

RANCHO SANTIAGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

website: [Fiscal Resources Committee](#)

Agenda for Wednesday, September 17, 2025

1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting

1. Welcome
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 - SSC – Key Bills Fail Second House Policy Committee Deadline
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 - SSC – Governor Announces Education Partnership with AI Companies
 - SSC – Appropriations Committees Take up Suspense Files
 - SSC – Initiative Launched to Extend Proposition 30
 - SSC – Top Legislative Issues- September 5, 2025
 - [DOF – Finance Bulletin-August 2025](#)
3. Multi-year Projections
4. Economic Development Report – Sarah Fisher
5. 2026-27 Draft Budget Calendar
6. Standing Report from District Council – Tara Kubicka-Miller
7. Informational Handouts
 - District-wide expenditure report link: <https://intranet.rscdd.edu>
 - Vacant Funded Position List as of September 10, 2025
 - Monthly Cash Flow Summary as of August 31, 2025
 - [SAC Planning and Budget Committee Agendas and Minutes](#)
 - [SCC Budget Committee Agendas and Minutes](#)
8. Approval of FRC Minutes – August 20, 2025
9. Other

Next FRC Committee Meeting: Wednesday, October 15, 2025, 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm

The Rancho Santiago Community College District aspires to provide equitable, exemplary educational programs and services in safe, inclusive, and supportive learning environments that empower our diverse students and communities to achieve their personal, professional, and academic goals.



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PUBLIC EDUCATION'S POINT OF REFERENCE FOR MAKING EDUCATED DECISIONS

CCCCO Releases Lottery Rate Accruals and Revenue Projections

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The State Controller's Office (SCO) distributed the 2024-25 third quarter Lottery apportionment to the California Community Colleges. As of June 30, 2025, the total amount apportioned through the third quarter is \$159.93 per full-time equivalent student (FTES) in unrestricted revenues and \$49.22 per FTES in Proposition 20 revenues.

In addition to the third quarter apportionment, the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) estimates that fourth quarter accruals will be \$35.44 per FTES for the unrestricted Lottery and \$39.00 per FTES for the Proposition 20 Lottery funding.

Finally, based on revenue projections from the California State Lottery Commission, the CCCCCO projects Lottery funding for 2025-26 to be \$272.00 per FTES (\$190.00 per FTES in unrestricted Lottery revenues and \$82.00 per FTES in Proposition 20 Lottery revenues).

For more detail on the third quarter apportionment for 2024-25 and other Lottery funding information, visit the CCCCCO website [here](#). For the apportionment detail, please visit the SCO website [here](#).



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Key Bills Fail Second House Policy Committee Deadline



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The Legislature returns from its summer recess today, Monday, August 18, 2025, with four weeks remaining to move bills through second house Appropriations Committees and final floor votes.

Before we preview the last four weeks of the session in an upcoming article, we wanted to inform you which key community college-related bills failed to meet the July 18, 2025, second house policy committee deadline, just prior to the summer recess. Unless a rule waiver is granted, these measures are now inactive for the remainder of 2025. However, because this is the first year of the two-year legislative session, they may be revived in 2026 and resume from where they left off in the second house.

Below is a summary of the stalled measures and the policy committees they would need to clear in the second house next year to move forward in 2026.

Assembly Bill (AB) 48 (Alvarez, D-San Diego)—**Education Finance: Postsecondary Education Facilities: College Health and Safety Bond Act of 2026**. This bill would enact the College Health and Safety Bond Act of 2026 as a state general obligation bond act that would provide an unspecified dollar amount to construct and modernize education facilities, including affordable student housing. The bond act would only become operative if approved by the voters at an unspecified statewide election in 2026.

It is not surprising to see AB 48 be held this year since the author is still working with interest holders to determine the bond's cost and which ballot they want to put it on next year. The bill was not referred to a second house policy committee before the July 18 deadline; however, it will likely be referred to the Senate Education Committee and Senate Housing Committee if Assemblymember David Alvarez pursues the bond next year.

AB 65 (Aguilar-Curry, D-Winters)—**School and Community College Employees: Paid Disability and Parental Leave**. This bill would require K-14 public school employers to provide up to 14 weeks of full pay for employees due to pregnancy-related disability or recovery.

AB 65 was double referred to the Senate Education Committee and the Senate Labor, Public Employment and Retirement Committee. Since the bill did not receive a hearing in either of those committees, it will still need to clear those policy committees if it gets revived next year.

It is important to note that an identical measure made it all the way to the Senate floor last year but never received a vote after “contingent upon an appropriation” language was added to the measure in the Senate Appropriations Committee.

AB 395 (Gabriel, D-Encino)—Holidays. This bill would require community college districts (CCDs), the California State University, and TK-12 schools to consider religious, cultural, and ancestral holidays when setting academic calendars, and to make reasonable efforts to avoid scheduling the first day of school or graduation on dates when community members may be unable to attend due to observance of such holidays. The bill also requires meaningful consultation with affected communities in making these determinations.

AB 395 was double referred to the Senate Education Committee and the Senate Judiciary Committee. It passed the Senate Education Committee unanimously but failed to receive a hearing in the Judiciary Committee.

AB 402 (Patel, D-San Diego)—Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program and the California Community College Expanded Entitlement Program. This bill would set, beginning with the 2026-27 award year, and subject to an appropriation, the maximum tuition award amount for new Cal Grant A and B recipients attending an independent institution of higher education (ICCU) at either \$9,708 or \$8,056, with the higher amount conditioned on the achievement of the target numbers for associate degree for transfer commitments that apply for the prior award year. The bill would authorize a student who receives a California Community College Expanded Entitlement Award and who subsequently transfers to an ICCU to remain eligible to receive the award.

AB 402 was referred to the Senate Education Committee but did not receive a hearing prior to the July 18 deadline, which means the bill will need to clear that committee if it gets revived next year.

AB 409 (Arambula, D-Fresno)—Teleconferences: Community College Student Body Associations and Student-Run Organizations. Current law, until January 1, 2026, authorizes a California Community Colleges student body association and other specified student-run community college organizations to use alternate teleconferencing provisions related to notice, agenda, and public participation if the board of trustees of the CCD has adopted an authorizing resolution and two-thirds of an eligible legislative body votes to use the alternate teleconferencing provisions. This bill would extend the sunset date to January 1, 2030.

AB 409 was double referred to the Senate Education Committee and the Senate Local Government Committee. It did not receive a hearing in either committee, so it will need to clear both of those committees if it gets revived next year.

Senate Bill (SB) 226 (Cabaldon, D-Yolo)—Community Colleges: Territory Transfers Between Districts. This bill would authorize the Board of Governors (BOG) to approve the transfer of territory from specified CCDs to another district upon its own initiative or upon the filing of a petition by the governing board of a district or the county

committee on school district organization for the county where territory would be transferred. The bill would require the BOG to ensure that a transfer of territory and any necessary agreements between the CCDs comply with and meet the requirements of specified provisions of existing state law, including that the reorganization of any district does not affect the classification of academic employees already employed by any district affected and that the transfer agreement provides for the allocation of funds, property, and obligations affected by the transfer.

SB 226 was referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee but did not receive a hearing prior to the July 18 deadline, which means the bill will need to clear that committee if it gets revived next year.



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Economy Is Sending Mixed Signals



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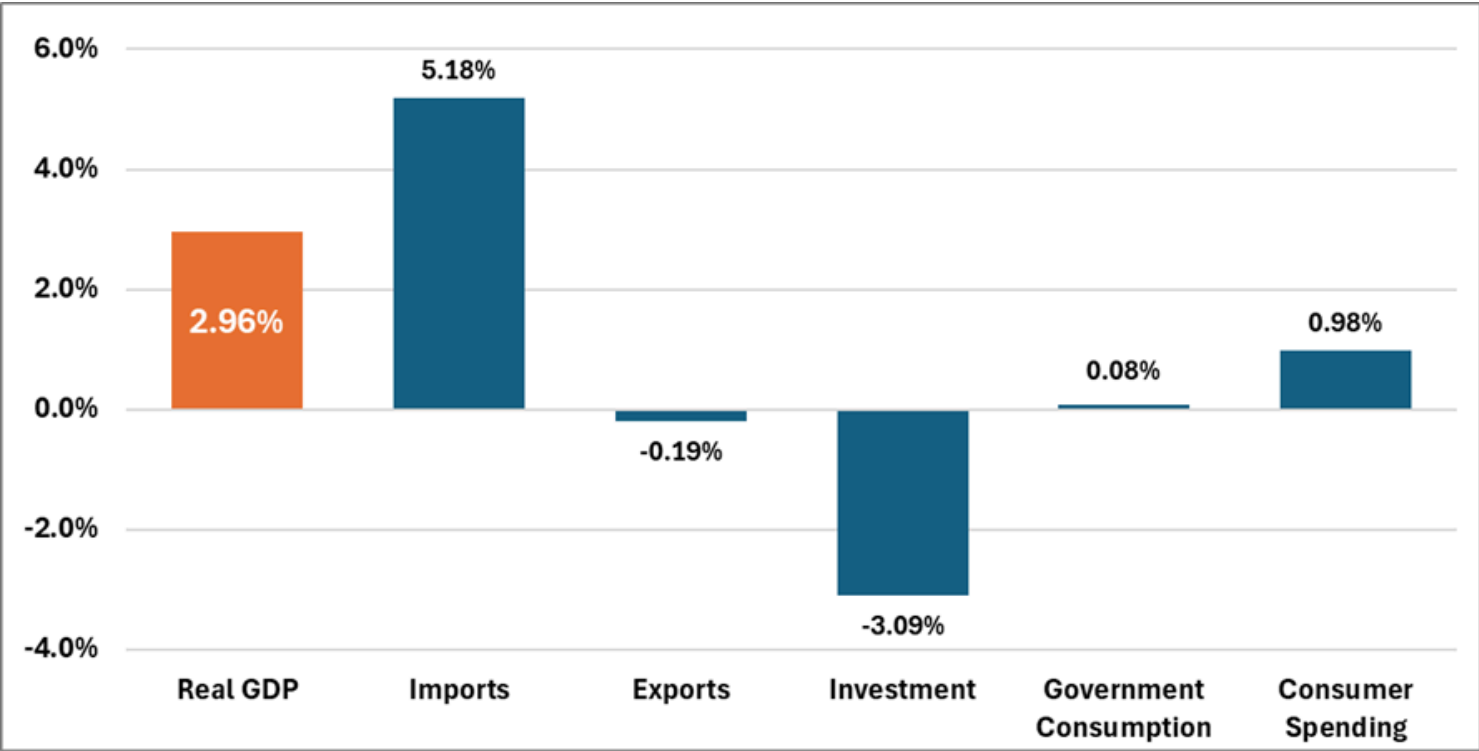
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The recent spate of economic news paints a blurry picture for the U.S. and California economy, starting with the Bureau of Economic Analysis's (BEA) latest posting of gross domestic product (GDP) for the second quarter of 2025 to more recent data about inflation trends.

