CONFERENCE PACKAGE
K-12 and HIGHER EDUCATION AGENDA
VARIOUS ITEMS – 6100 Department of Education and 6870 California Community Colleges

TOPIC: PROPOSITION 98 PACKAGE

VOTE: Assembly 3-2, Senate 3-2

The following Conference Package is proposed:

• Total Funding for Proposition 98 of $74.5 billion for 2017-18, $71.4 billion for 2016-17 and $69.1 billion for 2015-16. This includes the adoption of May Revision revenues and Legislative Analyst Office property tax estimates with the exception of RDA-related property taxes. The package also includes $603 million in Proposition 98 Settle-up payments.

• Funding for K-12 Education includes approximately $1.36 billion in ongoing LCFF Implementation funding, approximately $876 million in one-time discretionary funding for K-12 Education, allocated in the 2017-18 fiscal year (with no contingency language) and the following:
  o $50 million in ongoing Proposition 98 funding for the After School Education and Safety Program
  o A cost-of-living-adjustment for the K-12 Mandates Block Grant Program and the inclusion of the CAASPP mandate with no additional funding.
  o $25 million in one-time funding for the Classified Employee Grant Program
  o $10 million in one-time funding for professional development on History Social Science and Health curriculums
$10 million in one-time funding for the Department of Social Services to provide funding to school districts with high refugee populations.

$7 million in ongoing funding for the County Offices of Education accountability workload, including trailer bill language to require additional collaboration with the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence, and additional accountability-related activities.

$5 million in one-time funding for the Bilingual Educator Program.

$5 million in one-time funding for the California Historical Society to provide archival resources related to the History and Social Science Frameworks.

$4 million in one-time funding for the California Regional Environmental Education Community Network, with $1.5 million of this funding for production of materials.

$3 million for the Riverside County Office of Education to provide access to online educational resources to K-12 schools and students, consistent with direction from the State Librarian.

$2.5 million in one-time funding for Equity Performance and Improvement Team grants to LEAs.

$1.5 million in one-time funding for the California-Grown Fresh School Meals Grant Program to provide grants to local educational agencies for including more California grown produce in school lunches and expand freshly prepared school lunch options.

$502,000 in one-time funding for the CAASPP Science Academy

$50,000 in one-time funding for the CDE to contract with the San Joaquin County Office of Education to develop a California School Dashboard mobile application.
Related Placeholder Trailer Bill Language:

- Adopts the Governor’s proposal to increase rates for the Charter School Facilities Incentive Grant Program, including a cost-of-living-adjustment in future years.

- Adopts the Assembly proposal for 12 month extension of the Proposition 39 encumbrance date for local educational agencies (LEAs).

- Adopts the Assembly proposal for the K-12 Facilities Grant Program audit trailer bill language that allows LEAs to use local funds to repay ineligible expenses, with the collection agency to be the Department of Education.

- Adopts conference compromise language to extend the district of choice program by 5 years to ensure accountability and equity in the program.

- Adopts language to specify that employees who work directly with schools for the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence are deemed employees of the fiscal agent for purposes of participation in the State Teachers’ Retirement System or the Public Employees’ Retirement System.

- Adopts language specifying that the calculation of the Academic Performance Index is suspended by one additional year.

- Adopts language to waive the penalty associated with excess administrative employees for 2016-17 and 2017-18 for a school district with enrollment of greater the 500,000 K-12 students.

- Adopts language requiring the Imperial County Office of Education as the lead agency for the High Speed Network to develop a methodology for selecting and implementing network upgrade projects.
Funding for California Community Colleges includes ongoing unallocated base increase of $183.6 million ongoing to address operating expenses at community colleges, $150 million one-time to implement the Guided Pathways Program, $76.8 million for deferred maintenance and instructional equipment, including the following:

- $25 million ongoing to create and support the Community College Completion Grant, and trailer bill language to implement the program.

- $11.3 million one-time to support Compton Community College’s transition back from a center of El Camino Community College to a standalone college, and trailer bill language regarding stabilization funding.

- $7 million one-time funding to support veterans resource centers, of which $2 million one-time would support the Norco Community College’s veterans resource center. Additionally, the budget provides $5 million ongoing to support and expand veteran’s resource centers, with placeholder trailer bill language regarding the program.

- $2.5 million one-time to provide Title IX training to prevent sexual harassment, violence and assault.

- $2.5 million ongoing to support the Umoja Program.

- $20 million one-time to support the innovation awards, and adopt placeholder trailer bill language regarding the program.

- $5 million ongoing to support Part-Time Faculty Office Hours.

- $1 million ongoing funding for Financial Aid Administration.
$1 million one-time to support the Academic Senate’s work on the course identification numbering system, and adopt trailer bill language to allow the Chancellor’s Office to contract with the Academic Senate.

$25 million to support an increase in the Full-Time Student Success Grant.

$2.5 million one-time to fund Hunger-Free campus grants.

$8 million one-time to the Economic Workforce Development Program to provide grants to areas with high unemployment.

$4.5 million one-time to support mental health services for students.

$0.5 million ongoing to provide a cost-of-living-adjustment to the mandate block grant.

Approve six additional capital outlay projects above the Governor’s May Revision proposal to also include:

- Solano Community College District, Solano College: Library Building 100 Replacement
- Sonoma County Community College District, Santa Rosa Junior College: Science & Mathematics Replacement
- West Hills Community College District, North District Center: Center Expansion
- West Valley-Mission Community College District, Mission College: MT Portables Replacement Building
- Rancho Santiago Community College District, Santa Ana College: Russell Hall Replacement
- Long Beach Community College District, Pacific Coast Campus: Construction Trades