

Education Protection Account (EPA)

2025-2026 Spending Plan (Fund 01)

BACKGROUND

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In addition to the above requirements, the school district annual financial audit must include verification that the EPA funds were used as specified by Proposition 30 / 55.

RECOMMENDATION

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EPA Spending Plan

2025-26 Fund 01

<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>SACS Resc</u>	<u>SACS Object</u>	
Redirect to EPA	1400	8012	\$8,580,9250
Adjusted LCFF Revenue	0000	8010:8099	\$59,046,868
		Total LCFF Revenue	<u>\$67,627,793</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
Certificated Salaries (non admin)	1400	1000:1999	\$5,911,268
Certificated Benefits (non admin)	1400	3000:3999	\$2,669,657
		TOTAL EPA Expenditures	<u>\$8,580,925</u>

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2025-2026 Spending Plan (Fund 09)

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EPA Spending Plan

2025-26 Fund 09

REVENUE

Redirect to EPA	1400	8012	\$3,535,674
Adjusted LCFF Revenue	0000	8010:8099	\$23,189,192
Total LCFF Revenue			\$26,724,866

EXPENDITURES

Certificated Salaries (non admin)	1400	1000:1999	\$2,242,278
Certificated Benefits (non admin)	1400	3000:3999	\$1,293,396
TOTAL EPA Expenditures			\$3,535,674

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