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Legislative update: CSBA-sponsored bill package advances



As the 2023 legislative session kicks into high gear, **CSBA is advancing a substantial package of sponsored bills**. Together, this set of **priority legislation will help increase funding for student health, support small school districts in hiring sufficient administrative staff, increase support for districts facing cyberattacks, help boards appoint student members, and provide sufficient and**

predicable funding for county office of education-operated juvenile court and community schools.

Policy committees in both the Senate and the Assembly are considering these and other education proposals. **Among the six bills CSBA is sponsoring:**

- **Assembly Bill 1023** (Papan, D-San Mateo): **Increased support for school districts to protect against ransomware attacks** – Would authorize local educational agencies to use discretionary funding provided under the Arts, Music & Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant for cybersecurity purposes, in keeping with the intent of the grant to allow districts to use these funds for operational costs, including taking needed proactive steps to protect against possible ransomware attacks. *Awaiting consideration by the Assembly Emergency Management Committee.*
- **Senate Bill 645** (Ochoa-Bogh, R-Yucaipa): **Addressing the small school district administrator-to-teacher ratio caps** – Would allow small school districts to hire the appropriate number of administrators based upon school size, helping small districts better meet the needs of their students, teachers, staff and the greater school community. *Awaiting consideration by the Senate Education Committee.*

[Check CSBA's blog for an update on each of the other sponsored bills »](#)

Biden Administration issues new proposed Title IX rule related to transgender students in sports



On April 6, the **Biden Administration issued a notice of proposed rulemaking to Title IX** applicable to the “narrow category of athletic eligibility criteria.” Specifically, the rule aims to regulate sex-related eligibility criteria that affects a student’s ability to play on a male or female sports team that aligns with their gender identity.

The **proposed rule would prohibit K-12 schools and universities that receive federal funds from creating total bans on transgender student participation in sports on teams that match their gender identity. However, the proposed rule allows schools to limit transgender student participation on sports to teams that match their sex assigned at birth based on considerations of the type of sport, the level of competition, and the grade or educational level that the limit applies to. In addition, any criteria established by local educational agencies limiting student opportunities in sports must be substantially related to the achievement of an important educational objective and be implemented in a manner to minimize any harm to students whose opportunities to participate on a sports team consistent with their gender identity are either limited or denied because of the criteria.**

The next phase in the rulemaking process is the comment period during which the public can submit comments on the rule to the Department of Education. **After the 30-day comment period, the Department of Education will consider the comments and make adjustments to the rule as they see fit.**

Also on April 6, **the U.S. Supreme Court issued a procedural ruling that will allow a transgender student to play on the sports team that matches their gender identity**

pending the outcome of an appeal of a district court's decision to uphold a West Virginia law requiring participation in sports based on a person's biological sex at birth.

[Learn more on the CSBA blog »](#)

In other updates:

- The **United States Department of Agriculture announced** an extension for **public comment** on Child Nutrition Programs: Revisions to Meal Patterns Consistent With the 2020 Dietary Guidelines for Americans. **The new deadline is May 10.** [Learn more »](#)
- **Disability Innovation funds are available for the Pathways to Partnerships Innovative Model Demonstration Project.** This discretionary grant competition will fund projects focused on the creation of systemic approaches to transition services for children and youth with disabilities. The estimated available funds for this program total more than \$224 million contingent upon the availability of funds and quality of applications. Applications are due by June 5. [Learn more »](#)

Register for CSBA webinar on school safety



Join CSBA on **April 18** for an informative webinar on school safety planning and the impacts of traumatic incidents, "Safety First: Expert tips for supporting effective school safety plans and student mental health." Join experts from the California Department of Education, school districts and the mental health field as they **discuss the requirements and timelines for comprehensive school safety**

plans, highlight practical examples from Poway and San Bernardino school districts, and examine the impact of school safety threats on students' well-being and academic success. A Q&A session with the panelists will follow the discussion.

[Register for the webinar »](#)

Nominations open for 2024 CSBA officers



The CSBA Candidate Review Committee **invites CSBA members to participate in this year's election process for the offices of Vice President and President-elect.** Nominations may be made by either a school district or county board that is a member of CSBA, or by an individual member of a CSBA member board. **Please consider running yourself or encourage others to run for CSBA office. Officer nomination**

forms are due by Tuesday, June 1, 2023. [Learn more »](#)

Have you completed your GASB report?



The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) establishes accounting reporting standards. **GASB 68 reports are required for pensions that are provided to the employees of state and local governmental employers** through pension plans that are administered through trusts. **GASB 75 reports are required for other postemployment benefits** that are provided to the employees of state and local

governmental employers. CSBA offers actuarial services through our partner DFA, LLC. **DFA, LLC provides GASB compliant reports to state and local governmental employers with no limit to the number of participants.** [Learn more »](#)

Stay up to date with the latest news and resources on the [CSBA blog](#).

Virtual events

Webinar: Safety First: Expert tips for supporting effective school safety plans and student mental health

April 18 | [Register](#)

MIG Course 1: Foundations of Effective Governance/Setting Direction

April 26-27 | [Register](#)

Student Board Member Focus Groups

May 8 | [Register](#)

MIG Course 2: Student Learning &

Sponsors



Achievement/Policy & Judicial Review

May 9-10 | [Register](#)

MIG Course 1: Foundations of Effective Governance/Setting Direction

May 11-12 | [Register](#)

Webinar: Managing OPEB costs and other liabilities within changing budgets

May 25 | [Register](#)

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In-person events

CSBA Roadshow

April 17 | Huntington Beach | [Register](#)

MIG Course 3: School Finance Part 1 & 2

April 19 | Santa Cruz | [Register](#)

MIG Course 4: Human Resources/Collective Bargaining

April 20 | Santa Cruz | [Register](#)

2023 Coast2Coast Federal Advocacy Trip

April 24-26 | Washington, D.C. | [Register](#)

MIG Course 5: Community Relations & Advocacy/Governance Integration

May 2 | Santa Cruz | [Register](#)

CSBA Roadshow

May 3 | East Los Angeles | [Register](#)

CSBA Roadshow

May 8 | Ventura/Santa Barbara | [Register](#)

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