Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan

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The following is the local educational agency's (LEA's) plan for providing supplemental instruction and support to students, including those identified as needing academic, social-emotional, and other supports, including the provision of meals and snacks. The plan will explain how the LEA will use the funds it receives through the Expanded Learning Opportunities (ELO) Grant to implement a learning recovery program for at least the students included in one or more of the following groups: low-income students, English learners, foster youth, homeless students, students with disabilities, students at risk of abuse, neglect, or exploitation, disengaged students, and students who are below grade level, including, but not limited to, those who did not enroll in kindergarten in the 2020–21 school year, credit-deficient students, high school students at risk of not graduating, and other students identified by certificated staff.

For specific requirements please refer to the Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan Instructions.

Plan Descriptions

A description of how parents, teachers, and school staff were involved in the development of the plan.

This plan was developed in concert with the BUSD 2021-2024 Local Control Accountability Plan process. As it relates to this plan, district leadership met and collaborated with parents, students, teachers, classified staff, and community members to set goals for student achievement, social emotional well-being and mitigation of student learning loss and a return to in-person instruction. The meetings consisted of an LCAP committee comprised of students, parents, teachers, classified staff, administrators, and community members. Also, meetings were held with our local SELPA, our parent advisory group, and our district English language advisory committee (DELAC). Each of these meetings consisted of a deep dive into student achievement data in which attendees participated in a root cause analysis that allowed the group to generate problem statements which led to actions and services designed to improve educational practice and services to students.

A description of how students will be identified, and the needs of students will be assessed.

Students in grades 1-12 will be assessed using the iReady assessment and instruction platform. The diagnostic will be administered at the beginning of the year and at benchmark intervals throughout the school year. This data will be vital to identifying students in need of additional support through summer school, tutoring, and iReady learning opportunities. Also, BUSD will utilize SBAC interim assessment data to identify students that may benefit from intervention programs during the school day as well as in tutoring sessions after school and on Saturdays.

A description of how parents and guardians of students will be informed of the opportunities for supplemental instruction and support.

Parents and guardians will be notified of additional assistance provided through District weekly presentations, direct personal invitations for summer school or tutoring assistance, the Student Study Team process, or any other means that school stakeholders and parents/guardians communicate in order to provide additional assistance to students

A description of the LEA's plan to provide supplemental instruction and support.

The plan to provide supplemental instruction and support is centered around mitigating student learning loss, increasing in-person instruction attendance, and supporting students and families with social emotional needs. To accomplish this task, our district is committed to leveraging these funds along with Title I, III, IV funds, as well as CSI funds and Low Performing Schools Block Grant funds.

BUSD will purchase district-wide, 3-year i-Ready assessment and instruction licenses for all students and teachers. This system will be used to perform pre and post ELA and math tests to measure student learning. Also, the BUSD benchmark assessment system will be transitioned to the i-Ready platform to give students and teachers access to the instruction platform that pull data from the assessments to design targeted lessons for student learning and achievement.

BUSD will develop a district-wide Social Emotional Learning implementation Plan to ensure all students have access to these resources. The plan will include curriculum, staff training, and parent training. Implementation will begin during the 21-22 school year and tie directly to the district culturally responsive positive behavior interventions and supports plan.

A TK-12th grade summer school program will be provided to all "at-risk" students during the summer between the 2020-21 and 2021-22 school year. Summer school will be provided with a ratio of 24:1 for each elementary section and 30:1 for each secondary section. Student instruction will focus on ELA and Math and be presented by certificated employees and supported by classified employees in a style that engaging and positive. Counselors will also be assigned to summer school to support social emotional learning opportunities and trauma informed support for students.

The purchase of technology for use with students will provide opportunities for students and staff to address student learning that may not have advanced at the pace predicted nor in the manner that focused on engaging strategies provided through technology. 50% of the District's Chromebooks will be refreshed with the purchase of new ones.

At the beginning of the 2021-22 school year tutoring will be offered to students who are at risk based upon the outcome of i-Ready assessment feedback analyzed and administered during the first days of the school year. The outcome of i-Ready data will produce opportunities both in an individual setting as well as in small groups to address any sub-standard achievement in the California Standards of Math and ELA. Student instruction will focus on ELA and Math and be presented by certificated employees and supported by classified employees in a style that is engaging and positive.

Increased staffing and/or hours of maintenance/custodial staff and COVID-19 custodial training to ensure the cleanliness of school sites so that students are able to be present and learning.

Portable facilities will be purchased so that social distancing can be promoted now and in the future to support the social and emotional health of students. These facilities may be used for classroom instruction, bathroom facilities, kitchen facilities to improve access to school meal programs, or for storage that will allow more instructional space throughout school campuses.

Increased staffing and/or hours for intervention during the school day to include ELA and math instruction.

Expenditure Plan

The following table provides the LEA's expenditure plan for how it will use ELO Grant funds to support the supplemental instruction and support strategies being implemented by the LEA.

