

California Community Schools Partnership Program



A Historic Investment Continues

Building on prior investments, the 2026 budget provides \$1 billion ongoing Proposition 98 General Fund to expand the community school model to more school sites that have large concentrations of students from low-income families, English learners, and youth in foster care. To date approximately 2,500 schools in California have received community schools grants through the California Community Schools Partnership Program; this new funding would provide ongoing resources for these grantees and expand access to the model to thousands of additional high-need schools.

The strong work of the school communities, LEAs, community partners, caregivers, students, school staff, CA Department of Education, State Board of Education, State and Regional Transformational Assistance Centers and the countless others involved in implementing the original grant program have showed positive impacts for young people and created the “why” for continued funding.

Opt-In by November 1, 2026!

Who is Eligible?

- Any school site with over 65% unduplicated pupil percentage and 10 or more students that commit to planning and implementing the community school model.
- Eligibility is determined by prior year Fall 1 census pupil data submitted through the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System.

What Happens Next?

- For 26-27 school year, Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) must opt-in by **November 1, 2026** for any eligible sites not already receiving the community schools grant, or any LEAs who are not current grantees
- Determine whether to opt in as planning or implementation
- Schools will be able to receive funding in the 26-27 school year

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How to Prepare?

- Learn more about community schools and get connected with your Regional Transformational Assistance Center (R-TAC) to receive support in becoming a community school and connecting with others: [R-TAC information](#)
- Build awareness of community schools with families, students, administrators, labor partners and the school board
- Engage your community and start to build your shared decision making council with caregivers, students, staff and community partners
- Understand the approved [CA Community Schools Framework](#) and [Capacity Building Strategies](#) as tenets of Community Schools
- Opt-in as planning or implementation site(s) by November 1, 2026
- SAVE THE DATE:
 - **CCSPP Informational Webinar, September 23, 2026, 3:00-5:00**, registration details below
- Join the CDE and S-TAC listserves, along with your R-TAC, to learn more about upcoming opportunities available free of cost and to be notified by email about important community schools activities
 - [Join S-TAC listserve](#)
 - Send a blank email to join-CCSPP@mlist.cde.ca.gov to join the CDE listserve

Cohort 1-4 Schools

- Current implementation grantees may transition to the ongoing formula in year 5 of implementation and will opt-in to receive the ongoing funding
- More information to come for Cohort funded schools to ensure that all have the opportunity to participate in the ongoing funding

2026-27 Funding Formula

Pupils Enrolled	Amount per Eligible School Site
10-24	\$75,000
25-150	\$115,000
151-400	\$190,000
401-1,000	\$230,000
1,001-2,000	\$305,000
2,000+	\$400,000

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