

**RENAISSANCE ARTS ACADEMY
LEA PLAN UPDATE 2015**

Board Approval: 6/30/15

This memorandum revises the Renaissance Arts Academy Local Education Agency (LEA) Plan for the purpose of consolidating and aligning currently mandated state and federal school accountability plans to support the growth and cohesion of RenArts' award-winning education program and increase successful outcomes for all RenArts students. This memo applies to all charter schools operated by Renaissance Arts Academy, and serves as an addendum to all RenArts LEA Plans.

In keeping with federal and state requirements, and in active support of this organization's Mission and Goals, the Renaissance Arts Academy Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP), as approved and annually updated by this board, will serve as an addendum to RenArts' LEA Plan, as initially approved by this board on April 15, 2005. The LEA Plan is authorized by the California Department of Education to validate RenArts' receipt of Title 1 and other federal funds through annual submission of the Consolidated Application (ConApp).

This adjustment conforms with current CDE guidance, minimizing 'duplication of effort' while updating RenArts' LEA Plan to align with: 1) California statewide LCFF priorities; 2) local priorities as delineated in RenArts Charter Renewal; 3) RenArts Title 1 and LCAP committee input from parents, students and faculty. The RenArts LCAP will be kept on file with RenArts' CDE-approved LEA Plan as evidence of compliance with federal program requirements.

Per CDE Website:

The original LEA Plan template was designed as a five-year plan, which was the expected duration of the current authorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, known as the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001. Although Congress is holding hearings on reauthorization, it is impossible to predict when this will actually happen.

Until the law is officially reauthorized and any new requirements for a local plan are made evident, LEAs will not be required to submit a new LEA Plan to the State Board of Education for approval. However, LEAs have been advised since July of 2003 that it is necessary to annually review and update the LEA Plan. Any revisions should be approved by the local school board and kept on file with the original plan. In the event your LEA is selected for an on-site Federal Program Monitoring (FPM) visit, you will be required to produce these documents as evidence of compliance.

(<http://www.cde.ca.gov/nclb/sr/le/leaupdate.asp>)

The [Local Control Funding Formula \(LCFF\)](#), California's new school funding formula, was enacted in 2013. The Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) is an important component of the LCFF. Under the LCFF, all LEAs are required to prepare an LCAP, which describes how they intend to meet annual goals for all pupils, with specific activities to address state and local priorities identified pursuant to [California Education Code \(EC\) Section 52060\(d\)](#). The LCAP does not replace the federal requirements related to LEA Plans in Section 1112 of the ESEA. However, the LCAP template will be developed by the SBE in a manner that meets both the LCAP requirements and the federal requirements, and the SBE will take steps to minimize duplication of effort at the local level to the greatest extent possible ([EC Section 52064](#)).

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