Supplemental Instruction and Support Strategies	Planned Expenditures	Actual Expenditures
Extending instructional learning time	\$ 500,000.00	[Actual expenditures will be provided when available]
Accelerating progress to close learning gaps through the implementation, expansion, or enhancement of learning supports	\$ 461,833.00	[Actual expenditures will be provided when available]
Integrated student supports to address other barriers to learning	\$ 2,500,000.00	[Actual expenditures will be provided when available]
Community learning hubs that provide students with access to technology, high-speed internet, and other academic supports	\$ 200,000.00	[Actual expenditures will be provided when available]
Supports for credit deficient students to complete graduation or grade promotion requirements and to increase or improve students' college eligibility	\$ 96,495.00	[Actual expenditures will be provided when available]

Supplemental Instruction and Support Strategies	Planned Expenditures	Actual Expenditures
Additional academic services for students	\$ 1,500,000.00	[Actual expenditures will be provided when available]
Training for school staff on strategies to engage students and families in addressing students' social-emotional health and academic needs	\$ 200,000.00	[Actual expenditures will be provided when available]
Total Funds to implement the Strategies	\$ 5,458,328.00	[Actual expenditures will be provided when available]

A description of how ELO Grant funds are being coordinated with other federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds received by the LEA.

Funds are being used from different accounts to ensure a matching of their allocation requirements with the needs of the students and staff of the School District. Use of Title I as well as all COVID-19 funding sources including ESSER 1 and 2 are being used to fund programs to mitigate student learning loss related to the California Standards.

Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan Instructions: Introduction

The Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan must be completed by school districts, county offices of education, or charter schools, collectively referred to as Local Educational Agencies (LEAs), that receive Expanded Learning Opportunities (ELO) Grant funds under California *Education Code* (*EC*) Section 43521(b). The plan must be adopted by the local governing board or body of the LEA at a public meeting on or before June 1, 2021, and must be submitted to the county office of education, the California Department of Education, or the chartering authority within five days of adoption, as applicable. The plan must be updated to include the actual expenditures by December 1, 2022.

For technical assistance related to the completion of the Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan, please contact <u>ELOGrants@cde.ca.gov</u>.

Instructions: Plan Requirements

An LEA receiving ELO Grant funds under *EC* Section 43521(b) is required to implement a learning recovery program that, at a minimum, provides supplemental instruction, support for social and emotional well-being, and, to the maximum extent permissible under the guidelines of the United States Department of Agriculture, meals and snacks to, at a minimum, students who are included in one or more of the following groups:

- low-income,
- English learners,
- foster youth,
- homeless students,
- students with disabilities,
- · students at risk of abuse, neglect, or exploitation,
- · disengaged students, and
- students who are below grade level, including, but not limited to, those who did not enroll in kindergarten in the 2020–21 school year, credit-deficient students, high school students at risk of not graduating, and other students identified by certificated staff.

For purposes of this requirement

- "Supplemental instruction" means the instructional programs provided in addition to and complementary to the LEAs regular instructional programs, including services provided in accordance with an individualized education program (IEP).
- "Support" means interventions provided as a supplement to those regularly provided by the LEA, including services provided in
 accordance with an IEP, that are designed to meet students' needs for behavioral, social, emotional, and other integrated
 student supports, in order to enable students to engage in, and benefit from, the supplemental instruction being provided.

• "Students at risk of abuse, neglect, or exploitation" means students who are identified as being at risk of abuse, neglect, or exploitation in a written referral from a legal, medical, or social service agency, or emergency shelter.

EC Section 43522(b) identifies the seven supplemental instruction and support strategies listed below as the strategies that may be supported with ELO Grant funds and requires the LEA to use the funding only for any of these purposes. LEAs are not required to implement each supplemental instruction and support strategy; rather LEAs are to work collaboratively with their community partners to identify the supplemental instruction and support strategies that will be implemented. LEAs are encouraged to engage, plan, and collaborate on program operation with community partners and expanded learning programs, and to leverage existing behavioral health partnerships and Medi-Cal billing options in the design and implementation of the supplemental instruction and support strategies being provided (EC Section 43522[h]).

The seven supplemental instruction and support strategies are:

- 1. Extending instructional learning time in addition to what is required for the school year by increasing the number of instructional days or minutes provided during the school year, providing summer school or intersessional instructional programs, or taking any other action that increases the amount of instructional time or services provided to students based on their learning needs.
- 2. Accelerating progress to close learning gaps through the implementation, expansion, or enhancement of learning supports including, but not limited to, any of the following:
 - a. Tutoring or other one-on-one or small group learning supports provided by certificated or classified staff.
 - b. Learning recovery programs and materials designed to accelerate student academic proficiency or English language proficiency, or both.
 - c. Educator training, for both certificated and classified staff, in accelerated learning strategies and effectively addressing learning gaps, including training in facilitating quality and engaging learning opportunities for all students.
- 3. Integrated student supports to address other barriers to learning, such as the provision of health, counseling, or mental health services, access to school meal programs, before and after school programs, or programs to address student trauma and social-emotional learning, or referrals for support for family or student needs.
- 4. Community learning hubs that provide students with access to technology, high-speed internet, and other academic supports.
- 5. Supports for credit deficient students to complete graduation or grade promotion requirements and to increase or improve students' college eligibility.
- 6. Additional academic services for students, such as diagnostic, progress monitoring, and benchmark assessments of student learning.
- 7. Training for school staff on strategies, including trauma-informed practices, to engage students and families in addressing students' social-emotional health needs and academic needs.

