



# **LOS ANGELES UNIFIED'S COMMUNITY LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING**

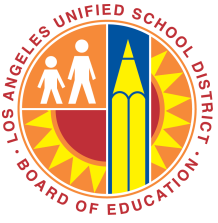
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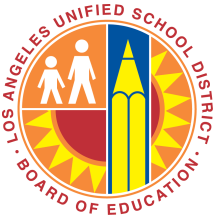
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# Meet the Team

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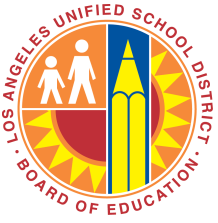
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- Olga Shilo – Legislative Advocate
- Deborah Bautista Zavala – Legislative Advocate
- Laura Matz – Senior Secretary
- Colleen Pagter – Legislative Liaison

# Legislative Advocacy Overview



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- OGR's Advocacy Role
  - ▣ Advocate at the local, state, and federal levels
  - ▣ Develop and execute a legislative advocacy agenda that is coherent and aligned with District priorities
  - ▣ Develop and maintain relationships with elected officials
  - ▣ Analyze and monitor legislation and regulatory bodies
  - ▣ Assist with implementation of new laws

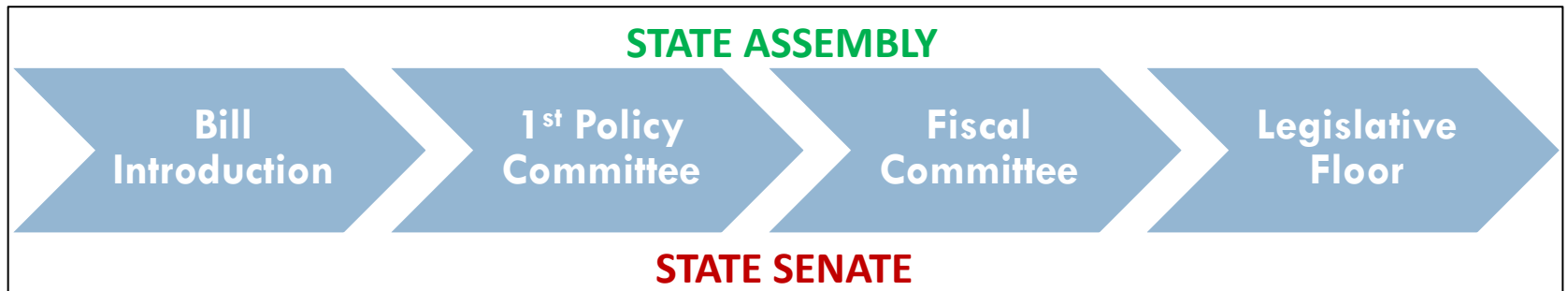


# Legislative Process Overview

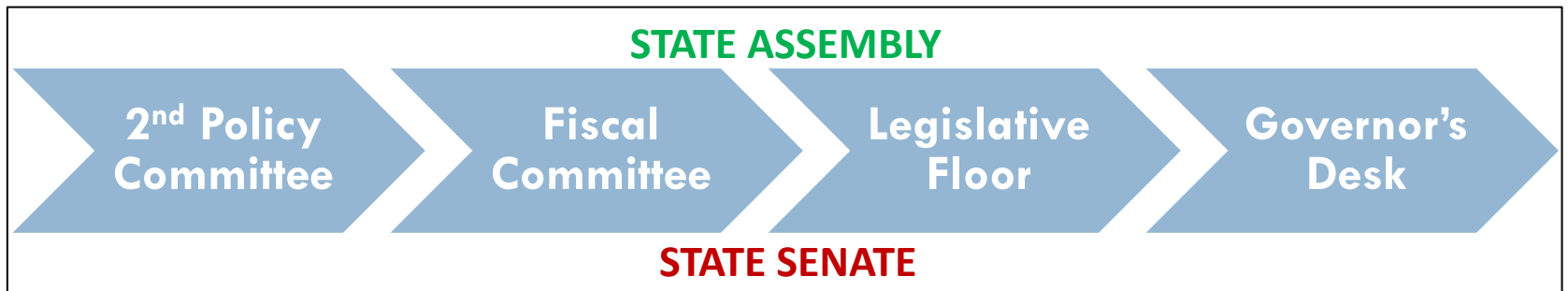
# Legislative Process

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## Phase 1 of the Legislative Process