Following a 0.5% decline in the GDP for the first quarter of this year, the BEA's preliminary estimates for the second quarter show a surprising uptick in national production (3.0%). However, a closer look at the data suggests that the increase is primarily due to a reduction in imports, which is negatively correlated with GDP. The reason is simple: the more we rely on imported goods, the less we need to produce those goods domestically, thus dampening national production. The reduction in imports followed a surge of import activity at the start of the year as businesses began stockpiling inventory in anticipation of increased tariffs planned by the Trump Administration. We could see second quarter GDP trends reverse as stockpiles deplete and businesses once again begin importing goods—it's simply too soon to tell, and two quarters of data in an evolving global trade paradigm does not constitute a trend.

Figure 1. Contributions to Percent Change in Real GDP (2nd Quarter, 2025)

Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rate Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Just two days after the GDP figures were released, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) posted unexpected July employment data that drew intense ire from President Donald Trump, who called for the immediate dismissal of BLS Commissioner Erika McEntarfer. The President expressed a lack of confidence in the monthly employment numbers, suggesting that the downward revisions to prior months' data were politically motivated. In June 2025, the BLS estimated that May and June nonfarm payroll numbers would be 125,000 and 258,000 higher than its revised July estimates. Moreover, the agency's preliminary estimates for July employment project a modest monthly increase of 73,000 new nonfarm jobs. The magnitude of these revisions and the weakening labor market they depict, alongside other recent revisions to U.S. employment data, has been scrutinized heavily by many, including President Trump and his economic advisers. And just ten days later, President Trump nominated one of the most vocal critics, E.J. Antoni, to lead the agency.

Figure 2. Monthly Total Nonfarm Payroll Employment

(In thousands, seasonally adjusted)

	June Release	July Release	July Revision
April	159,433	159,433	0
May	159,577	159,452	(125)
June	159,724	159,466	(258)
July	N/A	159,539	N/A

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Ahead of his nomination to the BLS's top post, Antoni not only criticized the monthly jobs report, but suggested that the agency suspend publishing its conventional reports and replace it with more accurate albeit less timely data. His suggestion sent ripples through the business and economic community that rely on frequent labor market updates to make investment and other business decisions. Despite ongoing concerns about the veracity of BLS employment figures, economists generally agree that the U.S. labor market is weakening. The latest UCLA Anderson Forecast predicts that U.S. unemployment will reach 4.5% in early 2026 before slowly improving in 2027.

Managing unemployment with monetary policy is one of the Federal Reserve's (Fed) mandates. The other, of course, is controlling prices. The latest inflation report shows that the Consumer Price Index increased 0.2% in July to an annual rate of 2.7%. Core inflation, which excludes volatile commodities of food and energy, rose slightly faster at 0.3%, bringing the 12-month rate to 3.1% at the end of July. While relatively steady, these figures are still above the Fed's 2.0% target rate for inflation. This, coupled with the still unknown long-term impacts of global trade policy changes, has caused the Fed to pause reducing interest rates, which, like the former BLS commissioner, has drawn protracted criticism from some economists and specifically President Trump who has repeatedly called for Fed Chair Jerome Powell to step down, suggested firing him, and more recently began considering suing him over cost overruns related to renovations of the Fed's headquarters.

The Federal Open Market Committee, which decides monetary policy changes, is scheduled to meet next in mid-September, during which many speculate they will cut rates for the first time since December 2024, by 25 basis points.

Of the things the Fed will be watching closely is any development in tariff negotiations between the U.S. and its key trading partners. While a few deals have been announced, including ones with Japan and the European Union (EU), their details are still pending. For example, the agreement struck with the EU at the end of July reportedly includes a \$600 billion commitment to invest in various U.S. sectors; however, the EU itself does not have the authority to commit private businesses in its participating countries to future investment strategies. And while the deal averts 30% reciprocal tariffs, it imposes a new broadly applied 15% tariff on most imported European commodities that, prior to the Trump Administration, averaged 1.47%. How and if these increased duties will

trickle to everyday American consumers is still unknown. Further, trade negotiations between the U.S. and its largest trading partners—China, Canada, and Mexico—are still ongoing, and the free trade agreement between the U.S. and its bordering economic partners is set to be reviewed next year.

The economic impact of changing trade relations and tariff regimes will continue to evolve, but they are certain to affect U.S. production, employment, and prices in the future. The question remains if the effect will be good or bad.

It's too soon to tell.



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General Fund Revenues Tracking June Budget Estimates

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Today, August 19, 2025, the Department of Finance (DOF) issued its August 2025 *Finance Bulletin* (Bulletin), showing that state General Fund revenues for 2025-26 are tracking with projections included in the State Budget enacted in June.

For the first month of the fiscal year, total revenues exceeded Budget Act estimates by \$60 million due largely to better-than-expected personal income tax receipts (+\$290 million), interest earned on funds in the state’s Pooled Money Investment Account (+109 million), and “other” revenue (+\$120 million). These revenues were offset by underperforming corporation tax and sales tax revenues, which were less than Budget Act projections by \$428 million and \$50 million, respectively.

Revenues from the “Big Three” taxes make up the lion’s share of resources the state relies on to fund government programs, and, according to the DOF, those tax receipts came in lower than Budget Act estimates by \$188 million.

Figure 1. “Big Three” Tax Revenues, 2025-26 Fiscal Year-To-Date

(In millions)

	Forecast	Actual	Difference
Personal Income	\$ 8,207	\$ 8,497	\$ 290
Corporation	\$ 1,333	\$ 906	\$ (428)
Sales and Use	\$ 1,437	\$ 1,387	\$ (50)
Total	\$ 10,977	\$ 10,790	\$ (188)

The Bulletin also reiterated that total revenues for the 2024-25 fiscal year exceeded Budget Act projections by \$2.7 billion; thus, when Governor Gavin Newsom releases his State Budget proposal in January 2026, we can expect to see an adjustment reflecting the higher revenues to the Proposition 98 minimum guarantee.

In addition to an update on state General Fund revenues, the Bulletin provided other economic updates, including latest gross domestic product, inflation, and employment data, which we covered in our August 2025 *Community College Update* article, [“Economy Is Sending Mixed Signals”](#)

Finally, the stress on California’s housing market persists, according to the DOF. Through June 2025, year-to-date housing permits totaled 98,000, which was down 0.8% from May 2025 and 5.6% from last June. Permits for both single-family and multi-family dwellings were down on a year-over-year basis. These housing market figures precede changes to the California Environmental Quality Act included in the 2025-26 Enacted Budget intended to expedite affordable housing construction.



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Ask SSC . . . Choosing the Right CPI for Smarter Bargaining

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Q. Which Consumer Price Index (CPI) should we use for comparison purposes? It is our understanding that California has several.

A. You may have heard us say to prepare for bargaining as if you are going all the way to factfinding. We believe that if you do, it will be helpful in coming to a settlement and avoiding the impasse process. Knowing what data an independent factfinder would consider can be helpful when developing compensation proposals. One of the seven criteria that factfinders must consider before making their findings and recommendations is “the consumer price index of goods and services, commonly known as the cost of living” (Government Code Sections 3548.2[b][5]).

The State of California Division of Labor Statistics and Research lists five CPIs in the state. They are as follows:

- Los Angeles Area
- Riverside Area
- San Francisco Area
- San Diego Area
- California

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) cautions that local area indexes—such as the Los Angeles Area, Riverside Area, San Diego Area, and San Francisco Area indexes—are much smaller in sample size than the national and California indexes and are, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes are more volatile than the national, state, or regional indexes, and the BLS strongly urges users to consider utilizing the national or regional CPIs for use in escalator clauses. We agree with the BLS and use the State of California CPI during impasse proceedings.

It is important to acknowledge that the cost-of-living adjustments that are used on the Student Centered Funding Formula are not based on the California CPI, but rather on the Implicit Price Deflator for State and Local Government Purchases of Goods and Services. This is a federal index that is not uniquely designed to measure price changes for California. As a result, your district’s ability to keep its compensation levels generally in line with changes in the California CPI will depend upon the relative performance of these two indices.

The Government Code is silent on which CPI to use, so you should proceed in your negotiations armed with an understanding of both the CPI and the Implicit Price Deflator, no matter which CPI you use for comparison purposes.



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Legislature Returns from Summer Recess



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On Monday, August 18, 2025, the Legislature returned from its monthlong summer recess and thus began the sprint to the end of the first year of the 2025-26 Legislative Session. By September 12, 2025, legislative measures will need to have passed the final two hurdles before being sent to Governor Gavin Newsom for his consideration: the Appropriations Committee and concluding floor votes by the entire Legislature.

The big issue drawing national attention is the legislative package that Governor Newsom is spearheading to change the congressional maps for the 2026, 2028, and 2030 elections. The bill package is in response to Republican lawmakers in Texas pushing a mid decade congressional redistricting plan aimed at gaining five additional U.S. House seats ahead of the 2026 midterm election (see “[New Congressional Districts May Be on the Horizon](#)” in the August 2025 *Community College Update*).

Key Community College Bills

For community college districts (CCDs), there are number of significant measures that lawmakers will be considering over the next four weeks, including the following:

- Assembly Bill (AB) 90 (Jackson, D-Moreno Valley) would require CCDs to establish a program to allow overnight parking by eligible students.
- AB 323 (Fong, D-Alhambra) would require the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office (CCCCO) to revise any Strong Workforce Program policies or regulations necessary to provide students and employers with paid work-based learning opportunities.
- AB 340 (Ahrens, D-Silicon Valley) would prohibit a public employer from questioning an employee or employee representative regarding representation-related communications made in confidence between the employee and employee representative.
- AB 537 (Ahrens) would reduce the minimum unit requirement for students to qualify for a California College Promise fee waiver from 12 or more units (full-time) to nine units.

- AB 695 (Fong) would exempt community college students from paying nonresident tuition if they were involuntarily deported due to immigration enforcement and reenroll in an online education program.
- AB 731 (Fong) would amend the dual enrollment program, College and Career Access Pathways partnerships, to align with best practices, in order to streamline access to dual enrollment for high school students throughout the state.
- AB 1028 (Fong) would require, if a governing board of a CCD terminates a part-time faculty member, the governing board comply with the procedures delineated in the collective bargaining agreement.
- AB 1067 (Quirk-Silva, D-Fullerton) would require a public employer to continue an investigation of a public employee for misconduct, even after a public employee retires, if the public employer's investigation indicates that the public employee may have committed a crime.
- AB 1400 (Soria, D-Merced) would require the CCCCCO to develop a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program that authorizes select CCDs to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.
- Senate Bill (SB) 98 (Pérez, D-Pasadena) is an urgency measure and would require higher education institutions and K-12 campuses to issue notification to specified individuals when the presence of immigration enforcement is confirmed on their respective campuses or sites.
- SB 494 (Cortese, D-San Jose) would authorize a permanent classified employee of a TK-14 district to appeal disciplinary action to a contracted administrative law judge, paid by the district and jointly selected by the district and the employee or their employee organization unless the employee organization and the school district have agreed to an alternative method of appealing disciplinary action.
- SB 638 (Padilla, D-San Diego) would establish the California Education and Workforce Development Coordinating Entity to serve as the statewide planning and coordinating body for career technical education, career pathways, and workforce development.
- SB 640 (Cabaldon, D-Yolo) would require the California Community Colleges to promote the California State University dual admission transfer program and require the creation of at least five transfer model curricula that are unrelated to existing associate degrees for transfer.

