



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

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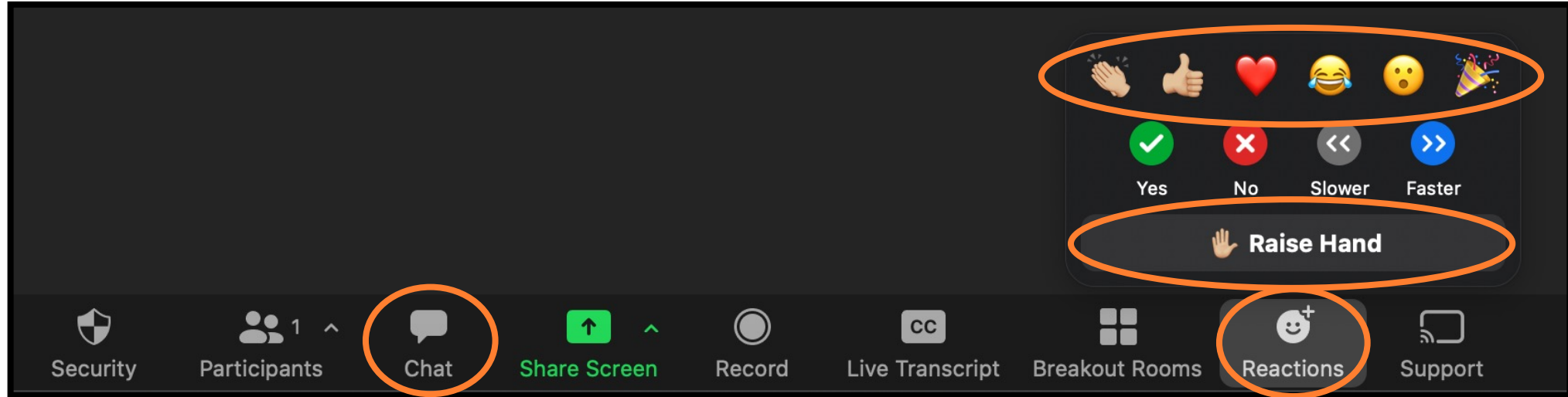
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# Interactive Opportunities

- Use the **Chat** to ask questions and share reflections
- During Q&A, use the **Raise Hand** feature in Reactions and we will unmute you
- Use the **Reactions** feature to engage with conversation



# 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



**Roneeta Guha**

Vice President, Strategy & Impact  
Linked Learning Alliance

# 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



# USED Guidebook

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.

Source: ED COVID-19 Handbook: Roadmap to Reopening Safely and Meeting All Students' needs, <https://www2.ed.gov/documents/coronavirus/reopening-2.pdf>