## Phase 2 of the Legislative Process

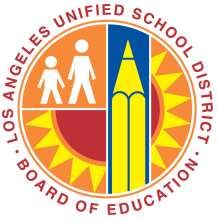


# 2020 Legislative Calendar



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- **January 6<sup>th</sup>** – Legislature Reconvenes
- **January 10<sup>th</sup>** – Governor Releases Proposed Budget
- **February 21<sup>th</sup>** – Bill Introduction Deadline
- **May 15<sup>th</sup>** – Governor Releases Revised Budget (estimate)
- **June 15<sup>th</sup>** – Last Day for Legislature to Pass Budget Bill
- **July 13<sup>rd</sup>** – Legislature Reconvenes from Summer Recess
- **August 31<sup>st</sup>** – Last Day for Before Legislature Adjourns
- **September 30<sup>th</sup>** – Last Day for Governor to Sign or Veto Bills



# 2020 Legislative Priorities



# LAUSD Sponsored Legislation

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## □ **Not moving forward Due To COVID-19**

- **AB 2184 (O'Donnell)** – Facility-related issues
- **AB 2175 (Gipson)** – Authorizes school-based programs for Clear School Nurses Services Credential
- **AB 2412 (Carrillo)** – Provides alternatives to expulsion for the sale of marijuana.
- **SB 1075 (Gonzalez)** – Increase access to Expanded Transitional Kindergarten
- **SB 1153 (Rubio)** – Makes kindergarten a mandatory grade level
- **SB 1176 (Rubio)** – Minimizes the cost of fingerprinting fees for parent volunteers
- **AB 3324 (O'Donnell)** – Prohibits the Department of State Architect from requiring additional state review of workforce housing projects on school district property
- **AB 3180 (Gabriel)** – Authorizes LEAs to adopt a local policy for the disposal of vaping devices.

## □ **Still Moving Forward**

- **AB 1859 (Santiago)** – Extends sunset date on employee eligibility lists
- **AB 1981 (Nazarian)** - Extends the pilot program authorization for LAUSD to use the best value procurement method
- **AB 3308 (Gabriel)** – Authorizes the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee to allow for employer-specific preferences when issuing Low Income Housing Tax Credits



# Pending Key Legislation

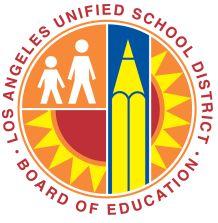
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## LAUSD Supports

- **ACA 5 (Weber)** - Constitutional amendment to overturn the 1996 Proposition 209 that banned the consideration of race, gender, and ethnicity in college admissions, government hiring and contracting.
- **SB 793 (Hill)** - Prohibits the retail sale of flavored tobacco products - including flavored electronic cigarettes.
- **Digital Divide Bills**
  - **AB 2626 (Bauer-Kahan)** - Requires the California Research Bureau to conduct research on ways to close the digital divide through policies.
  - **SB 1130 (Gonzalez)** - Requires the California Public Utilities Commission to approve projects that provide high-capacity broadband infrastructure to households in underserved areas.

## LAUSD Monitoring

- **AB 331 (Medina)** - Adds the completion of a one-semester course in ethnic studies to the high school graduation requirements commencing with the 2024–25 school year.
- **AB 1196 (Gipson)** - Prohibits a law enforcement agency from authorizing the use of a carotid restraint or a choke hold.
- **AB 1350 (Gonzalez)** - Authorizes a district to retroactively grant a high school diploma to a person who was in their senior year of high school during the 2019–20 school year; in good academic standing as of March 1, 2020; and unable to complete the statewide graduation requirements as a result of the COVID-19 crisis.