Next Steps

After the September 12 deadline for bills to clear the Legislature, the attention will shift to Governor Newsom, who will have until October 12 to sign or veto legislation. In recent years, Governor Newsom has vetoed numerous bills that would impose costs on the state not accounted for in the Enacted Budget. With the state having faced a \$12 billion shortfall in 2025-26 and projected deficits in the near term, we anticipate the Governor will continue this cautious approach to new spending.

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Governor Announces Education Partnership with AI Companies



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Earlier this month, Governor Gavin Newsom [announced](#) that California had signed with four of the largest technology companies in the Generative Artificial Intelligence (GenAI) sector: Google, Adobe, IBM, and Microsoft.

Governor Newsom says that the goal of the agreements is to help train California's workforce for a wide range of jobs in AI, including preparing students in high school, community colleges, and California State Universities for high-paying careers in these fields. Newsom contends that these agreements will allow schools and industry partners to work together to make it easier for students to develop the skills they need to move from the classroom to the workforce.

California Community Colleges Chancellor Sonya Christian said the following about the new agreements: "This new partnership with leading AI companies brings cutting-edge skills and tools directly to our students, faculty, staff, and communities—expanding opportunity and ensuring that Californians are prepared to thrive in the future world of work shaped by AI. As the largest workforce training provider in the nation, we play a pivotal role in developing California's talent and guiding the responsible and equitable use of Generative AI."

In terms of next steps, the press release says that key leadership from this newly announced partnership will begin the implementation phase, continuing their efforts to harness GenAI to enhance the lives of all Californians.



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Appropriations Committees Take up Suspense Files



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Last Friday, August 29, 2025, the Appropriations Committees in both the Senate and the Assembly, chaired by Senator Anna Caballero (D-Merced) and Assemblymember Buffy Wicks (D-Oakland), respectively, dispatched several hundred bills with little commentary other than to announce the vote and provide a short description of any amendments taken.

The committees met to act on the over 700 bills that were pending consideration on the suspense files. The suspense files serve as a legislative 'purgatory' where legislation that has a fiscal impact is placed until all the measures having an impact on the state's finances can be considered together. With Friday's actions, the bills approved by the committees will move forward to the Senate and Assembly floors for consideration before the legislative year ends on September 12, 2025. Any bill held by the Appropriations Committee is considered dead unless the committee makes it a two-year bill, which permits the author to revive the measure in 2026.

Below is a summary of a number of noteworthy community college bills that will be moving forward to the house floors, the measures designated as two-year bills, and also those significant bills that were ultimately held by the committee. Many of the approved bills that we summarize are being amended coming out of committee (and some quite significantly), and we will use this week's "Top Legislative Issues" article to provide updated summaries for many of the key measures below.

Bills Approved by the Appropriations Committees

Assembly Bill (AB) 323 (Fong, D-Alhambra)—Strong Workforce Program: Work-Based Learning Opportunities. This bill would require the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) to revise any Strong Workforce Program policies or regulations necessary to provide students and employers with paid work-based learning opportunities.

AB 339 (Ortega, D-San Leandro)—Local Public Employee Organizations: Notice Requirements. This bill would require public agencies regulated by the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act to give a recognized employee organization no less than 60 days' written notice regarding contracts to perform services that are within the scope of work of job classifications represented by the recognized employee organization.

AB 374 (Nguyen, D-Elk Grove)—K-14 Classified Employees: Payment of Wages: Itemized Statements. This bill would require TK-14 public school employers to provide classified school employees with certain information regarding their wages at the time of each payment.

AB 695 (Fong)—California Community Colleges Access and Continuity for Deported Students Act. This urgency measure would exempt community college students who were deported and later reenrolled in either an online or in-person community college program from nonresident tuition if the student was previously enrolled and was not paying nonresident tuition at the time of their departure.

AB 699 (Stefani, D-San Francisco)—Elections: Local Tax Measures. This bill would allow, at the choice of the proponents, a statement about the tax rate, duration of the tax, and amount of revenue raised to appear either on the ballot or in the voter information guide for local measures that impose a tax of varying rates or authorize the sale of bonds.

AB 727 (González, D-Los Angeles)—Pupil and Student Safety: Identification Cards. This bill would require public higher education institutions and public schools serving students in grades 7-12 that issue student identification cards to include the telephone and text number for the Trevor Project's suicide hotline that is available 24 hours per day and 7 days a week.

AB 1028 (Fong)—Community Colleges: Temporary Employees. This bill would require, if a governing board of a community college district (CCD) terminates a part-time faculty member, the governing board comply with the procedures in its collective bargaining agreement.

AB 1067 (Quirk-Silva, D-Fullerton)—Public Employees' Retirement: Felony Convictions. This bill would require public employers to continue investigations of public employees for misconduct after the investigated employee retires, and to refer the matter to law enforcement before closing the investigation. The bill would also require the employee to forfeit any accrued pension rights and benefits if a felony conviction arises out of any specified conduct.

AB 1098 (Fong)—Postsecondary Education: Undergraduate and Graduate Students: Pregnancy or Pregnancy-Related Issues. This bill would extend protections regarding pregnancy-related leave of absences to undergraduate students in postsecondary educational institutions. The bill also establishes a new definition for the type of pregnancy-related accommodations that these institutions are required to provide to students.

AB 1400 (Soria, D-Merced)—**Community Colleges: Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program**. This bill would require the CCCC to develop a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program that authorizes select CCDs to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree. The bill would limit the pilot program to 15 CCDs statewide and would require the CCCC to identify and select eligible CCDs based on specified criteria.

Senate Bill (SB) 271 (Reyes, D-San Bernardino)—**Public Postsecondary Education: Students with Dependent Children: Childcare Services, Resources, and Programs**. This bill would require each community college and California State University (CSU) basic needs center, financial aid office, and childcare development center to refer students with dependent children to local resource and referral agencies.

SB 494 (Cortese, D-San Jose)—**Classified School and Community College Employees: Disciplinary Hearings: Appeals: Contracted Administrative Law Judges**. This bill would authorize a permanent classified employee of a TK-14 district to appeal disciplinary action to a contracted administrative law judge, paid by the district and jointly selected by the district and the employee or their employee organization unless the employee organization and the school district have agreed to an alternative method of appealing disciplinary action.

SB 638 (Padilla, D-San Diego)—**California Education and Workforce Development Coordinating Entity: Career Technical Education and Career Pathways Grant Program**. This bill would establish the California Education and Workforce Development Coordinating Entity within the Government Operations Agency to oversee statewide career technical education, career pathways, and workforce development efforts.

SB 640 (Cabaldon, D-Yolo)—**Public Postsecondary Education: Admission, Transfer, and Enrollment**. This bill would establish the CSU direct admission program between participating CSU campuses and local educational agencies. It further requires the community colleges to promote the CSU dual admission transfer program.

SB 744 (Cabaldon)—**Accrediting Agencies**. This bill would provide that, for purposes of any code or statute, a national or regional accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education as of January 1, 2025, shall retain that recognition until January 20, 2029, provided that the accrediting agency continues to operate in substantially the same manner as it did on January 1, 2025.

SB 761 (Ashby, D-Sacramento)—**CalFresh: Student Eligibility**. This bill would require the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) to update its grant delivery system to identify students eligible for CalFresh benefits.

Two-Year Bills

SB 323 (Pérez, D-Pasadena)—**Student Aid Commission: California Dream Act Application**. This bill would require CSAC to, by the start of the 2026-27 financial aid cycle, revise the California Dream Act application to allow the application for use by any student eligible for state financial aid programs regardless of eligibility for federal financial aid.

Bills Held by the Appropriations Committees

AB 90 (Jackson, D-Moreno Valley)—**Public Postsecondary Education: Overnight Student Parking**. This bill would have required CCDs to adopt a plan for offering an overnight parking program for students to stay in their car overnight until an alternative is provided.

AB 340 (Ahrens, D-Silicon Valley)—**Employer-Employee Relations: Confidential Communications**. This bill would have prohibited a public employer from questioning an employee or employee representative regarding representation-related communications made in confidence between the employee and employee representative.

AB 537 (Ahrens)—**Community Colleges: California College Promise**. This bill would have reduced the minimum unit requirement for community college students to qualify for a California College Promise fee waiver from 12 or more units (full-time) to 9 units.

AB 731 (Fong)—**Dual Enrollment: College and Career Access Pathways Partnerships**. This bill would have amended the dual enrollment program, College and Career Access Pathways partnerships, to align with best practices, in order to streamline access to dual enrollment for high school students throughout the state.

SB 790 (Cabaldon)—**Postsecondary Education: Interstate Reciprocity Agreements for Distance Education: Out-of-State Postsecondary Educational Institutions**. This bill would have authorized the Governor to enter into one or more interstate reciprocity agreements for distance education through a compact on behalf of the state upon issuing certain written findings and after certain committees of the Legislature hold a joint hearing on the agreement.



COMMUNITY COLLEGE UPDATE

PUBLIC EDUCATION'S POINT OF REFERENCE FOR MAKING EDUCATED DECISIONS

Initiative Launched to Extend Proposition 30



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Set to expire in 2031, Proposition 30 has provided billions of dollars in funding for community colleges and schools via an income tax levy on California's top earners. An initiative filed with the Attorney General's (AG) office on Friday, August 29, 2025, would permanently extend this critical funding source. Proposition 30 was previously extended through 2030 by Proposition 55 in 2016.

Called "The California Children's Education and Health Care Protection Act of 2026," this measure simply strikes out any references to the current 2031 expiration of income tax levies and the Education Protection Account from California's state constitution.

The proposal, targeted for the November 2026 General Election, is still in its early stages and is now awaiting the official ballot title and summary from the AG, as well as a fiscal analysis from the Legislative Analyst's Office and the Department of Finance. The fiscal analysis is required to be completed within 50 days of the initiative's submission, with the official title and summary to follow 15 days later.

Once the AG's work has been completed, proponents will need to prepare a petition, but that petition will need to be approved by the Secretary of State before any signatures can be collected. Once approved, proponents will have 180 days to collect the nearly 875,000 signatures from registered California voters in order for the proposed constitutional amendment to appear on the ballot. In practicality, though, proponents will collect significantly more than the minimum number to offset any duplicate or invalid signatures.



COMMUNITY COLLEGE UPDATE

PUBLIC EDUCATION'S POINT OF REFERENCE FOR MAKING EDUCATED DECISIONS

Top Legislative Issues—September 5, 2025



BY SSC GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS TEAM

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The final dash to the end of the legislative year kicked off last Friday, August 29, 2025, with the Senate and Assembly Appropriations Committees taking up their suspense files and acting on 684 bills (see “[Appropriations Committees Take up Suspense Files](#)” in the September 2025 *Community College Update*).

