

## Partial List of Imminent Budget Cuts for School Districts in San Joaquin County

The following are educational program cuts that local school boards have identified as highly likely to occur in the 2008-09 school year if education funding is reduced as proposed by the Governor.

This list does not contain all likely cuts because some district boards have not yet identified the specific actions that they plan to take.

Some districts have elected to utilize reserve funds to postpone the impact of budget cuts. If the Governor's funding proposals are enacted, there will be even more devastating cuts in the 2009-10 fiscal year when districts will have exhausted all of their reserve funds.

Description	Amount of Cut	Impact on Students
Classroom Teachers	\$11,109,739	Reduced number of teachers will result in larger class sizes, more combination classes, and the elimination of high school elective classes. An increase in class size in high school math and English from 20 or less to at least 35 students is planned in at least one district along with the elimination of art classes and NROTC program. These cuts will have a devastating impact on student learning opportunities and will result in lower levels of student achievement.
Classroom Instructional Assistants	\$1,495,202	Reductions in the number of instructional assistants will result in an increase in student to adult ratios and a loss of learning opportunities for students with a resulting decline in student achievement.
Campus Supervision/Safety/Truancy staff	\$3,591,313	Reductions in campus supervision staff will result in less adult supervision and assistance. This may lead to a lower level of student safety and less ability for districts to correct student attendance problems. Students who do not feel safe at school tend to attend school less often. This results in a loss of funding for the districts, and a decline in student achievement.
School Site Administration	\$3,679,682	Several districts plan to eliminate many assistant principal positions. As a result, students, staff and parents will have less access to school administrators. Site principals will be forced to spend more time on student discipline and less time on academic achievement and instructional leadership.
Instructional Equipment and Supplies	\$1,799,191	Students and teachers will have fewer resources in the classrooms. There will be less money for paper, pencils, art supplies, science equipment, demonstration materials and other tools that teachers use in the classroom. The educational experience will suffer and will result in a decline in student achievement.
Student Field Trips	\$303,989	After school sports trips for athletic teams and field trips that provide educational enrichment experiences for students will be reduced or eliminated. These experiences often provide the inspiration to students that motivate them to reach higher levels of achievement. Those student motivational opportunities will be lost.
Athletic Programs	\$487,796	Freshman sports and cheerleading could be eliminated, thereby depriving many students of what is, for some students, an important motivator for them to stay in school and study hard. Administrative supervision of athletic programs would be reduced resulting in fewer opportunities for students to participate in sports and/or distraction of the school principals who would have to supervise athletic operations rather than giving their attention to the academic program.

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Summer School	\$1,200,000	Summer session for community college students would be eliminated, depriving them of the opportunity to further their college experience and delaying their entry into the workforce as productive citizens.
Librarians	\$728,160	Students will have fewer services in the library. Students will not have access to adults who can assist them in research that provides them with a deeper understanding of the subjects that they are working to learn about. Student achievement will suffer.
Staff Training	\$883,689	Cuts in funding for professional staff development for teachers will result in classroom teachers that have not been fully trained in strategies and techniques of student instruction that are needed in order to help students reach their full learning potential. Student achievement will suffer.
Student Transportation/Bus Drivers	\$972,058	Reductions in the number of bus drivers may result in less home-to-school transportation services for students. This may mean longer walking distances and can result in a decrease in student safety. Students who are at risk for poor attendance may be more likely to miss school if they do not have transportation, resulting in lower student achievement and a further loss of funding for the school district.

Custodial/Maintenance/Grounds	\$4,390,168	Cleanliness of school buildings will suffer as rooms are cleaned less frequently. Custodians are expected to inspect school grounds each day to correct any broken equipment or to remove any hazardous substances or contraband that have been left on the campus at night. A reduction of custodial staff will make it more difficult to ensure a safe, clean and orderly campus for students. Building maintenance will be delayed which will cause greater facility decay and more expense in the future. Roofs, heating and air conditioning systems, pavement, flooring, electrical systems and other major building systems that suffer from neglect will deteriorate rapidly.
Office/Clerical	\$1,997,137	School districts are large and complex business operations that cannot operate efficiently without adequate staff to meet administrative requirements imposed by state and federal governments and to provide service to students and their parents. Loss of clerical staff will decrease efficiency and service and can threaten the districts' ability to meet compliance requirements and complete required reports to the state and federal government.
District Administration	\$936,710	School districts are large and complex business operations that cannot operate efficiently without adequate staff to meet administrative requirements imposed by state and federal governments. Loss of district administrative staff can threaten the districts' ability to meet compliance requirements and complete required reports to the state and federal government, resulting in financial penalties to the districts. Administrative oversight is essential to assuring that educational programs are aligned with state and federal requirements, that staff are being properly trained, and that student progress is being properly monitored.
Increased Fees	\$774,112	Districts will be forced to increase fees to community groups using school facilities. Student lunch prices will likely increase. Higher fees may be imposed on families whose children ride the bus to school. Students from families who cannot afford to pay higher fees may suffer from poor attendance and a decline in student achievement.
Student Counseling	\$2,198,619	Reductions in the number of counselors will result in students having less access to guidance counseling and class scheduling assistance. Students and their families will receive less outreach regarding student attendance problems resulting in poorer student attendance and a decline in student performance.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$36,547,565</b>	