# Recent Federal Actions



# CARES Act – Signed

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- **Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund:** \$13.2 billion in formula funding for LEA's based on Title I formula. California received \$1.48 billion
- **Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund:** \$3 billion in flexible funding. Governors can allocate at their discretion for emergency grants to support the needs of their LEA's and their institutions of higher education. California received \$355 million.
- **Coronavirus Relief Fund:** \$150 billion for payments to State, Local, and Tribal governments. California received a total of \$15.3 billion with \$9.5 billion paid to the State. Los Angeles County received \$1 billion and the City of Los Angeles received almost \$700 million.
- **Child Nutrition Programs:** \$8.8 billion
- **Child Care and Development Block Grant:** \$3.5 billion



# HEROES Act – Pending

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- ❑ **Funding for States:** \$500 billion for states and the District of Columbia. Estimated that California could receive about \$48 billion over two years.
- ❑ **Local Fiscal Relief Fund:** \$375 billion to municipalities and counties.
- ❑ **State Fiscal Stabilization Fund:** \$90 billion to education. About \$58 billion for LEAs based on the Title I formula, and about \$27 billion for public postsecondary education. Estimated that California would receive about \$10.7 billion with approximately \$7 billion going to LEA's.
- ❑ **E-Rate funding:** \$1.5 billion to help connect schools and libraries
- ❑ **Child Nutrition Programs:** \$3 billion
- ❑ **Pandemic EBT:** Extends the program through the summer and until schools reopen.



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# 2020-21 State Budget

# Final 2020-21 State Budget



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- No COLA for LCFF or categorical programs (ASES, early education Adult Education), but no major programmatic reductions.
- Between \$5.2 billion and \$11 billion in K-12 payment deferrals. Amount would be reduced if the state receives additional flexible federal funding by October 15th.
- \$545 million in special education funding to increase SELPA base rates to \$625 per student and \$100 million to increase funding for students with low-incidence disabilities.

# Final 2020-21 State Budget



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- Allocates \$5.5 billion in discretionary federal funds for one-time COVID-19 school closure impacts:
  - ▣ \$5.3 billion to all LEAs for learning loss mitigation
  - ▣ \$112 million for LEA school meal reimbursements during summer and COVID-19 closures
  - ▣ \$45 million for existing Community School models

# Final 2020-21 State Budget

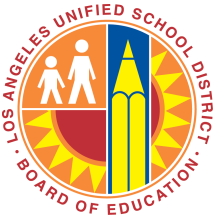


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- Replaces the annual LCAP update previously extended to December 15<sup>th</sup> with the adoption of a 2020-21 Continuity of Learning and Attendance plan by September 30<sup>th</sup>
- State Superintendent will convene a Young People's Task Force to develop guidance to promote culturally competent interactions between school resource officers and young people on school campuses.
- Extends the testing window for English Language Proficiency Assessments to October 30<sup>th</sup>.



# What's Next



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- MTA Transit Passes
- End of Session
- Re-Opening of Schools
- Potential state budget discussions
- LAUSD Planning for 2021 Advocacy



# U.S. Census – Through October

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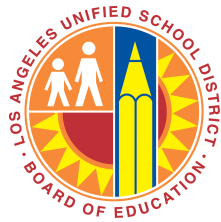
- **School Based Outreach:** 454 LAUSD schools will receive \$2,000 for school site engagement.
- **2020 Census Awareness Week:** LAUSD will host a 2020 Census awareness week from September 14-18.
- **Grab & Go Promotion:** Grab & Go Food Centers are promoting 2020 Census with vinyl banners at each site and postcards. Hand sanitizer for families and Census facemasks for volunteers will also be distributed at Centers.
- **Public Service Announcements:** A PSA, available in six languages, informs families how classrooms, schools and communities benefit from the Census.
- **2020 Census MOU with Third Party Organizations:** LAUSD will process agreements for organizations funded to lead 2020 Census engagement remotely in coordination with school administrators.

# Schools & Communities First – Nov. 2020



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- LAUSD Board of Education passed a resolution to endorse the California Schools and Local Communities Funding Act.
- Ballot measure is also known as “Schools and Communities First” or “Split Roll/Prop. 13 Reform.”
- Estimated \$11 billion annually by reforming the commercial property tax loophole created by Proposition 13 in 1978.
- K-14 schools would receive approximately 40 percent of funds, and the rest intended for local governments.
- Los Angeles County would receive an estimated \$1.4 billion for K-12 education and community colleges.



# Q & A

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