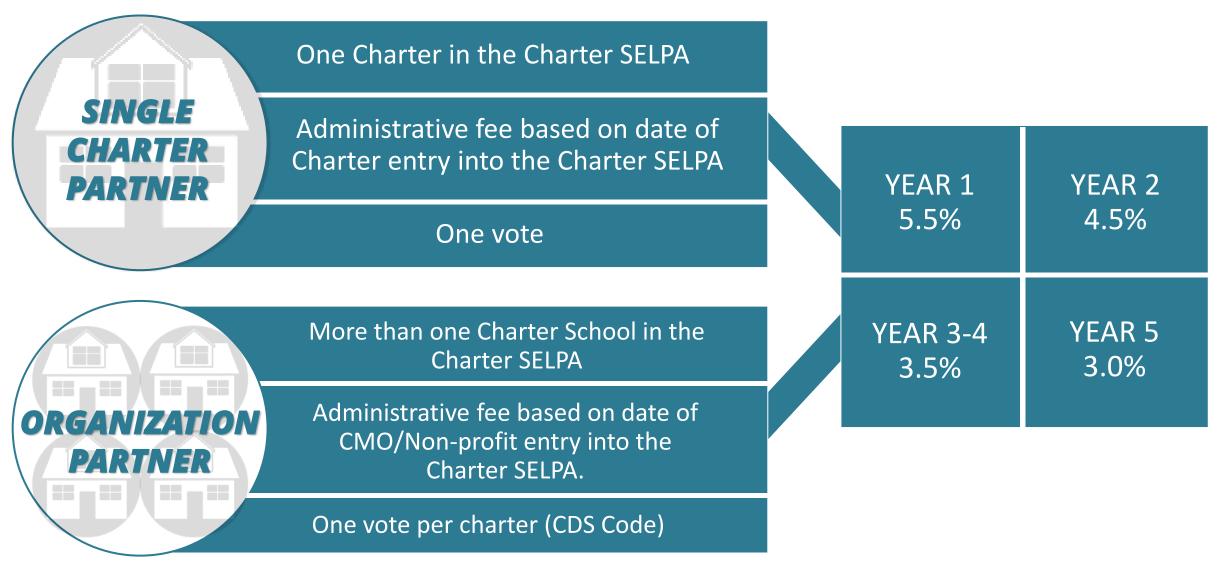
#### Fiscal Year 2023-24

#### **Allocation Plan At-A-Glance**

Allocation Plan Element		Basis of Funding	Gross Rate	Additional Description		
1	State Funding	ADA	\$887.40	Greatest of 2021-22, 2022-23 or 2023-24 P-2 A fully funding the finalized statutory COLA.	DA. This rate is a projection based on	
2	Federal Funding	Prior Year Enrollment	\$130.00	Must have operated in prior year and prior year enrollment count must be trackable to current year CDS code.		
Total Gross Base Funding \$1,0			\$1,017.40	Rate before administrative fee holdback. Administrative fee % is unique to each charter based on years of membership. First-year charters make a one-time contribution of \$5/ADA to the Rate Protection Pool.		
3	Rate Protection Pool	Reserve for contingencies to protect SELPA members from funding reductions/losses. All Charters in first year of Charter SELPA membership contribute a one-time non-refundable \$5.00 per 2023-24 P-2 ADA.				
4	Partner Definition	Single Partner - 1 charter in the Charter SELPA Organization Partner = 2 or more charters in the Charter SELPA under one organization (CMO/Non-Profit) Year of entry of partner, determines Admin Fee %.				
5	Charter SELPA Administrativeion Fee	Funds SELPA services to partners; % of total gross base funding. Year 1 = 5.5% Year 2 = 4.5% Year 3 = 3.5% Year 5 = 3.0%Reduction in Years 3 & 5 contingent on good standing.				
6	Unspent Funds	If more than 25% of funding is unspent at year end, following year funding will be reimbursement based. Eligiblity for federal revenue in following year may be impacted.				
7	Income Re-Allocation	Income may be shifted from one charter to another if the umbrella organization has the board/organization authority to re-allocate dollars.				
8	Mental Health Services Funding	The state directly funds LEAs for mental health services. A contribution of approximately \$23/ADA is required to support an NPS/RTC/site-based therapeutic program reimbursement pool administered by the SELPA. The pool will pay 100% of RTC room and board costs and is projected to pay 90% of NPS mental health services + transportation and 80% of approved site-based program expenditures.				
9	Legal Risk Pool	Up to \$15,000 reimbursement for legal claims related to due process filing until pool funding is extinguished. 50% funding/50% match				
10	Low Incidence Funding	Low incidence services and material reimbursements (\$600 minimum claim). Initial reimbursement level is \$1,000/student, which may increase based on claims filed during the year and available dollars.				
11	Cash Flow	Specific policy guidance re: standard SELPA cash flow to charters is found in this section of the Allocation Plan.				

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# **Administrative Fee**



# **Rate Protection Pool**

#### One-time contribution

\$5 per current
year P-2 ADA in
1st year only

PROTECTION AGAINST POTENTIAL NEGATIVE RATE ADJUSTMENTS Applies to each CDS code upon entry

> Shared risk pool

# Legal Risk Pool

Maximum of \$15,000 @ 50% Reimbursement

LEGAL FEES ASSOCIATED WITH A DUE PROCESS FILING

Case Number from filing needed Reinstated beginning in 2023-24

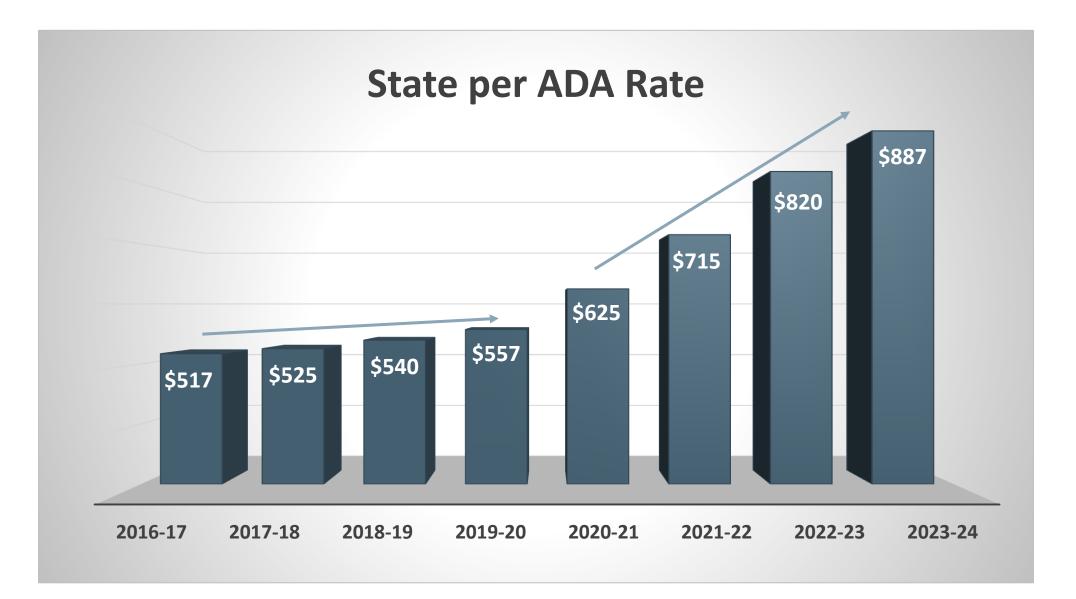
Legal Fees Only (yours or parent's)

