Investing in Equity, in Students, in the Future: Linked Learning Funding Strategies

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Interactive Opportunities

• Use the **Chat** to ask questions and share reflections

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Today’s Goals

• Discuss federal, state COVID-19 relief funds

• Share from district perspectives how to leverage existing, new funding dollars to support college and career pathways

• Highlight updates to the California state budget, opportunities for additional funding
Welcome

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Linked Learning Approach
Today’s Panelists

Anne Hyslop
Director of Policy Development, Alliance for Excellent Education

Betsy McKinstry
Director, CTE, College and Career, Antelope Valley UHSD

Rebecca Lacocque
Linked Learning Director, Oakland USD

Cynthia Bater
Program Administrator, Linked Learning/Career Pathways, Long Beach USD
Funding Linked Learning Through the American Rescue Plan
Education Funding

- $123 billion (including $800 million for homeless children)
- $40 billion for institutions of higher education
- $2.75 billion to governors for private schools
- $3 billion for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
State Set-Asides

5% for learning loss

1% for summer enrichment

1% for afterschool programs
District Funds

**Reopening plan**
Required within 30 days of receiving funding

**20% for Learning Loss**
Evidence-based interventions that:
- respond to students’ academic, social, and emotional needs, and
- address needs of students of color, students with disabilities, English learners, migrant students, homeless students, children in foster care

**Allowable uses**
- Anything under current law
- Purchasing educational technology that aids in educational interaction between students and educators
Provide college and career pathways that integrate rigorous academic coursework, career and technical education, work-based learning, and support services. Evidence from multiple approaches to college and career pathways, such as Career Academies, Linked Learning, and P-Tech, demonstrates they increase preparation for postsecondary education among other outcomes. Workbased learning can enhance student engagement which is especially important during the COVID-19 recovery as many students have been disengaged from learning.

SHE IS COUNTING ON US!
Selecting a Breakout Room

Joining New Breakout Room/Leaving
Breakout Room Topics

1. Local community investment – Rebecca Lacocque (Oakland Unified) & Roneeta Guha (Linked Learning Alliance)

2. Use of general funds – Cindy Bater (Long Beach Unified) & Anne Hyslop (Alliance for Excellent Education)

3. Braiding local, state, and federal funds – Betsy McKinstry (Antelope Valley)
Updates to California State Budget

• Governor Newsom announced $89.2 billion for K-12, community colleges next year

• $4.6 billion for summer school and expanded learning time in January budget
State Budget Timelines

• Governor Newsom will release his May Revision in the coming weeks (mid-May)

• Fiscal outlook is very positive
  – Very different outlook than one year ago

• Expect additional funding – likely one time

• Legislature will respond to May Revise and negotiate a final budget with the Governor by June 15th
What is California’s Share of the Federal Relief Packages?

- **ESSER Round I** -- Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund = $1.6 billion for California
- **GEER** -- Governors Emergency Economic Relief Fund = $355 million which California used for Learning Loss mitigation
- **ESSER Round II** = $6.7 billion more for California —a 4x increase from first round of ESSER funding
- **GEER Round II** = $187 million in emergency assistance for private schools, $154 million for statewide emergency needs
- **ESSER Round III** = $15.1 billion total, $13.6 billion in California will be provided to schools as ESSER grants (schools are expected to consider student SEL needs and the student groups most impacted by COVID-19)
Feedback Survey

Please take 2 minutes to provide feedback on today’s webinar


OR
Upcoming LLA Events

• **Linked Learning Student Alumni Network Launch**
  – Wednesday, May 12\textsuperscript{th} 3:30pm – 4:30pm PDT

• **Reflecting & Revitalizing After a Remarkable Year: Linked Learning 2021 Symposium And Celebration**
  – Wednesday, May 19\textsuperscript{th} 3pm – 5:15pm PDT