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Education Highlights from the Governor’s 2017-18 January Budget Proposal

EC TK-12
- Total Proposition 98 funding is up $2.1 billion from the revised 2016-17 level for a total of $73.5 billion.
- 1.48% Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA). This is applied to the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) base grant target rates and remaining categorical programs.
- LCFF is funded at 96% of the target. Full implementation is still expected in 2020-21.
- County Offices of Education (COEs) that are at their LCFF target will also receive the 1.48% COLA. If they are more than 1.48% above their target, they will not receive an increase.
- Special Education will receive the 1.48% COLA. The Governor also proposes a stakeholder process and review of the Special Education funding system this spring.
- $287 million in one-time discretionary funds for districts and COEs. This is approximately $48 per ADA. These funds are to offset prior year mandates.
- $200 million for Career Technical Education (CTE). This is the third year of a three-year grant program for CTE funding.
- Increase of $93 million for charter school growth.
- One-time deferral of $859 million in LCFF funds from June 2017 to July 2017.
- $10.1 million in Proposition 47 dollars for Community Schools and Restorative Justice Grants.
- The Governor is proposing to extend the three-year plan to increase state preschool slots and provider reimbursement rates to a four-year plan.

Adult Education
- No change to Adult Education.

Community College
- 1.48% Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) to apportionments. The COLA will also be applied to the Apprenticeship, EOPS, DSPS, CalWORKs and Child Care Tax Bailout programs.
- 1.34% in Growth Funding.
- $23.6 million increase in base operating dollars.
- $150 million increase in one-time dollars for the implementation of “guided pathways programs” to help students achieve educational goals.
- $20 million increase in one-time dollars for Innovation Awards.
- $43.7 million increase in one-time dollars for Deferred Maintenance and Instructional Equipment.

University of California
- The Governor’s proposal holds tuition flat at UC (and CSU).
- 4% increase in general fund dollars, consistent with the current agreement between UC and the Governor.
- $169 million Proposition 2 funds one-time for the unfunded liability of the UC Retirement Plan.

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