# State Rate El Dorado Charter SELPA

2022-23 STATE RATE **\$820.00** 

- Greatest of 2021-22, 2022-23 or 2023-24 P-2 ADA
- Less admin fee (5.5%, 4.5%, 3.5%, 3.0%)
- Less Rate Protection Pool contribution (1<sup>st</sup> year only)
- Flows per CDE apportionment schedule
- May be carried over into following year
- Cash flow delayed for 1<sup>st</sup> year partners

2023-24 STATE RATE \$887.40



# Federal Rate El Dorado Charter SELPA

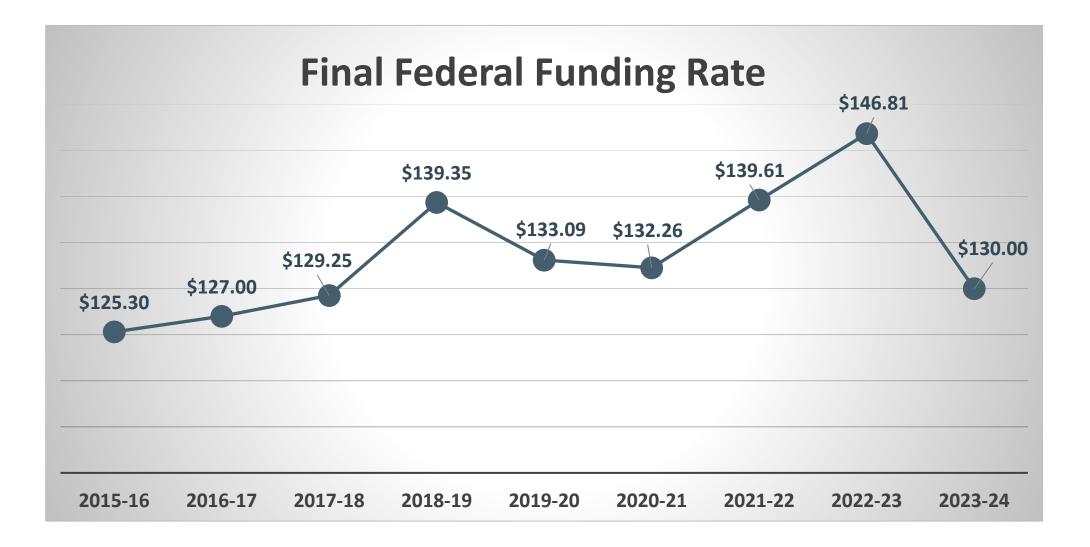
2022-23 FEDERAL RATE

\$146.81

- Prior Year Fall 1 enrollment count (Oct 2022)
- Less Admin Fee (5.5%, 4.5%, 3.5%, 3.0%)
- Eligible partners (new partners vs. start-ups)
- Expenditure reports required for cash
- Delayed receipt of cash

2023-24 FEDERAL RATE \$130.00

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# Low Incidence Funding

Revenue based on prior year count of LI SWDs

Submit expenditures for reimbursement MATERIALS & SERVICES FOR LOW INCIDENCE IDENTIFIED STUDENTS Reimbursement minimum set in June

Maximum based on claims received Low Incidence Funding

- Vision, Hearing or Orthopedic Impairment
- Services or materials
- Reimbursement basis (per student)
- Minimum claim \$600
- Significant boost in 2020-21 budget
- Per student rate increased from \$466 to \$3,000+!
- LI student count frozen @ 2019-20 counts

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## Low Incidence Funding

- Maximum = End of year determination
  - 2017-18 = \$2,300
  - 2018-19 = \$2,235
  - 2019-20 = \$2,470
  - 2020-21 = no maximum; all eligible claims paid 100%
  - 2021-22 = no maximum; all eligible claims paid 100%
  - 2022-23 = no maximum; all eligible claims paid 100%
- Mine your population for qualifying disabilities
- File claims immediately!

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# Mental Health Funding

### ERMHS

#### (EDUCATIONALLY RELATED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES)



**Note:** The 2020-21 State Budget Act allowed mental health revenue to be spent on direct services to the entire student population going forward.

## **NPS/RTC/SBT POOL**

Each year a projected budget amount is established and converted to a per-ADA contribution amount. The projection includes:

- Funding the SELPA to provide mental health support for partners and CPI behavior training/certification. An amount is calculated by multiplying last year's amount by the finalized COLA for the upcoming year.
- An amount projected to fund (in priority order):
  - Eligible RTC expenditures for room & board and transportation at 100% for the year. If the estimated amount is not sufficient, funds from the Rate Protection Pool will be used.
  - NPS mental health services and transportation at 90%. If the estimated amount is not sufficient, reimbursements will be prorated.
  - Approved site-based therapeutic programs at 80% of eligible expenditures. If the estimated amount is not sufficient, reimbursements will be prorated.

## **OUT OF HOME CARE FUNDING**

#### New Revenue Stream for Charter SELPA

\$2.5 - \$3.0 Million Per Year EDUCATION COSTS FOR AGENCY-PLACED STUDENTS IN GROUP HOMES

\$1,608/Foster Youth In SELPA

Recommending to Buy Down MH Pool Contribution

## NPS/RTC/SBT POOL

2023-24 Estimated Cost/ADA
& Contribution/ADA

Overall Revenue Direct to Partners	\$88.00
SELPA Program Support	-\$ 2.16
RTC Room & Board	-\$ 9.62
NPS MH Services	-\$ 9.23
Site-Based Therapeutic Programs	-\$ 2.12
Total Contribution Before OOHC	-\$23.13
Total Contribution After OOHC	-\$12.50
Retained by Partners	\$75.50

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Additional Funding

- From time to time, additional special education funding (usually one-time money) may be authorized in the state budget act/trailer bills or the federal budget.
- These may or may not be accompanied by specific expenditure restrictions and/or reporting requirements

Examples

- 2021-22 budget:
  - \$450 Million for SELPAs/LEAs to provide learning recovery supports to students with disabilities impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic.
  - \$100 Million for SELPAs to assist member LEAs in conducting dispute prevention and voluntary alternative dispute resolution (ADR) in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- Federal FY 2021 budget American Rescue Plan funding:
  - IDEA Part B, = \$ 2.7 billion (SWDs ages 3-21)
  - IDEA Part C = \$ 250 million (Early Intervention for birth age 2)
  - Same requirements/restrictions as all IDEA funding. Simply additional \$.

Unspent Funds  Based on an expected local contribution, utilization of distributed SpEd revenue is monitored.

- If funds are unspent, is it explained by:
  - Unique population characteristics?
  - Newer school building capacity?
  - Other factors?
- <25% unspent funds = budget justification for receipt of federal funds in the following year
- >25% unspent funds = reimbursement-based state funding, <u>may not</u> be eligible for federal funds in the following year,

Income Reallocation

- Organization Partners may "reallocate" income to other SELPA member charters in the network.
- Federal Maintenance of Effort (MOE) compliance
- Manage Unspent Funds
- Manage local contributions among network schools
- Organization must have authority to reallocate.
- Requires board action sample resolution on the Charter SELPA website.

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New Member Cash Advances

- Charters new to the Charter SELPA will not receive a cash disbursement until February, since the state's Advance Apportionment payments (July to January) are based on prior year P-2 ADA while a partner in the Charter SELPA.
- Start-Up charters have no prior-year enrollment. Therefore, there is no basis upon which to calculate Federal Revenue. Consequently, start-up charters cannot receive federal revenue in the first year.

