

FULL AND FAIR FUNDING



ADJUSTED FOR COST OF LIVING, CALIFORNIA RANKS 41ST NATIONALLY IN PER-PUPIL FUNDING AND

- 41ST IN THE NUMBER OF INSTRUCTIONAL AIDES PER STUDENT
- 45TH IN THE PERCENTAGE OF TAXABLE INCOME SPENT ON EDUCATION
- 45TH IN STUDENT-TEACHER RATIOS
- 48TH IN STUDENT-COUNSELOR RATIO
- 48TH IN OVERALL STUDENT-STAFF RATIO
- 50TH IN STUDENT-LIBRARIAN RATIO

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Despite boasting the fifth-largest economy in the world and the highest gross domestic product of any state, California sits near the bottom nationally in nearly every significant measure of school funding and school staffing

- Many California school districts lack the means to: offer essential student services
- deliver appropriate professional development for staff
- engage families in student learning
- implement well-rounded, relevant curriculum
- provide 21st-century infrastructure and technology

WHAT WOULD FULL AND FAIR FUNDING LOOK LIKE?



If California supported schools simply at the national average, funding would increase by \$1,961 per pupil. That's \$49,025 for a 25-student classroom and \$980,500 for 500-student school. If we funded public education at the average of the top 10 states, our schools would receive an additional \$6,769 per pupil, \$169,225 per 25-student classroom and \$3.4 million per 500-student school.

FOR A SCHOOL OF 500 CHILDREN, THAT'S AN ADDITIONAL \$3.4 MILLION ANNUALLY FOR:



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- class size reduction
 - career technical education, expanded curriculum
 - student services (counselors, social workers, wellness centers, etc.)
 - instruction in the STEM fields (science, technology, engineering and math)
 - expanded offerings in the arts
 - parent and community engagement
 - support for English learners
 - intervention programs
 - instructional support staff
 - textbooks and supplies
 - Who benefits from this invention? Why?