



## FAQ Education Transition in the Era of COVID July 22, 2020

QUESTION	RESPONSE
When will the final Learning Continuity Plan template be ready?	The template is required to be ready by August 1 <sup>st</sup> . The draft template is currently available on the CDE website, so we advise you to begin your stakeholder engagement process now, and transfer your narratives to the final template when it is released.
How does the SPSA relate/compare with LCAP Federal. Is there no LCAP Federal this year?	<p>The LCAP Federal Addendum which was implemented in August of 2019, was a one-time submission for federal program dollars. It does not need to be resubmitted for 20-21 UNLESS the LEA/charter school has been approved for new federal programs which were not in place during 19-20.</p> <p>The SPSA is a federal requirement for LEAs who receive federal funds. In "normal" years, charter schools would be able to use their Board-approved LCAP as their SPSA which would detail their use of the federal dollars. Since there is no LCAP for 20-21, LEAs/charter schools must develop a SPSA to detail their use of federal funds.</p>
Can our SSC hold the public hearing under the Green Act for the continuity plan rather than a special board meeting?	<p>Unfortunately, not. The statute requires a public hearing by the Board on the draft of the Learning Continuity &amp; Attendance Plan. The public hearing must be held on a separate day for the regular board meeting for approval.</p> <p>If your Board meets monthly, you should hold the public hearing during the August regular meeting of your Board. The regular Board agenda would reflect the item as "Public Hearing on Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan."</p> <p>If your Board meets quarterly or every other month, you will need to arrange for a Special Meeting where the Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan will be noticed as a "public hearing"</p>
What do non-classroom based schools do?	Non-classroom-based charter schools are also required to develop a Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan.
We are not planning in-person instruction at all until it is safe for staff and students to return to campus. Since we don't know how the COVID situation will evolve months from now, and guidance for re-opening keeps changing, how can we put out a plan for in-person instruction at this early stage?	This is a concern for all LEAs and charter schools since the Governor's announcement on July 17, 2020. Information is forthcoming on this issue. We expect the CDE to address this in its instruction and guidance which will accompany the final template.
What is the SPSA submission deadline? Wait - WHEN is the SPSA due???	<p>There is no "deadline" per se. As stated in the presentation, we STRONGLY suggest developing the 20-21 SPSA concurrently with the development of your Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan to alleviate the challenges around stakeholder engagement.</p> <p>Please note that the final SPS will require approval by your School Site Council, and then by your Board.</p> <p>Using this process, you would be able to submit your SPSA and Learning Continuity Plan to the required entities September 30, 2020.</p>
And who receives the SPSA - do we submit direct to CDE?	The SPSA (after final approval of the LEAs Board) will be submitted directly the CDE.
Since there is no LCAP, then there is no Federal Addendum? Just the SPSA?	<p>The SPSA will serve as the placeholder for the use of federal dollars (which would normally be included in the LCAP) for 20-21.</p> <p>A new Federal Addendum will need to be submitted ONLY if the LEA is receiving new federal program dollars that had not been received before.</p>
We are an Independent Study program. We have never offered classroom-based instruction, but we have offered in-person supports (tutoring, SpEd, counseling, meeting basic needs...) at our campus. Is this the activity I should describe in the "In Person Instructional Offering" section of the Learning Continuity Plan? Or is this part of our Distance Learning program, and should be detailed in that section?	We expect the CDE to address this in its instruction and guidance which will accompany the final template.
Will we need to apply for the Learning Loss Mitigation funds or will those just be allocated automatically?	<p>We expect the CDE to release detailed information this week and they just released today a link the Learning Loss Mitigation page you can see here</p> <p><a href="https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/cr/learningloss.asp">https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/cr/learningloss.asp</a></p>
You provided the disbursement schedule for 2020-2021, but what about the rest of the 2019-2020 funds that have not been distributed? I apologize if I missed when you spoke on this.	The June 2019 deferrals will be released in July. We expect them to be coming any day now.