

# School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) Template

Instructions and requirements for completing the SPSA template may be found in the SPSA Template Instructions.

School Name	County-District-School (CDS) Code	Schoolsite Council (SSC) Approval Date	Local Board Approval Date
Napa Valley Independent Studies	28662660101964	May 23, 2023	August 10, 2023

## **Purpose and Description**

Briefly describe the purpose of this plan (Select from Schoolwide Program, Comprehensive Support and Improvement, Targeted Support and Improvement, or Additional Targeted Support and Improvement)

#### Schoolwide Program

Additional Targeted Support and Improvement

In the 2022-23 school year, our school was identified for Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI). This means that based on data from the 2022 California School Dashboard, the following subgroup is experiencing lower levels of achievement in the areas of English Language Arts and math as compared to the overall school population: White. Additionally, the following subgroups are experiencing higher levels of chronic absenteeism as compared to the overall student population: English Learners and White. This plan will address ways to improve our school and student outcomes for the following subgroups--English Learner and White--based on doing a needs assessment and identifying resource inequities.

Briefly describe the school's plan for effectively meeting the ESSA requirements in alignment with the Local Control and Accountability Plan and other federal, state, and local programs.

The Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) is a plan of actions to raise the academic performance of all students. California Education Codes sections 41507, 41572, and 64002 and the federal Elementary and Secondary Act (ESEA) require each school to consolidate all school plans for programs funded through the ConApp and ESEA Program Improvement into the SPSA. In addition, Napa Valley Unified School District will meet ESSA requirements to support academic achievement so that all students, particularly the lowest-achieving students, demonstrate proficiency on the State's academic standards and California Dashboard Indicators. School goals will influence

the entire educational program of the school and are aligned with the goals of the LCAP regarding students outcomes and student and parent engagement. Goals will support the school in improving State Dashboard Indicators related to: school climate, academic achievement, graduation rate, college and career readiness, and local indicators as defined in the Dashboard. Additionally, the SPSA reflects the full WASC self-study that was conducted during the 2022-2023 school year and the WASC Action Plan.

Napa Valley Independent Studies focus is on student learning. As students enter NVIS, we conduct a review of student records. This is our starting point to meet the student where they are at in their academics. NVIS has students complete the STAR Reading and Math assessments. NVIS provides high quality and equitable instruction aligned to grade level standards. With the results of all assessments, including the CAASPP, we are able to feel confident in knowing that we can help fill a child's academic gaps by giving them an individualized, unique curriculum via the online program Subject to meet the high standards that will prepare them for college and careers. Students at NVIS benefit from strong social and emotional supports. As we plan for student success, goals are created that are aligned with LCAP goals, NVUSD Strategic Plan, WASC and Federal, State, and Local programs.

#### **Educational Partner Involvement**

How, when, and with whom did the school consult as part of the planning process for this SPSA/Annual Review and Update?

#### Involvement Process for the SPSA and Annual Review and Update

The draft SPSA was co-developed by the coordinator and site leadership team and shared with teaching staff for input. The draft is shared with the School Site Council for input and approval. Updates on actions and progress toward goals are reviewed at each SSC meeting.

## **Resource Inequities**

Briefly identify and describe any resource inequities identified as a result of the required needs assessment, as applicable.

Napa Valley Independent Studies has been identified as a Additional Targeted Support and Intervention (ATSI) school site. The resource inequities identified by reviewing and analyzing student data are as follows:

The following subgroup is experiencing lower levels of achievement in the areas of English Language Arts and math as compared to the overall school population: White. Additionally, the following subgroups are experiencing higher levels of chronic absenteeism as compared to the overall student population: English Learners and White. This plan will address ways to improve our school and student outcomes for the following subgroups--English Learner and White--based on doing a needs assessment and identifying resource inequities.

## Goals, Strategies, & Proposed Expenditures

Complete a copy of the following table for each of the school's goals. Duplicate the table as needed.

#### LEA/LCAP/Site Goal 1

Students Graduate College- and/or Career- Ready

#### **Identified Need**

NVIS continues to identify a need to improve math and reading proficiency for all sub groups. These needs are related to maintaining or increasing the graduation rate and increasing access/information for college and career exploration.

The following subgroup is experiencing lower levels of achievement in the areas of English Language Arts and math as compared to the overall school population: White.

#### **Annual Measurable Outcomes**

Metric/Indicator	Baseline/Actual Outcome	Expected Outcome
Graduation Rate	83.6% (most recent available 2022)	More than 87% of the class of 2023 will graduate (State wide average 87%).
Star Assessment - Math	On an average 56% of students are at On Watch or At/above	10% of students scoring below benchmark on the STAR Math will score at or above the benchmark including all subgroups.
Star Assessment - Reading	On an average 47% of students are at On Watch or At/above	10% of students scoring below benchmark on the STAR Reading will score at or above the benchmark including all subgroups.

Complete a copy of the Strategy/Activity table for each of the school's strategies/activities. Duplicate the table, including Proposed Expenditures, as needed.

#### Strategy 1

#### Students to be Served by this Strategy/Activity

(Identify either All Students or one or more specific student groups)

All students 9th-12th grades will benefit including English Learners.

#### Activities

- 1.1 Improvement in Math and English proficiency
- \* The staff will review STAR Data and identify key concepts students get incorrect
- \* Based on the STAR Data individual student report, we will provide parent communication regarding additional academic supports via Student Led Parent Conferences
- \* Site and District staff will provide ELD support for teachers and students

- \* PLCs will review data using Learning Sprints with a focus on one year's growth in one year's time.
- \* Staff will educate students on the "why" of assessment and progress monitoring to create an effective assessment environment and encourage students to actively engage in the assessment process.
- \* Teachers will include multiple checks for understanding.
- \* Staff will teach and students will use note-taking strategies and engage in online support strategies
- \* Professional development will be provided to teachers focused on standards-aligned instruction, small group instruction, and online support (Subject).
- \* Staff will implement a schoolwide writing assessment to inform teachers on writing strengths and needs of the students. Staff will use the data to inform teachers on writing skills needing to be taught to students.