Of the 684 measures on the suspense files, 498 (73%) were approved, 158 (23%) were held by the committees, and 28 (4%) were tagged as two-year bills, which allows the authors and sponsors to work on the bills over the fall and revive them when the Legislature returns in 2026.

Many of the bills that cleared the Appropriations Committees were amended to address cost concerns or any issues that would make them potentially less successful in seeking Governor Gavin Newsom’s signature. This week’s “Top Legislative Issues” features a number of noteworthy community college bills that have been amended since last week’s suspense file hearings.

All these bills will get a full floor vote in the second house and, if they have been amended during their time there, will go back to their house of origin for a concurrence vote on amendments, and then it is off to Governor Newsom’s desk. This all must be done before the end of Friday, September 12, 2025—the deadline for bills to be sent to Governor Newsom for the first year of the 2025–26 Legislative Session.

Due to the passage of Proposition 54 in 2016, all bills must be published in print and online for at least 72 hours before each house of the Legislature can vote on them. This means that all amended bills must be in print by Tuesday, September 9, 2025, in order to comply with the 72-hour rule in the California Constitution.

To jump to certain topics, click on any of the appropriate links below:

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Access

[Senate Bill \(SB\) 640](#) (Cabaldon, D-Yolo)—Public Postsecondary Education: Admission, Transfer, and Enrollment. As amended on September 2, 2025, this would establish the California State University (CSU) Direct Admission Program between participating CSU campuses and TK-12 local educational agencies. The bill would also require the California Community Colleges (CCCs) to promote the existing CSU website and transfer program by sharing information about the program at new student orientation, providing information about the program through an annual email to new students for each incoming fall term, posting information about the program in an easily identifiable and accessible format on the campus website, and posting information about the program in counseling offices and transfer centers.

Recent amendments removed language from the bill would have required the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) to establish an intersegmental curriculum workgroup comprising CCC and CSU faculty who teach in fields of study with high opportunity for social mobility for the purpose of creating no fewer than five transfer model curricula that are not related to existing associate degrees for transfer.

Employees

[Assembly Bill \(AB\) 374](#) (Nguyen, D-Elk Grove)—K-14 Classified Employees: Payment of Wages: Itemized Statements. As amended on August 29, 2025, this bill would require, starting in 2026-27, TK-14 public school employers to provide classified employees with paystubs that include specified information, including gross wages earned, all deductions, net wages earned, applicable hourly rates in effect during the payroll reporting period and the corresponding number of hours worked, and total hours of paid and unpaid leave taken during the payroll reporting period.

[AB 1028](#) (Fong, D-Alhambra)—Community Colleges: Temporary Employees. As amended on September 4, 2025, this bill would require, if a community college district (CCD) terminates a part-time faculty member, that the governing board comply with the procedures in its collective bargaining agreement (CBA).

Recent amendments removed language from the bill that would have delayed applicability of the provisions to after the CBA in effect on January 1, 2026, expires. If the measure is signed into law, there is no more delayed applicability, which means CCDs would have to abide by the bill's provisions on January 1, 2026, regardless of what their CBA says.

Instruction

AB 1400 (Soria, D-Merced)—Community Colleges: Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program. As amended on August 29, 2025, this bill would require the CCCCCO to develop a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program that authorizes select CCDs to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree. The bill would limit the pilot program to ten CCDs statewide and would require the CCCCCO to identify and select eligible CCDs. The bill would require the CCCCCO to develop a process designed to assist CCDs with nursing programs that are applying for national accreditation for the purpose of qualifying for the pilot program, as provided. The bill would require each participating CCD to give priority registration for enrollment in the pilot program to students with an associate degree in nursing from that CCD.

Miscellaneous

SB 744 (Cabaldon)—Accrediting Agencies. As amended on September 3, 2025, this bill would require, for the purposes of any code or statute, a national or regional accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education as of January 1, 2025, will retain that recognition until July 1, 2029, provided that the accrediting agency continues to operate in substantially the same manner as it did on January 1, 2025. The bill would repeal those provisions on January 1, 2030.

Student Services

SB 761 (Ashby, D-Sacramento)—CalFresh: Student Eligibility. As amended on September 3, 2025, this bill would expand the definition of a state-approved local educational program that increases employability to include any program offered by a CCC, CSU, or University of California and would establish a data-sharing and consent requirement for the sharing of student information from the California Student Aid Commission to the California Department of Social Services for CalFresh outreach to students.

Tuition and Fees

AB 695 (Fong)—California Community Colleges Access and Continuity for Deported Students Act. As amended on August 29, 2025, this urgency measure would exempt a student from paying nonresident tuition if the student was enrolled and did not pay nonresident tuition at the time of departure. The measure would also require the student to provide an attestation to all the following:

- The student no longer resides in the U.S.
- The date the student departed the U.S.
- The reason the student departed the U.S.
- The student reenrolls in an online education program offered by a CCC no later than three years from the date the student departed the U.S.

The provisions of the bill would sunset on January 1, 2030.

2025 Legislative Calendar—Upcoming Holidays and Deadlines

September 2-12—Floor session only. No committees may meet for any purpose, except the Rules Committee, bills referred pursuant to Assembly Rule 77.2, and Conference Committees.

September 5—Last day to amend on the floor.

September 12—Last day for each house to pass bills. Interim recess begins upon adjournment.

Rancho Santiago Community College District
Unrestricted General Fund 5 Year MYP
Based on College's Projected Growth in Enrollment at 1.5% and Other Metrics (with 0% Deficit)

ASSUMPTIONS	Actual 2024-25	Projected 2025-26	Projected 2026-27	Projected 2027-28	Projected 2028-29	Projection Assumptions
Revenue						
Apportionment COLA %	1.07%	2.30%	3.02%	3.42%	3.31%	Based on SSC's Recommended Planning COLA
Credit FTES	18,678.03	18,958.20	19,242.57	19,531.21	19,824.18	
Non-credit FTES	2,344.52	2,379.69	2,415.38	2,451.61	2,488.39	
CDCP FTES	8,012.42	8,132.61	8,254.60	8,378.41	8,504.09	
Special Admit - FTES	1,633.04	1,657.54	1,682.40	1,707.63	1,733.25	
SAC growth	8.29%	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%	
SCC growth	-0.23%	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%	
Total Reported FTES	30,668.01	31,128.03	31,594.95	32,068.87	32,549.91	
Total Estimated Funded FTES	30,339.06	30,760.71	31,311.98	31,781.66	32,258.38	
Change in Funded FTES	5.74%	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%	No borrowing in FY 25-26
3 Year Credit Average Used in SCFF	18,349.08	18,590.88	18,959.60	19,244.00	19,532.66	3 Year Average Credit FTES
Lottery Revenue - Unrestricted \$	190	\$ 190	\$ 190	\$ 190	\$ 190	Based on SSC's Dartboard 25-26 - 8/6/25
Deficit Factor \$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

Expenditure						
Expenditure COLA %	4.00%	\$ 17,000,000	\$ 8,000,000	\$ 8,000,000	3.31%	
Step/Column	1.20%	1.67%	1.67%	1.67%	1.67%	
STRS	19.10%	19.10%	19.10%	19.10%	19.10%	Based on SSC's Dartboard 25-26 - 8/6/25
PERS	27.05%	26.81%	26.90%	27.80%	27.40%	Based on SSC's Dartboard 25-26 - 8/6/25
SUI	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%	Based on SSC's Dartboard 25-26 - 8/6/25
H/W Premium Increase (District Cost)	3.00%	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	
Utilities Cost Increase	15.00%	15.00%	15.00%	15.00%	15.00%	
ITS Licensing/Contract Escalation Cost \$	195,000	\$ 240,000	\$ 252,000	\$ 264,600	\$ 277,830	
New Faculty Hiring			20	2	2	

MULTI YEAR PROJECTION	Actual 2024-25	Projected 2025-26	Projected 2026-27	Projected 2027-28	Projected 2028-29
Basic Allocation	19,525,353	22,193,818	22,864,071	23,646,023	24,428,706
FTES allocation					
Credit	\$ 97,147,736	\$ 100,691,788	\$ 105,790,037	\$ 111,049,177	\$ 116,445,779
Special Admit	\$ 12,124,554	\$ 12,589,471	\$ 13,164,218	\$ 13,818,650	\$ 14,490,188
CDCP	\$ 59,488,453	\$ 61,769,537	\$ 64,589,502	\$ 67,800,440	\$ 71,095,304
Non-Credit	\$ 10,467,297	\$ 10,868,666	\$ 11,364,853	\$ 11,929,834	\$ 12,509,582
Supplemental	\$ 29,767,887	\$ 30,452,514	\$ 31,372,179	\$ 32,445,108	\$ 33,519,041
Student Success	\$ 22,427,939	\$ 22,943,725	\$ 23,636,625	\$ 24,444,998	\$ 25,254,127
Calculated Amount	250,949,220	261,509,518	272,781,486	285,134,230	297,742,727

Est Apportionment (FD 11)	250,949,220	261,509,518	272,781,486	285,134,230	297,742,727
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CDCP	\$ 59,488,453	\$ 62,682,388	\$ 66,512,658	\$ 70,851,012	\$ 75,392,066
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Educational Services Economic Development Report

Economic Development Programs

- **Institute for Workforce Development (IWD):** Provides contracted education services to businesses and organizations.
- **Small Business Development Center (SBDC):** Provides consulting services for small businesses.

Economic Development expenditures for 2024/2025

The IWD is partially supported by General Funds, while the SBDC is entirely supported by grant funds.

General Fund Budget for IWD in 2024/2025		
Budget	Expenditures	Balance
\$205,532	\$100,554	\$102,977

The general fund allocation to IWD supports a full-time Business Services Coordinator position. For 24/25, the person in this position also supported the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) for 50% of their time and was charged to a grant program accordingly. In 2025/2026, the position is fully dedicated to the IWD.

Summary of Key Economic Development Activities in 2024/2025

Institute for Workforce Development’s Customized Training Initiative (CTI)

In 2024/2025, Educational Services assigned staff to revitalize the CTI program, including restructuring the Director, Institute for Workforce Development job description to focus entirely on contract education. An Interim was hired as the director in Spring 2025 and collaborated with the SBDC and Employment Training Panel (ETP) Contractors to engage businesses to provide contract education services.

As a result of these efforts \$55,195 has been secured from training services, with \$69,891 potential earnings based on discovery meetings with business clients. For 2025/2026, CTI has an agreement with ETP contractors to sub-contract training for \$95,000 and \$125,000.

BENEFIT TO THE DISTRICT: Strong ties with the business community contribute to our employer engagement efforts; program income is available to support research, planning and community engagement work that benefits the district and colleges.

Small Business Development Center

Engagement and Support of Businesses

RSCCD SBDC conducted AI workshops and training for small businesses owners, and delivered individualized consulting at no cost that provided expert consultation in marketing, operations, finance, and capital access.

- 76 workshops with 1,364 attendees
- 479 clients
- \$810,893 increased sales
- \$3,606,000 in capital secured
- 1,858 jobs retained

Community Impact: Recognition & Thought Leadership

Awards & Recognition

Proclamation from the City of Garden Grove – Recognized by the mayor and city council for supporting the local small business community during Small Business Week (40 attendees).

