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Dear County and District Superintendents and Charter School Administrators:

INTRODUCTION OF THE NEW LCFF STATE PRIORITIES SNAPSHOT

The California Department of Education (CDE) is pleased to announce the release of the new Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) State Priorities Snapshot (hereafter referred to as the State Priorities Snapshot). With the implementation of the LCFF, the State Priorities Snapshot was developed to graphically display those data measures collected by the state and provide parents/guardians/caregivers, educators, and communities access to the data in a format that is easy to understand.

Previously, the School Quality Snapshot (SQS), released in October 2012, provided an overview of information about schools and their performance on key indicators reported in the School Accountability Report Card. The new State Priorities Snapshot replaces the SQS and will report a three-year trend of data based on: (1) student achievement, (2) student engagement, and (3) school climate.

Because direct-funded and locally-funded charter schools are responsible for developing and annually updating their own Local Control Accountability Plans (LCAPs), the district-level State Priorities Snapshots will not include charter school data for some of its data elements. As a result, the number, percent, and rates displayed on the district-level State Priorities Snapshots may be different than what are presented on the CDE DataQuest Web page. However, four data elements: (1) dropout, (2) graduation, (3) suspension, and (4) expulsion, will include locally-funded charter school data.

The State Priorities Snapshot is accessible through the CDE LCFF Reports Web page at <http://ias.cde.ca.gov/lcffreports/>. Data files containing the data used to generate the State Priorities Snapshot are available for download for each school, local educational agency, or state.

If you have any questions regarding the State Priorities Snapshot, please contact the Academic Accountability Unit by phone at 916-319-0863 or by e-mail at aau@cde.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Keric Ashley".

Keric Ashley, Deputy Superintendent
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