As a reminder, EC Section 43522(g) requires that all services delivered to students with disabilities be delivered in accordance with an applicable IEP.

Fiscal Requirements

The following fiscal requirements are requirements of the ELO grant, but they are not addressed in this plan. Adherence to these requirements will be monitored through the annual audit process.

- The LEA must use at least 85 percent (85%) of its apportionment for expenditures related to providing in-person services in any of the seven purposes described above.
- The LEA must use at least 10 percent (10%) of the funding that is received based on LCFF entitlement to hire paraprofessionals to provide supplemental instruction and support through the duration of this program, with a priority for full-time paraprofessionals. The supplemental instruction and support provided by the paraprofessionals must be prioritized for English learners and students with disabilities. Funds expended to hire paraprofessionals count towards the LEAs requirement to spend at least 85% of its apportionment to provide in-person services.
- An LEA may use up to 15 percent (15%) of its apportionment to increase or improve services for students participating in
 distance learning or to support activities intended to prepare the LEA for in-person instruction, before in-person instructional
 services are offered.

Instructions: Plan Descriptions

Descriptions provided should include sufficient detail yet be sufficiently succinct to promote a broad understanding among the LEA's local community.

A description of how parents, teachers, and school staff were involved in the development of the plan

Describe the process used by the LEA to involve, at a minimum, parents, teachers, and school staff in the development of the Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan, including how the LEA and its community identified the seven supplemental instruction and support strategies that will be implemented. LEAs are encouraged to engage with community partners, expanded learning programs, and existing behavioral health partnerships in the design of the plan.

A description of how parents and guardians of students will be informed of the opportunities for supplemental instruction and support.

Describe the LEA's plan for informing the parents and guardians of students identified as needing supplemental instruction and support of the availability of these opportunities, including an explanation of how the LEA will provide this information in the parents' and guardians' primary languages, as applicable.

A description of how students will be identified and the needs of students will be assessed

Describe the LEA's plan for identifying students in need of academic, social-emotional, and other integrated student supports, including the LEA's plan for assessing the needs of those students on a regular basis. The LEA's plan for assessing the academic needs of its students may include the use of diagnostic and formative assessments.

As noted above in the Plan Requirements, "other integrated student supports" are any supports intended to address barriers to learning, such as the provision of health, counseling, or mental health services, access to school meal programs, before and after school programs, or programs to address student trauma and social-emotional learning, or referrals for support for family or student needs.

A description of the LEA's plan to provide supplemental instruction and support

Describe the LEA's plan for how it will provide supplemental instruction and support to identified students in the seven strategy areas defined in the Plan Requirements section. As a reminder, the LEA is not required to implement each of the seven strategies; rather the LEA will to work collaboratively with its community to identify the strategies that will be implemented. The plan must include a description of how supplemental instruction and support will be provided in a tiered framework that bases universal, targeted, and intensive supports on students' needs for academic, social-emotional, and other integrated student supports. The plan must also include a description of how the services will be provided through a program of engaging learning experiences in a positive school climate.

As a reminder, *EC* Section 43522(g) requires that all services delivered to students with disabilities be delivered in accordance with an applicable individualized education program. Additionally, LEAs are encouraged to collaborate with community partners and expanded learning programs, and to leverage existing behavioral health partnerships and Medi-Cal billing options in the implementation of, this plan (*EC* Section 43522[h]).

Instructions: Expenditure Plan

The 'Supplemental Instruction and Support Strategies' column of the Expenditure Plan data entry table lists the seven supplemental instruction and support strategies that may be supported with ELO Grant funds.

Complete the Expenditure Plan data entry table as follows:

In the 'Planned Expenditures' column of the data entry table, specify the amount of ELO Grant funds being budgeted to support each supplemental instruction and support strategies being implemented by the LEA and the total of all ELO Grant funds being budgeted.

The plan must be updated to include the actual expenditures by December 1, 2022. In the 'Actual Expenditures' column of the data entry table the LEA will report the amount of ELO Grant funds that the LEA actually expended in support of the strategies that it implemented, as well as the total ELO Grant funds expended.

A description of how these funds are being coordinated with other federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds received by the LEA

Describe how the LEA is coordinating its ELO Grant funds with funds received from the federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund provided through the federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (Public Law 116-260), also known as ESSER II, to maximize support for students and staff.

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