

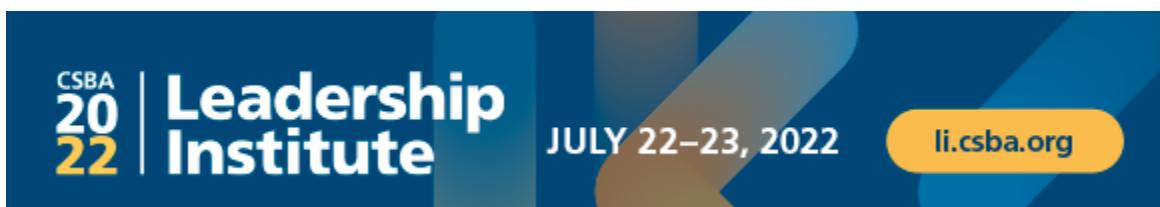
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*Weekly Update*

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## Advocacy Alert: Final budget must address the true needs of schools



Leaders in the Senate and Assembly have announced their 2022–23 [joint legislative plan](#) that will serve as the basis of their negotiations with the Newsom Administration. [Read more about the details of the plan on the CSBA blog »](#)

## SCHOOL BUDGET ALERT

With just one week left before the deadline to pass a budget bill, **this plan rejects the May Budget Revision's adoption of the CSBA-ACSA proposal for COVID ADA relief that is critical for schools that suffered dramatic attendance drops during the pandemic and perpetuates the underfunding of home-to-school transportation with an unsustainable new mandate.**

The Legislature and Gov. Gavin Newsom need to hear from local education leaders pushing back on these changes and advocating for a final budget that truly meets the needs of schools.

**Reach out now to make your voice heard:** <https://p2a.co/1I5MT6o>

## Get your 2022 Leadership Institute itinerary ready



CSBA's 2022 Leadership Institute in Los Angeles, July 22–23, "Leadership in a time of chaos, change and opportunity," offers an intimate setting to engage with keynote speakers, collaborate with counterparts across the state and enhance leadership skills in sessions dedicated to community engagement, board meeting management, district governance, budgeting and crisis

communications — crucial skills for the current environment.

This year's **workshops will provide attendees a chance to focus on the mindsets, strategies and tools to budget, govern, communicate and engage effectively with their communities during these turbulent times.** And because we know we can't take care of our staff, students and communities if we aren't taking care of ourselves, **experts from FranklinCovey will host a workshop on how the wellness and well-being of trustees lends itself to productivity, effective governance and a growth mindset.** [Learn more and register »](#)

## Healthy Kids survey highlights particular struggles of transgender youth



In celebration of Pride Month, CSBA will feature stories on the [blog](#) throughout June spotlighting new research and ways in which local educational agencies throughout California are honoring LGBTQ students and staff. The first breaks down a [report](#) by education research organization WestEd, which found that these students were less likely than their cisgender and straight peers to report feeling safe,

supported and engaged at school, more likely to report being the target of physical and verbal victimization at school by their peers, and more likely to report experiencing chronic sadness and contemplating suicide.

Using two years of data from the [California Healthy Kids Survey](#) (CHKS), the study for the first time disaggregates data on gender identity and sexual orientation in order to provide a more nuanced picture of LGBTQ students' experiences in school. With few exceptions, transgender students, and students reporting that they were 'not sure' if they were transgender, were less likely to report positive perceptions and experiences of school and of their own well-being than their non-transgender peers. The CHKS offers valuable data to school administrators and state officials on how LGBTQ students perceive their school climate and how those perceptions relate to their academic success and emotional well-being. [Read more on the CSBA blog »](#)

## Nominations now open for 2022 Legislative Awards



For more than 30 years, CSBA has honored current members of the California Senate and Assembly, as well as members of Congress, who actively work to improve our public schools, support local school board governance and exercise leadership in the legislative arena. Nominations for the 2022 Legislative Awards are now open, and we want to hear from you!

District and county office of education boards can participate by nominating a member of the California State Legislature, the California Congressional delegation or a federal/state elective or appointed office from their district in one of five categories:

- Outstanding Legislator (state or federal)
- Outstanding Freshman Legislator
- Special Recognition
- Albert S. Rodda Lifetime Achievement Award
- Dede Alpert Award for Exemplary Education Leadership

Nominations must be received by Sept. 2, 2022. [Read more about the awards and the nomination process »](#)

## State library evaluation open now



The California Department of Education released an [online data collection evaluation tool](#) to help local educational agencies develop an accurate picture of the condition of school libraries across the state, as is required under



**Education Code** Section 18122. The annual online evaluation is now available to collect information from schools about their libraries

**in the 2020–21 school year.** It will be active **through Aug. 31, 2022.** Prior-year evaluation responses are available as well. For district or county downloads, or to schedule a training, contact Renée Ousley-Swank at 916-319-0449 or [ROusleySwank@cde.ca.gov](mailto:ROusleySwank@cde.ca.gov) for assistance. [Learn more »](#)

## Assistance with state eligibility and funding applications

### Assistance with **STATE ELIGIBILITY & FUNDING APPLICATIONS**

can help secure additional funding for districts that had not previously been identified.

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The State Facilities Funding Programs are complex and ever changing. **Total School Solutions** provides assistance with all aspects of the funding process, from the initial establishment of eligibility to the closeout audit process. TSS professionals meet with agency representatives to determine the needs of specific projects and assist in optimizing benefit from the programs. The expertise of the TSS staff

## COVID-19 resources

Stay up to date with the latest news and resources related to COVID-19 on [CSBA's dedicated webpage](#) and with articles frequently posted on the [CSBA blog](#).

## Virtual events

**MIG Course 5: Community Relations & Advocacy/Governance Integration**  
June 23-24 | [Register](#)

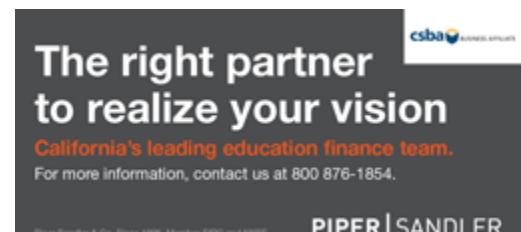
**MIG Alumni Association Summer Book Club Series**  
July 28-Aug. 25 | [Register](#)

**Governance with an Equity Lens**  
Aug. 27-Oct. 22 | [Register](#)

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## In-person events

### 2022 Leadership Institute

July 22-23 | Los Angeles | [Register](#)

### California County Boards of Education

#### (CCBE) Annual Conference

Sept. 9-11 | Monterey | [Register](#)

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