The cash advance program:

- Preliminary ADA x \$830/ADA\* = Annual Revenue
- 25% cash advance 3% interest rate.
- Participation: notify us of your interest and provide a report of opening enrollment.
- \*(\$887 avg. admin fee)

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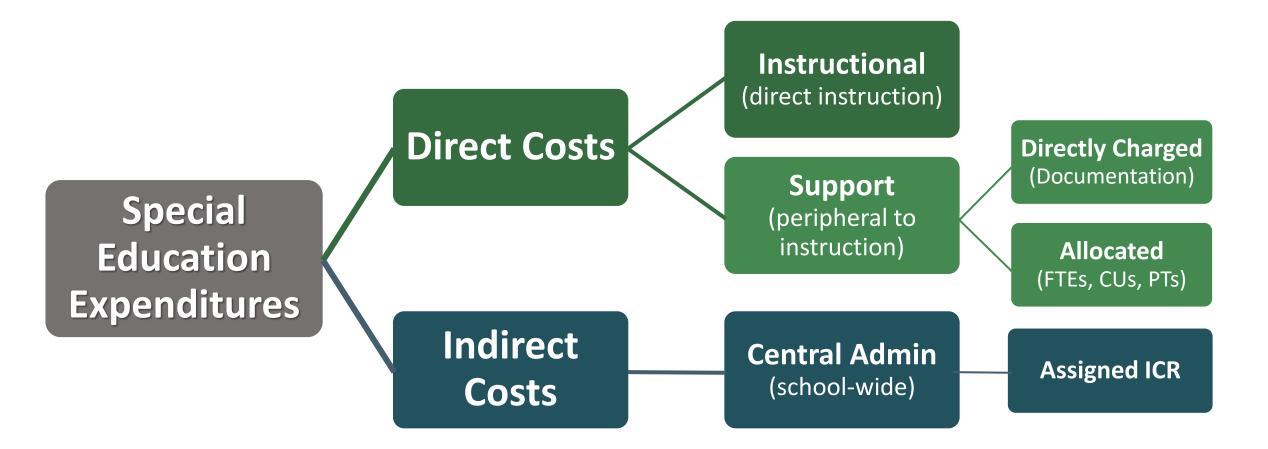


# SpEd Expenditure Accounting Considerations

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## **Program Cost Accounting** (CSAM Procedure 910)



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Direct Costs

Costs

#### **Direct Instruction & Administration of Special Ed**

- SpEd Administrators, Teachers, Admin Support, Aides (Salaries + Benefits), Contracted Services
- Books, Supplies
- Capital Outlay

Support	<ul> <li>Peripheral but Related to SpEd Instruction</li> <li>Principal, Librarian, School Secretary, Nurse, Maintenance, Transportation</li> <li>Directly charged with documentation OR</li> <li>Allocated per CSAM Guidelines: FTE, Classroom Units, Students Transported</li> <li>Reasonable</li> </ul>
Indirect	<ul> <li>Schoolwide General Management</li> <li>Accounting, Payroll, HR, IT</li> </ul>

- Assigned Rate Set by CDE
- Ranges 0% to >17%
- Statewide Avg. = 5.35%

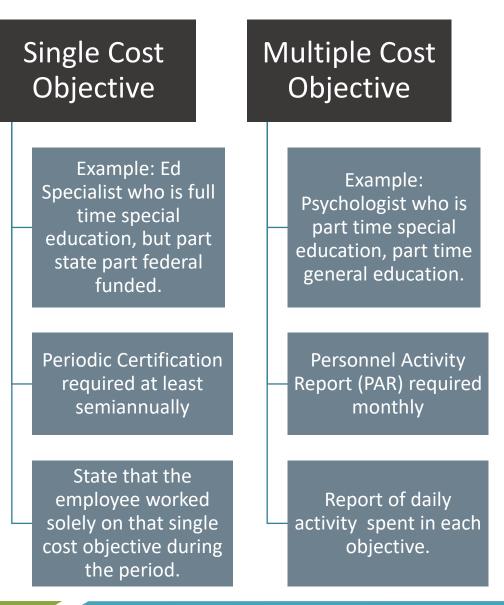
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#### **Time Accounting**

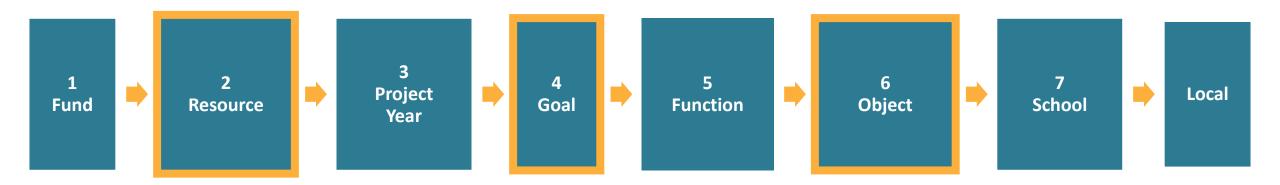
#### **Federal Requirements**

Any staff funded (partially or completely) from a restricted source (e.g. SpEd revenue) needs to have time documentation on record.

- 1. Substitute systems = sampling, schedule-based (CDE approval)
- 2. STATE = State Documented Method (Activity Worksheets)
- 3. Guidelines provided for federal funding OK to use for state funding
- Info and samples from CSAM in Year End Resource Guide
- See CSAM Procedure 905 for full details



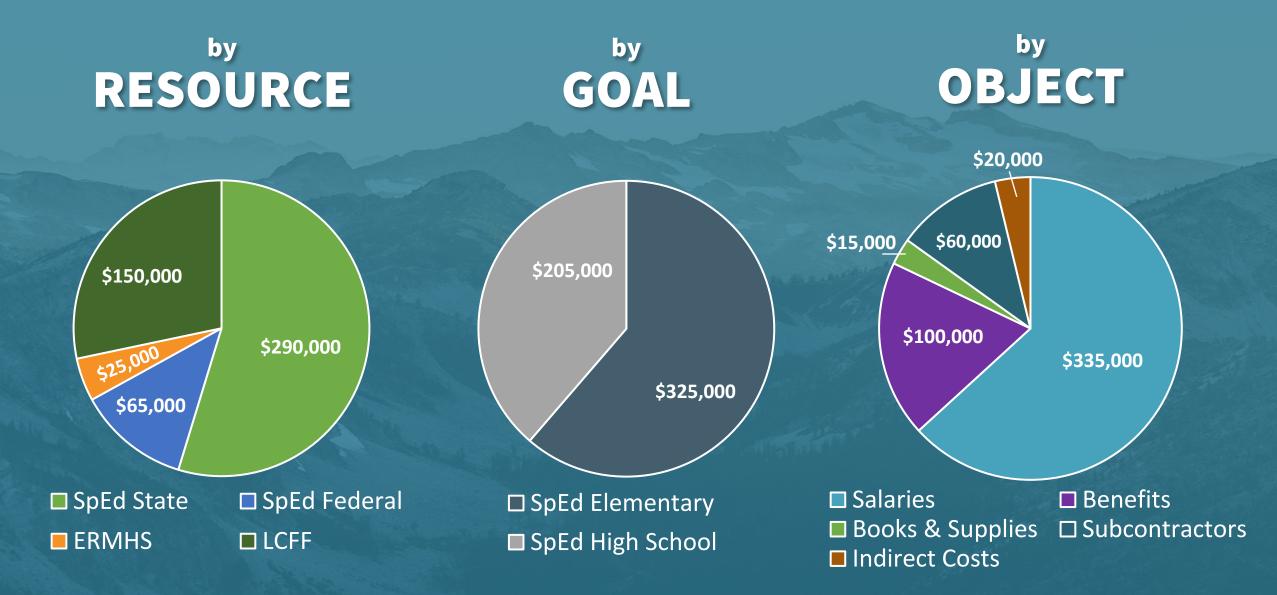
### Standardized Account Code Structure (SACS)



Charter schools are **not required to** use SACS or the SACS reporting software. There is an optional <u>Charter Alternative Form</u> for reporting (Resource & Object only). However, there are some minimum recommended tracking requirements for special education reporting. Advice: much easier to manage what you can measure.

