

California School Health Policy Update

For Members

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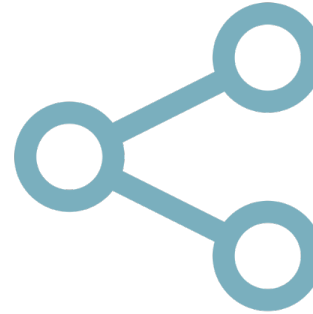




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2024-25 State Budget

- Governor's initial proposal was released on Wednesday, January 10th
- Overview:
 - \$208.7 billion General Fund
 - \$37.9 billion shortfall
 - \$18.4 billion reserves
- Shortfall caused by drop in revenue from taxes on high income earners, capital gains, and 2023 storms
 - No new funding for discretionary programs expected in 2024-25

2024-25 State Budget

- \$37.9 billion shortfall to be mitigated by:
 - \$13.1 billion from 2023-24 budget reserves
 - \$8.5 billion in spending cuts
 - \$5.7 billion from special funds and borrowing
 - \$5.1 billion in spending delays
 - \$3.4 billion in shifts to special funds
 - \$2.1 billion in spending deferrals
- Budget highlights:
 - Medi-Cal expanded to **all** income-eligible residents ages 26-49
 - \$126.8 billion in K-12 program spending
 - New school facility bond measure for November ballot



2024-25 State Budget

Learn more at:

<https://ebudget.ca.gov/>

2024 Legislative Calendar

- 2024 session runs from **January 3rd-August 31st**
- Important dates:
 - **February 16th** - last day for new bill introductions
 - **May 24th** - last day for bills to pass out of house of origin
 - **June 15th** - last day to pass 2024-25 Budget
 - **July 4th-August 5th** - summer recess
 - **August 31st** - last day for bills to pass Legislature
 - **September 30th** - last day for Governor to sign or veto bills



2024 Policy Priorities

CSHA reviews and updates its policy priorities on an annual basis. With school-based health centers and services under increased scrutiny, it is more important than ever to be proactive in our advocacy efforts. This ensures that CSHA focuses on advancing, defending, and elevating the mission of school-based health centers with the most critical issues in mind.

CSHA is proud to present to members the
2024 Policy Priorities!

2024 Policy Priorities

1. State funding for starting, improving, and/or expanding new school-based health centers.
2. Ensure the physical, mental, and reproductive well-being of students by protecting their right to consent to and access medically accurate, confidential, culturally relevant, and age appropriate health services in schools
3. Improve substance use prevention and early intervention in schools by decreasing punitive discipline policies.

Sponsored Legislation

- **School-Based Health Legislation**

- Assemblymember Jones-Sawyer will author legislation to increase state support for school-based health centers
- Further details in the coming weeks

- **Senate Bill 954 (Menjivar)**

- Would require middle and high schools to make condoms available free to students
- Co-sponsored with:
 - Essential Health Access
 - GENup
 - Black Women for Wellness
 - Unite for Reproductive & Gender Equity (URGE)

Other Advocacy

- Need comprehensive data on student health impacts at your school? Check out the newly updated **Student Health Index** here:

<https://www.schoolhealthcenters.org/school-based-health/student-health-index/>

- CSHA is partnering with **The Children's Partnership** to educate legislators and their staff on student health needs. Our first legislative briefing, "*Strategizing Health Equity for Children & Youth*," will be held at the State Capitol on February 7th!

Questions





Closing

Don't forget to register for the 2024 School Health Conference!

April 29-30 at the Santa Clara Convention Center
Santa Clara, CA

If you have questions about membership benefits or conference registration, please contact Marcel Reynolds at mreynolds@schoolhealthcenters.org.

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