## 1.2 Maintain or Increase in graduation rate Interventions

- \* Staff will engage in 3-week check on student progress with a focus on students not completing work and/or earning a grade of "D" and/or "F"
- \* Staff will schedule students to attend Learning Hub or meet during teacher office hours
- \* Staff will provide ELD support for students
- \* Staff will engage in professional learning and monitoring progress on student education on student record sheets, Aeries graduation status, etc
- \* Students will participate in college visits.
- \* Students will have access to credit recovery opportunities.
- \* There will be increased communication and clarity on graduation requirements.
- 1.3 Curriculum for college and career exploration
- \* Students will have access to schoolwide Advisory focused on student services activities
- \* Staff will use the Road Map books for 11th and 12th graders for career and college exploration
- \* There will be an evaluation on the effectiveness of Advisory with revisions as a result of the feedback and data.

#### **Proposed Expenditures for this Strategy/Activity**

List the amount(s) and funding source(s) for the proposed expenditures. Specify the funding source(s) using one or more of the following: LCFF, Federal (if Federal identify the Title and Part, as applicable), Other State, and/or Local.

Amount(s)	Source(s)
10,228	0000 – No Reporting Requirements
2,361	0003 - Supplemental

## **Annual Review**

SPSA Year Reviewed: 2022-23

Respond to the following prompts relative to this goal. If the school is in the first year of implementing the goal, an analysis is not required and this section may be deleted.

#### **ANALYSIS**

Describe the overall implementation of the strategies/activities and the overall effectiveness of the strategies/activities to achieve the articulated goal.

With the approval for AB130, we had an increase of students who need ELD support in our program in the 21-22 school year. Currently 12/15 EL students are at urgent intervention in the Reading based on the Winter 2023 STAR results. 9/15 ELs are scoring at urgent intervention in Math with 2 at On Watch and 2 at At or Above. Students will need foundational supports and daily support for ELs to be able to access curriculum and improve their progress in reading and math. We will use the data from the STAR assessments to help us understand where the gaps are for students and how to improve their gaps in learning. Overall there was a decrease of students scoring At or Above in Reading from the Fall 22 administration to Winter 23 administration. There was also an increase under On Watch Intervention and urgent from F22 to W23 in Reading. In math we saw an increase of 3.1 At or Above; an increase at Urgent and decrease in both On Watch and Intervention. Based on the Dashboard, In English Language Arts, students scored 63.6 points below standard. In math students were 138.9 points below standard; while 32% of the English Learners were making progress towards ELA proficiency (25 students). Attendance continues to be a challenge due to the nature of assigning attendance based on work submitted during the assigned week. Students who do not make up the work do not get the attendance credit, therefore, NVIS attendance rate shows that 37.6% of the students are chronically absent. This continues to be an area of focus.

Briefly describe any major differences between the intended implementation and/or the budgeted expenditures to implement the strategies/activities to meet the articulated goal.

There was no major difference. NVIS continues to focus on literacy, math and SEL goals.

Describe any changes that will be made to this goal, the annual outcomes, metrics, or strategies/activities to achieve this goal as a result of this analysis. Identify where those changes can be found in the SPSA.

Testing data, grade data and attendance data will be shared with instructional team to target our focus in the areas of English Learners, math/reading and work completion by students on time. These changes will be found throughout the SPSA, especially in Goal #1.

## Goals, Strategies, & Proposed Expenditures

Complete a copy of the following table for each of the school's goals. Duplicate the table as needed.

#### LEA/LCAP/Site Goal 2

Students Experience Responsive, Engaging Pedagogy

#### **Identified Need**

NVIS needs to continue to develop equitable grading and alignment of schoolwide instructional practices.

#### **Annual Measurable Outcomes**

Metric/Indicator	Baseline/Actual Outcome	Expected Outcome
Practices are aligned and communicated with students and families	Grading and instructional practices vary from teacher to teacher.	Teachers will collaborate to establish site wide equitable grading and expectations for effective instructional practices.

Complete a copy of the Strategy/Activity table for each of the school's strategies/activities. Duplicate the table, including Proposed Expenditures, as needed.

#### Strategy 1

#### Students to be Served by this Strategy/Activity

(Identify either All Students or one or more specific student groups)

All students including subgroups

#### Activities

- 2.1 Engage in training on the online curriculum (Subject) that includes identification of priority standards.
- \* There will be on-going professional development for teachers on using online curriculum.
- \* We will review the action plan yearly.
- 2.2 Continue developing site-wide equitable grading practices.
- \* Staff will participate in IBPS.
- \* We will establish an inclusive leadership team.
- \* We will create and document agreements on grading practices.
- \* Based on system, we will define tasks to be completed as related to student achievement.

#### Proposed Expenditures for this Strategy/Activity

List the amount(s) and funding source(s) for the proposed expenditures. Specify the funding source(s) using one or more of the following: LCFF, Federal (if Federal identify the Title and Part, as applicable), Other State, and/or Local.

Amount(s)	Source(s)
1,089	0003 - Supplemental

## **Annual Review**

SPSA Year Reviewed: 2022-23

Respond to the following prompts relative to this goal. If the school is in the first year of implementing the goal, an analysis is not required and this section may be deleted.

