School districts receive funding from different sources: state funds under the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), other state funds, local funds, and federal funds. LCFF funds include a base level of funding for all LEAs and extra funding - called "supplemental and concentration" grants - to LEAs based on the enrollment of high needs students (foster youth, English learners, and low-income students).

The total revenue projected for Santa Maria-Bonita is $234,861,204.00, of which $197,687,461.00 is Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), $16,177,639.00 is other state funds, $7,945,604.00 is local funds, and $13,050,500.00 is federal funds. Of the $197,687,461.00 in LCFF Funds, $52,119,891.00 is generated based on the enrollment of high needs students (foster youth, English learner, and low-income students).
The LCFF gives school districts more flexibility in deciding how to use state funds. In exchange, school districts must work with parents, educators, students, and the community to develop a Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) that shows how they will use these funds to serve students.

Santa Maria-Bonita plans to spend $229,248,845.00 for the 2021 – 22 school year. Of that amount, $52,119,891.00 is tied to actions/services in the LCAP and $177,128,954.00 is not included in the LCAP. The budgeted expenditures that are not included in the LCAP will be used for the following:

The general fund budget expenditures are for ongoing operating costs to maintain existing programs and services for students. Instruction and instruction related activities account for 77% of all expenditures. The remaining expenditures are for pupil services which include transportation, counseling and health services. Other general fund expenditures include maintenance of facilities, utilities, custodial activities, human resources, business services, investments in instructional materials and supplies, utilities and technology.

Increased or Improved Services for High Needs Students in the LCAP for the 2021 – 22 School Year

In 2021 – 22, Santa Maria-Bonita is projecting it will receive $52,119,891.00 based on the enrollment of foster youth, English learner, and low-income students. Santa Maria-Bonita must describe how it intends to increase or improve services for high needs students in the LCAP. Santa Maria-Bonita plans to spend $52,119,891.00 towards meeting this requirement, as described in the LCAP.
This chart compares what Santa Maria-Bonita budgeted last year in the Learning Continuity Plan for actions and services that contribute to increasing or improving services for high needs students with what Santa Maria-Bonita estimates it has spent on actions and services that contribute to increasing or improving services for high needs students in the current year.

In 2020 – 21, Santa Maria-Bonita's Learning Continuity Plan budgeted $39,295,401.00 for planned actions to increase or improve services for high needs students. Santa Maria-Bonita actually spent $44,800,042.00 for actions to increase or improve services for high needs students in 2020 – 21.