

In-Person Instruction Grants Governor's Proposals

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Lodi Unified School District

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Executive Summary

- Eligible to apply for In-Person Instruction grants when: seven-day adjusted average case rate is below 28 per 100,000 people per day
 - San Joaquin: 73.2 as of January 12, 2021
- Feb. 1 plan submission: \$450 per ADA augmented for Grade Span Adjustment and LCFF Supplemental/Concentration percentages, phase in approach to in person instruction
- March 1 plan submission: \$337.50 per ADA with reduced augmented funding
- District Submits COVID-19 Plan to County Office of Education
 - Ongoing asymptomatic testing of staff and students
 - COVID-19 prevention program (Cal/OSHA)
 - COVID-19 School Guidance Checklist (CDPH)
 - Ratified certificated and classified agreements
 - Students on distance learning have device and internet service
- For Feb. 1 applicants, start in-person instruction by Feb. 16 for at least:
 - Students with exceptional needs
 - Foster and homeless youth
 - Students without digital access
 - Grades TK-2nd grade
- For all applicants by March 15 in-person instruction to include:
 - All of above and all students up to grade 6.

Proposals

- It is important to keep in mind that the In-Person Instruction Grants are part of trailer bill language from Governor Newsom's state budget proposal.
- This has not been approved by the state legislature.
- The short implementation timeline requires special action by the legislature.

Safe Schools for All

Establishes a grant program to incentivize districts to provide in-person instruction (can be hybrid model)

- COVID-19 Safety Plan: CDPH guidance and Cal/OSHA Emergency Standards
- Labor Agreements: Documentation of applicable collective bargaining agreement or memorandum of understanding
- Offer In-Person Instruction: timeline based on grant date
- COVID-19 Testing: all students and staff of in-person instruction aligned with CDPH testing cadence
- Certify Technology: verify that all students who remain on distance learning have access to device, software, and internet service to participate in the program

Funding Based on Grant Submission Date

- Feb. 1 plan submission:
 - \$450 per ADA
 - augmented for Grade Span Adjustment and LCFF Supplemental/Concentration percentages
 - Preliminary estimate for Lodi USD: \$15.5 million
- March 1 plan submission:
 - \$337.50 per ADA with reduced augmented funding
 - Preliminary estimate for Lodi USD: \$11.6 million
- Flexibility in use of funds: must address needs related to in-person instruction (cannot be used for Distance Learning).

District Safety Plan

- Cal/OSHA
 - Health Directives
- California Department of Public Health
 - New School Guidance released January 14, 2021
 - Checklist
- Current District plans including PPE, case reporting, and other health/safety measures already in place and revised as requirements change

Testing

- Plan must include an on-going asymptomatic testing protocol for staff and students involved in in-person instruction (could be every two weeks or weekly).
- State effort currently under development:
 - \$55 per test
 - District manages oversight of individual testing
 - District manages delivery of completed tests to lab

February 1 Grant Submission

- In-Person instruction must start by February 16 for at least the following groups
 - Students with exceptional needs (Special Education: Special Day Class)
 - Foster Youth
 - Homeless Youth
 - Students who do not have devices or internet to access the distance learning program
 - Transitional Kindergarten – 2nd Grade
- In-Person instruction must be available for all students TK - 6th Grade by March 15.

March 1 Grant Submission

- Offer in-person instruction to the following groups by March 15:
 - Students with exceptional needs (Special Education: Special Day Class)
 - Foster Youth
 - Homeless Youth
 - Students who do not have devices or internet to access the Distance Learning program
 - All students in Transitional Kindergarten – 6th Grade

Additional Proposals

- The budget trailer bill also includes an Article on COVID-19 reporting and public health requirements. This includes adherence to Cal/OSHA and CDPH.
- Governor is proposing a program to help mitigate learning loss by providing funds for additional learning opportunities that extend beyond the school year. We understand the details will be provided soon.