#### **ANALYSIS**

Describe the overall implementation of the strategies/activities and the overall effectiveness of the strategies/activities to achieve the articulated goal.

Students are assigned to teachers under the caseload format. Each teacher is responsible for overseeing all coursework the student needs to complete. Teachers are able to monitor their academic progress towards graduation. Grade data from Fall 2022 indicates that 96% of the students are passing courses with a "C" grade or higher. Although the grade data is high, teachers have identified a need to have students attend the Learning Hubs on a more ongoing basis. Students do need the additional time to complete the assignments on time for attendance credit.

Briefly describe any major differences between the intended implementation and/or the budgeted expenditures to implement the strategies/activities to meet the articulated goal.

There is no major difference between the intended expenditures and strategies. Teachers in the caseload model continue to focus on the needs of their students.

Describe any changes that will be made to this goal, the annual outcomes, metrics, or strategies/activities to achieve this goal as a result of this analysis. Identify where those changes can be found in the SPSA.

There are no changes to the caseload process aside from having each teacher provide instruction and grades for all content areas. Target support will be in the Learning Hubs for all content areas.

## Goals, Strategies, & Proposed Expenditures

Complete a copy of the following table for each of the school's goals. Duplicate the table as needed.

#### LEA/LCAP/Site Goal 3

Robust Communication, Community Engagement and Advocacy

#### **Identified Need**

There is a need for more consistency in sharing updated information to parents and students regarding academics, progress, and socio-emotional needs via Student Record Sheets (SRS), weekly agendas, progress reports, emails, phone calls, and conferencing.

#### **Annual Measurable Outcomes**

Metric/Indicator	Baseline/Actual Outcome	Expected Outcome
Parent Survey	89% of parents express they have access to the Student Record Sheets	All teachers will be consistent in sharing updated information to parents regarding academics, progress, and socio-emotional needs via SRS, weekly agendas, progress reports, emails, phone calls, and conferencing.
Student Survey	83% of students indicated they felt comfortable speaking to teachers	All teachers will be consistent in sharing updated information to students regarding academics, progress, and socio-emotional needs via SRS, weekly agendas, progress reports, emails, phone calls, and conferencing.

Complete a copy of the Strategy/Activity table for each of the school's strategies/activities. Duplicate the table, including Proposed Expenditures, as needed.

#### Strategy 1

#### Students to be Served by this Strategy/Activity

(Identify either All Students or one or more specific student groups)

All students and parents

#### Activities

- 1.1 Increase and Maintain open communication with NVIS families.
- \* We will host parent engagement events: Fall Orientation, Back to School Night, and Open House. We will restructure Orientation with a focus on parent education regarding school structures/documents.
- \* Teachers will publish Weekly Agendas.
- \* Students will participate in Student Led Conferences.

- \* Representative parents will engage in School Site Council and the Superintendent Parent Advisory Committee.
- \* Administration will share survey results with parents.
- \* Staff will provide ongoing communication through a weekly Parent Square bulletin, Fall & Spring Newsletter, and website updates.
- \* Administration will update the Student Handbook.
- \* Administration will share the action plan yearly with updates.
- \* The staff will engage in a review and revisions of vision statement.

Explore the effectiveness of the Learning Hubs that includes fidelity of consistent of site-wide implementation.

- \* We will collect data on the Learning Hub attendance, grades and work completion.
- \* We will look at funding allocations for extra staff.
- \* We will establish expectations for teachers and students

#### Proposed Expenditures for this Strategy/Activity

List the amount(s) and funding source(s) for the proposed expenditures. Specify the funding source(s) using one or more of the following: LCFF, Federal (if Federal identify the Title and Part, as applicable), Other State, and/or Local.

Amount(s)	Source(s)
800	0003 - Supplemental

## **Annual Review**

SPSA Year Reviewed: 2022-23

Respond to the following prompts relative to this goal. If the school is in the first year of implementing the goal, an analysis is not required and this section may be deleted.

## **ANALYSIS**

Describe the overall implementation of the strategies/activities and the overall effectiveness of the strategies/activities to achieve the articulated goal.

The student and parent survey indicate the strong communication and access to teachers and staff. They also indicate a strong awareness and access to the Student Record Sheets but staff still needs to decrease the number of parents needing access. The staff is proud to provide the students in their caseload strong and ongoing relevant information as related to their course needs, social emotional learning, College and Career information and attendance checks. Students and parents have one teacher to connect without at any given time. The administration and counselor become involved at the re-engagement process. In month 9 we have 6 students with an attendance rate of 60% or lower. Again, this is connected to students not completing work hours during the week the assignments are due.

Briefly describe any major differences between the intended implementation and/or the budgeted expenditures to implement the strategies/activities to meet the articulated goal.

Parent survey indicates a strong connection and communication with the school at 97%. The communication begins at the referral step. Students are referred to NVIS by their counselor. The

NVIS admin team reviews the referrals to determine final placement. All students must attend a mandatory orientation with their guardian(s).

Describe any changes that will be made to this goal, the annual outcomes, metrics, or strategies/activities to achieve this goal as a result of this analysis. Identify where those changes can be found in the SPSA.

The activities were updated to reflect current goals and outcomes.

## Goals, Strategies, & Proposed Expenditures

Complete a copy of the following table for each of the school's goals. Duplicate the table as needed.

#### LEA/LCAP/Site Goal 4

Students Thrive Socially, Emotionally and Academically

#### **Identified Need**

The following student groups have been identified as needing additional support in chronic absenteeism based on the California State Dashboard: English Learners and White.

The SDQ,CHKS data, and the transfer referral documentation indicate that more than half of the NVIS student population could benefit from mental health supports.