Keynote & Featured Speaking Engagements

- Asian Business Association of Orange County (ABAOC) Small Business Development Day – Keynote and live AI demonstration delivered to 80 small business participants.
- North Orange County Community College District AI Event – Keynote presentation delivered to 100+ faculty, students, and business owners.
- SCORE Orange County Signature Entrepreneur Event – Keynote speaker before 100+ business owners, with more than 10 new consulting clients acquired.

Major Panels & Conferences

- Genesis Catalyst Business Expo – Panelist on AI applications in business before 100 business owners.
- City of Santa Ana Business Resource Lunch & Learn – Presented SBDC resources and support to 20+ local business owners.

- Leadership Tomorrow (Costa Mesa) – Presented SBDC resources and delivered an AI workshop to 40 business owners and community leaders.

Chamber & Community Partnerships

- Filipino American Chamber of Commerce (FACCOC) Events – Across multiple events (Power Lunch & Business Expo), reached 205 small business owners with AI and marketing strategies.
- Lake Forest Chamber of Commerce Business Expo – Shared SBDC resources with 125 business owners.
- Laguna Hills Chamber of Commerce Workshop – Engaged 25 business owners, 20 of whom became new consulting clients.
- Vietnamese American Chamber of Commerce (VACCOC) AI Community Lab – Hands-on training with 5 business owners, 2 of whom became consulting clients.

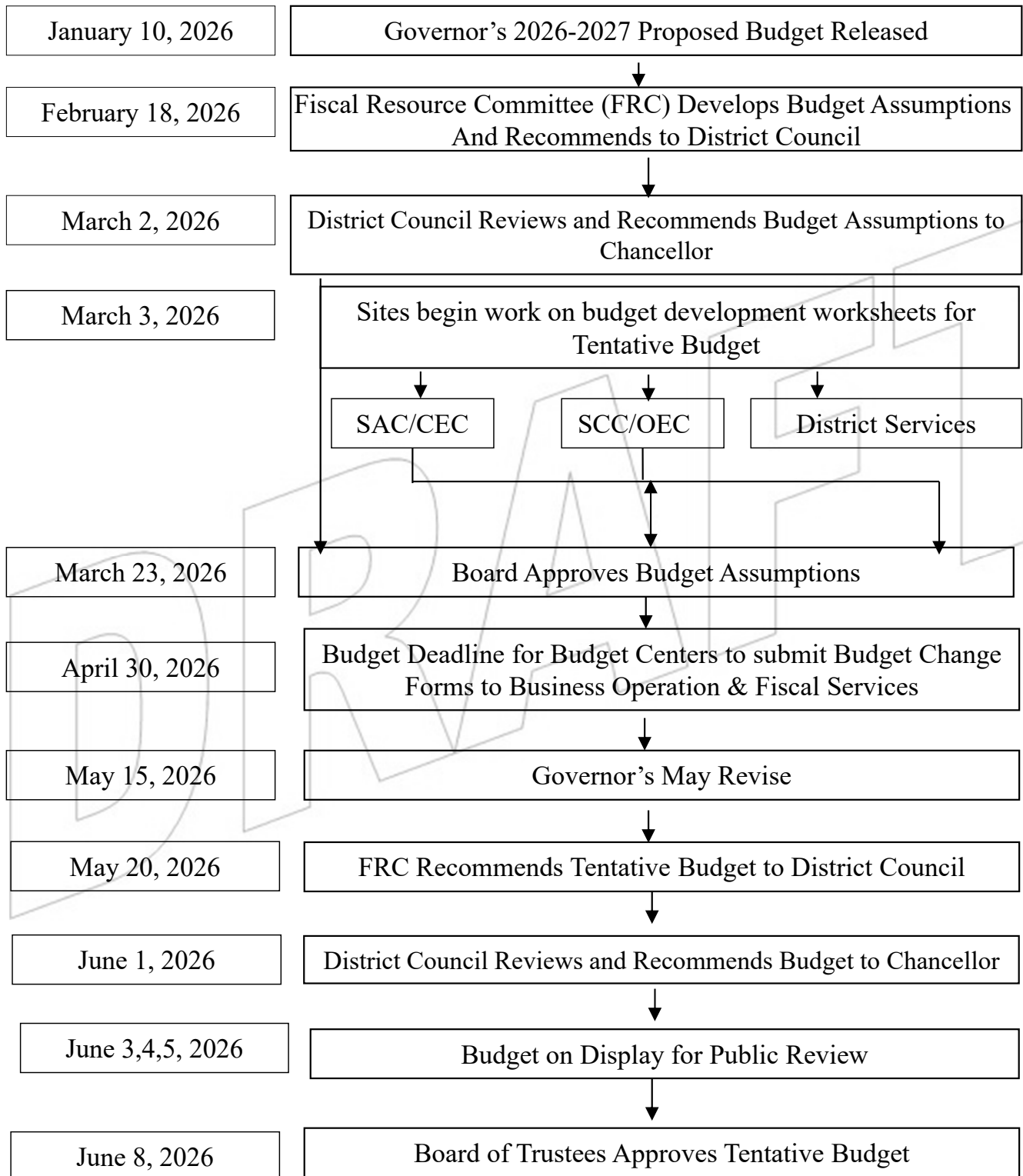
Benefit to the District

The SBDC Director contributed his AI expertise and community relations to benefit the district and colleges:

- Designed and implemented Prompt-A-Thons at SAC and SCC
- Provided AI training for staff
- Assisted with AI curriculum for CTI training
- Assisted CTI with finding trainers to deliver AI training program
- Partnered with CTI to have a booth at SBDC events for small businesses interested in contract education for themselves and their employees.
- Can leverage relationships with business leaders (Chambers, business owners) and community organizations (cities, CBOs) to support the district's employer engagement initiatives

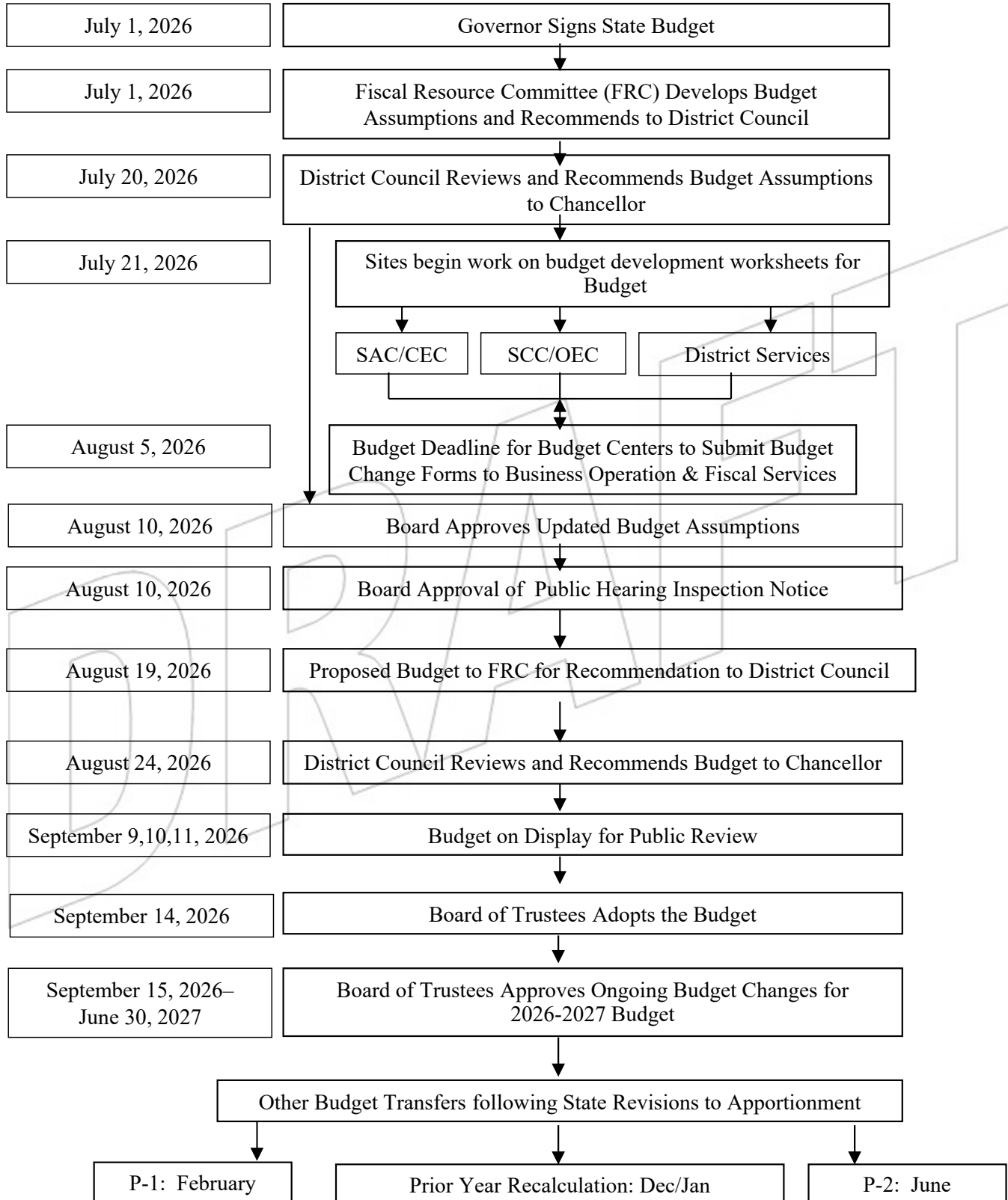
RSCCD Tentative Budget Calendar

Fiscal Year 2026 – 2027
September 4, 2025



RSCCD Adopted Budget Calendar

Fiscal Year 2026 – 2027
September 4, 2025



Vacant Funded Positions for FY2025-26- Projected Annual Salary and Benefits Savings
As of September 10, 2025