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### Analyze the same \$530,000 of SpEd expenditures...



# Funding/Cash Flow Details

#### Special Education Base Funding (AB 602)

State apportionment and Federal grant revenues are passed through by the SELPA to our partners throughout the year. The tabs below provide access to cash flow, budgeting, forecasting and federal grant reporting details.

**Revenue Projections** 

Fiscal Resources

Federal Reporting

The SELPA monitors special education funding data throughout the year and issues budget advice for state and federal revenue based on tracking and analyzing this data. Projected cash flow is determined based on this budget advice, and is updated at each certification or expenditure reporting period. Current budget advice appears below. Click on the links to the right for the most current cash flow schedules.

Current Budget Advice (rates are shown prior to admin fee/set aside).

- 2021-22: \$715 Charter Member Rate (State)/\$139.61 Federal
- 2022-23: \$820 Charter Member Rate (State)/\$125.00 Federal
- 2021-22 Funding Details
- 2021-22 State Cash Flow Projections
- 2021-22 Federal Cash Flow Projections
- 2021-22 Federal (RS 3305) Cash Flow Projections
- 2021-22 Admin Rates
- 2022-23 Funding Detail

#### BUSINESS OFFICE RESOURCES

- Allocation plan
- Accounting & Expenditure Guidance
- Fiscal Portal
- ACH/Direct Deposit
- Payments Made to Charters
- Fiscal Year Calendar
- Fiscal Process Timelines
- ▼ Fiscal Update
- Master Contract and MOU Templates

Business Support Page http://charterselpa.org/fiscal/



### Funding Details-Currently

- Advance (Jul-Jan): Total Funding = (PY Enrollment x Federal Rate) + (PY Certified P-2 ADA x State Rate)
- P-1/P-2 (Feb-Jun): Total Funding = (PY Enrollment x Federal Rate) + (CY Certified ADA x State Rate)
- Admin Fee = Total Funding x Admin Contract Rate
- Total Current Year Allocation = Total Funding Admin Contract Fee
- Admin Fees deducted from State Allocation only, but calculated on State and Federal Revenues

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	CMO /	Charter Name	Year in	21-22 Enrollment *Offical counts not yet released	22-23 Funding ADA	Admin Contract Rate	т	otal Funding	Admin Contract Fee	Total Current Year		mated State Ilocation		ed Federal ribution
	Organization		SELPA	(Calculated based		State Rate	\$	820.00		Allocation				
				on 21-22 P-1 ADA))		Fed Rate	\$	125.00					\$	125.00
57	ASPIRE Public Schools	Aspire Rosa Parks Academy	10-11	367.00	388.04	3.0%	\$	364,068.00	\$ 10,922.00	\$ 353,146.00	\$	307,271.00	\$	45,875.00
58	ASPIRE Public Schools	Aspire Summit Charter Academy	06-07	349.00	401.02	3.0%	\$	372,460.00	\$ 11,174.00	\$ 361,286.00	\$	317,661.00	\$	43,625.00
59	ASPIRE Public Schools	Aspire Triumph Technology Academy	14-15	230.00	274.79	3.0%	\$	254,078.00	\$ 7,622.00	\$ 246,456.00	\$	217,706.00	\$	28,750.00
60	ASPIRE Public Schools	Aspire University Charter	18-19	387.00	401.20	3.0%	\$	377,359.00	\$ 11,321.00	\$ 366,038.00	\$	317,663.00	\$	48,375.00
61	ASPIRE Public Schools	Aspire Vanguard College Preparatory Academy	09-10	571.00	542.60	3.0%	\$	516,307.00	\$ 15,489.00	\$ 500,818.00	\$	429,443.00	\$	71,375.00
62	ASPIRE Public Schools	Aspire Vincent Shalvey Academy	10-11	434.00	412.05	3.0%	\$	392,130.00	\$ 11,764.00	\$ 380,366.00	\$	326,116.00	\$	54,250.00
63	ASPIRE Public Schools	Aspire Stockton 6-12 Secondary Academy	20-21	77.00	72.77	3.0%	\$	69,296.00	\$ 2,079.00	\$ 67,217.00	\$	57,592.00	\$	9,625.00
64	ASPIRE Public Schools	Aspire Stockton TK-5 Elementary Academy	20-21	86.00	82.00	3.0%	\$	77,990.00	\$ 2,340.00	\$ 75,650.00	\$	64,900.00	\$	10,750.00
65	Aurum Preparatory Academy	Aurum Preparatory Academy	18-19	162.00	181.50	3.5%	\$	169,080.00	\$ 5,917.00	\$ 163,163.00	\$	142,913.00	\$	20,250.00
66	Bella Mente Charter School	Bella Mente Montessori Academy	19-20	414.00	589.67	3.5%	\$	535,279.00	\$ 18,734.00	\$ 516,545.00	\$	464,795.00	\$	51,750.00
67	Blue Oak Charter	Blue Oak Charter	18-19	255.00	293.37	3.0%	\$	272,438.00	\$ 8,173.00	\$ 264,265.00	\$	232,390.00	\$	31,875.00
68	Cabrillo Point Academy	Cabrillo Point Academy	15-16	4,269.00	4,501.73	3.0%	\$	4,225,044.00	\$ 126,751.00	\$ 4,098,293.00	\$ 3	3,564,668.00	\$	533,625.00
69	Caliber Beta Academy	Caliber: Beta Academy	14-15	839.00	864.40	3.0%	\$	813,683.00	\$ 24,410.00	\$ 789,273.00	\$	684,398.00	\$	104,875.00
70	Caliber Beta Academy	Caliber: ChangeMakers Academy	16-17	773.00	777.40	3.0%	\$	734,093.00	\$ 22,023.00	\$ 712,070.00	\$	615,445.00	\$	96,625.00
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### **Fiscal Portal**

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Password *	•••••	-
	Remember me?	
	Login   Forgot your password?	
	Don't have an account? <u>Register</u>	

#### **Fiscal Portal**

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#### Register

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### Cash Flow

- Can filter by LEA, by year
- Can export to Excel
- Must have credentials to access

ACH Enrollment ADA/Enrollment Audit Reports

Home

Cash Flow Projections -Dispute Prevention -Expenditure Reporting -Forecasting -Learning Recovery Plan -Low Incidence -Montal Health (ERMHS) -MOE -Payments Significant Disproportionality -Staff Only -



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#### CHARTER FISCAL PORTAL

STATE CASH FLOW PROJECTIONS

# **Reporting to SELPA**

	Partner Reports Due to SELPA
July 2023	7/14 – Final 2022-23 Expenditure Reports (Federal, ERMHS, Low Incidence, Learning Recovery, Dispute Prevention)
August	You're off the hook this month.
2023	No items are due!
September 2023	9/8 – Year-End Reports (MOE Actual, MOE Budget, Excess Cost, Subsequent Year Tracking)
October	<ul> <li>10/2 – NPS/RTC Pool Budget</li></ul>
2023	Request (continuing placements) <li>10/6 – Cash Advance Application</li> <li>10/18 – NPS/RTC Pool Expenditure Report</li> <li>10/20 – ADA/Enrollment Report #1</li>
November	You're off the hook this month.
2023	No items are due!