#### **Annual Measurable Outcomes**

Metric/Indicator	Baseline/Actual Outcome	Expected Outcome
California Dashboard Data - 2022	Baseline Data 2022 All: 37.6% ELs: 40% White: 39%	Reduce chronic absenteeism by 10% for English Learners and White students
SDQ Data Assessment	2021-2022 school year, 58% of our students were in the yellow or red in the fall SDQ data.	Increase supports by 10% for all students who need and want support.

Complete a copy of the Strategy/Activity table for each of the school's strategies/activities. Duplicate the table, including Proposed Expenditures, as needed.

#### Strategy 1

#### Students to be Served by this Strategy/Activity

(Identify either All Students or one or more specific student groups)

English Learners White

#### **Activities**

- \* Staff will review the in-take form to review reason for transfer.
- \* Teacher/Parent meeting will take place to sign Master Agreement.
- \* Students will engage in weekly SEL advisory groups by teacher caseload.
- \* Staff will monitor SRS work completion and attendance.
- \* Student must attend a makeup class if they miss their original core day.
- \* Staff will provide re-engagement meetings after three missed in person sessions.
- \* A home visit will be made when the student and parents not responding to outreach efforts.
- \* If continuing to not engage after all interventions are in place and documented, student will be transferred back to their home school or Valley Oak High School.

#### Proposed Expenditures for this Strategy/Activity

List the amount(s) and funding source(s) for the proposed expenditures. Specify the funding source(s) using one or more of the following: LCFF, Federal (if Federal identify the Title and Part, as applicable), Other State, and/or Local.

Amount(s) Source(s)

1,000 0003 - Supplemental

#### Strategy 2

#### Students to be Served by this Strategy/Activity

(Identify either All Students or one or more specific student groups)

All Students

#### Activities

- 1.1 Students will receive academic support as they transition to NVIS throughout the school year.
- \* Before enrollment, administration will conduct a thorough review of data to determine if NVIS is an appropriate educational setting based on: attendance, transcripts, interventions, available support services and behavior.
- \* Staff will develop an Academic 4-year Plan with each student.
- \* The social worker will provide parent outreach.
- 1.2 Students are supported socially and emotionally during their enrollment at NVIS.
- \* MTSS teams review SDQ data three times a year.
- \* Wellness Cafes are provided with Teens Connect.
- \* MTSS meetings are held every other week to review students.
- \* Counselor and social worker conduct check-ins with students in need.
- \* Students participate in weekly SEL Advisory. Staff document student voice and choice in topics.
- \* Teachers will complete the Aeries Pre-Referral Process.
- \* Students have support on executive functioning skills.

#### Proposed Expenditures for this Strategy/Activity

List the amount(s) and funding source(s) for the proposed expenditures. Specify the funding source(s) using one or more of the following: LCFF, Federal (if Federal identify the Title and Part, as applicable), Other State, and/or Local.

Amount(s) Source(s)

## **Annual Review**

SPSA Year Reviewed: 2022-23

Respond to the following prompts relative to this goal. If the school is in the first year of implementing the goal, an analysis is not required and this section may be deleted.

### **ANALYSIS**

Describe the overall implementation of the strategies/activities and the overall effectiveness of the strategies/activities to achieve the articulated goal.

NVIS last year had the highest percentage of students who scored in the red or yellow on the fall administration of the SDQ (58%), an increase of 18%. The data reflects the reasons why parents are requesting independent studies. This is an actual concern because once students enter NVIS, they do not engage in any of the services that we offer. The Social Worker will be shifting focus and will be meeting with each individual student who is accepted to NVIS.

Briefly describe any major differences between the intended implementation and/or the budgeted expenditures to implement the strategies/activities to meet the articulated goal.

NVIS makes every effort to meet with students needing mental health support. What we have found is that students are transferring under SEL issues but once they enter NVIS, those services are not sought out.

Describe any changes that will be made to this goal, the annual outcomes, metrics, or strategies/activities to achieve this goal as a result of this analysis. Identify where those changes can be found in the SPSA.

NVIS administration will continue to review referrals for appropriate placement. While there will be no major changes, staff will be more strategic in holding the re-engagement meetings with students and families after the 3rd time a student has missed their core class. The update will be added to the Intervention screen on Aeries. The implementation strategies can be found in Goal 1, Strategy 1 and 2.

## **Budget Summary**

Complete the table below. Schools may include additional information. Adjust the table as needed. The Budget Summary is required for schools funded through the ConApp, and/or that receive funds from the LEA for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI).

#### **Budget Summary**

Description	Amount
Total Funds Provided to the School Through the Consolidated Application	\$0
Total Federal Funds Provided to the School from the LEA for CSI	\$0
Total Funds Budgeted for Strategies to Meet the Goals in the SPSA	\$15,478.00

#### Other Federal, State, and Local Funds

List the additional Federal programs that the school is including in the schoolwide program. Adjust the table as needed. If the school is not operating a Title I schoolwide program this section is not applicable and may be deleted.

Federal Programs		Allocation (\$)
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Subtotal of additional federal funds included for this school: \$

List the State and local programs that the school is including in the schoolwide program. Duplicate the table as needed.