Fund	Management/ Academic/ Confidential	EMPLOYEE ID#	Title	Site	Effective Date	Annual Salary	Notes	Vacant Account	2025-26 Estimated Annual Budgeted Sal/Ben	Total Unr. General Fund by Site
	11 Chang, Kevin	2705445	Senior Human Resource Analyst	District	01/17/2025	-	CL25-01154 Hired Taraborrelli, Anthony Eff: 8/1/25	11-0000-673000-53110-2120	-	
	11 Dorin, Mirela	1030325	Senior Human Resource Analyst	District	08/01/2025	-	CL25-01233 Hired Mendez-Sanchez, Daisy#1883100 Eff: 8/18/2025	11-0000-673000-53110-2120	-	
	11 Khechoomian, Gayane	2621326	Manager Employee Relations and District Investigations	District	04/04/2025	170,299	CL25-01167 CL25-01218 Hired Hunt, Jaymee#2918135 Eff: 7/31/2025.	11-0000-673000-53110-2110	250,667	
	11 Negron, Victor	1069018	Principal Analyst Human Resources	District	04/04/2025	-	CL25-01154 Hired Yanez, Bria #2790565 Eff: 8/1/25	11-0000-673000-53110-2110	-	
	11 Senior Human Specialist (Reorg1412)	Reorg1412	Senior Human Specialist (Reorg1412)	District	06/04/2024	-		11-0000-673000-53110-2110	-	864,273
	11 Principal HR Analyst(Reorg1471)	Reorg1471	Principal Analyst Human Resources (Reorg1471)	District	07/01/2025	131,106	CL24-01006 Hired Thrift, Bryson#2875963 Eff: 7/1/25	11-0000-673000-53110-2110	207,949	
	11 Principal HR Analyst(Reorg1412)	Reorg1412	Principal Analyst Human Resources (Reorg1412)	District	06/04/2024	-		11-0000-673000-53110-2110	-	
	11 Vega, Kennethia	1029586	Assistant to Vice Chancellor, Business Services	District	11/20/2025	79,708	CL25-01224	11-0000-660000-54111-2120	122,963	
	11 Waters, David	2579077	Chief District Safety and Security	District	08/01/2025	181,964	Both Michael Jensen1167609&Francisco Pradol1327363 will share interim Chief position50% until 12/31/25	11-0000-677000-54161-2110-50% 11-0000-695000-54161-2110-50%	282,694	
	11 Manson, Robert	1029988	Associate Dea, Financial Aid	SAC	08/17/2025	212,076	AC25-01177 Interim Associated Dean #2909581 Valencia, Lorena	11-0000-646000-19405-1210	316,835	
	11 Gomez, Ernesto	1277463	Director Criminal Justice, Instruction	SAC	07/07/2025	160,618		11-0000-601000-15712-1210	241,092	
50%-fd 11 50%-fd 12	Registrar		Registrar	SAC	02/03/2025	-	Hired CL25-01115 Traslavina, Pilar#1062034 Eff: 8/1/2025. InterimTraslavina Pilar 8/21/23-7/31/25 (SRP retiree Nguyen, Phuong#1030065) Interim Valerius, Matthew#2679434 7/1/25-6/30/26	11-0000-620000-18100-2110-50% 12-1102-620000-18100-2110-50%	-	873,520
	11 Sergeyeva, Larisa	2453059	Dean, Human Services & Technology Instructor, Accounting	SAC	01/20/2025	234,083		11-0000-601000-15705-1210	315,592	
	11 Trone, Jinhee	1025078		SAC	06/07/2026	-	Hired AC25-01147 Gomez, Ernestof1277463 Eff: 7/8/25	11-0000-050020-15115-1110	-	
	11 Winchell, Timothy	2407706	Associate Dean, Criminal Justice	SAC	03/06/2025	-		11-0000-601000-15712-1210	-	
	11 Cuelлар, Estela	1028371	Director, Special programs	SCC	12/22/2023	138,748		11-3230-619000-25210-2110	217,511	
	Reorg#1418 Director Campus Budget & Accounting	Reorg#1418	Director Campus Budget & Accounting	SCC	07/01/2025	156,245		11-0000-679000-27105-2110	242,226	1,138,288
	11 & Accounting	1030942	Custodial Supervisor	SCC	04/28/2025	122,238		11-0000-653000-27200-2110	188,355	
	11 Duenas, Gabriel	1028234	Assistant Vice President Student Services	SCC	06/30/2025	262,586		11-0000-649000-29050-1210	356,370	
	11 Jordan, Loretta	1028234	Instructor, English	SCC	06/09/2024	101,748		11-0000-150100-25315-1110	133,826	
	11 Miranda, Veronica	2728215				1,951,419			2,876,080	
Fund	Classified	EMPLOYEE ID#	Title	Site	Effective Date	Annual Salary	Notes		2025-26 Estimated Annual Budgeted Sal/Ben	Total Unr. General Fund by Site
	11 Application Specialist IV (Reorg1470)	Reorg1470	Application Specialist IV	District	07/01/2025	137,873		11-0000-678000-54144-2130	212,046	
	11 Camacho, Emelyne	2572113	Human Resources Specialist	District	01/15/2025	-	Hired CL25-01153 Jaramillo, Ryan#2917458 Eff: 7/28/25	11-0000-673000-53110-2130	-	
	11 Castillo, Leslie	1825367	Administrative Clerk	District	07/31/2025	62,582		11-0000-673000-53110-2130	107,445	
	11 Castillo (Valverde), Silvia	1553636	Senior Accountant	District	05/30/2025	96,481		11-0000-672000-54213-2130	133,195	
	11 Chavez, Elisabeth	2613973	Business System Analyst	District	11/12/2024	-	Hired CL24-01093 Douk, Dale#2920020 Eff: 8/4/25	11-0000-678000-54144-2130	-	
14%-fd 11 86%-fd 12	Eng, Gregory	2258588	P/T Reprographics Technician	District	01/03/2024	26,670		11-0000-677000-52500-2310	36,341	
	Information Security Specialist (Reorg1430)	Reorg1430	Information Security Specialist	District	07/01/2025	18,384		11-0000-678000-54145-2130-14% 12-2141-678000-54145-2130-86%	28,584	
	11 Procurement Specialist (Reorg1447)	Reorg1447	Procurement Specialist (Reorg1447)	District	07/15/2024	67,571	Reorg#1447 Changed position to Procurement Specialist	11-0000-677000-54151-2130	117,240	1,809,856
	11 Maa, Ray	1025044	Network Specialist IV	District	12/31/2024	131,309	OOC Lamoglia, Fernando#2338935 Eff: 7/1/25-12/31/25	11-0000-678000-54145-2130	204,148	
	11 Network Specialist III (Reorg1429)	Reorg1429	Network Specialist III	District	07/01/2025	106,003		11-0000-678000-54145-2130	169,642	
	11 Palomares, Vanessa	1851190	Business Services Coordinator	District	10/19/2022	105,422		11-0000-701000-53350-2130	168,825	
	11 Senior Communications Dispatcher (Reorg1436)	Reorg1436	Senior Communications Dispatcher	District	07/01/2025	59,430		11-0000-677000-54164-2130-50%	106,143	
	11 Senior District Safety Officer(Reorg1437)	Reorg1437	Senior District Safety Officer	District	07/01/2025	74,847		11-0000-695000-54167-2130	127,161	
	11 Senior District Safety Officer(Reorg1466)	Reorg1466	Senior District Safety Officer	District	07/01/2025	74,847		11-0000-695000-54166-2130	127,399	
	11 Taraborrelli, Anthony	2738397	Human Resources Specialist	District	08/01/2025	-	CL25-01230 Hired Avila, Manuel#2923961 Eff: 8/18/25	11-0000-673000-53110-2130	-	
	11 Tran, John	1030000	Media Systems Electronic Technician, Lead	District	12/29/2023	83,342	WOC Stephen Avila#2322397 7/1/25-12/31/2025	11-0000-678000-54142-2130	138,745	
	11 Weekes, Patricia	1991578	Administrative Secretary	District	05/27/2025	84,484		11-0000-677000-54161-2130-50% 11-0000-695000-54161-2130-50%	132,942	
	11 Yanez, Bria	2790565	Human Resources Specialist	District	08/01/2025	-	CL25-01230 Hired Leslie Castillo#1825367	11-0000-673000-53110-2130	-	
	Adomo, Jessy	2205622	Skilled Maintenance Worker	SAC	02/19/2025	67,571		11-0000-651000-17400-2130	117,240	
56%-fd 11 44%-fd 12	Applewhite, Neal	2814213	Custodian(GY)	SAC	03/24/2025	63,886		11-0000-653000-17200-2130	122,338	
	Barriere, Helen	2640394	Student Services Coordinator-MESA	SAC	03/21/2025	54,030		11-2470-633000-15340-2130-56% 12-2470-633000-15340-2130-44%	80,373	
	11 Boster, Toinette	1029574	Division Administrative Assistant	SAC	06/30/2025	99,074	OOC Palafox, Anay#2299314 Eff: 7/1/25-6/30/26	11-0000-601000-15716-2130	169,015	
50%-fd 11 50%-fd 12	11 Brisen0, Jennifer	2712369	P/T Student Services Specialist	SAC	02/14/2024	-	Hired CL25-01127 Garcia, Jannely#2920018 Eff: 8/19/25	11-0000-696000-19720-2310	-	
	11 Cabrera, Juan	2218013	Admissions and Records Specialist II	SAC	05/01/2025	31,234	Interim Torres, Leticia#2788706 Eff: 7/1/25 6/30/26	11-0000-620000-19215-2130	48,572	
	11 Chatman, Daniel	2740296	Custodian	SAC	06/25/2026	63,886		11-0000-653000-17200-2130	118,237	
	11 Chavar, Liza	2773143	Research Analyst	SAC	05/30/2025	103,316		11-0000-679000-11600-2130	158,615	
65%-fd 11 35%-fd 12	11 Chevarria, Kathy	2768065	P/T Admissions/Records Specialist I	SAC	12/08/2024	24,246		11-0000-620000-18100-2130	25,349	
	11 Cristobal, Andrea	2229410	High School & Community Outreach Specialist	SAC	12/15/2024	49,867		12-1102-649000-18100-2130-35%	84,313	
	11 Dam, Amy	2836066	Administrative Secreary	SAC	02/03/2025	82,423		11-0000-679000-11501-2130	124,742	
	11 Garcia, Jose	1026942	P/T Custodian	SAC	04/01/2024	22,118		11-0000-653000-17200-2130	23,124	
	11 Garcia, Sara	1212917	Administrative Secretary	SAC	05/13/2025	74,741		11-0000-709000-11300-2130	124,213	
	11 Hernandez, Eric	1027374	P/T Custodian	SAC	05/01/2022	22,118		11-0000-653000-17200-2130	30,138	
24%-fd 11 76%-fd 12	11 Huynh, Van	1116814	Admissions and Records Specialist II	SAC	05/02/2025	17,424		11-0000-620000-19205-2130-24% 12-2549-620000-19205-2130-36%	31,902	
65%-fd 11 35%-fd 12	11 Ly, Anh	1026316	High School & Community Outreach Specialist	SAC	12/31/2024	-	Hired CL25-01107 Nguyen, Lianne#2921009 Eff: 8/6/2025	11-0000-649000-18100-2130-65% 12-1102-649000-18100-2130-35%	-	
36%-fd 11 64%-fd 12	11 Maldonado, Vanessa	1687210	Instructional Center Technician	SAC	02/17/2025	20,072		11-0000-499000-19510-2210-36% 12-2412-499000-19510-2210-64%	31,678	
	11 Mejia, Joanne	1233047	Administrative Clerk	SAC	05/12/2025	76,791	WOC Aguirre, Jerilyn#2383176 Eff: 8/18/25-6/30/26	11-0000-601000-15705-2130	138,632	2,592,402
	11 Millar, Michael	2867502	Fine Arts & Theater Facilities Technician	SAC	03/15/2025	-	Hired CL25-01156 Josewski, Brittany#2887453 Eff: 7/1/25 Reorg#1420 (old#1378)	11-0000-601000-15565-2130	-	
35%-fd 11 65%-fd 31	11 Miranda Zamora, Cristina	1339369	Auxiliary Services Specialist	SAC	11/19/2019	22,661		11-0000-699000-14121-2130-35%	39,687	
	11 Naguib-Estefanus, Nancy A	2018465	Senior Clerk	SAC	10/02/2022	59,429		11-0000-691000-14121-2130-65%	106,139	
	11 Nguyen, Hung	1030881	Admissions and Records Tech Specialist	SAC	11/25/2024	-	Hired CL24-01083 Nguyen, Jay#1062155 Eff: 7/1/25	11-0000-620000-19205-2130	-	
50%-fd 11 50%-fd 12	11 Pham, Thien	2411517	Admissions and Records II	SAC	07/31/2025	32,257		11-0000-620000-19205-2130-50% 12-2412-620000-19205-2130-50%	57,301	
75%-fd 11 25%-fd 12	11 Pittman, Ivonne	1423993	Division Administrative Assistant	CEC	01/26/2025	-	Hired CL25-01118 Garcia, Sara#1212917	11-0000-601000-18100-2130-75% 12-2490-601000-18100-2130-25%	-	
	11 Powers, Jennica	2778085	Research Analyst	SAC	06/01/2025	103,316		11-0000-679000-11600-2130	176,100	
	11 Ralston, Lance	1026806	HVAC Mechanic	SAC	05/22/2024	-	Hired CL24-00926 Do, Dan#1752463 Eff: 3/28/25	11-0000-651000-17400-2130	-	
	11 Razo, Mariano	1029552	Custodian	SAC	03/25/2024	55,134		11-0000-653000-17200-2130	100,282	
82%-fd 11 18%-fd 13	11 Reimer, Lillian	1025907	Admissions/Records Specialist I	SAC	08/16/2022	-	Reorg1338 eliminated position, added Administrative Clerk/Bil. Hired CL24-00853 Arvizu, Gloria#1030824	11-0000-620000-18100-2130-82% 12-1102-620000-18100-2130-18%	-	
25%-fd 11 75%-fd 12	11 Reimer, Tracy	1417177	Counseling Assistant	SAC	02/17/2025	13,255		11-2250-643000-19300-2130-25% 12-2250-643000-19300-2130-64%	24,093	
50%-fd 11 50%-fd 13	11 Retana, Karen	1980573	Senior Clerk	SAC	05/26/2025	29,715		12-2090-643000-19300-2130-11% 11-0000-709000-11300-2130-50%	51,670	
	11 Rodriguez, Fidel	1029186	Lead Custodian	SAC	07/31/2024	-	Hired CL24-01064 Chatman, Daniel#2740296 Eff: 6/26/25	11-0000-653000-17200-2130	-	
	11 Rodriguez, Hector	2611615	Gardener/Utility Worker	SAC	05/03/2022	-	Hired CL25-01120 Favala, Alonso#2429383 Eff: 8/18/25	11-0000-655000-17300-2130	-	

