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TO: Business Administrators
Los Angeles County School Districts
Charter Schools

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SUBJECT: 2023-24 Mandate Block Grant Application for Funding

The 2023 Budget Act (Chapter 12, Statutes of 2023) appropriates approximately \$259.8 million for the Mandated Block Grant (MBG) program. This allows eligible agencies including school districts, charter schools, and county offices of education (COE) to elect to receive funding for 2023-24 mandated activities via the MBG program, or through the traditional claims reimbursement process. MBG funds are specifically intended to fund the costs of mandated programs and activities identified in *Government Code (GC)* Section 17581.6(f).

Please click on any of the following links for more information:

- Funding Letter - <https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/r14/mandatebg23ltr1.asp>
- Programs Funded by the MBG - <https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/r14/mandatebg23list.asp>
- Programs Suspended by the DOF - <https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/r14/mandatebg23dofltr.asp>

Additional information, including links to correspondence, frequently asked questions, and other fiscal information is available at:

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/ca/mandatebg.asp>

SPENDING CONSTRAINTS AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

MBG funds are unrestricted. Per Education Code 41020, however, districts are still required to perform the mandated activities.

FUNDING

Funding for 2023-24 is calculated based on 2022-23 Second Principal Apportionment (P-2) average daily attendance (ADA) using the funding rates listed below. Funds will be apportioned in November.

Grade Span	School District Rates	Charter School Rates	COE Rates
K-8	\$37.81	\$19.85	\$37.81
9-12	\$72.84	\$55.17	\$72.84

PARTICIPATION IN THE MBG

The election to participate in the MBG is done annually by submission of the web-based MBG Application, which serves as the Letter Requesting Funding. The application is due to the California Department of Education (CDE) by **August 30, 2023**, to receive the 2023-24 funding. The letter, application to participate, and other information regarding the MBG is found on the CDE's website at:

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/r14/mandatebg23rfa.asp>

CHARTER SCHOOLS

Charter schools are eligible to participate in the MBG. They should have received the same letter of intent from the CDE as the districts and should follow the same application process. The traditional claim reimbursement process is not available for charter schools, therefore the MBG is the only means for charter schools to receive this funding. New charter schools that started in 2023-24 will not receive MBG funds as funding is based on 2022-23 P-2 ADA.

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