December 2023	12/15 – Prior Year Audits Due
January	<ul> <li>1/17 – Expenditure Reports (Mid-Year/Fed</li></ul>
2024	#1, NPS/RTC Pool) <li>1/19 – ADA/Enrollment Report #2</li>
February	You're off the hook this month.
2024	No items are due!
March 2024	3/22 – MOE Pre-Test
April 2024	4/17 – Expenditure Reports (Fed #2, NPS/RTC Pool) 4/19 – ADA/Enrollment Report #3
May	5/1 – Low Incidence Reimbursement
2024	Request
June	You're off the hook this month.
2024	No items are due!

### Where to Report



# Federal Funding Compliance

#### Year End & Maintenance of Effort

The close of each school year brings a flurry of activity at a time when attention spans are short but the need for focus and accuracy is acute.

Current Year Funding Maintenance of Effort

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Excess Cost Reports Income Reallocation

One of the federal grant requirements is that federal revenue may supplement, but not supplant, revenue from state and local sources. In general, federal Maintenance of Effort (MOE) compliance requires an LEA receiving federal funds to spend the same amount from state and local sources each year prior to spending federal special education revenue. The Charter SELPA offers ongoing training and resource guides to assist Charters in meeting MOE testing. The required expenditure information to conduct this testing is submitted via the Fiscal Portal.

Fiscal Portal Link

#### **MOE & YEAR END RESOURCES**

#### MOE Definition & Instructions

The definitions and instructions for both the MOE pre-test and the year-end MOE are identical. You may access them here.

- MOE Definitions
- MOE Instructions
- MOE Pre-test Instructions

#### Year-End Resources

This handy guide will help you navigate the year end process.

- Year End At A Glance
- Fiscal Year End Guide
- 2021-22 Supplemental Audit Guide
- CA School Accounting Manual

### Maintenance of Effort (MOE)

Federal resources must supplement NOT supplant State and Local resources.

Measured by "maintaining effort" from state and local resources from year to year.

#### **Compliance Standard**

(Actual to Actual) State and/or local expenditures, in the aggregate or on a perpupil basis, must be at least as much in the current year as in the prior year.

To keep FEDERAL revenue.

Eligibility Standard (Actual to Budget) State and/or local expenditures, in the aggregate or on a perpupil basis, must be budgeted to be at least as much next year as in the current year.

To receive FEDERAL revenue.

https://charterselpa.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/MOE\_Definitions-1.pdf

**TWO PART REQUIREMENT** 

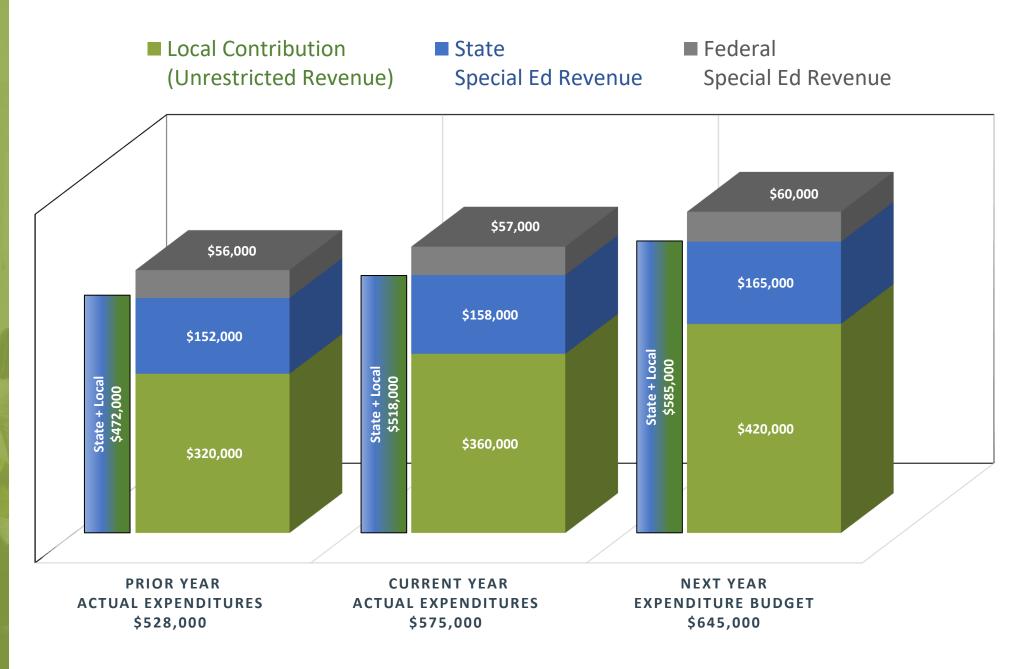
### **MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT**

Four Tests – Each year, at least one must be passed for each standard.

- Actual to Actual (Compliance Standard)
- Actual to Budget (Eligibility Standard)
- 1. State and local expenditures
- 2. State and local expenditures per SpEd pupil (test above / pupil count)
- 3. Local expenditures
- 4. Local expenditures per SpEd pupil (test above / pupil count)

Every year, MOE testing involves three years of special education expenditures.

Expenditures coded to nonfederal resources should be maintained or increased.



### The Four MOE Tests

Example

MOE Tests	To meet the MOE require	ement, only one test must be met.	Met				
State/Local	Tests	Local Only Tests					
State/Local Test (inclue	ding Exemptions)	Local Only Tests (includ	ling Exemptions)				
Year of Comparison *	2017-18	Year of Comparison *	2017-18				
Comparison Data *	61,200	Comparison Data *	14,970				
Allowable Exemptions (from below)	0	Allowable Exemptions (from below)	0				
Adjusted Comparison Data	61,200	Adjusted Comparison Data	14,970				
Current Year State/Local	74,932	Current Year Local Only	0				
Variance: Comparison Year to Current Year	13,732	Variance: Comparison Year to Current Year	-14,970				
If positive Met/If negative, Not Met	Met	If positive Met/If negative, Not Met	Not Met				
State/Local Per Pupil Test (i	ncluding Exemptions)	Local Only Per Pupil Test (in	ncluding Exemptions)				
Year of Comparison *	2012-13	Year of Comparison *	2017-18				
Comparison Data *	4,439	Comparison Data *	105				
Pupil Count	141	Pupil Count	143				
Adjusted Comparison Data	4,439	Adjusted Comparison Data	105				
Current Year State/Local per Pupil	0	Current Year Local Only per Pupil	0				
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Variance: Comparison Year to Current Year	-4,439	Variance: Comparison Year to Current Year	-105				

MOE Exemptions

Use 'em or lose 'em!

- 1) Savings from the voluntary departure or departure for just cause of special education or related services personnel.
- 2) Savings from a decrease in the enrollment of children with disabilities.
- 3) Savings from an LEA no longer having the obligation to provide one or more exceptionally costly special education programs to student(s) because they:
  - Have left the jurisdiction of the LEA; or
  - Have reached the age at which the LEA is no longer required to provide free appropriate public education (FAPE) to the student(s); or
  - No longer need the program of special education
- 4) Savings from the termination of costly expenditures for long-term purchases, such as the acquisition of equipment or the construction of facilities.
- 5) If an LEA's federal award under IDEA has increased, the LEA may take 50% of the increase as an exemption, so long as the reduction is used for activities under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA).