Vacant Funded Positions for FY2025-26- Projected Annual Salary and Benefits Savings
As of September 10, 2025

Fund	Management/ Academic/ Confidential	EMPLOYEE ID#	Title	Site	Effective Date	Annual Salary	Notes	Vacant Account	2025-26 Estimated Annual Budgeted Sal/Ben	Total Unnr. General Fund by Site
							Termed Ramos, Edward#2919448 Eff:8/25/25.Hired CL25-01168 Ramos, Edward#2919448 Eff:8/25/25 CL25-01188			
	11 Santamaria, Mark	1028966	HVAC Mechanic	SAC	11/02/2024	74,847		11-0000-651000-17400-2130	127,161	
	11 Serna, Ashley	2039756	Intermediate Clerk	SAC	04/15/2025	61,389		11-0000-631000-15310-2130	96,062	
40%-fd 11								11-0000-632000-19510-2130-40%		
60%-fd 12	Student Services Specialist	REORG#1190	Student Services Specialist	SAC	12/29/2019	25,898	Reorg#1190 (Nguyen, Cang#1030027)	12-2416-632000-19510-2130-60%	45,357	
	11 Talarico, Chistina	2237788	Division Administrative Assistant	SAC	11/21/2024	88,901		11-0000-601000-15105-2130	156,446	
								11-0000-620000-19205-2310-30%		
	11 Taylor, Katherine A.	1028961	P/T Admissions/Records Specialist I	SAC	10/01/2020	23,656		11-2410-620000-19205-2310-70%	32,234	
	11 Urbina, Vanessa	2347469	Division Administrative Assistant	SAC	08/01/2025	72,666		11-0000-601000-15505-2130	126,061	
	11 Williams, Bonnie	2363492	Administrative Clerk	SAC	09/25/2025	18,587		11-0000-601000-15718-2310	25,326	
	11 Ceja, Daniel	1100167	Lead Custodian	SCC	05/19/2025	77,487	WOC Ramirez, Margarito#2443392 Eff:7/1/25-11/30/2025	11-0000-653000-27200-2130	140,883	
	11 Cruz, Edward	2356350	Instructional Center Technician	SCC	08/30/2024	-	Reorg1391.Lateral Transfer Sura, Alma#1030200 Eff3/3/25	11-0000-493062-28200-2210	-	
30%-fd 11								12-1542-649000-29905-2130-70%		
70%-fd 12	DelaTorre, Irma	1027036	Administrative Clerk	SCC	12/31/2024	19,424		11-0000-645000-29905-2130-30%	34,019	
	11 Espinoza, Laura	1027423	Curriculum Specialist	SCC	08/19/2025	81,397		11-0000-601000-25051-2130	139,257	
								11-0000-620000-28100-2130-60%,		
60%-fd 11								12-1102-620000-28100-2130-23%		
40%-fd 12	Gardea, Maria Adilene	1292404	Adminstrative Clerk	OEC	05/12/2024	33,182		12-2462-620000-28100-2130-17%	57,799	
								11-0000-620000-28100-2310-60%,		
60%-fd 11	Gaston, Vanessa	1029787	P/T Administrative Clerk	OEC	04/13/2025	17,563		12-1102-620000-28100-2310-40%	23,931	
40%-fd 12	11 Gilbert, Jessica	1905429	PT Administrative Clerk	SCC	12/31/2023	27,880		11-0000-601000-25051-2310	37,989	
	11 Hernandez, Guadalupe	1492326	Custodian	SCC	04/04/2023	51,287		11-0000-653000-27200-2130	95,037	
	11 Karimpour, Jennifer	1679262	Auxiliary Services Specialist	SCC	11/01/2024	64,745		11-0000-691000-24126-2130	113,387	
	11 Nguyen, Jay	1062155	P/T Admission & Records Specialist I	SCC	10/31/2023	23,655		11-0000-620000-29110-2310	32,232	
	11 Orozco-Barriga, Carlos	2282309	P/T Custodian	SCC	03/14/2025	22,118		11-0000-653000-27200-2310	30,138	
	11 Ruega, Elias	2090990	Custodian (GV)	OEC	04/11/2025	65,372		11-0000-653000-28100-2130	113,209	
	11 Sura, Alma	1030200	Instructional Center Technician	OEC	03/03/2025	71,234		11-0000-110100-25350-2210	132,357	
	11 Tran, Kieu-Loan T.	1030029	Admission Records Specialist III	SCC	03/01/2020	64,745		11-0000-620000-29100-2130	113,387	
	11 Zui, Armida	1029218	Custodian	OEC	09/30/2024	53,852	CL25-01125	11-0000-653000-28100-2130	98,534	
						3,357,693			5,564,418	
TOTAL						5,309,112			8,440,498	

Rancho Santiago Community College
FD 11/13 Combined -- Unrestricted General Fund Cash Flow Summary
FY 2025-26, 2024-25, 2023-24
YTD Actuals- August 31, 2025

	FY 2025/2026												
	July Actual	August Actual	September Actual	October Actual	November Actual	December Actual	January Actual	February Actual	March Actual	April Actual	May Actual	June Actual	
Beginning Fund Balance	\$101,397,475	\$118,403,981	\$96,681,703	\$96,681,703	\$96,681,703	\$96,681,703	\$96,681,703	\$96,681,703	\$96,681,703	\$96,681,703	\$96,681,703	\$96,681,703	Total
Total Revenues	33,882,478	(1,109,116)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32,773,363
Total Expenditures	16,875,972	20,613,162	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37,489,135
Change in Fund Balance	17,006,506	(21,722,278)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(4,715,772)
Ending Fund Balance	118,403,981	96,681,703	96,681,703	96,681,703	96,681,703	96,681,703	96,681,703	96,681,703	96,681,703	96,681,703	96,681,703	96,681,703	
	FY 2024/2025												
	July Actual	August Actual	September Actual	October Actual	November Actual	December Actual	January Actual	February Actual	March Actual	April Actual	May Actual	June Actual	
Beginning Fund Balance	\$108,927,679	\$113,085,702	\$101,086,771	\$91,653,213	\$78,119,390	\$77,033,785	\$90,289,535	\$84,911,303	\$78,359,641	\$75,133,044	\$82,781,649	\$67,396,799	Total
Total Revenues	19,472,410	7,948,041	12,511,262	8,911,894	24,669,507	35,190,919	15,440,007	15,578,467	21,020,528	30,233,290	14,459,329	79,548,729	284,984,384
Total Expenditures	15,314,386	19,946,973	21,944,820	22,445,717	25,755,112	21,935,168	20,818,240	22,130,129	24,247,125	22,584,685	29,844,179	45,548,053	292,514,588
Change in Fund Balance	4,158,023	(11,998,932)	(9,433,557)	(13,533,824)	(1,085,605)	13,255,750	(5,378,232)	(6,551,662)	(3,226,597)	7,648,605	(15,384,850)	34,000,676	(7,530,204)
Ending Fund Balance	113,085,702	101,086,771	91,653,213	78,119,390	77,033,785	90,289,535	84,911,303	78,359,641	75,133,044	82,781,649	67,396,799	101,397,475	
	FY 2023/2024												
	July Actual	August Actual	September Actual	October Actual	November Actual	December Actual	January Actual	February Actual	March Actual	April Actual	May Actual	June Actual	
Beginning Fund Balance	\$69,995,934	\$71,193,146	\$61,145,109	\$63,533,219	\$60,187,237	\$59,940,448	\$71,637,035	\$71,291,816	\$63,539,135	\$77,687,365	\$84,911,330	\$75,100,098	Total
Total Revenues	14,999,379	7,247,510	21,581,168	16,416,147	22,719,457	32,139,652	19,316,041	12,651,332	35,037,316	26,748,556	12,047,791	64,494,321	285,398,670
Total Expenditures	13,802,167	17,295,547	19,193,058	19,762,128	22,966,246	20,443,065	19,661,260	20,404,013	20,889,085	19,524,592	21,859,023	30,666,740	246,466,925
Change in Fund Balance	1,197,212	(10,048,037)	2,388,110	(3,345,982)	(246,789)	11,696,586	(345,219)	(7,752,681)	14,148,231	7,223,964	(9,811,231)	33,827,581	38,931,745
Ending Fund Balance	71,193,146	61,145,109	63,533,219	60,187,237	59,940,448	71,637,035	71,291,816	63,539,135	77,687,365	84,911,330	75,100,098	108,927,679	

Fiscal Resources Committee

Via Zoom Video Conference Call

1:31 p.m. – 2:36 p.m.

