

# Partial 2021–22 State Budget Deal Unveiled

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*[Editor's Note: Subsequent to the publishing of this article, Assembly Bill/Senate Bill 138 was amended to establish the School Employees Fund unemployment insurance rate in 2021-22 at 0.5%.]*

On the evening of June 25, 2021, the Legislature released a summary of a revised 2021–22 State Budget, which reflects a partial deal with Governor Gavin Newsom. While trailer bills are not yet in print to confirm the details of the plan, the following framework for California Community Colleges (CCC) was provided, and reflects agreement between the Legislature and Administration:

- \$371.2 million ongoing to provide a 5% cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) to the Student Centered Funding Formula and extends the hold harmless provision by one year
- \$100 million ongoing to increase the number of full-time faculty at CCCs
- \$42.4 million ongoing for the Strong Workforce Program
- \$30 million ongoing and \$100 million onetime to support basic needs
- \$30 million ongoing to support student mental health
- \$15 million ongoing to support the California Apprenticeship Initiative
- \$12.5 million ongoing for a COLA on adult education
- \$10 million ongoing and \$90 million one-time to increase part-time faculty office hours
- \$4.9 million ongoing for Umoja
- \$8 million ongoing for MESA
- \$7 million ongoing for Puente Program
- \$20 million ongoing for EOPS
- \$10 million ongoing to support the Rising Scholars
- \$1.3 million ongoing for Historically Black Colleges and Universities Transfer Pathways,
- \$24 million ongoing for the Student Equity and Achievement Program
- \$1.45 billion to fully pay-down the CCC deferrals
- \$511 million one-time Proposition 98 to address deferred maintenance needs
- \$250 million one-time in emergency financial aid

Missing from the final version of the 2021–22 State Budget is pension rate relief. The Legislature is poised to adopt this framework in Assembly Bill/Senate Bill 129, the “budget bill junior” on June 28. While some trailer bills have been released, the education budget trailer bill is not in print as of this writing, Saturday, June 26.

As budget trailer bills are released, we will provide those details in future *Community College Update* articles.