



2023-24 LCAP Clarifying Questions

Newark Unified School District

DIRECTIONS

[LINK TO NEWARK'S 2023-24 BOARD-ADOPTED LCAP](#)

Alameda County Office of Education (ACOE) has completed its review of your district's Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP). Based on our review, ACOE is in need of additional information before making a determination for final approval. In order to proceed with the approval process, please complete the following:

1. **Make a copy of this document;**
2. **Complete the response fields to each clarifying question; and**
3. **Submit a final PDF copy of your responses via this [Google Form](#) by Wednesday, August 30, 2023**

Section	Page #	LCAP CANNOT BE APPROVED WITHOUT FOLLOWING CORRECTIONS
<p>Minimum Proportionality Percentage (Page 85)</p>		<p>The district has not met the Minimum Proportionality Percentage (MPP). As required by Education Code, the “Planned Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year” must be equal to or greater than the “Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year”. As described below in the Action Tables section, the District’s Planned Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming Year of 11.18% is less than the Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services of 11.35%, a shortfall of 0.17% or \$98,311.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Please revise the district’s LCAP template in order to meet the Minimum Proportionality Percentage (MPP) ● Include the updated LCAP template to ACOE in the response to clarifying questions ● Confirm when the revised LCAP template will be brought forth to the district’s Board of Education <p>If the planned amount is lower than the required total percentage, there are some options to ensure you meet the Minimum Proportionality Percentage.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review actions that are currently not contributing to determine if they should be considered contributing (targeted to one or more unduplicated pupil group). 2. Identify areas for improving qualitatively. There are three criteria for qualitative actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No funds (of any kind) ● Limited action ● Methodology for calculating qualitative improvements must be explained in the Increased or Improved Services section (prompt #2) 3. Potentially increase costs in individual actions as appropriate and necessary.

CLARIFYING QUESTIONS & DISTRICT RESPONSES

Budget Overview for Parents

ACOE has no clarifying questions for this section.

Plan Summary

ACOE has no clarifying questions for this section.

Engaging Educational Partners

ACOE has no clarifying questions for this section.

Goals & Actions

Question #1	
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35	<p>In the Goal Analysis Prompt #2: Material Differences, the District did not provide an explanation for the following action: 1.18 - Estimated Actuals are 89.3% over budget</p> <p>Please provide a description for the material difference.</p>
District Response	
<p>In the 22-23 LCAP, the budgeted expenditure for 1.18 EL Liaisons was \$36k. The estimated actual expenditures were \$68,161.79. This was a result of a retroactive pay increase that was agreed to during labor union negotiations and approved in June, 2023. We have adjusted the projected budget in the 2023-24 LCAP to reflect the increased salary for these positions.</p> <p>A note regarding the materials difference is current in bullet 1 of this section, but it is not easily noted since it is in the same line as 1.2.</p>	

Increased or Improved Services

ACOE has no clarifying questions for this section.

Action Tables

Question #1	
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85	<p>As referenced above in the MPP box, in the 2023-24 Contributing Actions Table, the District's Total Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year is 11.35%.</p> <p>However, the District's Planned Percentage to Increase or Improve Services for the Coming School Year is 11.18%. This is a shortfall of 0.17% or \$98,311.</p> <p>In order to meet the Minimum Proportionality Percentage (MPP), the Planned Percentage must be equal to or greater than the Total Percentage; therefore, the District is currently not meeting the MPP requirements.</p>
District Response	
<p>District added planned expenditures to increase or improve services in Action 2.10 and 2.1 for a total of \$107,282. The MPP is now at 11.37% which is above the required 11.35%.</p>	

Question #2	
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88	<p>In the 2023-24 Contributing Actions Table, Action 4.1 is missing the Location.</p> <p>Please provide the Location for this action.</p>
District Response	
<p>The location for action 4.1 has been updated in DTS to reflect that this action will focus on Coyote Hills and Schilling Elementary schools. These two schools represent the schools in our LEA that have the highest concentration of unduplicated students among all of our elementary schools.</p>	