



Leadership Training
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Education Discussion

I. GENERAL OVERVIEW OF PUBLIC EDUCATION IN CALIFORNIA

- ENROLLMENT / DEMOGRAPHICS / TRENDS
 - 6.2 million K-12 public school students (Includes 628,849 charter students)
 - Ethnicity
 - 54% Hispanic or Latino
 - 23% White
 - 9% Asian
 - 5% African American
 - 3% Two or more races
 - 2% Filipino
- Of the 6.2 million students, 2.6 million or 42% of those students are ESL, or English as a Second Language (or were reclassified as fluent English speaking after retesting)
- Of the 6.2 million students, 3.7 million or 60% of those students qualify for free or reduced priced meals.
- In order to qualify for free meals, a family of four must earn less than \$32,630 per year.
- In order to qualify for reduced priced meals, a family of four must earn less than \$46,435 per year.

So, we've established:

Four out of 10 kids have a language barrier.

Six out of 10 kids are socioeconomically disadvantaged.

So how are our kids doing academically?

- About 1/3 of students statewide perform at or above levels the state considers proficient, so ***2/3's of California's students are not even proficient in basic grade level curriculum.***
- Major achievement gaps persist.

II. FISCAL COSTS

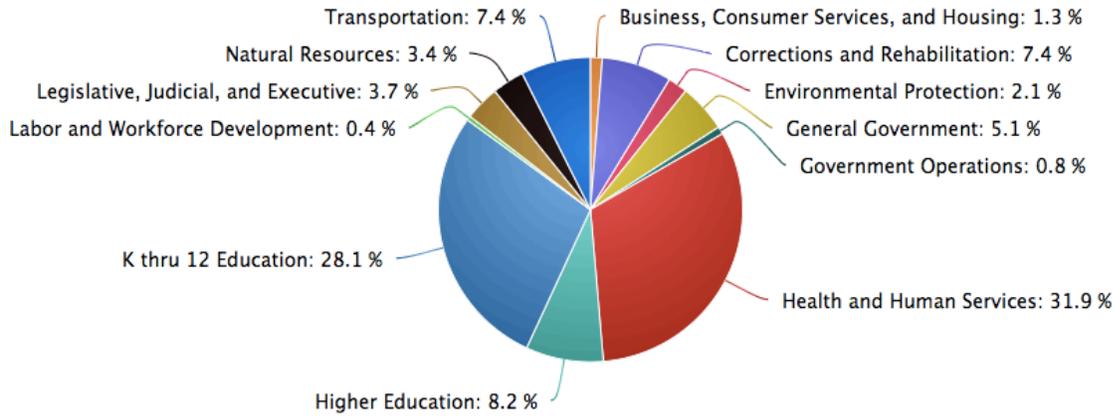
Here is a look at the 2018-19 State Budget.

Health and Human Services and Education make up 68% of the state's expenditures.

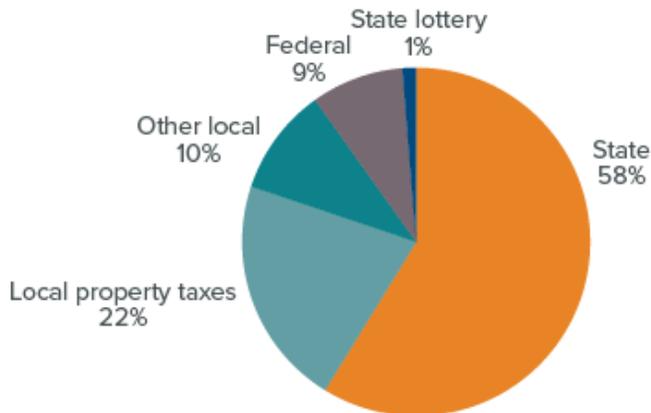
The chart below shows where the lion's share of state revenue comes from:

Personal Income Tax.

Total State Funds Total \$201 Billion



The total funding for CA public education 2018-19 school year: 97.2 billion
 This money came from:
 The state (58%); local taxes (32%); federal government (9%).



97.2 billion = \$15,625 per student.
 The average cost of private school tuition in the State of California: \$13,805

III. GENERAL OVERVIEW OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY / UNIFIED

- ENROLLMENT / DEMOGRAPHICS / TRENDS
 - 508,169 K-12 students in San Diego County (similar to state demographics)
 - 126,400 K-12 students in San Diego Unified School District (SDUSD) (also similar)

WHY UNIFIED MATTERS

SDUSD is the second largest district in the State of California, representing 2% of the student population.

Largest Districts

Rank	District	Enrollment
1	Los Angeles Unified	621,414
2	San Diego Unified	126,400
3	Long Beach Unified	74,681
4	Fresno Unified	73,455
5	Elk Grove Unified	63,297
6	San Francisco Unified	60,263

We have a socially progressive school board that oversees a \$1.3 billion budget. With unfunded pension mandates, and growing operating costs (even though enrollment is in decline) the district continues to face budget shortfalls.

The academic achievement at SDUSD is...terrible. 2018 California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress test scores revealed district students do not grasp basic grade level standards.

- 43.65% of district students could not meet standards in English Language Arts / Literacy
- 52.84% of district students could not meet standards in Math.

Why does this matter? It matters because ALL resources should go towards teaching our students the basic fundamentals. They don't.

Given the facts above...

4 out of 10 kids have English as their second language
6 out of 10 kids are considered socioeconomically disadvantaged
and, fundamentally, that our students don't have basic grade level skills...

...How much money do you think should be spent towards teaching our kids about social justice? How about teaching our kids to write in Arabic? Or how about a US History class that “examines the nation’s beginnings to the 21st Century from the perspective of groups that have been marginalized due to ethnicity, race, class, gender, and sexual identity?”

- ISLAM / CAIR
- CONSTITUTION DAY
- WALKOUT
- SOCIAL JUSTICE
- CLIMATE CHANGE

IV. WHAT CAN I DO?

Stay informed - speak with family and friends.

Contact media, school board members, elected officials. Share your thoughts and concerns.

Adopt a district: see enclosed map of districts within the county. Check every week for school board meeting information. Read over the agenda. What do you see? Introduce yourself to any REP. board members. Be someone they can contact when things are coming up. Get the word back to us, and we will shine light.

Sign up for the RWCS D education committee! I will email you on emerging issues with action items.

V. RESOURCES

All of the information and facts for the material above name from the following:

California Department of Education: www.cde.ca.gov

Public Policy Institute of California: www.ppic.org

SDUSD: sandi.net

Department Of Finance: www.dof.ca.gov

Other websites to check to stay informed of CA Education Policy:

Rough and Tumble: www.rtumble.com

State Board of Education: www.cde.ca.gov/be

Additional Resources

Assembly Education Committee: <https://aedn.assembly.ca.gov/>

Senate Education Committee: <https://sedn.senate.ca.gov/>

US Dept of Edu: www.ed.gov

For a Conservative Viewpoint

Young America’s Foundation: www.yaf.org

The Capitol Resource Institute: www.capitolresource.org

The David Horowitz Freedom Center: www.davidhorowitzfreedomcenter.org

California Family Alliance: CaliforniaFamily.org