State or Local Programs	Allocation (\$)
0000 – No Reporting Requirements	\$10,228.00
0003 - Supplemental	\$5,250.00

Subtotal of state or local funds included for this school: \$15,478.00

Total of federal, state, and/or local funds for this school: \$15,478.00

## **School Site Council Membership**

California Education Code describes the required composition of the School Site Council (SSC). The SSC shall be composed of the principal and representatives of: teachers selected by teachers at the school; other school personnel selected by other school personnel at the school; parents of pupils attending the school selected by such parents; and, in secondary schools, pupils selected by pupils attending the school. The current make-up of the SSC is as follows:

- 1 School Principal
- 2 Classroom Teachers
- 1 Other School Staff
- 2 Parent or Community Members
- 1 Secondary Students

Name of Members	Role

Maria Cisneros	Principal
Jessica Farrell	Classroom Teacher
Jennifer Baker	Parent or Community Member
McKenna Mosley	Secondary Student
Wendy Rios	Other School Staff
Open Seat	Classroom Teacher
Open Seat	Parent or Community Member

At elementary schools, the school site council must be constituted to ensure parity between (a) the principal, classroom teachers, and other school personnel, and (b) parents of students attending the school or other community members. Classroom teachers must comprise a majority of persons represented under section (a). At secondary schools there must be, in addition, equal numbers of parents or other community members selected by parents, and students. Members must be selected by their peer group.

#### **Recommendations and Assurances**

The School Site Council (SSC) recommends this school plan and proposed expenditures to the district governing board for approval and assures the board of the following:

The SSC is correctly constituted and was formed in accordance with district governing board policy and state law.

The SSC reviewed its responsibilities under state law and district governing board policies, including those board policies relating to material changes in the School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) requiring board approval.

The SSC sought and considered all recommendations from the following groups or committees before adopting this plan:

**Signature** 

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**Committee or Advisory Group Name** 

Other: Parent: Jennifer Baker

The SSC reviewed the content requirements for school plans of programs included in this SPSA and believes all such content requirements have been met, including those found in district governing board policies and in the local educational agency plan.

This SPSA is based on a thorough analysis of student academic performance. The actions proposed herein form a sound, comprehensive, coordinated plan to reach stated school goals to improve student academic performance.

This SPSA was adopted by the SSC at a public meeting on May 23, 2023.

Attested:

Principal, Maria Cisneros on May 23, 2023

SSC Chairperson, Jennifer Baker on May 2023

## Instructions

The School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) is a strategic plan that maximizes the resources available to the school while minimizing duplication of effort with the ultimate goal of increasing student achievement. SPSA development should be aligned with and inform the Local Control and Accountability Plan process.

The SPSA consolidates all school-level planning efforts into one plan for programs funded through the consolidated application (ConApp), and for federal school improvement programs, including schoolwide programs, Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI), Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI), and Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI), pursuant to California Education Code (EC) Section 64001 and the Elementary and Secondary Education Act as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). This template is designed to meet schoolwide program planning requirements. It also notes how to meet CSI, TSI, or ATSI requirements, as applicable.

California's ESSA State Plan supports the state's approach to improving student group performance through the utilization of federal resources. Schools use the SPSA to document their approach to maximizing the impact of federal investments in support of underserved students. The implementation of ESSA in California presents an opportunity for schools to innovate with their federally-funded programs and align them with the priority goals of the school and the LEA that are being realized under the state's Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF).

The LCFF provides schools and LEAs flexibility to design programs and provide services that meet the needs of students in order to achieve readiness for college, career, and lifelong learning. The SPSA planning process supports continuous cycles of action, reflection, and improvement. Consistent with EC 65001, the Schoolsite Council (SSC) is required to develop and annually review the SPSA, establish an annual budget, and make modifications to the plan that reflect changing needs and priorities, as applicable.

For questions related to specific sections of the template, please see instructions below:

## Instructions: Linked Table of Contents

The SPSA template meets the requirements of schoolwide planning (SWP). Each section also contains a notation of how to meet CSI, TSI, or ATSI requirements.

**Educational Partner Involvement** 

Goals, Strategies, & Proposed Expenditures

Planned Strategies/Activities

Annual Review and Update

**Budget Summary** 

Appendix A: Plan Requirements for Title I Schoolwide Programs

Appendix B: Plan Requirements for Schools to Meet Federal School Improvement Planning Requirements

Appendix C: Select State and Federal Programs

For additional questions or technical assistance related to LEA and school planning, please contact the Local Agency Systems Support Office, at <a href="LCFF@cde.ca.gov">LCFF@cde.ca.gov</a>.

For programmatic or policy questions regarding Title I schoolwide planning, please contact the local educational agency, or the CDE's Title I Policy and Program Guidance Office at <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/j.jcp.nc.1007

For questions or technical assistance related to meeting federal school improvement planning requirements (for CSI, TSI, and ATSI), please contact the CDE's School Improvement and Support Office at SISO@cde.ca.gov.

## **Purpose and Description**

Schools identified for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI), Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI), or Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) must respond to the following prompts. A school that has not been identified for CSI, TSI, or ATSI may delete the Purpose and Description prompts.

## **Purpose**

Briefly describe the purpose of this plan by selecting from Schoolwide Program, Comprehensive Support and Improvement, Targeted Support and Improvement, or Additional Targeted Support and Improvement)

## **Description**

Briefly describe the school's plan for effectively meeting ESSA requirements in alignment with the Local Control and Accountability Plan and other federal, state, and local programs.

## **Educational Partner Involvement**

Meaningful involvement of parents, students, and other stakeholders is critical to the development of the SPSA and the budget process. Schools must share the SPSA with school site-level advisory groups, as applicable (e.g., English Learner Advisory committee, student advisory groups, tribes and tribal organizations present in the community, as appropriate, etc.) and seek input from these advisory groups in the development of the SPSA.

The Stakeholder Engagement process is an ongoing, annual process. Describe the process used to involve advisory committees, parents, students, school faculty and staff, and the community in the development of the SPSA and the annual review and update.

[This section meets the requirements for TSI and ATSI.]

[When completing this section for CSI, the LEA shall partner with the school in the development and implementation of this plan.]

