

Plaza Elementary School District's

2016-17 Education Protection Account (EPA) Budget and Spending Plan

Background:

Proposition 30, *The Schools and Local Public Safety Protection Act of 2012*, approved by the voters on November 6, 2012, temporarily increases the state sales tax rate for all taxpayers and the personal income tax rates for upper-income taxpayers.

Implementation:

- These new state revenues will be deposited into a state account called the *Education Protection Account* (EPA).
- School districts will receive funds from the EPA based on their proportionate share of the statewide revenue limit amount. Then, **a corresponding reduction is made to the school district's LCFF funding equal to the amount of their EPA revenues.**
- Beginning in 2013-14 the entitlement will be made quarterly.

Further Reporting Requirements:

- Each year, a spending plan must be approved by the governing board during a public meeting.
- EPA funds cannot be used for salaries or benefits of administrators or any other administrative costs.
- Each year, the district must publish on its website an accounting of how much money was received from the EPA and how the funds were expended.
- There will be a requirement for the annual financial audit to include verification that the EPA funds were used as specified by Proposition 30.
- The EPA entitlement and expenditures will be recorded in Resource Code 1400.

District Spending Plan:

As specified by Proposition 30, it is the district's intent to spend the EPA funds on "instructional activities"; primarily teacher salaries and benefits as detailed below.

<u>Teacher Salaries</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Medicare</u>	<u>Unemployment</u>	<u>Work Comp</u>	<u>H&W</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$177,465.47	\$22,325.16	\$2,573.25	\$88.73	\$4,063.25	\$41,256.60	\$247,772.46

Total EPA Entitlement: \$247,778.00