Meeting Minutes for August 20, 2025

FRC Members Present: Iris Ingram, Claire Coyne, Sarah Fisher, Noemi Guzman (arrived at 1:39), Bart Hoffman, Tara Kubicka-Miller, Madeline Grant, Sara Gonzalez, Veronica Gonzalez, Joanne Mejia, Veronica Munoz (arrived at 1:38), Adam O'Connor, Arleen Satele, and Tommy Strong

FRC Members Absent:

Alternates/Guests Present: Jason Bui, Lorena Chavez, Janet Cruz-Teposte, Vaniethia Hubbard, Gina Huegli, James Kennedy, Kelvin Leeds, Jesus Miranda, Annebelle Nery, Thao Nguyen, Michelle Samura, Kennethia Vega, and Barbie Yniguez

1. Welcome: Vice Chancellor Ingram welcomed all to the first meeting of FRC for the new fiscal year and called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m. via zoom upon achieving quorum.
2. State/District Budget Update
 - 2025/26 Advance Apportionment:
 - Memo
 - Exhibit R – FY 2025/26 Advance Apportionment (July 2025)
 - Exhibit A – Payments by Program (July 2025)
 - Exhibit C – FY 2024/25 Early Recalculation July2025-Statewide
 - Exhibit C – FY 2024/25 Early Recalculation July2025-RSCCD
 - SSC –2025-26 State Budget Agreement Reached
 - SSC –Top Legislative Issues-June 27, 2025
 - SSC –General Fund Revenues Beating May Estimates
 - SSC –Governor Newsom Signs 2025-26 State Budget Package
 - SSC – Top Legislative Issues-July 11, 2025
 - SSC –U.S. Department of Education Delays FY 2025 Funds
 - SSC –California Sues over Frozen Federal Funds
 - SSC –Supreme Court Allows ED Firings- For Now
 - SSC –Another Strong Investment Year for CALPERS
 - SSC –California Law on Subminimum Wage Remains
 - SSC – Top Legislative Issues-July 25, 2025
 - SSC –2024-25 General Fund Revenues Exceed Projections
 - SSC –Trump Administration Releases Frozen Federal Education Funds
 - SSC –It's Time to Calculate Your Annual Gann Limit
 - SSC –CalSTRS 2024-25 Investment Returns Surpass Benchmark
 - SSC –Governor Newsom Signs CCC Legislation
 - SSC –2025-26 Enacted Budget Dartboard
 - [DOF – Finance Bulletin-July 2025](#)

Ingram briefly referenced the state/district budget update information for further understanding noting that while the budget appears to be shrinking, the community colleges received their allotments which may have no impact on the current fiscal year so therefore no need to worry until next year. Ingram introduced O'Connor to present the proposed adopted general fund budget including the budget assumptions and recap of unrestricted general funds. She stated the proposed adopted budget will be presented to the Board of Trustees in September.

3. Proposed Adopted General Fund Budget

- Budget Assumptions Update

O'Connor screenshared page 19 and reviewed the recal that was received unusually early due to the State budget including the 2.35% growth distributed over a period of two years starting with money related to 2024-25. RSCCD received \$10 million for growth leaving about \$5 million unfunded FTES. RSCCD had significant growth with over 1,600 FTES funded that left 889 unfunded. This is based on P2. P3 recorded less so another recal will be prepared this year and that could change FTES again which means that 2024-25 final funding is not completely known.

O'Connor screenshared page 11, reviewing the advance for 2025-26 and noted the total projected \$258.8 million. He explained how RSCCD would have to pick up the unfunded growth first before any additional growth is obtained.

For the budget assumption changes, O'Connor screenshared and reviewed pages 56-58 with the proposed budget noted on pages 59-95. He pointed out changes from the last review by FRC. The projected growth restoration was reduced slightly which also reduces Fund 13 set-aside. The EPA is updated with a slight increase but does not affect the budget. Ingram provided further explanation that the legislature did not lift statewide cap even though the Chancellor's Office hadn't anticipated that they would. Other districts around the state showed growth, but once true up happens, that may change at P3 when it is demonstrated if growth actually occurred. Other possibilities were also discussed.

O'Connor continued with review of budget assumptions with unrestricted lottery projected with increase, as well as mandated programs block grant that increased slightly. Apprenticeship revenue went up considerably with additional \$1.2 million in revenue.

The only change to the expense assumptions is the additional food costs for board meetings, to cover additional meals. This budget includes \$31 million in new revenues and about \$24.5 million in new expenditures leaving a bottom line of about \$3.2 million unallocated amount.

- Proposed Adopted General Fund Budget – ACTION

O'Connor continued to screenshare and review the budget stating the \$258 million in apportionment is the full booking of the revenue apportionment. In the past, the apportionment was reduced for a deficit factor that is no longer being done in accordance with the BAM update. He also discussed the percentage of salary and benefits costs to total expenditures with RSCCD having been within the 88-90% range. The budget is a little less at \$88.12 because not all salaries have been settled yet. That percentage is expected to increase by the end of the year. He discussed the Board Policy Contingency of two-months total expenditures that changed slightly, and the BAM language updates with a cap for the budget stabilization fund at \$3 million. But for that cap, the amount would have been \$5.8 million, so the additional \$2.8 million did flow through the model to the colleges. The total expenditures from last year increased, but fund 12 expenses went down by the same amount, which makes it almost the same. SAC carryover is \$14.9 million; SCC is \$7.7 million and then \$4.1 million of other reserves and carryovers. The distribution through the model with the latest information and metrics provides \$5.5 million to SAC and negative \$2.2 million to SCC of which they are working on to fill that gap.

- 2024/25 Recap of Unrestricted General Fund – Major Changes Comparing Adopted Budget to Actuals

O'Connor continued to screenshare and review a recap of major changes comparing the adopted budget with actuals. Last year's beginning balance was \$108 million, and this year's was closer to \$100 million, which went down. The recap explains the change to the fund balance of \$7.5 million. Actual revenue came in \$24 million more than budget and actual expenditures exceeded budgeted expenditures by \$3.8 million as were further clarified.

Questions were asked and answers provided for clarification of understanding. O'Connor agreed to provide further information on "Gains (loss)/Outlawed Checks in the amount of (490,855) as referenced on page 84. Discussion ensued and definitions provided about structural deficit, budgets, and SCC's two-year plan to correct deficiencies. While there is work to be done, SCC must develop a two-year plan to fix it, but the District is fiscally sound at this time.

A motion by Hoffman to approve the proposed adopted general fund budget 2025-26 was seconded by Satele. By roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

4. Closeout of 2024/25 Budget

- **Final FTES Update for 2024/25 at P3**
 Nguyen screenshared and provided a review of FTES at P3, the split between the two colleges is SAC 4.325%; SCC 54.68% for non-credit; for non-credit/independent study/distance education with SAC having a larger share at SAC 91.46% and SCC 8.54%. For CDCP SAC is 72.35%, SCC at 27.65% ; and CDCP/IS/DE SAC is 67.45% and SCC at 32.55%; For credit the split between the two colleges is SAC 72.68% and SCC 27.32% and with special admit there is a little bit more for SAC 77.48% and SCC at 22.52%. Overall totals for the different categories SAC 71.81% and SCC 28.19%. In 2024-25 the growth for SAC was 8.29% and SCC is -.23% giving the district total growth at 5.75% mostly all SAC with deficit by SCC.
- **Recap of 2024/25 SCFF Metrics**
 Nguyen continued screenshared and provided a review of basic allocation that reflects the shift between the two colleges, and the FTES based on the dollar amounts. Overall, SAC obtains 69.68% and SCC 30.32% based on FTES reductions. For the Student Supplemental categories, it is 77.24% for SAC and 22.76% for SCC. For student success, SAC is 66.49% and SCC 33.52%. Based on current information received. With the total split of the three categories, SAC 70.32% and SCC 29.68%.
- **Final Budget Allocation Model Distribution of Carryover**
 Nguyen continued with 2024/25 actuals apportionment for SAC 70.32% and SCC 29.68% respectively and other categories and expenditures for fund 11 ending balance at \$11.2 million for SAC and \$4.8 for SCC. Fund 13 expenses were reviewed with adjustments noted including support of elections, with totals moving forward for SAC at \$3.2 million and \$2.6 million for SCC. Carryover balances for Funds 11 and 13 are \$14.3 million for SAC and \$7.4 million for SCC with reductions for ADA and budget stabilization fund distributions, offering a **Total Carryover Balance of \$14.9 million for SAC and \$7.7 million for SCC**. With tentative budget adjustments made \$3.2 million for SAC and \$4.1 million for SCC. O'Connor provided further explanation of elections that happen every other year including any bond measures or items that concern RSCCD, the budget model is distributed half in one year and carryover for the next year with the colleges making up any difference as necessary.
- **50% Law Compliance Update**
 O'Connor screenshared and provided a review of 50% law compliance with SAC ending up at 63.81% and SCC at 61.89%. The colleges need to be in the 60 percentiles to ensure districtwide compliance at 50%. Combined, 54.11% slightly down from last year, but we are still well above the 50% law. Ingram explained the law that requires at least 50% of district budget needs to be spent in the classroom (originally written for K-12 and expanded to include community colleges). A complex formula is applied, and not all instructional expenses get applied to instruction as part of this formula. This does not include academic administrators.

5. Standing Report from District Council – Kubicka-Miller
Kubicka-Miller reported on the District Council meeting of July 21, 2025. While she wasn't in attendance, the council approved the budget assumptions that was previously approved by FRC; and approved Administrative Regulation: 4410 – Educational Research followed by the approval of two HR items: job description for District Accounting Supervisor, and one reorg #1468 DO/Accounts Payable/Fiscal Services and then concluded with routine committee reports.
6. Informational Handouts
 - District-wide expenditure report link: <https://intranet.rscsd.edu>
 - Vacant Funded Position List as of August 12, 2025
 - Monthly Cash Flow Summary as of July 31, 2025
 - [SAC Planning and Budget Committee Agendas and Minutes](#)
 - [SCC Budget Committee Agendas and Minutes](#)

General informational handouts, links, and webpages above were referenced for further review.

7. Approval of FRC Minutes – July 2, 2025
A motion by Hoffman to approve the minutes of July 2, 2025, meeting as presented was seconded by Coyne. By roll call vote the motion passed with abstentions by Hoffman, Coyne, S. Gonzalez, V. Gonzalez, and Grant.
8. Other
O'Connor reminded the colleges to update links to college budget committees for ease of review by committee members at the next meeting.

O'Connor further explained the outlawed checks with confirmation of two large checks related to Santa Ana Unified School District and staff will research further for clarification.

There were no further comments, questions, or discussions.

Next FRC Committee Meeting:

The next FRC meeting is on September 17, 2025, 1:30-3:00 p.m. With a motion by Coyne that was seconded by Kubicka-Miller, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 2:36 p.m.