Governor's Proposed State Budget 2013-14

State Council of Education
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- We are pleased that Gov. Brown's proposed state budget reflects the will of voters and includes additional funding for students, public schools and colleges as approved in Prop. 30 last year.
- Funding for our schools and colleges has been cut by more than $20 billion over the last four years. It's time our students had a chance to focus on learning. It's time to pay that money back… for the future of our children!

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- Overall, thanks to the voters of California and Gov. Brown. This proposed budget is a good first step toward restoring much-needed funding to our public schools and colleges.

We look forward to working with the governor and all lawmakers on behalf of California's students and educators throughout the year.

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TALKING POINTS:

- Lacking details on the Local School Funding Formula, we appreciate the focus on local schools and additional resources to students who need extra help.

  - ✓ Concerned about moving forward with a new funding system before schools have received the money they are owed from years of cuts.

  - ✓ Concerned with the overall structure of the new K-12 funding system, including quality of data and timing of implementation.

  - ✓ State must have adequate resources to reduce class sizes and implement the Common Core State Standards.

  - ✓ Class Size Reduction program for K-3 must remain a priority.

  - ✓ New funding system must include accountability for how dollars are spent including strong penalties for districts failing to provide basic services to all students.

  - ✓ The plan must include audit requirements to ensure data used in the new formula is accurate and calculated equally in all schools.