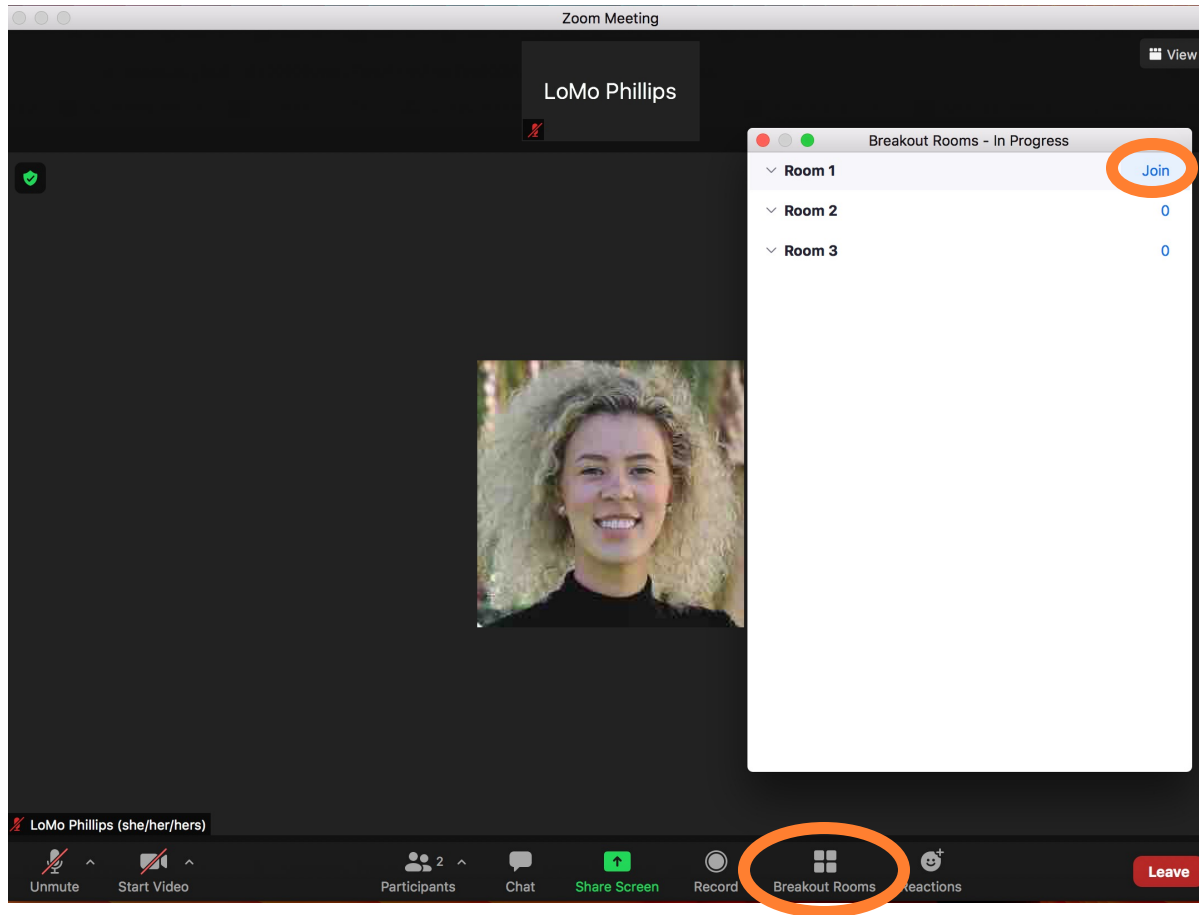




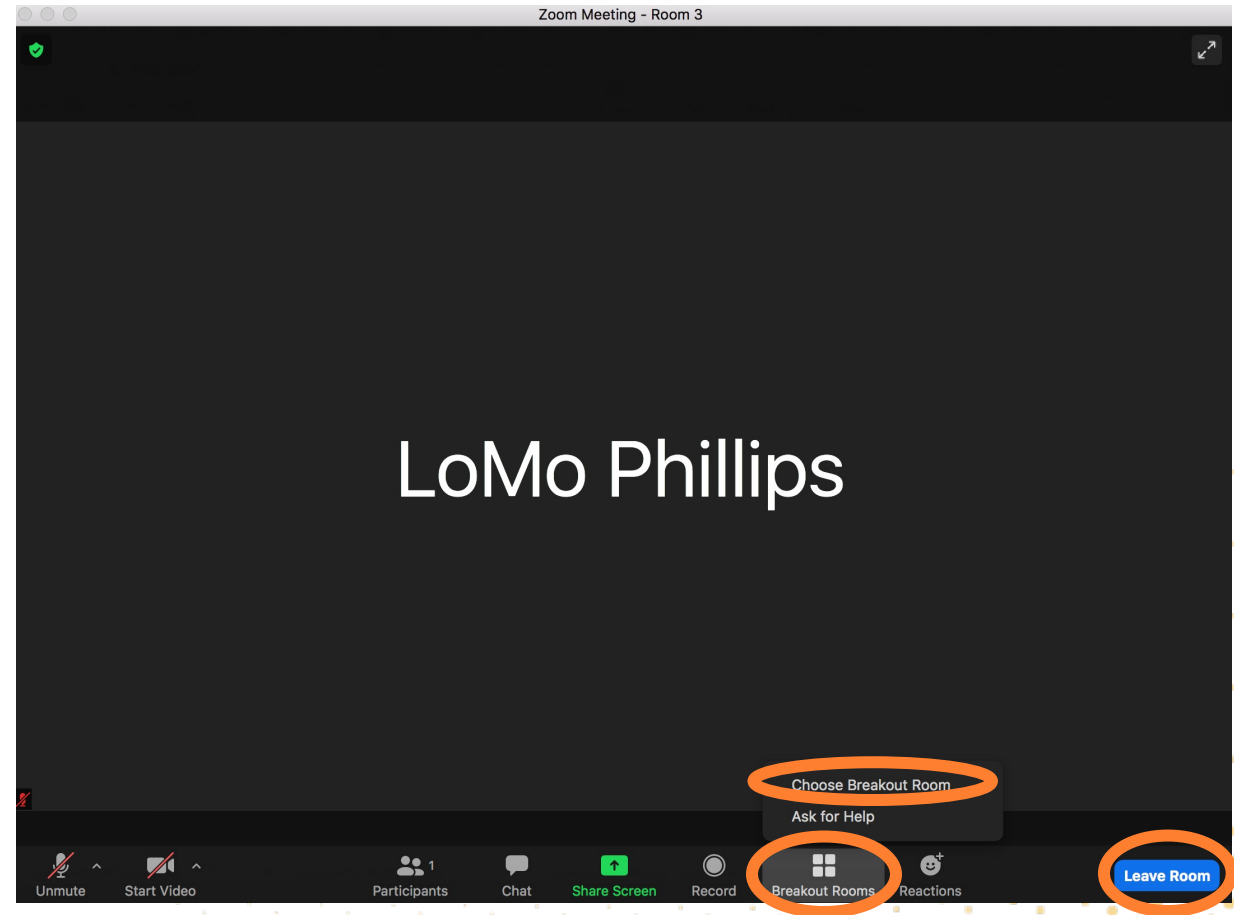
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# Selecting a Breakout Room



# Joining New Breakout Room/Leaving

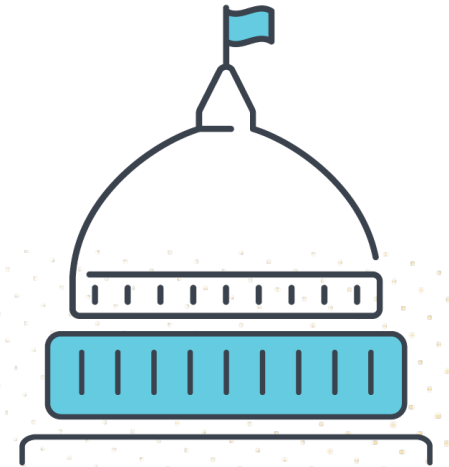


# Breakout Room Topics

- 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 Revision 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)

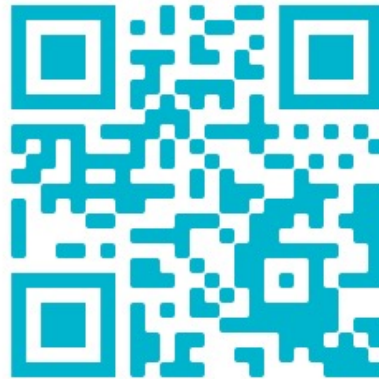
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# Upcoming LLA Events

- **Linked Learning Student Alumni Network Launch**
  - Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> 3:30pm – 4:30pm PDT
- **Reflecting & Revitalizing After a Remarkable Year: Linked Learning 2021 Symposium And Celebration**
  - Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> 3pm – 5:15pm PDT

