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California Department of Education, School Fiscal Services Division

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February 6, 2018

## Slide 6: Announcements and Information

Minutes are available on the CDE website for the November 2017 SACS Forum

## Slide 7: Section 508 - Accessibility

Federal Section 508 was updated to clarify that all Information and Communications Technology (ICT) must be made accessible to persons with disabilities.

The California Department of Education (CDE) is required to comply with federal Section 508 as recipient of federal funds and also per California *Government Code* Section 7405.

Future information from our office, School Fiscal Services Division, and CDE may look different as a result of the accessibility requirements.

## Slide 8: Validation Table Updates (1)

CDE released an updated validation table on January 17.

The updated table is located on the CDE Website, and can be found at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/ac/ac/validcodes.asp>

The PCA/Resource and the Master List of Resources also were updated on January 17. Those updates can be found on the following CDE webpage: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/ac/ac/resource.asp>

In the future, the Master List of Resources will be provided as a spreadsheet, and not a PDF.

## Slide 9: Validation Table Updates (2)

Resource 4127 – ESEA: Title IV, Part A, Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants

* Used by districts and counties

Resource 6317 – California Equity Performance and Improvement Grant

* Used by counties

## Slide 10: Validation Table Updates (3)

Resource 6685 – Tobacco-Use Prevention Education (Prop. 56)

* Technical Assistance Grants used by counties
* This resource will be added to the next validation table update scheduled for March 2018.

Resource 6695 – Tobacco-Use Prevention Education (Prop. 56)

* For districts, counties, and JPA’s

## Slide 11: Accounting Updates

## Slide 12: Special Education IDEA Section 611 Resource Codes Update (1)

Recap from last meeting

The Special Education program office requested that we consolidate Special Education IDEA Section 611 Resource Codes 3310/3320/3400 effective 2018/19.

* Also, Resource 3332 will be eliminated.

Level of funding will not change due to consolidation

Private school proportionate share will be calculated on new consolidated total

## Slide 13: Special Education IDEA Section 611 Resource Codes Update (2)

Update

The CDE doesn’t have to differentiate how much is spent on preschool vs K-12 students. This means that LEAs will have flexibility on how much to spend on preschool and K-12 students.

We advise LEAs use the Goal Code to indicate the student populations served

* E.g., Goal 5730 for preschool

## Slide 14: Special Education IDEA Section 611 Resource Codes Update (3)

To clarify, Resource 3315 is not part of the consolidation because it comes from IDEA Part B Section 619.

Grant calculation & funding related questions should be directed to the Resource 3310 program contact, Chris Essman, at [cessman@cde.ca.gov](mailto:cessman@cde.ca.gov)

## Slide 15: Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Per-pupil Expenditure (PPE) Reporting Update (1)

LATEST NEWS

CDE has convened a workgroup of local educational agency (LEA) representatives to explore alternatives and discuss for calculating LEA and school-level expenditures.

First meeting is scheduled for the end of February.

The U.S. Department of Education now expected to issue non-regulatory guidance in early February 2018 (initially supposed to have been last fall).

Not prescriptive; will provide flexibility to states for determining PPE.

Goal is to provide final guidelines prior to July 1.

## Slide 16: Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Per-pupil Expenditure (PPE) Reporting Update (2)

IMPORTANT POINTS

CDE is not required to prescribe a calculation methodology. That requirement was included in the now-rescinded regulations.

CDE will not require LEAs to implement the School field of the standardized account code structure (SACS) to collect school-level data.

LEA and school-level per-pupil expenditures will be calculated at the LEA level and reported to CDE. Collection method still to be determined.

## Slide 17: Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Per-pupil Expenditure (PPE) Reporting Update (3)

IMPORTANT POINTS (CONTINUED)

The data will not be used to ensure compliance with federal laws (e.g., supplement not supplant) or determine funding.

The per-pupil expenditure data will be reported in LEA and State reports cards, in conjunction with other required data elements, as prescribed in ESSA.

Per-pupil expenditure information will be reported beginning with reports cards for the 2018-19 school year. Note that reports cards containing all other required information must be provided for the 2017-18 school year.

## Slide 18: GASB Statements 74-75 Update (1)

Participant Survey — Types of OPEB Plans

Defined Contribution OPEB Plan

Insured Plan

Defined Benefit OPEB plan

* Single-employer OPEB plan
* Agent employer OPEB plan
* Cost-sharing OPEB plan

Any Special Funding Situations?

## Slide 19: GASB Statements 74-75 Update (2)

SACS Software Changes

Object title change — object 9664, Total/Net OPEB Liability

Fund forms and other supplemental forms (e.g., Form DEBT)

Criteria and Standards

Government-wide conversion entries and reports

* Revise the current OPEB conversion entry (CE021) and add a new entry for adjusting employer’s OPEB contribution subsequent to the OPEB plan measurement date.
* Other corresponding changes — e.g., reconciliation

## Slide 20: GASB Statements 74-75 Update (3)

CalPERS California Employers’ Retiree Benefit Trust Fund (CERBTF)

Clarified with CalPERS — CERBTF is a qualifying trust per GASB 74, paragraph 3.

Balances and activities of CERBTF represent the OPEB plan.

* Not reported in Fund 71, Retiree Benefit Fund

Assets in CERBTF are counted in plan fiduciary net position in calculation of net OPEB liability.

Contributions to CERBTF should be recorded as OPEB expenditures (e.g., objects 3701–3702, and/or objects 3751–3752; not interfund transfers or other outgo (e.g., object 7299, All Other Transfers Out to All Others).

## Slide 21: 2016-17 Unaudited Actuals Data Review

Coding/Reporting issues observed in 2016-2017 Unaudited Actuals data review

## Slide 22: SACS Software Updates

## Slide 23: SACS2018 Software Release - Proposed Criteria and Standards Changes

Criterion 5/7 – Facilities Maintenance – COEs/Districts

* Add Proposition 51 Restricted Maintenance Account (RMA) Requirements

Supplemental Information S7. – Unfunded Liabilities – COEs/Districts

* Incorporate GASB 74/75 Changes for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB)

## Slide 24: Draft Changes to Criterion 5/7 (1)

Adding Proposition 51 Funding: 3% of general fund expenditures (Unrestricted COEs only) into the Restricted Maintenance Account (RMA).

## Slide 25: Draft Changes to Criterion 5/7 (2)

Current Contribution Requirements for All Other School Facility Programs Funding: Gradually increase contributions to the RMA provided by AB 104.

Requirement if Receive Both Proposition 51 and All Other School Facility Programs Funding: New RMA requirement supersedes the current requirements.

## Slide 26: Draft Changes to S7. Unfunded Liabilities

Change in terminology used within the OPEB Liabilities and OPEB Contribution sections.

## Slide 27: Thank you!

Next meeting is scheduled for May 8, 2018