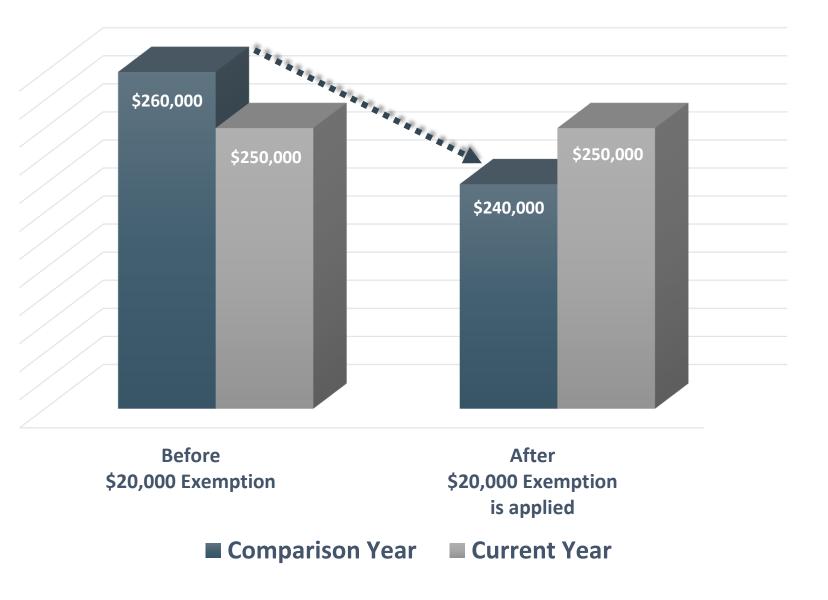
#### Federal Maintenance of Effort (MOE)

**Exemptions** Qualifying exemptions lower

expenditures in the comparison year.

This lowers the compliance bar that must be crossed in the current year.

#### **Total State & Local Expenditures**



MOE Tests     To meet the MOE requirement, only one test must be met.     Met							
State/Local	Tests	Local Only Tests					
State/Local Test (includ	ding Exemptions)	Local Only Tests (includ	ding Exemptions)				
Year of Comparison *	2017-18	Year of Comparison *	2017-18				
Comparison Data *	61,200	Comparison Data *	14,970				
Allowable Exemptions (from below)	88,000	Allowable Exemptions (from below)	88,000				
Adjusted Comparison Data	0	Adjusted Comparison Data	0				
Current Year State/Local	74,932	Current Year Local Only	0				
Variance: Comparison Year to Current Year	74,932	Variance: Comparison Year to Current Year	0				
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	Summary						
	State/Local	Local Only					
1. Vol. departure of staff replaced w/lower-salaried staff	13,000	13,000					
2. Decrease in enrollment of children w/disabilities	0	0					
3. Termination of a costly program/student	75,000	75,000					
4. One time prior year expenditures	0	0					
Total Exemptions	88,000	88,000					

### MOE: Subsequent Year Tracking Worksheet

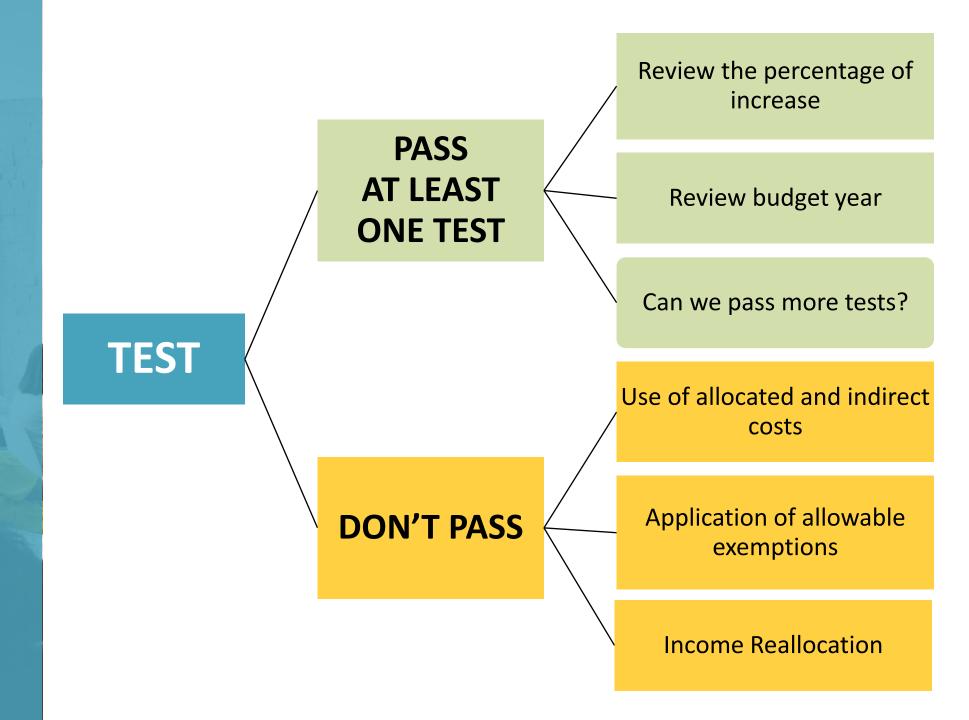
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	Fiscal Year	2019-20									
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	School Year	State and Local Total Amount	State and Local Total MOE Result	State and Local Per Capita Amount	State and Local Per Capita MOE Result	Local Only Total Amount	Local Only Total MOE Result	Local Only Per Capita Amount	Local Only Per Capita MOE Result	Enroliment	Result fo Fiscal Year
2011-12	Expenditures (Compliance) SEMA-	\$ 261,095.93	Pass	\$ 4,280.26	Pass	\$ 477.47	Pass	\$ 7.83	Pass	61	Pass
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2012-13	Expenditures (Compliance) SEMA-	\$ 398,492.80	Pass	\$ 4,633.64	Pass	\$ 62,118.80	Pass	\$ 722.31	Pass	86	Pass
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2013-14	Expenditures (Compliance) SEMA-	\$ 445,245.15	Pass	\$ 4,122.64	Fail	\$ 60,155.15	Fail	\$ 556.99	Fail	108	Pass
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2014-15	Expenditures (Compliance) SEMA-	\$ 619,769.08	Pass	\$ 4,695.22	Pass	\$ 176,329.08	Pass	\$ 1,335.83	Pass	132	Pass
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2015-16	Expenditures (Compliance) SEMA-	\$ 825,508.00	Pass	\$ 6,253.85	Pass	\$ 302,458.00	Pass	\$ 2,291.35	Pass	132	Pass
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2017-18	Expenditures (Compliance) SEMA-	\$ 640,941.00	Fail	\$ 7,722.00	Fail	\$ 315,185.00	Pass With Exemption(s)	\$ 3,797.00	Pass With Exemption(s)	83	Pass
	SACS2018ALL		\$ 165,770,00		\$ 1,997.23		\$ 165,770.00		\$ 1,997.23		
2018-19	Expenditures (Compliance) SEMA-	\$ 656,567.00	Fail	\$ 6,700.00	Fail	\$ 272,677.00	Pass With Exemption(s)	\$ 2,782.00	Fai	98	Pass
	SACS2019ALL		\$ 74,659,00		\$ 761.83		\$ 74,659.00		\$ 761.83		
2019-20	Expenditures (Compliance) SEMA-	\$ 756,015,00	Fail	\$ 8,495,00	Fait	\$ 348,048,00	Pass	\$ 3,911.00	Pass	89	Pass
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2020-21	Budget (Eligibility)	\$ 835,446.00	Pass	\$ 9,387.00	Fail	\$ 353,816.00	Pass	\$ 3,975.00	Pass	89	Pass
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Subsequent Year Tracking Worksheet

The signature of authorized agent conveys agreement with and accuracy of the information provided.