## **Resource Inequities**

Schools eligible for CSI or ATSI must identify resource inequities, which may include a review of LEAand school-level budgeting as a part of the required needs assessment. Identified resource inequities must be addressed through implementation of the CSI or ATSI plan. Briefly identify and describe any resource inequities identified as a result of the required needs assessment and summarize how the identified resource inequities are addressed in the SPSA.

[This section meets the requirements for CSI and ATSI. If the school is not identified for CSI or ATSI this section is not applicable and may be deleted.]

## Goals, Strategies, Expenditures, & Annual Review

In this section a school provides a description of the annual goals to be achieved by the school. This section also includes descriptions of the specific planned strategies/activities a school will take to meet the identified goals, and a description of the expenditures required to implement the specific strategies and activities.

#### Goal

State the goal. A goal is a broad statement that describes the desired result to which all strategies/activities are directed. A goal answers the question: What is the school seeking to achieve?

It can be helpful to use a framework for writing goals such the S.M.A.R.T. approach. A S.M.A.R.T. goal is one that is **S**pecific, **M**easurable, **A**chievable, **R**ealistic, and **T**ime-bound. A level of specificity is needed in order to measure performance relative to the goal as well as to assess whether it is reasonably achievable. Including time constraints, such as milestone dates, ensures a realistic approach that supports student success.

A school may number the goals using the "Goal #" for ease of reference.

[When completing this section for CSI, TSI, and ATSI, improvement goals shall align to the goals, actions, and services in the LEA LCAP.]

#### **Identified Need**

Describe the basis for establishing the goal. The goal should be based upon an analysis of verifiable state data, including local and state indicator data from the California School Dashboard (Dashboard) and data from the School Accountability Report Card, including local data voluntarily collected by districts to measure pupil achievement.

[Completing this section fully addresses all relevant federal planning requirements]

## **Annual Measurable Outcomes**

Identify the metric(s) and/or state indicator(s) that the school will use as a means of evaluating progress toward accomplishing the goal. A school may identify metrics for specific student groups. Include in the baseline column the most recent data associated with the metric or indicator available at the time of adoption of the SPSA. The most recent data associated with a metric or indicator includes data reported in the annual update of the SPSA. In the subsequent Expected Outcome column, identify the progress the school intends to make in the coming year.

[When completing this section for CSI the school must include school-level metrics related to the metrics that led to the school's identification.]

[When completing this section for TSI/ATSI the school must include metrics related to the specific student group(s) that led to the school's identification.]

## Strategies/Activities

Describe the strategies and activities being provided to meet the described goal. A school may number the strategy/activity using the "Strategy/Activity #" for ease of reference.

Planned strategies/activities address the findings of the needs assessment consistent with state priorities and resource inequities, which may have been identified through a review of the local educational agency's budgeting, its local control and accountability plan, and school-level budgeting, if applicable.

[When completing this section for CSI, TSI, and ATSI, this plan shall include evidence-based interventions and align to the goals, actions, and services in the LEA LCAP.]

[When completing this section for CSI and ATSI, this plan shall address through implementation, identified resource inequities, which may have been identified through a review of LEA- and school-level budgeting.]

## Students to be Served by this Strategy/Activity

Indicate in this box which students will benefit from the strategies/activities by indicating "All Students" or listing one or more specific student group(s) to be served.

[This section meets the requirements for CSI.]

[When completing this section for TSI and ATSI, at a minimum, the student groups to be served shall include the student groups that are consistently underperforming, for which the school received the TSI or ATSI designation. For TSI, a school may focus on all students or the student group(s) that led to identification based on the evidence-based interventions selected.]

## Proposed Expenditures for this Strategy/Activity

For each strategy/activity, list the amount(s) and funding source(s) for the proposed expenditures for the school year to implement these strategies/activities. Specify the funding source(s) using one or more of the following: LCFF, Federal (if Federal, identify the Title and Part, as applicable), Other State, and/or Local.

Proposed expenditures that are included more than once in a SPSA should be indicated as a duplicated expenditure and include a reference to the goal and strategy/activity where the expenditure first appears in the SPSA. Pursuant to Education Code, Section 64001(g)(3)(C), proposed expenditures, based on the projected resource allocation from the governing board or governing body of the LEA, to address the findings of the needs assessment consistent with the state priorities including identifying resource inequities which may include a review of the LEA's budgeting, its LCAP, and school-level budgeting, if applicable.

[This section meets the requirements for CSI, TSI, and ATSI.]

[NOTE: Federal funds for CSI shall not be used in schools identified for TSI or ATSI. In addition, funds for CSI shall not be used to hire additional permanent staff.]

## **Annual Review**

In the following Analysis prompts, identify any material differences between what was planned and what actually occurred as well as significant changes in strategies/activities and/ or expenditures from the prior year. This annual review and analysis should be the basis for decision-making and updates to the plan.

## **Analysis**

Using actual outcome data, including state indicator data from the Dashboard, analyze whether the planned strategies/activities were effective in achieving the goal. Respond to the prompts as instructed. Respond to the following prompts relative to this goal. If the school is in the first year of implementing the goal the Annual Review section is not required and this section may be deleted.

- Describe the overall implementation of the strategies/activities and the overall effectiveness of the strategies/activities to achieve the articulated goal.
- Briefly describe any major differences between either/or the intended implementation or the budgeted expenditures to implement the strategies/activities to meet the articulated goal.
- Describe any changes that will be made to the goal, expected annual measurable outcomes, metrics/indicators, or strategies/activities to achieve this goal as a result of this analysis and analysis of the data provided in the Dashboard, as applicable. Identify where those changes can be found in the SPSA.

