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May revise: New budget details released



Released in a somewhat unorthodox fashion, **the May Revise was presented in two phases this year. The broad strokes of the May Revise were announced May 10, but the specific details, including proposed funding and programmatic changes, were released May 14.** As presented on May 10, **Gov. Gavin Newsom revised the state's budget deficit to be \$7 billion larger than projected in the January Budget Proposal and remained**

committed to his Proposition 98 funding maneuver that is likely unconstitutional and would cost schools tens of billions of dollars.

CSBA has released a [summary](#) of new information gleaned from the document release on May 14 including updates on Prop 98; the proposed cost-of-living adjustment; Local Control Funding Formula projections; special education, universal school meals and electric school bus funding; changes to attendance recovery and instructional continuity proposals; proposals related to the educational revenue augmentation fund (ERAF) and expanded learning opportunities program (ELO-P); and clarifications on Senate Bill 291 recess requirements and Equity Multiplier funding. **The review also revisits CSBA's analysis of the overall May Revise and the threat the Prop 98 maneuver presents to the integrity of school funding. [Read more on the CSBA blog](#) »**

Join CSBA staff and guest experts today at 3:30 p.m. for a webinar that aims to make sense of one of the most unpredictable budgets in recent years. Panelists will break down Gov. Gavin Newsom's May Revise and its implications for public schools with special attention to Proposition 98, which is under threat from proposed maneuvers that could reduce school funding for the foreseeable future. [Register now](#) »

Register now for CSBA webinar on instructional materials adoption



New instructional materials are a significant investment, and school board members play an essential role in ensuring schools have the materials they need for effective instruction. The new California Math Framework provides an opportunity to improve outcomes for students, and governance teams can establish the foundation for successful implementation. Whether this is your first or 15th adoption, **join CSBA on May 30 at**

noon for a webinar that will provide information and resources to enhance decision making in selecting educational materials for student success. Panelists include local educational agency leaders, a representative from the California Department of Education and more. [Register](#) »

County Board Transitional Working Group May update



As CSBA county members become fully integrated into the association, the County Board Transitional Working Group (TWG) wants to ensure that there is transparency in the process as recommendations are developed to take the Board of Directors. To that end, **the TWG will be providing regular updates through the end of the year.**

The TWG continues to meet on a regular basis, along with the four subcommittees. Some highlights of county-related work include **planning for the CSBA County Board Member Services Conference, happening Sept. 13-15 at the Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel and Spa**; the **“CSBA leadership and Transitional Working Group to discuss essential role of county boards”** webinar; and preliminary results of the TWG survey of county board members on training opportunities, networking, resources and publications specific to the unique roles of county board members. [Learn more »](#)

Federal update: Civil Rights Act responsibilities; FAFSA implementation progress



On May 7, the U.S. Department of Education Office for Civil Rights (OCR) published a **Dear Colleague Letter** providing local educational agency leaders with examples of how Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 may be applied to allegations of discrimination in schools based on shared ancestry or ethnic characteristics, including discrimination against those who are (or are perceived to be) Jewish, Israeli, Muslim, Arab, Sikh, South Asian, Hindu or Palestinian.

The document includes scenarios and guidelines for identifying potentially discriminatory acts and clarifies legal requirements schools must abide by to be in compliance with federal law. “OCR is available to provide technical assistance to schools and organizations that request assistance in complying with any aspect of the civil rights laws OCR enforces, including on those issues addressed in this letter,” Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights Catherine E. Lhamon states. [Learn more »](#)

In other federal news:

- Now that the Education Department has finished reprocessing 2024–25 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) forms impacted by issues with IRS data, as **announced** on April 30, a **series of instructional videos, available in English and Spanish, can assist students and parents make any necessary corrections**. On May 6, the department launched a \$50 million program to help districts, states and nonprofits boost FAFSA completion. [Learn more »](#)

State Board nearly doubles community school sites funded through state grants



The California **State Board of Education** meeting on May 8 saw the board take action on community school funding, waivers related to instructional minutes lost to teacher strikes



and late start changes, career technical education efforts, reading screeners and charter school grants.

The board **approved the third cohort of California Community Schools Partnership Program implementation grantees**, making it “the largest community schools allocation yet under the state’s nation-leading initiative to transform schools through a child- and family-centered lens,” said Board President Linda Darling-Hammond. [Read a full meeting recap »](#)

Business Partner Webinar: Managing the rising costs of long-term liabilities during fiscal uncertainty



Join leading experts from CSBA and PARS at 11 a.m. on May 23 for the latest updates from Gov. Gavin Newsom’s May Budget Revisé and how it may impact your local educational agency’s finances.

School districts continue to face an uncertain fiscal future with many factors outside of their control.

This webinar will examine the Governor’s and

Legislative Analyst’s Office plans for dealing with substantial budget deficits and protecting education budgets. **Learn about the benefits of creating your own rainy-day fund and other cost-saving strategies to help create budget savings and manage rising costs of long-term liabilities.** [Learn more and register »](#)

What’s Your Why? with Ross Valley SD board member Shelley Hamilton



In CSBA’s latest “What’s Your Why?” video, **Ross Valley School District board member Shelley Hamilton** encourages a whole-system perspective to support students. “The reason that I really wanted to get involved is to help connect all of the different elements that are important for students to succeed in their learning journeys,” Hamilton said.

“What’s Your Why?” is a series of video vignettes featuring school district and county office of education board members describing why they became trustees and why they continue to serve California public schools. [View Hamilton’s and other videos from the “What’s Your Why?” series »](#)

Save with the GO Bond Refunding Pool





For more than 30 years, California school districts and community college districts have **saved time and money by issuing tax and revenue anticipation notes (TRANS) through the California School Cash Reserve Program Authority sponsored by CSBA and the California Association of School Business**

Officials, the largest pooled TRAN financing in the nation. The GO Bond Refunding Pool follows in this tradition by allowing districts to **unlock taxpayer savings by driving down costs** through an easy-to-use shared financing platform. [Learn more »](#)

Stay up to date with the latest news and resources on the [CSBA blog](#).

Virtual events

The Role of the School Board in Achieving Equity Through Strategic Budgeting

May 31-June 1 | [Register](#)

MIG Course 5: Community Relations & Advocacy/Governance Integration

June 12-13 | [Register](#)

Executive Assistant Omicron: Understanding Culture 1A/1B

July 18-19 | [Register](#)

Ethics Assembly Bill 2158

June 20 | [Register](#)

July 23 | [Register](#)

Aug. 14 | [Register](#)

Oct. 10 | [Register](#)

In-person events

MIG Course 5: Community Relations & Advocacy/Governance Integration

June 1 | Salinas | [Register](#)

Ethics Assembly Bill 2158

June 11, 1:30 p.m. | Lancaster | [Register](#)

June 11, 6 p.m. | Lancaster | [Register](#)

CSBA County Board Member Services Conference

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