	Signature of Authorized Agent	Date Signed
	Printed Name and Title of Authorized Agent	Contact Person's Name, Email, and Telephone Number
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MOE Decision Tree



MOE Considerations

### Keep an eye on MOE...

- Reasonable cost reductions by pursuing efficiencies are obviously positive.
- Higher funding is, well, the Holy Grail.
- To the extent cost reductions or higher funding are coded to SpEd, factor in the MOE implications.
- SpEd is a dynamic program. Analyze and budget it that way.

### Include in your considerations:

- Allowable federal exemptions
- Use of allocated support/indirect costs
- Decline in SpEd population e.g. costs declined 5%, but SpEd pupil count declined 5% (MOE includes a per student cost comparison)

### Federal Excess Costs

- Federal law requires that federal special education funds (IDEA Part B) are to be spent for "Excess Costs".
- Requirement to spend (on special education students) from state and local resources an amount equal to what is spent on general education, prior to spending federal SpEd dollars.

Excess Cost Calculation

# The elements of the calculation for excess costs include the following:

- General Ed Expenditures/Total Enrollment = General Ed Cost per Student
  - \$4,000,000 Adjusted Gen Ed expenditures
  - 350 students
  - \$4,000,000/350 = \$11,429/Gen Ed student
- Special Education Student FTE (full time enrollment) using SEIS data on time spent in SpEd.
  - 40 SpEd students
  - Each student is in SpEd 10% of the day
  - 40 students x 10% (.10) = 4.0 FTE
- SpEd Student FTE x Gen Ed Cost per Student
  - 4.0 x \$11,429 = \$45,716

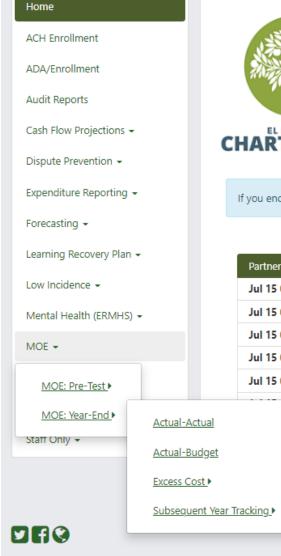
### **Excess Cost Calculation**

 Excess Cost Floor = \$45,716 in State and Local
 SpEd funds must be spent
 before Federal SpEd funds
 can be spent.

**SpEd Expenses** from State & Local \$590,000 \$45,716 **Minimum spent from State and Local** 

- Charter SELPA will perform this annual calculation on your behalf
- CDE now requires the CFO/CBO of each LEA sign the calculation and the SELPA will submit to CDE.

MOE Reporting in the Fiscal Portal





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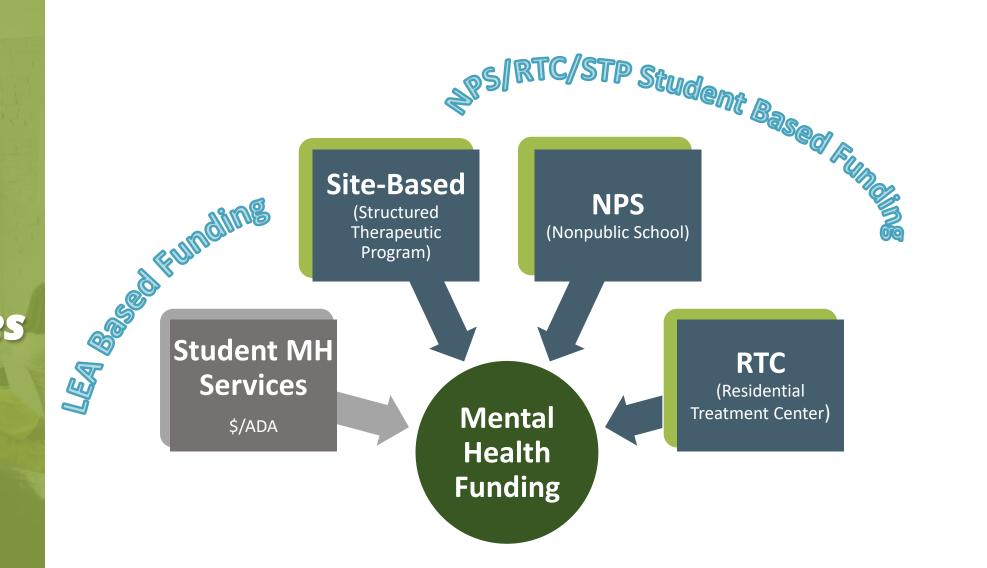
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# Mental Health Funding Compliance

### Mental Health Expenditures



### Mental Health Providers

	CASEMIS CODE	Licensed Educational Psychologist (LEP)	School Psychologist (PPS)	Licensed Clinical Psychologist	Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT)	Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW)	Social Work (PPS)	School Counselor (PPS)	Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC)	Board Certified Psychiatrist	Special Education Instruction Credential	Health and Nursing Services Credential
Individual Counseling	510	x	x	x	X*	X*		x	X*	x		
Counseling and Guidance	515	х	х	х	Х*	Х*		x	X*	х		
Parent Counseling and Training	520	x	x	x	X*	X*	x	x	X*	x	x	x
Social Work Services	525			x	Х*	Х*	x		X*	x		
Psychological Services	530	x	x	X	x	x						

\*Services may be provided by a qualified intern under the direct supervision of an individual who holds the appropriate credential authorization (5 CCR §3051).

# Mental Health Providers

- LEAs may opt to contract service providers with public agencies (other LEAs, county mental health agencies) or non-public agencies (NPAs).
- If an LEA opts to contract a service provider via a public agency (i.e. another charter school, school district or COE) they will complete a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between their LEA and the public agency.
- If an LEA opts to contract a service provider (i.e. private agency) via an NPA or NPS they must:
  - Refer to the CDE's approved list of NPA/NPS service providers to select a CDE-certified NPA/NPS.
  - Complete a Master Contract between the LEA and the NPA/NPS.
  - Complete an Individual Service Agreement (ISA) for each student that the NPA/NPS serves.

Sample MOUs and Current Year Master Contract/ISA: <u>https://charterselpa.org/fiscal/</u> CDE's NPA/NPS Requirements: <u>https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/se/ds/npsacrtapp.asp</u> CDE's Current Certification List: <u>https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/se/ds/</u>

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Master Contract: Did You Know
Mandated School Lunches FAQ
2023-24 Master Contract
2023-24 Individual Service Agreement
2022-23 Master Contract
2022-23 Individual Services Agreement (ISA)
MOU Template #1: Contracted Services From
Other LEAs

- Operated by Other LEA
  MOU template #3: Placement in Program
- MOU template #3: Placement in Program Operated by Other LEA (Single Student)
- Charter SELPA-Program Placement FAQs

### Mental Health Location of Services

- To allow students to access education and practice mental health goals in the educational setting.
- It is suggested that the mental health services be provided at school during the course of the school day.
- Should an IEP Team determine mental health services would be provided outside of the school day they must consider:
  - Transportation
  - What to do when a service is missed
  - Have a clear reason documented in the IEP as to why a student would need a service to work on an educational goal outside of the educational setting

Transportation Guidelines: https://charterselpa.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Transportation-Guidelines-2018-11-1.pdf

# SpEd Compliance: Significant Disproportionality

# Significant Disproportionality

### Definition

- LEA disproportionality refers to the "overrepresentation" of a particular racial or ethnic group in one of four areas:
  - Identification for Special Education
  - Identification within a specific Special Education disability category
  - Discipline
  - Least Restrictive Environment (LRE)

## Significant Disproportionality

#### Methodology

- LEAs can be identified as having significant disproportionality by the following criteria:
  - Identified disproportionate by both measures (E-formula and Alternate Risk Ratio) defined as:
  - Identified disproportionate in the same cell (disability by ethnicity):
- In the current year, and in at least two of the previous three years.