[When completing this section for CSI, TSI, or ATSI, any changes made to the goals, annual measurable outcomes, metrics/indicators, or strategies/activities, shall meet the CSI, TSI, or ATSI planning requirements. CSI, TSI, and ATSI planning requirements are listed under each section of the Instructions. For example, as a result of the Annual Review and Update, if changes are made to a goal(s), see the Goal section for CSI, TSI, and ATSI planning requirements.]

## **Budget Summary**

In this section a school provides a brief summary of the funding allocated to the school through the ConApp and/or other funding sources as well as the total amount of funds for proposed expenditures described in the SPSA. The Budget Summary is required for schools funded through the ConApp and that receive federal funds for CSI. If the school is not operating a Title I schoolwide program this section is not applicable and may be deleted.

From its total allocation for CSI, the LEA may distribute funds across its schools that meet the criteria for CSI to support implementation of this plan. In addition, the LEA may retain a portion of its total allocation to support LEA-level expenditures that are directly related to serving schools eligible for CSI.

## **Budget Summary**

A school receiving funds allocated through the ConApp should complete the Budget Summary as follows:

- Total Funds Provided to the School Through the Consolidated Application: This amount is the total amount of funding provided to the school through the ConApp for the school year. The school year means the fiscal year for which a SPSA is adopted or updated.
- Total Funds Budgeted for Strategies to Meet the Goals in the SPSA: This amount is the total of
  the proposed expenditures from all sources of funds associated with the strategies/activities
  reflected in the SPSA. To the extent strategies/activities and/or proposed expenditures are
  listed in the SPSA under more than one goal, the expenditures should be counted only once.

A school receiving federal funds for CSI should complete the Budget Summary as follows:

Total Federal Funds Provided to the School from the LEA for CSI: This amount is the total amount of funding provided to the school from the LEA.

[NOTE: Federal funds for CSI shall not be used in schools eligible for TSI or ATSI. In addition, funds for CSI shall not be used to hire additional permanent staff.]

## **Appendix A: Plan Requirements**

## Schoolwide Program Requirements

This School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) template meets the requirements of a schoolwide program plan. The requirements below are for planning reference.

A school that operates a schoolwide program and receives funds allocated through the ConApp is required to develop a SPSA. The SPSA, including proposed expenditures of funds allocated to the school through the ConApp, must be reviewed annually and updated by the SSC. The content of a SPSA must be aligned with school goals for improving student achievement.

#### Requirements for Development of the Plan

- I. The development of the SPSA shall include both of the following actions:
  - A. Administration of a comprehensive needs assessment that forms the basis of the school's goals contained in the SPSA.
    - 1. The comprehensive needs assessment of the entire school shall:
      - a. Include an analysis of verifiable state data, consistent with all state priorities as noted in Sections 52060 and 52066, and informed by all indicators described in Section 1111(c)(4)(B) of the federal Every Student Succeeds Act, including pupil performance against state-determined long-term goals. The school may include data voluntarily developed by districts to measure pupil outcomes (described in the Identified Need); and
      - b. Be based on academic achievement information about all students in the school, including all groups under §200.13(b)(7) and migratory children as defined in section 1309(2) of the ESEA, relative to the State's academic standards under §200.1 to—
        - Help the school understand the subjects and skills for which teaching and learning need to be improved; and
        - ii. Identify the specific academic needs of students and groups of students who are not yet achieving the State's academic standards; and
        - Assess the needs of the school relative to each of the components of the schoolwide program under §200.28.
        - iv. Develop the comprehensive needs assessment with the participation of individuals who will carry out the schoolwide program plan.
        - v. Document how it conducted the needs assessment, the results it obtained, and the conclusions it drew from those results.
  - B. Identification of the process for evaluating and monitoring the implementation of the SPSA and progress towards accomplishing the goals set forth in the SPSA (described in the Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes and Annual Review and Update).

## Requirements for the Plan

- II. The SPSA shall include the following:
  - A. Goals set to improve pupil outcomes, including addressing the needs of student groups as identified through the needs assessment.

- B. Evidence-based strategies, actions, or services (described in Strategies and Activities)
  - 1. A description of the strategies that the school will be implementing to address school needs, including a description of how such strategies will--
    - a. provide opportunities for all children including each of the subgroups of students to meet the challenging state academic standards
    - b. use methods and instructional strategies that:
      - i. strengthen the academic program in the school,
      - ii. increase the amount and quality of learning time, and
      - iii. provide an enriched and accelerated curriculum, which may include programs, activities, and courses necessary to provide a well-rounded education.
    - c. Address the needs of all children in the school, but particularly the needs of those at risk of not meeting the challenging State academic standards, so that all students demonstrate at least proficiency on the State's academic standards through activities which may include:
      - i. strategies to improve students' skills outside the academic subject areas;
      - ii. preparation for and awareness of opportunities for postsecondary education and the workforce;
      - iii. implementation of a schoolwide tiered model to prevent and address problem behavior;
      - iv. professional development and other activities for teachers, paraprofessionals, and other school personnel to improve instruction and use of data; and
      - v. strategies for assisting preschool children in the transition from early childhood education programs to local elementary school programs.
- C. Proposed expenditures, based on the projected resource allocation from the governing board or body of the local educational agency (may include funds allocated via the ConApp, federal funds for CSI, any other state or local funds allocated to the school), to address the findings of the needs assessment consistent with the state priorities, including identifying resource inequities, which may include a review of the LEAs budgeting, it's LCAP, and school-level budgeting, if applicable (described in Proposed Expenditures and Budget Summary). Employees of the schoolwide program may be deemed funded by a single cost objective.
- D. A description of how the school will determine if school needs have been met (described in the Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes and the Annual Review and Update).
  - Annually evaluate the implementation of, and results achieved by, the schoolwide program, using data from the State's annual assessments and other indicators of academic achievement;
  - 2. Determine whether the schoolwide program has been effective in increasing the achievement of students in meeting the State's academic standards, particularly for those students who had been furthest from achieving the standards; and
  - 3. Revise the plan, as necessary, based on the results of the evaluation, to ensure continuous improvement of students in the schoolwide program.