# Significant Disproportionality

#### Consequences

- Any LEA that is found to have disproportionate representation will be subject to state monitoring to ensure that the LEA's policies, procedures, and practices are compliant and do not lead to inappropriate identification.
- If found Significantly Disproportionate, LEAs are required to use 15% of IDEA funds for Coordinated Early Intervening Services (CEIS). Also, the advantage of the increased federal grant MOE exemption is limited.

### **Coordinated Early Intervening Services** (CEIS)

- The IDEA allows **sometimes requires** expenditure of federal funds on CEIS.
- CEIS are for nondisabled students (i.e., currently not identified as needing special education).
- Based on research about the effectiveness of early intervention.
- Examples:
  - Behavioral interventions to nondisabled students, perhaps as a part of a PBIS initiative
  - Reading or math specialists for nondisabled students who have not reached grade-level proficiency
  - After-school tutoring for nondisabled students who score below standard on statewide assessments

### Coordinated Early Intervening Services (CEIS)

 Federal dollars directed to CEIS must supplement not supplant other funding (state, local, & other federal funding sources).

#### • May not:

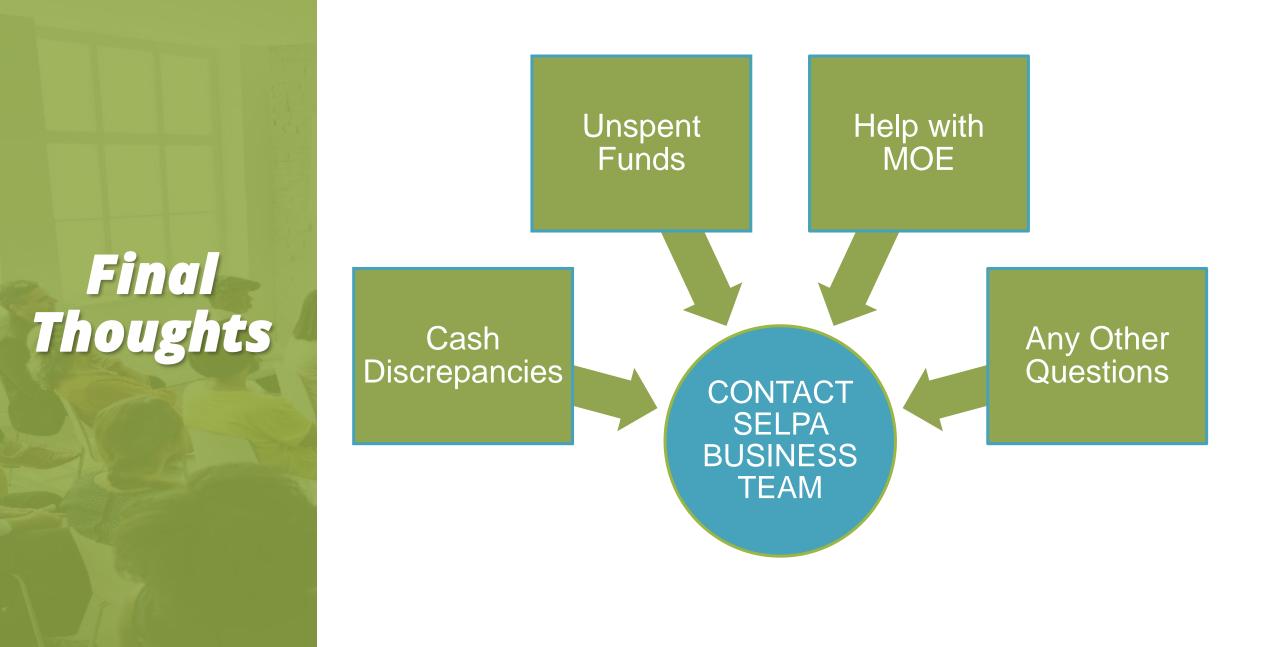
- Provide services that are otherwise required by federal, state or local law.
- Provide services that were paid for with other funds in a prior year (e.g., IDEA funds are used to provide services that were paid for with ESEA funds in the prior year.).

http://charterselpa.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/OSEP-CEIS-Guidance.pdf

### **Disproportionality Prevention**

- Implement and monitor systems for correct data entry and regular examination of data to ensure data integrity between student information systems (SIS, SEIS, and CALPADS).
- Implement and monitor processes and procedures for systemic behavior interventions, i.e. PBIS.
- Implement and monitor disciplinary policies, processes, and procedures that minimize suspensions and expulsions.
- Explore programs and practices that support alternatives to suspension and expulsion, i.e. Restorative Practices.
- Move towards inclusive practices to maximize opportunities for special education students in general education settings.





# Stay Connected

#### CEO Council Meetings

- Thursday, October 12, 2023 (Sacramento)
- Thursday, May 23, 2024 (San Diego)

#### • Fiscal Committee Meetings (virtual)

- Thursday, October 26, 2023
- Thursday, June 06, 2024

#### • Year-End Fiscal Workshop (virtual)

• Thursday, April 25, 2024

#### Program/Business Buzz Sessions (virtual)

- 30-minute sessions
- You set the agenda
- Email *charterselpabusiness@edcoe.org* to schedule.

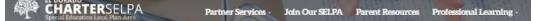
### **Stay Informed** Roles vs. Distribution Lists



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# **Thank you!** We look forward to working with you in the upcoming year.



#### **Special Education Business Office Support**

The Business Services Team supports school business teams and assists partners in maximizing special education fiscal resources. Our commitment includes timely communication of budgetary issues and distribution of cash flow, hands-on assistance with compliance, educational opportunities, and access to SELPA fiscal professionals

 Program Support • Data Compliance & SEIS Governance/CEO Count Steering Committee









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Base Funding

Additional Funding & **Risk Pools** Maintenance of Effort Business Meetings & Fiscal Updates & Training

Special Education Base Funding (AB 602)

ERMHS Funding

State apportionment and Federal grant revenues are passed through by the SELPA to our partners throughout the year. The tabs below provide access to cash flow, budgeting, forecasting and federal grant reporting details.



**Revenue** Projections Fiscal Resources Federal Reporting

The SELPA monitors special education funding data throughout the year and issues budget advice for state and federal revenue based on tracking and analyzing this data. Projected cash flow is determined based on this budget advice, and is updated at each certification or expenditure reporting period. Current budget advice appears below. Click on the links to the right for the most current cash flow schedules.

Current Budget Advice (rates are shown prior to admin fee/set aside).

- 2022-23: \$820 Charter Member Rate (State)/\$146.81 Federal
- 2023-24: \$887.40 Charter Member Rate (State) \$130.00 Federal
- 2022-23 Funding Detail
- 2022-23 State Cash Flow Projections
- 2022-23 Federal Cash Flow Projections
- 2022-23 Federal (RS 3305) Cash Flow Projections
- 2022-23 Return of 2019-20 A3 \$5/ADA (Detail)
- 2023-24 Funding Details & Cash Flow (Advance Apportionment)

#### BUSINESS OFFICE RESOURCES

Accounting & Expenditure Guidance

- Fiscal Portal

The online Fiscal Portal is your one-stop shop for all SELPA fiscal reporting and related data submissions.

#### Eiscal Portal Link

\* ACH/Direct Deposit Payments Made to Charters Fiscal Year Calendar Fiscal Process Timelines

· Fiscal Update

Master Contract and MOU Templates

### **Fiscal Portal** & Website Navigation