- E. A description of how the school will ensure parental involvement in the planning, review, and improvement of the schoolwide program plan (described in Educational Partner Involvement and/or Strategies/Activities).
- F. A description of the activities the school will include to ensure that students who experience difficulty attaining proficient or advanced levels of academic achievement standards will be provided with effective, timely additional support, including measures to
  - 1. Ensure that those students' difficulties are identified on a timely basis; and
  - 2. Provide sufficient information on which to base effective assistance to those students.
- G. For an elementary school, a description of how the school will assist preschool students in the successful transition from early childhood programs to the school.
- H. A description of how the school will use resources to carry out these components (described in the Proposed Expenditures for Strategies/Activities).
- I. A description of any other activities and objectives as established by the SSC (described in the Strategies/Activities).

Authority Cited: S Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations (34 CFR), sections 200.25-26, and 200.29, and sections-1114(b)(7)(A)(i)-(iii) and 1118(b) of the ESEA. EC sections 6400 et. seq.

## **Appendix B:**

# Plan Requirements for School to Meet Federal School Improvement Planning Requirements

For questions or technical assistance related to meeting Federal School Improvement Planning Requirements, please contact the CDE's School Improvement and Support Office at SISO@cde.ca.gov.

#### **Comprehensive Support and Improvement**

The LEA shall partner with stakeholders (including principals and other school leaders, teachers, and parents) to locally develop and implement the CSI plan for the school to improve student outcomes, and specifically address the metrics that led to eligibility for CSI (Educational Partner Involvement).

#### The CSI plan shall:

- Be informed by all state indicators, including student performance against state-determined long-term goals (Goal, Identified Need, Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes, Annual Review and Update, as applicable);
- Include evidence-based interventions (Strategies/Activities, Annual Review and Update, as applicable) (For resources related to evidence-based interventions, see the U.S. Department of Education's "Using Evidence to Strengthen Education Investments" at <a href="https://www2.ed.gov/policy/elsec/leg/essa/guidanceuseseinvestment.pdf">https://www2.ed.gov/policy/elsec/leg/essa/guidanceuseseinvestment.pdf</a>);
- 3. Be based on a school-level needs assessment (Goal, Identified Need, Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes, Annual Review and Update, as applicable); and
- 4. Identify resource inequities, which may include a review of LEA- and school-level budgeting, to be addressed through implementation of the CSI plan (Goal, Identified Need, Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes, Planned Strategies/Activities; and Annual Review and Update, as applicable).

Authority Cited: Sections 1003(e)(1)(A), 1003(i), 1111(c)(4)(B), and 1111(d)(1) of the ESSA.

## **Targeted Support and Improvement**

In partnership with stakeholders (including principals and other school leaders, teachers, and parents) the school shall develop and implement a school-level TSI plan to improve student outcomes for each subgroup of students that was the subject of identification (Educational Partner Involvement).

#### The TSI plan shall:

- Be informed by all state indicators, including student performance against state-determined long-term goals (Goal, Identified Need, Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes, Annual Review and Update, as applicable); and
- Include evidence-based interventions (Planned Strategies/Activities, Annual Review and Update, as applicable). (For resources related to evidence-based interventions, see the U.S. Department of Education's "Using Evidence to Strengthen Education Investments" <a href="https://www2.ed.gov/policy/elsec/leg/essa/guidanceuseseinvestment.pdf">https://www2.ed.gov/policy/elsec/leg/essa/guidanceuseseinvestment.pdf</a>.)

Authority Cited: Sections 1003(e)(1)(B), 1003(i), 1111(c)(4)(B) and 1111(d)(2) of the ESSA.

#### Additional Targeted Support and Improvement

A school identified for ATSI shall:

1. Identify resource inequities, which may include a review of LEA- and school-level budgeting, which will be addressed through implementation of its TSI plan (Goal, Identified Need, Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes, Planned Strategies/Activities, and Annual Review and Update, as applicable).

Authority Cited: Sections 1003(e)(1)(B), 1003(i), 1111(c)(4)(B), and 1111(d)(2)(c) of the ESSA.

#### Single School Districts and Charter Schools Identified for School Improvement

Single school districts (SSDs) or charter schools that are identified for CSI, TSI, or ATSI, shall develop a SPSA that addresses the applicable requirements above as a condition of receiving funds (EC Section 64001[a] as amended by Assembly Bill [AB] 716, effective January 1, 2019).

However, a SSD or a charter school may streamline the process by combining state and federal requirements into one document which may include the local control and accountability plan (LCAP) and all federal planning requirements, provided that the combined plan is able to demonstrate that the legal requirements for each of the plans is met (EC Section 52062[a] as amended by AB 716, effective January 1, 2019).

Planning requirements for single school districts and charter schools choosing to exercise this option are available in the LCAP Instructions.

Authority Cited: EC sections 52062(a) and 64001(a), both as amended by AB 716, effective January 1, 2019.

#### **Appendix C: Select State and Federal Programs**

#### For a list of active programs, please see the following links:

Programs included on the Consolidated Application: <a href="https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/co/">https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/co/</a>
ESSA Title I, Part A: School Improvement: <a href="https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/sw/t1/schoolsupport.asp">https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/sw/t1/schoolsupport.asp</a>
Available Funding: <a href="https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/af/">https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/af/</a>

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